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Fees rise with little notice

International students see increase in application fees

KRISTEN REBER
NEWS REPORTER

Beginning Friday, April 30, increased U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services benefit application fees will affect international students on campus.

"This month, on the 15th, the Department of Homeland Security published the new fee rules for applications," International Student Services adviser Toni Liston said. "These new fees will go into effect the 30th of this month."

These increases are not the only recent ones.

The application fees were also changed last year.

"There are many form applications that have been

changed, averaging about a \$50 increase," Liston said. "The last time there was a change was January 2003. Then, it was a pretty big increase. On Jan. 24, they reduced them, and about two

"I feel a little discouraged that we weren't given a bit more notice."

~Toni Liston

months later, they increased the fees, and now they are up again."

International students are affected in many areas with the increases.

"These new fees are going to affect international students in two areas," Liston said. "First of all, (students are affected when)

applying for work permissions and practical training after they graduate. (These fees increased) from \$145 to \$195. Another way it affects them is if they come out of legal status, then that fee is also going up to \$195 to get back into legal status. The application to change visa types (will also affect international students)."

According to Liston, the fee increases are implemented to pay for computer systems with the Immigration and Naturalization Services.

International students were notified of the changes the day after news of the increased fees was released.

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New officers have big plans for SIUE

SCHALENE HOUSTON
NEWS STRINGER

The International Student Council has new officers for the 2004-2005 school year.

ISC adviser Ali Soltanshahi said there were about 400 students who voted.

"I don't remember exactly, but I think it was over 460 people that came," Soltanshahi said.

The new officers are President Vikas Reddy, Vice President Yosuki Irie and public affairs officer Bikram Shrestha.

"No one competed for secretary and treasurer, so I think they'll be appointed," Soltanshahi said.

The officers will serve a one-year term. Soltanshahi said this year's officers will train the new officers, who will begin their

term at the beginning of the fall semester.

ISC sponsors International Week and International Night, which is a huge event for the organization each year.

"It's a huge event on campus and takes place in November, but it's been in February because of the renovations," Soltanshahi said. "But, it will be back in November next year."

ISC also participates in other small events.

"They also try to participate with other organizations on campus," Soltanshahi said.

The members have gone on canoe and hiking trips.

Each year, the new officers have a goal to accomplish for the organization. This year, the goal is to build a Web site.

More art on campus

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

Big plans are in the making for adding another venue to see art at SIUE.

The Edwardsville Art Center plans to relocate its art center to the campus.

The plan is for the center to be on the southeast corner of New Poag Road and North University Drive.

The price of the center will be between \$2 million and \$3.5 million.

Art Center Secretary

Dan Anderson told the Alton Telegraph it could take years to raise the necessary funds.

The university plans to give the center a long-term lease on the site.

The design plan is to build one large gallery and several smaller galleries to present the works of local artists.

Edwardsville High School art students currently use the art center on Center Grove Road for classes.

Walk with leaders

NATALIE WALTERS
NEWS STRINGER

Faculty and staff have a chance to get out for a great cause.

The annual Chancellor's Walk takes place Thursday, April 29.

The two-mile event begins at the front entrance of the Morris University Center and ends at the Student Fitness Center.

Employees of the School of Dental Medicine in Alton

will have a route to walk as well.

Participants who are members of the Student Fitness Center will receive T-shirts, and those who aren't will receive a free three-month membership from May 1 to July 31.

"The event coincides with the Employee Fitness and Benefits Fair and Staff Senate Barbecue fundraiser," Campus Recreation

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Students celebrate with songs



JESSICA BALADAD/ALESTLE
SIUE freshmen Brittany Coleman and Michelle Douglas sing together during All '80s Cougar Karaoke Wednesday in the Goshen Lounge of the Morris University Center. The event was sponsored by Campus Activities Board and is part of the weeklong Springfest celebration.

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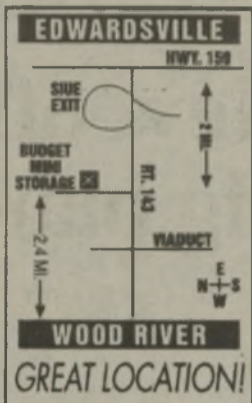
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Forum discusses stereotypes

KELLY SCHOMAKER
NEWS STRINGER

The Office of the Assistant Provost for Cultural and Social Diversity sponsored a sociology workshop and town hall meeting Tuesday in the Morris University Center to discuss stereotypes on the SIUE campus.

The meeting was opened by Assistant Provost for Cultural and Social Diversity Rudolph Wilson.

"The project was proposed by two graduate students of social work as a project for a class," Wilson said. "It was an open forum to discuss ways of reducing stereotypes and to promote diversity in a positive way."

University Museum graduate assistant Dustyn Steinhorst said, "My co-partner, Mariam Schrage, and I did this project proposal to find the social economics of the justice issue and the social issue about stereotypes that are found on the SIUE campus.

