

Dean evaluation is subject of controversy

COURTNEY RAKERS
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The dean of the School of Education is under fire after his annual performance review.

The 10-person committee, made up of representatives from the School of Education and other departments, voted to seek Dean Elliott Lessen's removal. David Vitoff, Illinois Education Association organizer at SIUE said.

Lessen has been dean since

by the chancellor."

According to a press release from Vitoff's office, the vote to remove Lessen was unanimous

"We're waiting to see whether or not (the administration) is going to follow its own policies," Vitoff said. "(The committee) has the power to remove the dean, not simply to recommend (the removal)."

Provost Sharon Hahs has told other media she is reviewing Lessen's report. She was unable to comment on whether a vote to

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-David Vitoff, SIUE's Illinois Education Association organizer

2001. He could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

According to the SIUE Procedures for Evaluation of Deans, "a formal review of the dean's performance will automatically occur at the beginning of the fourth year of the dean's tenure in office, and every fourth year thereafter ... if eight of the 10 members of the review committee recommend termination, the office of the dean shall be declared vacant

remove Lessen had been taken.

After Hahs' evaluation of the review, the report will go to Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift, who will make any final decision.

Vitoff said Tuesday he was uncertain whether or not a dean had been removed from office during his 20 years' experience.

"If it's ever happened before, it's been a long time," Vitoff said. "It's an extraordinary circumstance."

University Housing moving and shaking

MELANIE MEYER
NEWS STRINGER

University Housing is looking for faculty and staff volunteers for Move-In Day 2005 on Friday, Aug. 19.

Volunteers will assist new and returning students with moving into the resident halls, as well as welcoming students and families to SIUE.

While there are already plenty of student volunteers, Housing Coordinator Michelle Wolfe expressed the need for help from the campus community.

"We need as many faculty and staff volunteers as we can get," Wolfe said.

Wolfe stressed the importance of having both faculty and staff volunteers.

"We ask faculty and staff so that they can communicate with

the new and returning students," Wolfe said. "It helps to build a connection with the students and SIUE."

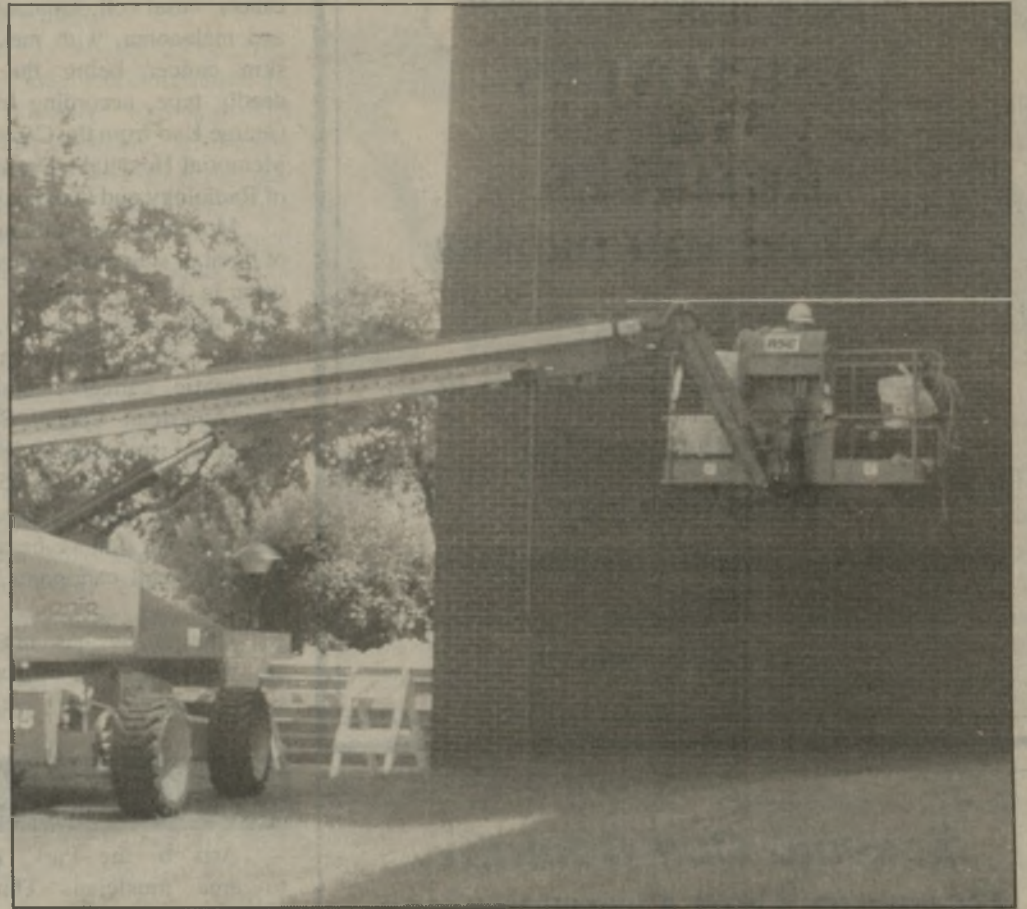
Wolfe added that it is a positive experience for new students to have the opportunity to meet people who may later be their professors, or who they may see working in one of the university offices.

