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Chancellor search complete Almuni dies in Iraq

Vaughn Vandegrift will become SIUE's chancellor July 1

JAMIE FORSYTHE **News Editor**

The countdown has begun for the new chancellor's arrival.

Vaughn Vandegrift will become chancellor of SIUE July 1 upon the retirement of Chancellor David Werner.

Southern Illinois University President James Walker appointed Vandegrift to the position, and the Board of Trustees approved the selection, at the May 13 meeting.

"The opportunity to come to SIU Edwardsville and lead this vibrant campus is exciting to me," Vandegrift said in a news release. "SIU has a vision to achieve national prominence as a premier metropolitan university.



PHOTO COURTESY OF WWW.SIUE.EDU Vaughn Vandegrift

I'm looking forward to working with the university and metropolitan communities to realize that vision within the next decade."

announced his

retirement in October after 36 years of service to SIUE.

A national search began in January to find a new chancellor with help from a search advisory committee.

The committee was made up of students, faculty, staff and alumni from SIUE, who reviewed applications and made recommendations to Walker.

"I want to thank the members of the search advisory committee, particularly professor Don Elliot who served as chair, for their hours of work and valued counsel in our effort to find a chancellor," Walker said at

Vandegrift has served as provost and vice president for see VANDEGRIFT, page 2 | Church in Collinsville.

KELLY SCHOMAKER News Stringer

A second soldier with ties to SIUE has died in Iraq.

Army Capt. John E. Tipton, a 1995 graduate and a former Granite City resident, was killed in combat May 2 after being hit with shrapnel.

"He was in a meeting and a mortar hit outside of the tent, and he was hit with shrapnel," said Tammi Rideout, a close friend of Tipton's.

Tipton was commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry

Hundreds of people attended a private funeral service May 18 at the Holy Cross Lutheran

"The funeral service was high honors," Rideout said. "The Collinsville police (officers) were at attention at all of the intersections and also the fire department."

Tipton is survived by his wife, Susannah, also an SIUE graduate, and two children, Austin, 4, and Kaitlyn, 2.

Rideout said the Tipton family will reside in Collinsville. The family was stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., before Tipton's death.

"He was devoted to his country and to his family," Rideout said. "He was a great guy, a good leader."

In March 2003, Marine Cpl. Evan James died while crossing a canal in Iraq. James, a native of LaHarpe, was working toward a degree in physical training at

SIU system may face budget cuts

NATALIE WALTERS News Stringer

Gov. Rod Blagojevich has requested that higher education agencies and public universities not spend 2 percent of their 2004 fiscal year budget.

"The 2 percent affects this fiscal year and doesn't affect the next fiscal year," SIUE Director of Public Affairs Keith Nichols said.

With SIUE's fiscal year ending June 30, the final six

weeks shouldn't pose concerns for students with summer school just beginning.

Nichols added that any budget cut shouldn't affect students.

"We try to take the cuts from areas that don't directly affect the students," he said.

Nichols noted that the university had already been asked to cut money and said the latest request did not come as a complete surprise.

License plates up for grabs

SARAH PETERSON NEWS REPORTER

SIUE supporters are taking their school pride to the streets, or at least to the bumpers of their cars, with the Illinois Collegiate License Plate Program.

Since the SIUE license plates became available May 1, 20 people have requested plates bearing the Cougar logo, according to the Illinois Secretary of State's office. As of June 1, there will be 17 schools in the

"It's a means of expressing visible support for the university," SIUE Director of Public Affairs Keith Nichols said, "but it's also a way to express scholarship at SIUE."

The Alumni Association Legacy scholarship fund will



receive \$25 from each plate purchase and renewal.

Each year two students receive the Legacy scholarship, which covers full tuition for one year.

The plates cost \$132 when purchased at the time of vehicle registration.

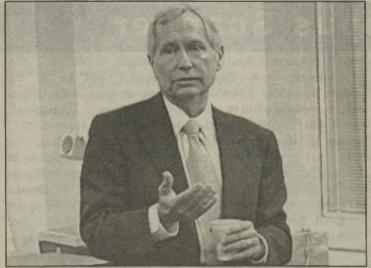
People wanting to purchase the SIUE plates before their scheduled registration renewal time will pay \$54 for the new

Renewal of these specialized plats cost \$105 per year.