"Basically, we talked about



KWAME ROSS/ALESTLE

Assistant Provost for Cultural and Social Diversity Rudy Wilson and graduate students Dustyn Steinhorst and Mariam Schrage discuss stereotypes at the town hall meeting Tuesday in the Morris University Center.

stereotypes, such as sex orientation and age," Steinhorst said. "Stereotypes are part of our culture, and we're informing people to move on and grow."

Students, faculty and staff were invited to attend the open forum.

"It's a way to trigger ideas on how we were taught to hate and

discriminate and look at the direct effect of the 21st century," Wilson said. "We were not brought up in this world to hate."

"I'd like to continue with this and make it bigger and better," Steinhorst said. "Change the campus for the better of all and change stereotypes on campus."

Reception honors a retiree

SCHALENE HOUSTON
NEWS STRINGER

Art Education Program Director Joseph Weber had a reception honoring his retirement, planned for the end of the summer 2004 semester.

Weber has served on the SIUE staff for 31 years as a professor. The reception was April 16 in Peck Hall to honor his work.

"It was wonderful. The interesting thing is I had so many students show up. I was pleased," Weber said.

Some students who came were from previous classes

Weber had taught. Weber said he was happy to see his old students again.

This reception was hosted by the Art and Design Department. Weber said on Monday, the College of Art and Sciences also gave a reception for him.

Weber said he plans to finish some projects he has not had the chance to work on due to his busy schedule. Weber said there is a book he has started and plans to complete.

"I'm very involved with the restoration of the Col. Benjamin Stephenson home," Weber said.

He said he plans to help turn the home, built in 1820, into a

historical museum.

Weber said the students have been the most exciting part he has enjoyed while working at SIUE.

"They are artists and interested in teaching art," Weber said.

He also said he's pleased with the programs that have started on campus.

"I've been grateful to the university and Art Department and the programs. They provided me with some opportunities," Weber said.

Weber is also a painter and said he wants to return to his painting once he retires.

Alestle names a new editor

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

Tyler Bennett, a mass communications junior, has been named the editor in chief of the Alestle.

Bennett, who has been a stringer, reporter and news editor at the student paper, was selected by the Alestle board earlier this month. The board is made of working professionals, a Student Senate representative, mass communications faculty members and university administrators.

"I hope the Alestle will help students become more involved with their campus and that the paper will bring to their attention the issues that affect them," Bennett said.



JESSICA BALADAD/ALESTLE

Tyler Bennett

Bennett was honored this month with the Belleville News-Democrat's Mass Communications Journalism Award, which is presented to promising students.

"Tyler is a bulldog in the newsroom. I look forward to her leadership giving the Alestle a greater impact on this campus," Alestle adviser Mike Montgomery said.

Bennett succeeds Nicole Gaudreault.

"She's a great girl and fun to work with. I look forward to her leadership," Gaudreault said.

Bennett will take over the job May 24 when summer classes begin. She'll serve as the paper's top editor through the spring 2005 semester.

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Economist will explain inflation during lecture

NATALIE WALTERS
NEWS STRINGER

World-renowned economist Jeremy Siegel will be at the 2004 Homer Jones Memorial Lecture Monday in the Conference Center of the Morris University Center.

Siegel is a finance professor at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

The lecture will address the question, "Can we measure expected inflation?"

"Students can hear from an internationally renowned finance professor about how financial

markets can be used to help us better understand the behavior of an inflation," Economics and Finance Department Chair Rik Hafer said.

Siegel has appeared on CNN, CNBC, NPR and has contributed to numerous articles for the Wall Street Journal, Barron's and the Financial Times.

Siegel is also the academic director of the U.S. Securities Industry Institute.

A reception sponsored by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company Inc. follows the presentation.

For more information, contact Hafer at 650-2747.

INTERNATIONAL

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"We've just put the information out last Friday on our listserv for the students, and we're advising students to be sure they file their practical training applications within the next week," Liston said. "So far, since it has just gone out, we haven't gotten much feedback yet."

While increases are expected to occur, Liston finds the timing of the fee increases disappointing.

"It's definitely difficult on the students," Liston said. "I feel a little discouraged that we

weren't given a bit more notice. At least a month's notice would have allowed us to get things changed on our Web page and have handouts and everything else for the students."

Approximately 500 SIUE international students are affected by these increases.

"(These fee increases show) the constant flex of the rules and regulations of guidelines for international students and all foreigners since 9-11," Liston said. "We're getting used to walking on quicksand."

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Assistant Director Aimee Knitter said.

Participants are asked to pre-register with the following information with Campus Recreation secretary Brenda

Newton at brnewto@siue.edu by Wednesday.

Registrants must include their first and last names, Social Security number, home address and phone number, emergency

contact information, faculty or staff affiliation, birthday and if they are Student Fitness Center members.

For further information, contact Knitter at 650-5392.