The process of Move-In Day is very organized, and, according to Wolfe, most Move-In Days have finished earlier than planned.

Shifts last for two hours and are available from 7:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and all Move-In Day volunteers will receive a free T-shirt.

To volunteer, contact Associate Director of University Housing Kathleen Gardner by e-mail at kagardn@siue.edu or by phone at 650-4251, no later than Friday, July 29.

Getting ready for fall



KRISTEN REBER/ALESTLE

A university employee begins to powerwash Tuesday at Peck Hall. The Science Building's exterior also has received a recent facelift.

Community still conserving

CORY FREEMAN
NEWS STRINGER

In spite of a water conservation alert, students should not worry unless they are watering the lawns or playing on a Slip N' Slide.

The Environmental Protection Agency and the city of Edwardsville issued a Phase I water conservation alert in late June because of the increasingly hot weather and to reduce stress on the water plant.

The Phase I alert asked that water not be used to water lawns or for outside activities.

The alert was a request to SIUE, the businesses and residents of Edwardsville and government agencies served by the City of Edwardsville water plant. The water plant serves Edwardsville, Glen Carbon and SIUE.

"The plan seemed to work

very well. It reduced the load on the water processing plant by about one million gallons of water a day," Facilities Management Director Bob Washburn said. "The impact on the university was very minimal."

There was little or no effect for those living on campus. Washburn said there was not an increase in complaints of running

water is completely safe and the supply is adequate.

The university uses water to irrigate the trees, but Washburn said the water used on them is very minimal and didn't require any conservation.

In addition, SIUE does not use city water to irrigate the athletic fields. The university has wells that provide the water used for irrigation at baseball and softball fields and Korte Stadium, according to Washburn.

Work is underway to install a system at the recreation fields to irrigate the new fields with water from

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toilets or sinks, which were asked to be reported in accordance with the conservation.

Despite the increased demand for conservation, no boil order was suggested and the city of Edwardsville is confident the

Cougar Lake.

Despite the recent rainfall, the Phase I water conservation alert has not been lifted and any cases of toilets or sinks that do not shut off should be reported at 650-3711.

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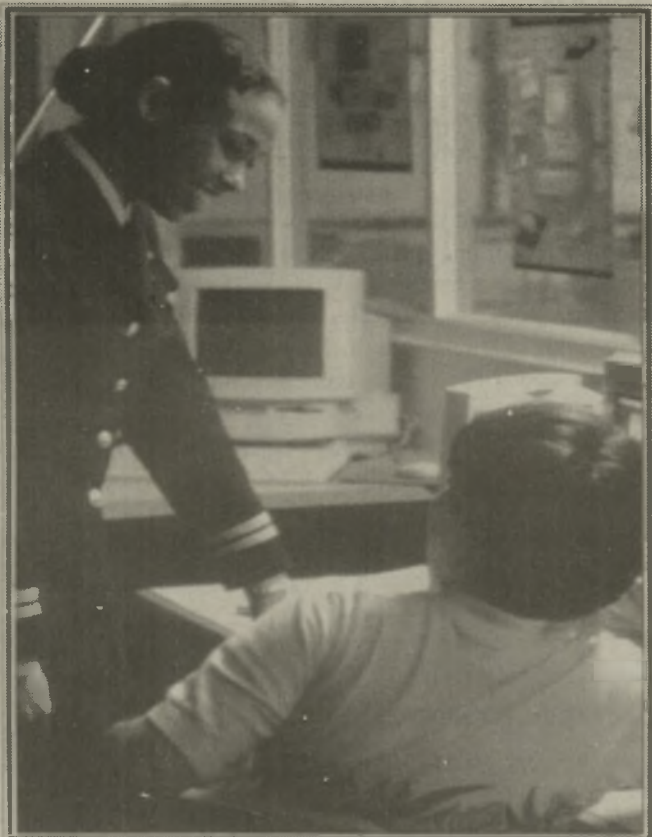
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Summer sun brings ray risks