Personalized and vanity plates are not available with this program, and the numbers are distributed at random.

For more information, contact the Secretary of State's special plates division at (217) 785-5215 or a local Secretary of State facility.

Have a cup with Werner



Chancellor David Werner will hold his last Coffee with the Chancellor in June. Werner, above, speaks during his Wednesday, May 19, coffee.

NATALIE WALTERS News Stringer

The new Sasser worm caused recent problems for computers on campus.

Although the matter has been resolved, difficulties could arise as new students come to campus and their computers are

unprotected, according Jeff Slimick, a student technician in the Office of Information Technology.

"Sasser is spread through the network and not e-mail," Slimick said. "The virus looks for unprotected computers."

infecting computers last month

Slimick said that the matter was dealt with quickly.

"We sent our technicians out to work with the infected computers, and the problem has been taken care of," he said.

Slimick said that the best way to protect computers against When the worm first began the worm is to keep computers current with Microsoft updates.

Foreign Language professor Julian Bueno won the faculty senate run-off vote for Foreign Language Department senator post.

During the first round of voting in April, Bueno tied with professor Mariana Solares.

College of Arts and Sciences

decide between the two.

Biological science professor Paul Wanda was selected as the Graduate Council at-large members were asked to log on to representative in the run-off with WebCT to cast their votes to English professor Seran Aktuna.

ummer hours take effect

KELLY SCHOMAKER News Stringer

Summer term has begun and

changed for the Morris University Center, dining services and other campus services.

"The reason why the hours the hours of operation have are different is because in the

summer hours there are less people," MUC Assistant Director Bill Canney said.

Below is a table listing summer hours.

THE MORRIS UNIVERSITY CENTER

Monday-Sunday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

BOOKSTORE

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Closed

COUGAR LANES

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday 8 a.m.-midnight Saturday 6 p.m.-midnight Sunday Closed

SIUE DINING SERVICES Center Court: Monday-Friday

7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Starbucks Coffee: Monday-Sunday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Auntie Anne's: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Union Station: Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5:30pm

University Restaurant:

All other dining areas closed

Monday-Friday

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

VADALABENE CENTER

Monday-Friday 6 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday Noon-9 p.m.

LIBRARY Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m.-9 p.m.

All hours subject to change. University services closed on national holidays.

KELLY SCHOMAKER NEWS STRINGER

Dr. Lee Johnson, medical chief of staff for Health Service, has been named as recipient of the May Employee Recognition Award.

Johnson was nominated by Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Narbeth Emmanuel.

'Dr. J has proven to be a valuable advocate for student medical needs," Emmanuel said. "He has demonstrated compassion, caring and student resolve."

Johnson received a plaque, a \$25 gift certificate to the Morris University Center Bookstore, up-close parking and two complimentary lunch coupons to the University



KWAME ROSS/ALESTLE

Lee Johnson

Restaurant.

"Johnson has gone beyond and above his duty to assist students in need," Emmanuel said. "With an able and dedicated staff, the Health Services has moved to a new level of student-centeredness and commitment."

VANDEGRIFT

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academic affairs and chief information officer at Georgia Southern University since 2000.

Vandegrift oversaw many different aspects of GSU, including six academic colleges, graduate studies, international studies, information technology services, continuing education, a wildlife center, a museum, a library and a botanical garden.

Before becoming provost at GSU, Vandegrift was dean of the College of Science and Mathematics and was also a tenured professor of chemistry at Montclair State University in New Jersey.

He has climbed the ladder of higher education over the years, starting at Illinois State University then going to Murray State University in Kentucky.

Vandegrift earned a doctorate

from Ohio chemistry in -University.

He obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees in chemistry from Montclair State University.

He is also a graduate of the Harvard University Institute of Educational Management.

Vandegrift could not be reached for comment. According to his secretary at GSU, he is out of town until next week.

Retired professor dies

NATALIE WALTERS News Stringer

Satyendra Kumar Jain, an emeritus management professor, died earlier this month.

Jain was born in India and in 1947 earned his first degree in physics and mathematics from the University of Bombay.