Campus Scanner

ESL/Adult Education Classes: Lewis and Clark Community College's Project READ is offering individual tutoring, graduating equivalency degree preparation and English as a second language classes to adults 16 and older. For more information on volunteering or taking these classes, contact Karen McCann at (866) GED-LCCC or 468-4141.

Campus Rec Survivor: Campus Activities Board is sponsoring Campus Rec Survivor from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday the Stratton Quadrangle. In case of inclement weather, the event will be in the Goshen Lounge.

Suzuki Spring Festival Concert: The SIUE Suzuki String Development Program students will perform from 2 to

3 p.m. Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 600 Water St., in Edwardsville. Admission is free.

Coffee with the Chancellor: The next Coffee with the Chancellor is from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday in the Missouri Room of the Morris University Center. All students, faculty and staff are invited to ask questions or raise concerns.

Monks: The Tibetan Buddhist monks of the Drepung Gomang Monastery will perform chanting and sacred dances at 7 p.m. Saturday in the SIUE Religious Center. The event is sponsored by the SIUE Friends of the Religious Center. They are asking for a suggested donation of \$10 to \$15 from attendees. Eighty percent of the

proceeds will go to the Drepung Gomang Monastic University, and the remainder will go to help support programs of the FRC on campus.

Tobacco Counseling: The American Lung Association of Illinois is providing the Illinois Tobacco Quitline. Registered nurses, respiratory therapists and addiction counselors staff the toll-free line. Counseling is free to residents of Illinois. Those interested should call (866) QUIT-YES. Hot line hours are from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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

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Freshmen, if they only knew

Another semester is coming to a close, and that means the "little people" are starting to flood the campus.

You can always spot future freshmen because they're a little bit skinnier than the rest of us who've been here for two or seven years.

That's just the most common way to spot them.

Without any further adieu, here are the top five ways to spot future freshman:

1. They pick up - and read - the AleStle. The parents, meanwhile, are still trying to figure out where their children - and money - are going.

2. They look ambitious, hungry, poised to learn and ready to change the world. I have a test for those of you who've been here for a few years. Look at yourself in the mirror and tell me if you still look like that. I thought not. And, isn't it ironic that one of the first things we say

on our résumés is that we're willing to adapt to new environments? Sweet irony.

3. They're excited about meeting who they're going to be living with in the dorms - if they plan on living in the dorms. You will either love them or hate them; there is no in between. And, if you plan on living at home, congratulations, you have a better chance of making it to sophomore status.

4. They are anxious to find a job, so they go on a massive job hunt. To parents, this job hunt will seem like the duration of four years. To the majority of students, this job hunt will seem much briefer because, in fact, it will never actually start.

5. They travel in flocks. They're worse than the geese and are led by the fearless, overambitious Students Assisting in Recruiting tour guides. I should be a STAR tour guide. I'd take the future freshmen and their

parents - you can't forget the parents - on a tour of campus to the places that would really matter.

First I'd take the group on a "nature walk" through Cougar Village. While we're at it, let's have a little future freshman initiation.

Let's give them each a trash bag and a poker and have them pick up any trash they see. You know, to make sure their future residence is clean.

And, while we're in Cougar Village, the group can slide over to Cougar Lake for the noon sewage dumping.

If they're still with us at this point, we can bring them back to Rendleman Hall and direct them to Parking Services.

While there, the families can pay off the complementary parking ticket they have waiting for them on their vehicle and fill out an advance form to pay off their children's future tickets in the form of an installment plan.



If they're still with us at this point, we should at least tell them where Textbook Services is.

I'll give them a hint. It's somewhere between Lot 7 and the National Corn to Ethanol Research Center.

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Letter to the Editor

America should stop blame, focus on prevention

Dear Editor,

What is wrong with the American people? Wait, maybe that is too bold a statement. Perhaps I should say what is wrong with the bleeding-heart liberals of this country? I think they have gone too far this time.

First, let me start by saying right now I am deployed to Baghdad, Iraq. My unit has been here since April 18, 2003. I have

been here since September 2003. I joined late for reasons too complicated to explain.

However, since I have been here, I have noticed something very wrong taking place back home, a blame game. This so-called commission on 9/11 is getting really out of hand.

Many people, liberals mainly as I have seen so far, are trying to pin the blame on someone, and it is President

George W. Bush.

The fact is the government and society got caught napping.

You see, folks, on Sept 10, 2001, no one in his or her right mind would have believed that what happened on Sept. 11 would or could happen.

Why? Well, we thought we would stop them at the airport, or the government would get them, or the people on the plane would get them, or this or that. The

excuses fly.

News flash

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gentlemen - we

aren't perfect.

The basic truth

is society on

Sept. 10 thought

this kind of

thing only

happened "over

there." Even the

Oklahoma City

bombings didn't

stir us too much,

but that was

because it was

our own people

that did it. Let's

examine,

however, why it

did happen.

Our

government

didn't really

spend all that

money on

terrorism

activity.