Laura Teegarden
Daily Egyptian

CARBONDALE (U-Wire)—The American Cancer Society estimates that 2,300 new cases of melanoma skin cancer will appear in Illinois this year, which puts the state at the 17th highest skin cancer rate in the nation.

There are three types of skin cancer: basal cell, squamous cell and melanoma, with melanoma skin cancer being the most deadly type, according to Dr. George Kao from the Carbondale Memorial Hospital's Department of Radiology and Oncology.

More than one million cases of basal or squamous cell cancers occur in the U.S. annually. That's more than prostate, breast, lung, colon, uterine, ovarian and pancreatic cancers combined. The American Cancer Society expects an estimated 59,580 new cases of melanoma in 2005.

"I think what we have seen this year so far is basal and squamous cell carcinoma," Kao said.

Though he has not seen an abundance of melanoma skin cancer, he stresses

the importance of preventative measures.

To prevent skin cancer, limit sun exposure between the hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you are outdoors in the sun, wear a broad-brimmed hat, long sleeves or pants, or sunscreen.

"To prevent burning, you have to use SPF 30 or higher," Kao said. "15 is not enough."

Katy Bowen, a senior from Memphis, Tenn. in university studies, said she doesn't wear sunscreen when she lies out in the sun four times a week.

"It's relaxing to lay out by the pool," Bowen said. "I think it makes you look better to have some sort of color."

If color is the objective, Kao recommends using self-tanning products instead of lying out in the sun or using tanning beds.

UVA and UVB rays increase the risk of skin cancer, even without burning. However, sunburns increase the risk of the more serious forms of cancer.

"Every time you are burning, you are destroying the top layer of your skin," Kao said.

The most common place Kao sees skin cancer is the face,

because it receives the most sun exposure.

An estimated one in 53 males and one in 78 females will develop skin cancer at some point in their lives, according to the American Cancer Society. The chance increases with age.

Bowen said she doesn't worry about skin cancer.

"I've never known anyone my age who has gotten skin cancer," Bowen said.

Survival rates are best if the cancer is caught early. There is a 97.6 percent survival rate if the cancer is caught before it spreads to other parts of the body.

In order to detect skin cancer early, Kao recommends examining your skin regularly.

Kao added that symptoms associated with basal cell carcinoma are raised lesions with craters in the middle that may bleed.

Squamous cell carcinoma symptoms are growing lumps or flat reddish patches.

Signs of melanoma include moles that are irregular in color, symmetry or diameter.

"As far as prevention is concerned, stay out of the sun or wear sunscreen," Kao said.

Campus Scanner

Arts in the Park: Listen to area musicians Thursday and Friday as part of the Arts in the Park series. Sponsored by the City of Edwardsville and the Madison County Arts Council, the Edwardsville Municipal Band will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, and the Joey James Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. Friday in Edwardsville City Park. For more information, contact the City Parks Department at

692-7638.

Cookout: Baptist Student Ministries is sponsoring an opportunity for fun and fellowship at the BSM Fellowship and Prayer Cookout from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday. For more information, contact 973-3585 or mail@siuebsm.com or visit www.siuebsm.com.

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.

Police Incidents

Tram

7/14

Police issued a citation to Mindee A. Whitsell for speeding on South University Drive at University Park Drive.

Police issued a citation to Amber S. Kohnz for speeding on South University Drive at Stadium Drive.

Police issued a citation to Scott D. Peery for speeding on South University Drive at Stadium Drive.

Police responded to a minor two-vehicle accident in Lot C.

Police issued citations to David Kuhn for speeding and for driving without a valid driver's license on Poag Road.