He went on to earn a master's degree in business administration and a doctorate in administration of corporate finance investments, both from New York University.

Jain joined the SIUE faculty in 1967 in the Management Department and remained until his retirement in 1993.

Contributions can be made to The Wellness Community of Greater St. Louis, (314) 238-

ATTENTION STUDENTS:

Specific types of student Directory Information are made available to the general public. Under Public Law 93-380 as amended, the University may make accessible to any person external to the University "Directory Information" in conformity with the law. Notice is therefore given that the information listed below will be available to any person inquiring about such data for any student enrolled at SIUE unless the student files a written objection prohibiting release of this information. Students who have not filed an objection to the release of directory information will also be included in all SIUE student directories, published both in print and on the University's website. The written objection must be filed with the Office of the Registrar no later May 28, 2004. This objection will remain in effect until the student files a written cancellation with the Office of the Registrar.

Directory Information includes the following:

- 1. Student Name
- 2. Student address and telephone number (local and permanent)
- 3. Student e-mail address
- 4. Major field of study
- 5. Classification
- 6. Dates of attendance
- 7. Full or part-time status
- 8. Attempted hours
- 9. Degrees and awards earned 10. The most recent educational agency or institution attended prior to enrollment at SIUE
- 11. Participation in officially recognized activity or sport
- 12. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
- 13. Date of birth

Important Note:

The Office of the Registrar would like to remind all students to take a moment to review their addresses on Cougarnet at http://www.registrar.siue.edu/COUGARNET. We strongly encourage you to maintain accurate address information in order for you to receive important University correspondence.

Police Incidents

Traffic .

5/17/04

Police issued a citation to Bijoy Bordoloi for speeding on North University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Ward Trydarrell Jr. for operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on North University Drive.

5/18/04

Police issued a citation to Susan Naschert for expired registration and gave a verbal warning for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Phillip Ruppert for speeding on North Circle Drive.

Police issued a citation to Larry Strope for speeding on South University Drive.

5/19/04

Police gave a verbal warning to Tiffani Cage for disobeying a stop sign on Circle Drive.

5/20/04

Police issued a citation to Joseph Wottowa for driving while suspended and a citation for expired registration on South University Drive.

5/21/04

Police issued a citation to Nicholas Keenan for disobeying a stop sign and gave a verbal warning for speeding on North University Drive.

5/23/04

Police issued a citation to Timothy Jakel for speeding on Stadium Drive.

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

Blood Drive: The American Red Cross is sponsoring a blood drive Friday at Applebee's on State Route 159 in Glen Carbon. The drive will be on the Red Cross bus from noon to 4 p.m. An additional Red Cross blood drive sponsored by Amoco Retired Employees is also from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at Wood River Roundhouse on North

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Wood River Avenue in Wood River.

Cookout: A Baptist Student Ministries fellowship and prayer cookout will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday. For the location and directions, contact BSM at 656-4100 siuebsm@aol.com. BSM is open to all interested students and guests at no charge.

Civil Service Employee Orientation: The newly hired Civil Service employees orientation is 8 a.m. to noon next Wednesday. Civil Service employees who have not had a formal orientation

encouraged to attend. orientation will be in the conference room of the Offices Human Resources, Rendleman Hall, Room 3210.

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 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Letters to the editor will not be printed anonymously except under extreme circumstances.

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Opinions Editorial viewpoints Editorial

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Alestle

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New editor has high hopes for her reign at the Alestle

and the power has switched hands, and I, Tyler Bennett, am now in charge of a much larger staff than ever before.

I can't say I haven't been looking forward to this day for some time now, because I have. I've wanted this position since the day I realized I could apply

My background has little or nothing to do with newspapers. I was raised by a chief warrant officer in the Marine Corps and a stay-at-home mom. I would have rather read a horror novel than read the news, and I don't like horror. Somewhere down the road that all changed.

Now I find myself wondering what exactly I've gotten into. I'm nervous to say the least, but I'm willing to work hard to live up to the expectations of my staff and advisers and those who believe in me. I have a strong desire to make this newspaper something worthy of

A new semester has come students' attention, and I hope the our coverage of events. We changes I have planned will be

> My ideas for being an editor are to serve all our readers and my staff to the best of my ability, to provide leadership and set an example of hard work and dedication to this organization.