Indeed, President Bill Clinton could have had Osama bin Laden but turned it down. Why? Because we didn't think he was that big of a threat.

The FBI knew about the pilot training or assumed they knew; if they went and pulled them out and arrested them, they would have been accused of racial profiling. Can't have that, now can we? The American Civil Liberties Union would have been all over that.

Airport screeners, now here are people who should take some blame, or should they? Box-cutter knives - they're metal the detectors can pick up, so why didn't they? The answer is impatient consumers.

I say this because if you go to any airport in America you will find people griping about how long it takes to get through airport screening. People didn't want to wait, they wanted to go right through. That was the response of Americans on Sept. 10th.

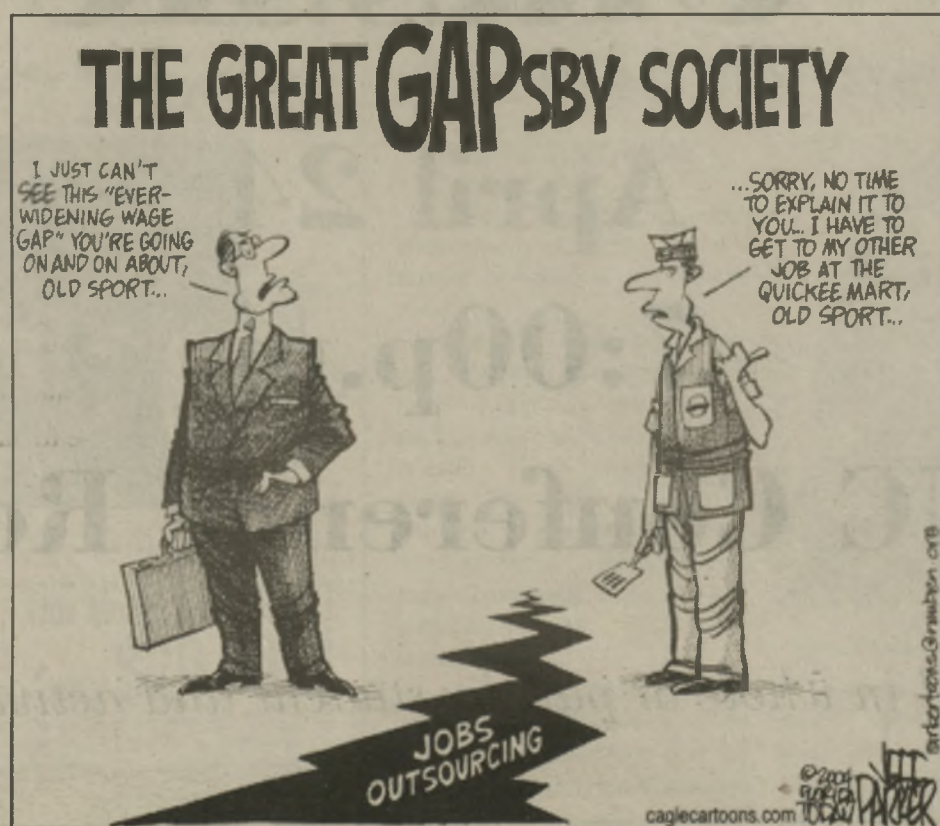
Before Sept 11th, common practice of airlines during a high jacking was to keep the passengers calm and seated. Why? Because no one in the

world, never mind America, thought that Muslim extremists would be bold enough to crash the plane into something.

Why? Because they would die too. Americans couldn't

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really fathom that.

I mean, we had seen it before, but like I said before it was always over there, not in our own backyard.

You see people, we need to spend more time trying to prevent what has happened than we do on placing blame. It happened. I wished it hadn't, but the fact is, when you get down to brass tacks everyone had some blame.

So how about we quit trying to lay blame and get back to prevention.

I feel for the families, I really do. Heck, I volunteered to come to Iraq so we could stop another potential attack. Oh and by the way, this place is a haven for terrorism, anyone telling you otherwise, hasn't seen a mile south of campus.

All I am saying is let's stop the witch hunt and get on with our prevention measures.

Sincerely,
Joseph Layman
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Political Cartoon



Quote of the Day

"Humor is perhaps a sense of intellectual perspective: an awareness that some things are really important, others not; and that the two kinds are most oddly jumbled in everyday affairs."

~Christopher Morley, *Inward Ho*

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Students urged to drink responsibly

THOMAS C. PHILLIPS III
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

With April being the month when most college students are preparing for finals, graduation and summer life, it comes as no surprise that the month, which is designated Alcohol Awareness Month, is often overlooked.

For one sophomore at SIUE, April serves as a reminder of what problems with alcohol brought her, as she views the Web site www.health.org, which lists the symptoms of alcohol abuse.

"I had all of these — drinking alone, drinking when I said I wouldn't, forgetting what I did while I was drinking," the student said, who declined to give her real name. "Except for the part about your family and friends having a problem with your drinking — none of them really said anything about it to me. I thought they didn't notice, but they just didn't know how to approach me."