Other Offenses

7/12

Police responded to the Vadalabene Center to speak with a woman regarding a report of a vehicle having been vandalized while parked in Lot F.

Police responded to Bluff Hall regarding a report from a BRIDGE camp student regarding four men who came to his room, threatened him and stole his money and shorts. The four men also retrieved a guitar that the victim had taken from one of the men's home.

7/16

Police, University Housing employees and the Edwardsville Fire Department responded to a report of a strong gas odor in a Cougar Village apartment. The fire department inspected the area and found no problem.

Theft

7/15

Police took a report of theft of copper pipe from GRP Mechanical Co. on the Alton Campus.

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Bad decisions lead to better judgment



It's OK to make mistakes.

I feel like it is important for people to understand that even when they mess up, the damage can always be undone. Now, this isn't to say that I'm advocating intentionally going out and looking for trouble or making bad choices. I believe people should take responsibility for their own actions.

But sometimes people just make crappy decisions. The appeal of going out may outweigh studying ... night after night. Next thing you know, you're failing a class. Bad habits are just that - habits. They become a part of our lifestyle and sometimes get out of control. I'm not just talking about going out all the time and not studying, bad habits can include destructive relationships, poor financial skills and just doing generally stupid things.

How many people do you know who constantly find themselves in relationships that only distract and hurt them? How many people do you know with credit card debt, legal problems or poor grades?

I personally have done many unintelligent things since

being in college, and that's putting it nicely.

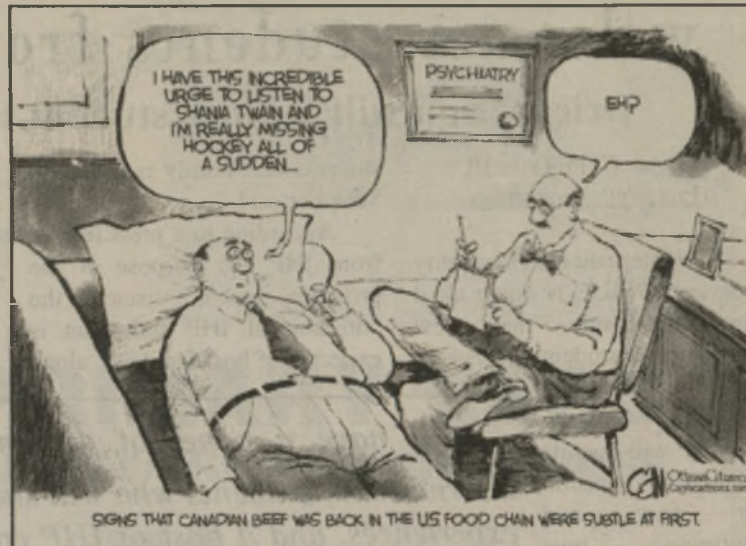
As my adviser always says, the best judgment comes from the worst mistakes. I've dealt with some bad situations. But I knew they were my own doing and that I had to take responsibility for my actions. And so I learned responsibility. Now, schoolwork takes priority over everything else. I try to balance my checkbook regularly and put money aside for savings. I try to think before I speak and act. Even if it doesn't always work, I make an effort.

My point is that no matter how bad things seem, everything always works out eventually. There were days when I thought I would never be financially stable or be able to repair the post-freshman year damage to my grade point average. If I had given up though, I wouldn't be where I am now. Sure, I wasted some time and money on school. No matter how good my grades are, I will never have a perfect GPA. But I am a better, stronger person for the experiences, and I would like to think that I know better than to repeat the same mistakes. If I hadn't made such a mess of things, I would still be bored to death as a biology major, instead of on a career path that I love.

So, if you ever find yourself thinking that things are beyond repair or that your life is ruined, remember you can always have a second chance (or a fifth). Don't give up just because things don't look good now.

Courtney Rakers
Editor in Chief

Political Cartoon



More self control is key

COLUMBUS, Ohio (U-WIRE) - We have all heard about the epidemic of binge drinking that is surging through the nation's institutions of higher learning. Everything from unprotected sex and car crashes, to vomiting and bad grades has been attributed to the goblin known as binge drinking. But what is binge drinking exactly?