I'm not trying to make the job something it's not, but I want our newspaper to be a fun environment and also a place that students can turn to for support and to find out what is really happening on campus.

I believe newspapers are an essential way to bring important information to the public. They also have the power to show the public the good and the bad in the world. Newspapers show the public not what to think, but what to think about.

I believe it is important to give the readers fair, accurate and timely information that is essential to their daily lives. As writers, we should be objective in

should also strive to maintain a level of professional excellence in all we do.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to invite the readers to let me know what they think and what they'd like to see in the Alestle. We are here to be a service for you, and your opinions and feedback are appreciated.

Cyril Connolly said in her book "Enemies of Promise," "Literature is the art of writing something that will be read twice;



journalism is what will be read once." We only get one chance to tell our story. I would like to help write the best story possible.

Tyler Bennett Editor In Chief

Quote of the Day

"The greatest mistake you can make in life is to be continually fearing you will make one."

~Elbert Hubbard

Letters to the editor Student marches for women's rights

million people gathered for the March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C. This was the largest pro-choice gathering in

We marched on Sunday for

On April 25, more than 1 many reasons, including rights to family planning options, comprehensive sexual education in secondary schools, access to emergency contraceptives, global funding of countries that has been taken away if the country provides abortion options and the belief individuals are fully capable of making their own decisions regarding their bodies.

Countless organizations and individuals gave their support for this march, including Planned Parenthood; NARAL (formerly the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League); Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice; National Organization for Women, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health; U.S. Sen. Hilary Clinton; Whoopi Goldberg; Christina Aguilera; Ani DiFranco; Pink; Ted Turner; Moby; and many more. We marched in strong spirits and with our heads held high.

There were jeering anti-choicers who yelled horrible things as we walked by. However, their 2,000 people could not hold up to our million.

Our six hours in D.C. and more than 30 hours on the bus were well worth it. We were there. We represented. And we will be at the polls in November to continue standing up for our rights. I hope some of you reading this decide to join us in the fight for women's lives.

> Sara Carpenter Making Waves member

Political Cartoon





Quick reference to summer fun

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Splach City
Waterpark
10 Gateway Dr.
Collinsville, IL 52234
346-7529

Raging Rivers Waterpark

100 Palisades Parkway P.O. Box 460 Grafton, IL 62037 786-2345 www.ragingrivers.com SIUE Recreational Facilities 650-2348 www.siue.edu/CREC

Granite City
Park Pool
2900 Benton St.
Granite City, 1L 62040
877-2549
www.park.granitecity.com

Wood River Aquatic Center 633 N. Wood River Ave. Wood River, IL 62095 251-3130 www.woodriver.org

* Due to the various changing of opening and closing times, hours of the parks are mentioned in the story and can also be obtained via telephane or the Web sites provided above.

NICOLE GAUDREAULT LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Summer is finally here and the weather is already hot enough for pools, water parks, Slip-N-Slide, boating and whatever else suits your fancy.

For fun at SIUE and in the surrounding area, there is plenty to do this summer, including the Cougar Lake Pool, Gateway Fun Park, Splash City Water Park, Raging Rivers, Six Flags and the Granite City and Wood River pools.

To catch some summer sun on campus, students, faculty and alums as well as their families can go to the Cougar Lake Pool, which opens daily from noon to 6 p.m. beginning Friday. The pool is open until Sept. 6. There will be extended hours on Monday evenings for Family Night from 6 to 8 p.m. Students, faculty, staff and alumni may bring their immediate family to the pool at no charge.

Regular pool use is free for enrolled students with valid identification. The cost for immediate family is \$2 for children ages 3 and younger, \$4 for children 4 to 15 and \$5 for people 16 and older. The pool can also be reserved for private parties. For pricing or other information, call 650-2348 or visit www.siue.edu/CREC/aquatics.

For those who want to venture past campus, Collinsville has fun to offer with the Gateway Fun Park and Splash City Water Park. Gateway Fun Park has go-karts, miniature golf, a large arcade and new activities—

bumper boats, bumper cars, kiddie karts and water wars. Gateway also offers pizza and snacks. Prices vary, but for individual activities the price is no more than \$5.