Since 1987, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence has sponsored Alcohol Awareness Month in order to showcase the devastating effects underage drinking and alcohol abuse can have on people from all walks of life.

Gail Jackson, a representative of the Illinois Drug Education Alliance, said the importance of the month should not be overlooked.

"We at IDEA agree that underage drinking and alcohol abuse is a big deal," Jackson said. "Alcohol costs society not only in dollars, but lost youth, family problems, emotional problems and, unfortunately, sometimes death."

SIUE has sponsored events during April designed to show these effects, such as the Campus Activities Board-sponsored Last Call, which was Monday in the Goshen Lounge and featured alcohol information and virtual drunkdriving simulators, among other things.

Debbie Zeitlin, a drug and alcohol counseling coordinator at Counseling Services and CAB graduate adviser, said the event brought more than 100 students out to receive information.

"The event was really successful," Zeitlin said. "We had DUI simulators, sponsored by NASCAR. Every person had a different type of program, so it felt like you had been drinking,



Freshman Chad Vanryn tests his drunk driving skills in the DUI simulator at the Last Call event, sponsored by Campus Activities Board Monday.

and this is how it would affect your driving. We actually had about 150 people actually drive the cars. In addition to the beer goggles, alcohol screenings upstairs in the Morris University Center and serving 'mocktails' (nonalcoholic beverages), it was a nice event."

Alcohol abuse extends back a lot further for some students, however, who say they were unaware of the effects of alcohol during adolescence.

A 21-year-old senior business major from Cahokia shared some of his experiences with alcohol.

"I started drinking when I was about 14, and at the height of my drinking, I was up to about two to three drinks a day," he said. "It started as something to do to pass time and have fun, but it's not easy to stop. It's a hard habit to break."

This is where on-campus services, such as SIUE's Counseling Services, come in.

Counselors are trained to deal with problems ranging from stress, anxiety and depression to suicidal tendencies and relationship problems, all possible effects of alcohol-related problems.

The office offers free counseling to students, faculty

and staff who may have difficulty coping. The Web site, www.siu.edu/COUNSELING/services.html, gives an overview of the services provided.

This includes classrooms visits at the request of teachers and lecturing on both the positive and negative effects of alcohol consumption.

Zeitlin offered a few words of advice for those who feel they might have issues with alcohol abuse.

"If they think they have problems, they should come in," Zeitlin said. "We don't have to have any information from them. It can be completely confidential. And, if there's something we can't help you with, we'll recommend someone who can. People should drink responsibly and make good decisions, especially around this time with finals and graduation approaching. And, we have information here about the consequences of drinking, either good or bad."

Some students, such as the sophomore, no longer drink due to receiving counseling for her problems.

"I definitely regret even starting," she said. "But there's a lot more I can do without drinking. I'm sure it's fine if you



Freshman Lindsey Walters studies the screen on the DUI simulator as she tries her hand at the wheel.

do it in moderation, but it's just not for everybody. It's not for me anymore."

For more information on counseling, visit the Web site or contact Counseling Services at 650-2197.

Signs of Alcohol Abuse

1. Loss of time from school or work due to drinking
2. Depression or unhappiness due to drinking
3. Drinking in order to cope with personal problems
4. Drinking to overcome shyness
5. Loss of interest in family and friends
6. Loss of interest in activities that were once of interest
7. Difficulty sleeping due to drinking
8. Poor judgment
9. Drinking outside of a social setting
10. Showing up intoxicated in inappropriate settings
11. Drinking to build self-confidence
12. Mood fluctuations.
13. Developing health problems due to drinking
14. Experiencing memory blackouts during or after drinking
15. Frequently drinking to the point of intoxication
16. Feeling guilty about drinking
17. Not fulfilling promises or obligations due to drinking

How to Confront an Alcohol Abuser

1. Talk in a nonjudgmental way about your feelings concerning the person's drinking.
2. If an alcohol abuser denies he or she has a drinking problem, let the person know what will happen if they do not stop drinking.
3. If the alcohol abuser agrees to seek help, get help immediately.

Where to Get Help

SIUE Counseling Services
Campus Box 1154
650-2197

Counseling Services is on the northeast corner of the four-way stop light leading from campus to Cougar Village, or the corner of Cougar Lake Road and South University Drive.

[HTTP://UB-COUNSELING.BUFFALO.EDU/ALCOHOL.S.HTML](http://ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/alcohol.s.html)

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LIFESTYLES STRINGER

The Theater and Dance Department is accepting applications for summer internships.

Anyone in high school, college or the community can sign up as long as the applicant is dependable, responsible and a quick learner.

College students can receive independent study credit for volunteering.

"The Summer Showbiz internship program gives high school and college students an opportunity to learn more about the technical aspects of theater," Theater and Dance Department Technical Director Valerie Goldston said.

Applicants can choose to work on "Grease," "Gypsy" or both productions. Interns can also choose between being part of the backstage crew or working in the

scene and costume shops.