Binge drinking is defined as having five or more drinks (unless you are a female - then it is four) in one sitting. Yes, that means if you have had a six pack anytime in the past few weeks you are officially a binge drinker. This number is completely arbitrary, arrived at by some professor named Henry Wechsler, who is the director of College Alcohol Studies at the Harvard School of Public Health, and ignores all individual considerations - such as weight or tolerance. I think we should all be concerned about the attention that binge drinking is getting, but not for the reasons conventionally offered. I think the problem here is much more insidious.

This is one more crusade where the do-gooders point out an epidemic or a crisis, then propose solving it by telling you and everyone else how to imitate their lives. What makes these new-age gurus of health and safety so obnoxious is their complete lack of faith in the ability of people to make their own decisions.

They have no confidence in the capacity of learning from one's mistakes (maybe because they do not seem to learn from their own). This is just a side campaign in the larger war being waged on anything that people can possibly use to harm themselves - whether it be cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, lead paint or coffee that is too hot to

pour on your crotch. Everyone can rest easy because the mommy patrol is on the watch to make sure you do not harm yourself by making all things that are fun and dangerous illegal (the war on drugs), expensive (the cigarette taxes) or inaccessible (like alcohol after state-mandated closing times).

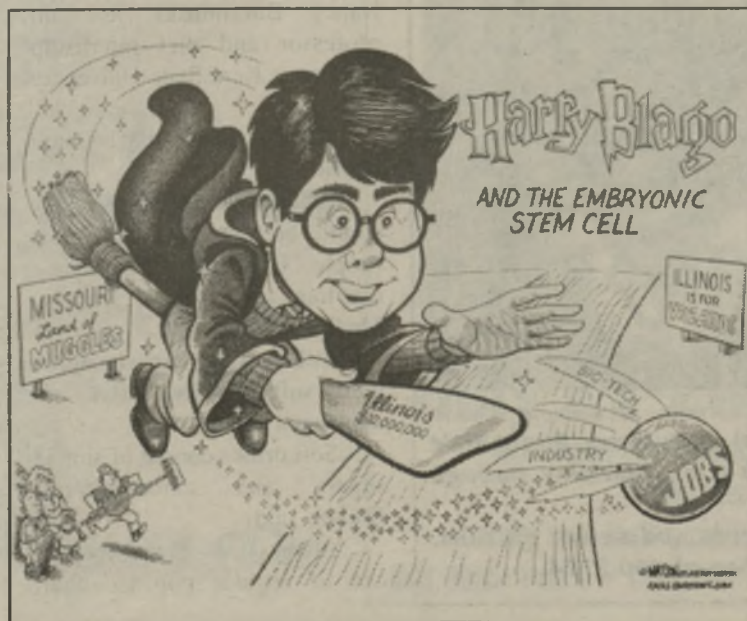
In fact, these activists have made it so federal law, like the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and its 1989 amendments, actually requires that all schools receiving federal funding provide alcohol education programs for their employees and students. Furthermore, what they claim to be alcohol education is nothing of the kind. It is a long list of dangers, dilemmas and doom brought on by alcohol. Any recognition that people drink alcohol or even, God forbid, get rip-roaring drunk from time to time for legitimate reasons is strictly taboo. That is not education - it is propaganda.

One could even argue that if there has been an increase in binge drinking, it is actually being brought about by the very approaches the paternalistic busybodies advocate. By having a higher drinking age than most of the civilized world and doing more than most other countries to keep alcohol out of the hands of youth, we have achieved one of the highest levels of alcohol-related problems in the world.

This is not a coincidence. If you treat people like babies and do not allow them to learn from their own choices, then you are bound to create a nation of people who do not practice self-control, because no one has trusted them to do so. They will not even know what it is.

Chris Planer
The Lantern

Political Cartoon



International Hospitality Program welcomes students from abroad

Orientation will feature student testimonials

THOMAS C. PHILLIPS III
LIFESTYLE REPORTER

The International Hospitality Program at SIUE is doing all it can to ensure that new international students receive a warm and stylish welcome.

IHP will host its orientation session for new and continuing host families for international students on Thursday, July 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Madison

Mutual Insurance Company Building in Edwardsville, Ill.

Joyce Schrader, co-president of IHP with husband John, said that the session should be informative and entertaining for students, faculty and host families.

"We'll have a panel of current SIUE international students who will share their experiences, and a host of IHP committee members there to answer any questions that the

students and family may have," Schrader said.