Stephanie Beaudoin, a manager at Gateway Fun Park, said the park is a unique place to go.

"Some other parks have some of what we have, but we have a much bigger variety of things," she said.

Beaudoin said the park is busiest on Saturdays, but is slower during the week, which would be a good time for those who don't like to wait in line.

Gateway is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to midnight Fridays and Saturdays. Birthday packages are available. More information can be obtained by calling 345-7116 or by visiting www.gatewayfun.com.



Adults and children alike enjoy the sunny weather at the Cougar Lake through Sept. 6 and will have extended hours on Monday evenings fo students, faculty, staff and alumni bring their immediate family to the

Splash City Water Park also offers fun in the sun and will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning Saturday. It is open until Sept. 6.

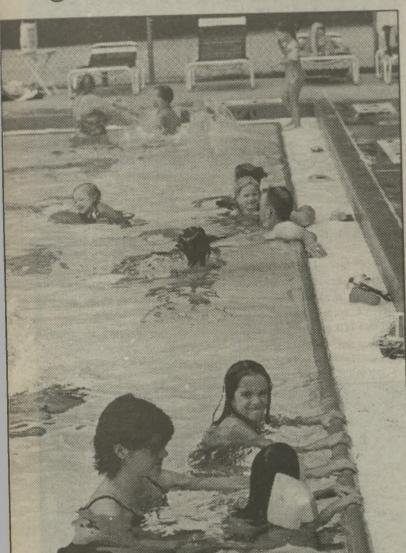
Daily admission for adults who don't live in Collinsville is \$10 a day and \$7 for resident adults, 17 and up. Non-resident children ages 2 to 16 pay \$8 and resident children pay \$5.

Splash City has no deep-water pools, which makes it safer for small children. For more information on Splash City, call 346-7529.

It's cool when it's hot at Raging Rivers in Grafton, which also offers fun with its 600-foot Runaway Raft Ride, a wave pool, the Treehouse Harbor, a children's area with pools and pint-size water slides, two 500-foot flumes and an Endless River for those who want to relax and soak up the rays.

ENTERTAINMENT, & Arts

summertime r fun and sun



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Pool. The pool is open daily from noon to 8 p.m. beginning May 28 for Family Night, which will be from 6 to 8 p.m. family Night allows pool at no charge.

Connie Clark, Raging Rivers group sales director, said the park is unique due to its location and is a great place to go for a fun, family atmosphere.

"We get a mix of all ages here, and it's very much a family environment. We are out in the countryside near the Mississippi River, which also makes it nice because we are out of the busy city," she said.

Raging Rivers will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. beginning Saturday until June 11, and from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. June 12 through Aug. 21 and from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 22 through Aug. 29. The park will be closed Aug. 30 through Sept. 3. The park will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 4, 5 and 6. For more information, call 786-2345 or visit www.ragingrivers.com.

Six Flags is the granddaddy of them all. It's now

open daily at 10 a.m. Hurricane Harbor opens Saturday and will be open daily until Aug. 17. From Aug. 21 through Sept. 6, Hurricane Harbor will be open on weekends. Hurricane Harbor is free with admission to Six Flags. General admission is \$39.99 for adults and \$24.99 for children 48 inches and under. Children under age 3 are free. Tax is not included in the above-mentioned prices.

For a limited time, tickets can be bought online for \$29.99 at www.sixflags.com. A 2004 season pass can be purchased for \$54.99 plus tax and parking passes are \$20 with tax included. For more information, call (636) 938-4800 or visit Six Flags online.

For fun about 15 minutes from campus, Granite City and Wood River offer a cool alternative with recreational pools.

The Granite City Park pool is open from noon to 5 p.m. Mondays and from noon to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. The pool opens Saturday, Sunday and Monday but will be closed June 1 through 4 and open again June 5 for the summer. Admission for resident children is \$3, non-resident children \$5.50. Resident adults pay \$4, non-resident adults \$6.50. Residents 60 years and older pay \$3 and non-resident seniors \$5.50. For nore information, call 877-2549 or visit www.park.granitecity.com.