Interns choosing to work as part of the backstage crew are required to work at all of the production and performance dates.

Production dates for "Grease" are June 2 through 19. The performances for "Grease" will be June 10 through 13 and June 17 through 19.

Production for "Gypsy" will be June 29 through July 18, and Gypsy will be performed July 8 through 11 and July 15 through 18.

Rehearsals are from 6 to 10:30 p.m. during the week and some weekend afternoons. Performances start at 7:30 p.m., except for Sunday, which is a 2 p.m. matinee.

The backstage crew works on moving scenery, organizing props, helping with costume changes and operating lights.

Interns who work in the scene and costume shops will

construct scenery, build props, hang lights, paint and make costumes.

Interns in the scene and costume shops can set their own schedules from the end of the semester until July 18.

The scene shop is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and the costume shop is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

No prior experience is needed. By the end of the internship, interns will have attained knowledge of costumes, scenery, prop construction and lighting aspects of stage productions.

"We use the program for recruitment," Goldston said. "The students have fun and learn more about theater and what SIUE has to offer."

To apply for the internship or for more information, contact Goldston at 650-3112 or vgoldst@siue.edu.

Students welcome new organization

THOMAS C. PHILLIPS III
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Spring is busting out all over, and this phrase applies to nature and SIUE student organizations alike.

Senior Toya Lytle is responsible for the restart of the National Association of Black Accountants at SIUE after a few

years of inactivity.

Although Lytle is graduating in May, she said she feels the time to restart the organization is now.

"Due to a long period of inactivity due to low membership, we didn't have a chapter on this campus," Lytle said. "But now is as good a time as any, and I think that an

organization like this could only benefit our campus."

NABA, according to Lytle, is the "premier professional association for developing and promoting greater participation by African-Americans and other minorities in the accounting and finance professions."

Since its establishment in see ORGANIZATION, page 8

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ORGANIZATION

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December 1969 in New York City, the organization represents more than 100,000 African-Americans and other minorities in the fields of accounting, auditing, business, consulting, finance and information technology.

However, Lytle also emphasized the organization's membership is not limited to African-Americans.

"I would really like to stress the fact that we aren't just for African-Americans, despite the name," Lytle said. "We are open to anyone that has a major in the business field, whether it be accounting, business law, statistics, anything of the sort."

Goals for the chapter include increased membership and a desire to work and provide networking opportunities for students, along with training students for the workforce,

Lytle said.

"NABA sponsors several key programs and services designed to address the needs of students majoring in the fields of accounting, finance or business administration," Lytle said. "If you are a student interested in obtaining the grooming necessary to begin a successful career in business, obtaining competencies that are not taught in the classroom, such as business etiquette, networking and money management, then NABA can equip you with these and more."

The organization will hold a meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Mississippi Room of the Morris University Center.

For more information, contact President Candice Holland at chollan@siue.edu or visit the national Web site at www.nabainc.org.

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Alestle

Thursday, April 22, 2004 ◆

Cougar earns GLVC Pitcher of the Week

Sophomore becomes second Cougar pitcher to nab the Great Lakes Valley Conference weekly award this season

KEVIN CORRIGAN
SPORTS EDITOR

For the second time this year, an SIUE softball player has been named the Great Lakes Valley Conference Player of the Week.

Mary Heather White, a sophomore pitcher from Pulaski, Tenn., nabbed the award.

White was dazzling for the Cougars, throwing two complete shutouts against stiff competition.

"She was very good for us last week," head coach Sandy Montgomery said. "It's nice to get rewarded when due."

White stands at 8-3 on the season with a 1.39 ERA. She has appeared in 13 games this year for the Cougars.

The right-hander first blanked the 17th-ranked University of Alabama-Huntsville 7-0.

She followed that with a three-hit shutout against conference rival Bellarmine University.

"She earned it,"

Montgomery said. "Those were some high-level teams she shut out."

White joins fellow pitcher, junior Ashlea Hoheimer, as a recipient of the conference award this year.

"We are fortunate to have the depth we have at pitching," Montgomery said. "I'm not afraid to throw any of them on any day."

Combined with junior Jessica Finch and senior Missy Koenig, the Cougar pitching staff is putting up some eye-popping numbers.

Through the end of last week, the staff holds a 1.26 ERA while posting 14 shutouts.

White and Hoheimer each have five shutouts.

"These performances are what we're going to need to go deep into postseason play," Montgomery said. "I think these numbers are a good indication of where we stand."

With all the accolades pouring in for the Cougars, there's a good chance many of

them could be honored at the end of the season.

"We have had some good players come through here lately," Montgomery said. "All-Conference, All-Region, All-American, you name it. We've had a handful of awards."

Montgomery said that awards are nice, but they can't take away from the task at hand.

"We concentrating on winning the conference," Montgomery said. "We've set ourselves up nicely. Now we just have to produce."

With only four regular season games left on the schedule, the Cougars will try to keep their momentum strong as they enter postseason play.

"We have to stay consistent," Montgomery said. "We have talent, and confidence is not a problem."

The Cougars sit at 30-14 on the year and will look to improve on that mark when they travel to Kentucky Wesleyan College this weekend.



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Sophomore pitcher Mary Heather White gets ready to fire a pitch toward home plate. White threw two shutouts last week on her way to being named GLVC Pitcher of the Week.

Track and field continues to experience banner year

KEVIN CORRIGAN
SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE track and field team keeps rolling along toward the National Collegiate Athletic Association Championships.

The Cougars improved on many qualifying times and added some qualifiers last week at the Redbird Invitational, hosted by Illinois State University.

"It's good to see us, as a team, keep improving as the year goes on," head coach Darryl Frerker said.

Freshman Jamie Thomas qualified for the triple jump and the 400-meter hurdles.

Thomas has already qualified for the 100-meter hurdles.

Fellow freshman Tairisha Sawyer became a multiple qualifier when she qualified for the 100-meter dash.

Sawyer also broke the school record in the event.

"Both of those performances were impressive," Frerker said.

Among the new qualifiers is sophomore Christen Carducci, who qualified in the 1,500-meter

run.

Carducci was already qualified in the 3,000-meter run. She joins senior Breanne Steffens on the 1,000-meter qualified list.

Senior Carrie Carducci was able to qualify for the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

On the men's side, sophomore Brian Taghon was able to run a provisional qualifying time in the 1,500-meter run.

In total, the Cougars have eight individuals who have already provisionally qualified for the NCAA's.

"That's an impressive number compared to our past years," Frerker said. "It's nice to see these kids prosper and gain some national attention."

The Cougars return to action when they host the SIUE Twilight.

According to Frerker, the Twilight will be a great opportunity for the Cougars.

"This will be a great chance to get more people qualified," Frerker said.



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A Cougar sprinter, left, pushes through the stretch run. The SIUE track and field team is experiencing a very impressive season to this point.

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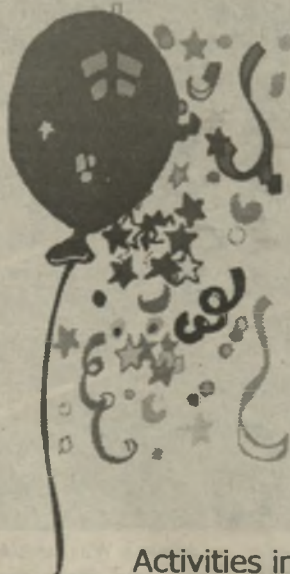
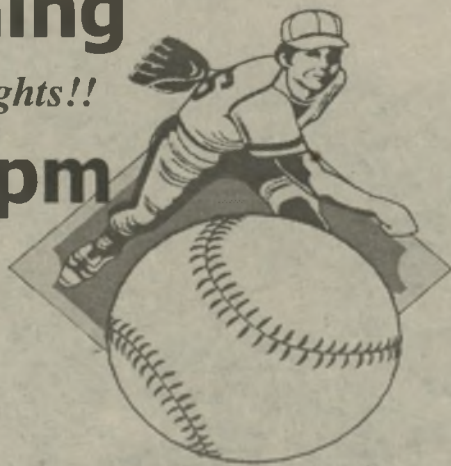


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SIUE Cougar grabs All-Conference selection

KEVIN CORRIGAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Sophomore Matt Warner was named a Great Lakes Valley Conference All-Conference performer last weekend at the GLVC Men's Tennis Championships in Indianapolis.

Warner has played in the No. 1 singles spot for the Cougars this season. He finished the year with an overall record of 10-10.

“Matt was one of the top players in the conference,” head coach Bill Logan said. “He handled himself well all year at No. 1 singles.”

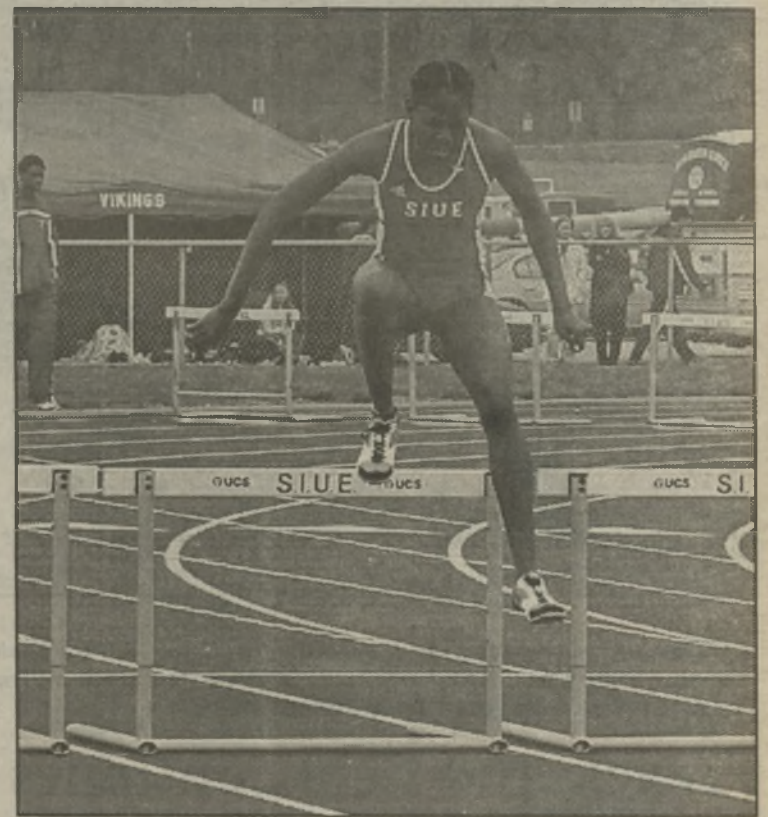
As a team, the Cougars advanced to the second round of the GLVC Tournament after defeating the Bellarmine