The Wood River Aquatic Center will be open from 11 s.m. to 7 p.m.

beginning Saturday until Aug. 22. There is an adult swim from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the pool is open to the public after the adult swim. Prices for one-day adult admission to the pool is \$5 for those age 19 and up, \$4 for children ages 4 to 8, and \$1 for children 3 and younger. Water slide packages can be purchased by the hour or by number of rides and are less than \$10.

Word River Parks and Recreation Supervisor Otto Rice said the pool is a fun place for children because it offers a wading pool, two slides and a 3-meter high-diving board that gives people a bit more of a challenge. There are also plenty of lifeguards on duty to help keep guests safe. For more information, call 251-3130.

10. Have fun, be safe and don't forget the sunscreen.



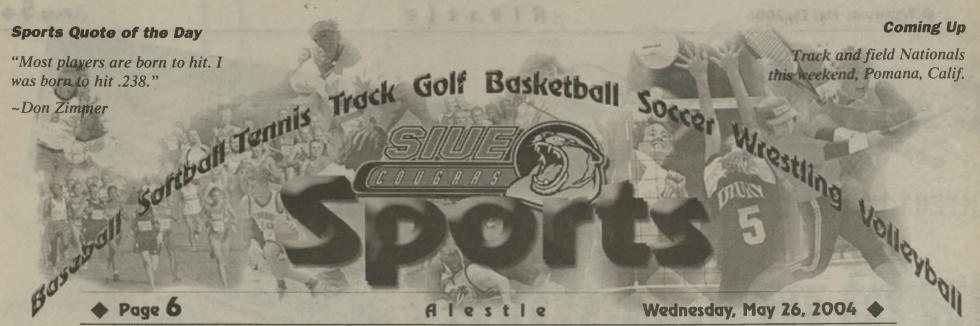
Top: guests at Gatemay Fun Park in Collinsville enjoy the new

humper bonts as I way to cool down in the hot weather.

Attiddle, children and adults enjoy the cool waters of the

Cougar Lake Pool. Bottom, two carefree girls play in the

water.



Track and field prepares for Nationals

Cougars will travel to Pomona, Calif. to take part in season pinnacle; men and women teams both will be represented

KEVIN CORRIGAN SPORTS EDITOR

SIUE men's track and field claimed its first Great Lakes Valley Conference Outdoor Track and Field title this weekend in Indianapolis.

"It was just a great effort," Coach Darryl Frerker said. "We had numerous individuals step up and acheive personal records to gain points in areas not anticipated. They stepped up to the competition and conquered."

The Cougars had three event champions and 11 All-Conference performers. All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honors are given to the top two in each event.

Senior Richard Skirball was the individual champion in the 800-meter run with a time of 1 minute and 59 seconds. Junior Lee Weeden was the conference champion in the shot put after a throw of 15.51 meters. Sophomore Phil Freimuth won the javelin with a meet-record

distance of 58 meters.

Teutopolis claimed All-GLVC honors in the 400-meter dash with a season-best time of 48.11. Junior Jonathan Bannister's time of 15.26 in the 110-meter hurdles was also good for All-GLVC

Junior Ryan Boyll ran the 3,000-meter steeplechase in an All-GLVC time of 9:19.29. Freimuth garnered All-GLVC honors in the high jump with a jump of 1.98 meters.

Junior Taylor Reich was tabbed All-GLVC in two seperate events. His pole vault of 4.55 meters was good for All-GLVC honors, and he scored 6,077 points in the decathlon to finish second and claim All-GLVC

Sophomore Dustin Bilbruck finished behind teammate Freimuth in the javelin to receive All-GLVC status. Marvell Seals' jump of 14.01 meters in the triple jump earned him All-GLVC

The Cougars now advance Junior Jeff Fearday of to the National Collegiate Athlrtic Assocciation-II Track and Field Championships, which begins May 27 in Pomona, Calif.

> SIUE women's track and field team fared almost as well as the men. They placed second overall in the GLVC Championships. Six Cougars will be making the trip to Pomona to take part in nationals.

"The women competed very well," Frerker said. "There were only a very few instances when we could have asked for more."

The Cougars had eight event champions and 13 All-Conference performers. All-GLVC honors are given to the top two in each event.

Freshman Tairisha Sawyer was named GLVC Women's Athlete of the Year and Freshman of the Year after claiming the individual title in both the 100 and 200-meter dashes.

She ran the 100 in a schoolrecord time of 11.96 seconds. Her time in the 200 was 24.55.



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

A Cougars sprinter lines up at the starting block in action at SIUE. Several Cougars are national-bound this weekend

Softball ends season with loss in regionals; bid falls short for third straight GLVC title

Post-season play dooms the Cougars down the stretch run

KEVIN CORRIGAN SPORTS EDITOR

Another successful season ended for the SIUE softball team.

A regional loss to Grand Valley State University abruptly ended the Cougars' season last week

"We had a good season, but definitely struggled through some inconsistencies," head coach Sandy Montgomery said. The Cougars were bounced in extra innings, 5-4.

Grand Valley State won via the walk-off homerun variety.

"It was a quick blow that ultimately ended our season," MOntgomery said.

The Cougars worked hard to tie the game up in the fifth inning, just to have their door shut in extra innings.

Several Cougars are being honored for their achievements on the field and off the field.

Senior Jenny Esker was named the Richard F. Scharf Paragon Award winner by the Great Lakes Valley Conference. The award recognizes a female and male student-athlete among the league's 11 institutions based on academic excellence, athletic and achievement, character and leadership.

She also was tabbed firstteam Academic All-District by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Esker has been Academic All-District for three straight years, the only team member to achieve the award.

"These are prestigious awards and display how outstanding of a season and career Jenny has Montgomery said.

Sophomore Alicia DeShasier and Esker were both named to

the first team. Senior Shannon Evans was named to the second

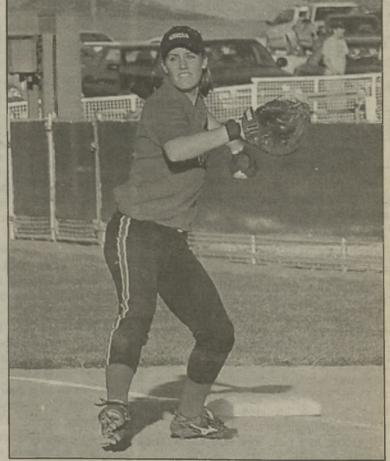
"We play in a tough region, so to receive this award is a real honor," Montgomery said. "All three have contributed significantly in many of our wins.

DeShasier was named to the first team as a utility player. This season, she has played second base, third base, and right field. She led the Cougars with 17 doubles and hit .324 on the

Esker, who played left field for the Cougars, led everyday players with a .358 batting

She led the team in hits 59; home runs 8; and RBI 36.

Evans, a catcher, hit .287 for the Cougars and drove in 31 runs on the year. She did not commit an error in 51 games.

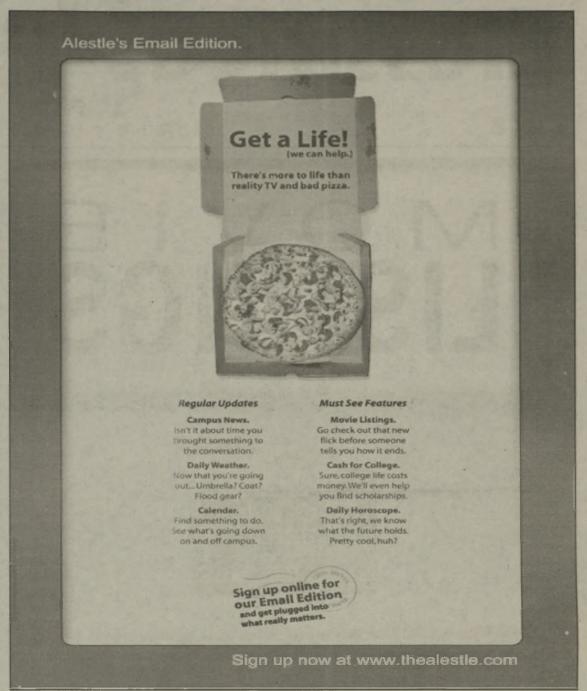


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Senior Melissea Lindgren looks to make a play across the diamond. The Cougars ended their season at 35-19.



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