University Knights in the first round. The Cougars were eliminated from the tournament by the eventual champions, the Northern Kentucky University Norse.

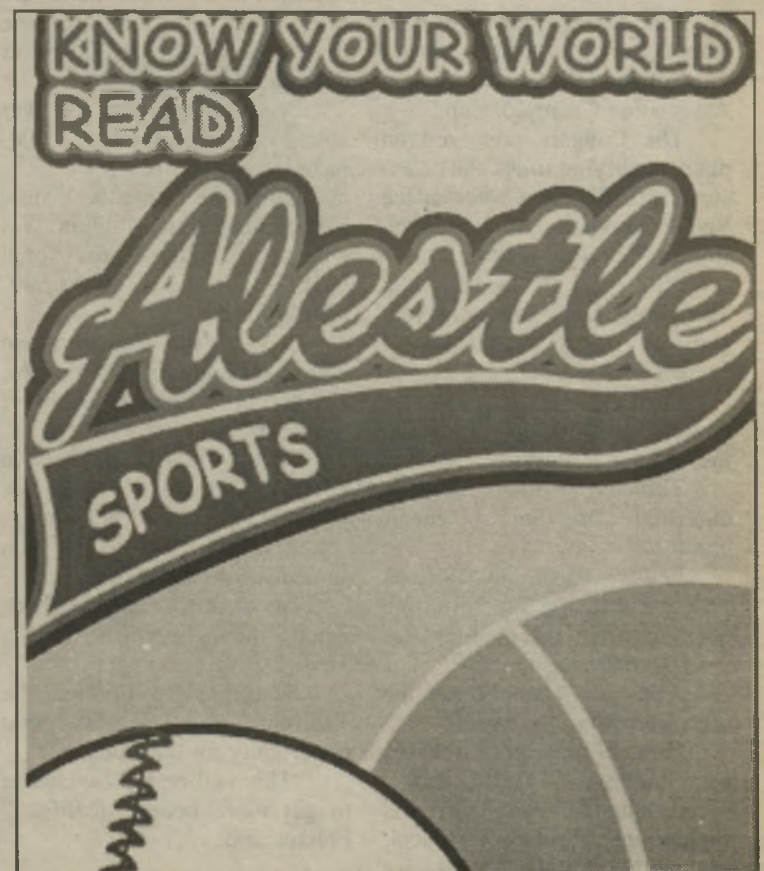
Overall, the Cougars finished 9-10 on the season and 4-4 in the GLVC. Freshman Justin Free led the team with a 14-7 record, which included a team-high six victories against GLVC opponents. Junior Chris Rigdon ended the year second on the team with 13 victories.

“I was pleased with the individual play and our effort as a team,” Logan said.

“We are losing just one senior, Doug Kummel off Fenton, Mo., so things are looking promising.”



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE
Freshman Jamie Thomas jumps over a hurdle in action at the Cougar Classic earlier this year.



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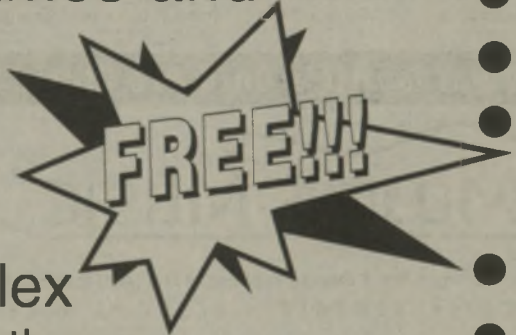
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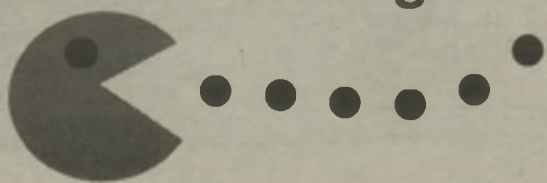
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