According to a press release from IHP, the purpose of the program is to discuss the "mission of IHP and what is expected of host families," along

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~Joyce Schrader, co-president

with answering "any questions families might have relative to friendship with the international students."

SIUE International Student Services Adviser Toni Liston will also be present to speak, and a PowerPoint presentation by Assistant ISS Adviser Ali Soltanshahi is scheduled for the evening.

Schrader also mentioned that while new students are coming in to be welcomed to SIUE, they are

also in need of basic household items ranging from furniture to telephones. These items are often donated by members of the SIUE and Edwardsville community.

"Any items given are always appreciated by students who are always grateful of the amount of items donated by the members of the community," Schrader said.

The orientation session will also be an opportunity for IHP to announce the New Student Reception on Aug. 17, which will serve as an official welcome to students in the days before school starts. Also, the Cougar Lake Picnic is scheduled for Sept. 10.

"Everyone is more than welcome to attend," said Schrader.

For further information, contact Schrader at 931-0041, or the office of International Student Services at 650-3785.

Popular drinks loaded with sugar and calories

Experts warn overconsumption can lead to health problems

MARISSA MIKOLAK
DAILY KENT STATER

KENT, Ohio (U-WIRE) – The sun is rising and many students are beginning their day. This may consist of class, schoolwork, a job and other day-to-day activities.

By midday there might be a chance to grab a quick bite to eat.

Early evening may mean the end of the workday or time to start cracking the books for that dreaded summer class.

As the night progresses, many students are awake into the early hours of the morning.

All of this can be a lot for one day, and some may choose to drink something with a little extra "kick" to it.

Students frequently choose to crack open their favorite soft drink.

According to U.S. News & World Report, based on data collected in the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, soft drinks and other sweetened beverages now contribute the largest number of calories among all food types in the diets of the more than two-thirds of Americans who drink them.

The amount of pop that is acceptable to drink on a daily basis is debatable.

"Anything more than one 12-ounce can is too much," Nancy Burzminski, assistant professor and diet internship director at Kent State University said.

Another expert may be more lenient.

"More than two cans a day would be excessive for most people," Connie Nichols, clinical dietitian at Akron General Medical Center said.

Either way, experts agree that soft drinks offer no nutritional value.

Soft drinks consist of simple sugars and carbohydrates, Nichols said.

About one-third or more of a can of regular pop is sugar,

Burzminski said.

Such high levels of sugar can be hazardous to people's health. Sugary soft drinks may lead to tooth decay, osteoporosis and weight related problems such as diabetes and heart conditions, Burzminski said.

And that's not all.

High sugar content and related problems are only one of the possible health risks associated with soft drinks.

The phosphoric acid in pop throws off the

calcium/phosphorous balance in our bodies, Nichols said. Calcium is pulled out of the bones and teeth when this imbalance occurs.

This problem is especially troublesome for developing children and women, Nichols said.

Children need calcium to develop properly and calcium deficiency can lead to osteoporosis in women.

Some students are aware of the risks associated with high sugar levels and choose to drink diet soft drinks.

"I drink Diet Coke religiously," senior nutrition major Supriya Surrender of KSU said. "I drink it because it's no calories, no sugar, so it's better than regular Coke."

Although Diet Coke is a healthier choice, it is still not the healthiest alternative. You still run the risk of a calcium/phosphorous imbalance, Nichols said.

Some students have chosen to eliminate soft drinks from their diets.

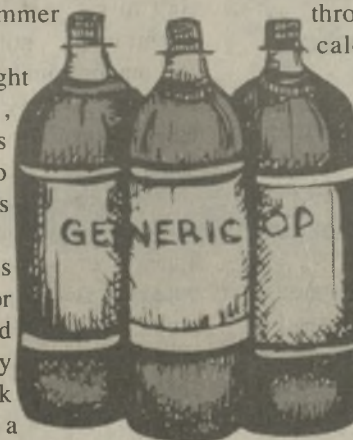
Junior undecided major John Hamulak of KSU eliminated soft drinks from his diet about five years ago.

Instead, Hamulak drinks about eight glasses of water and two to three glasses of milk a day.

"This isn't even about moderation, you just shouldn't drink soft drinks," Hamulak said.

So morning, midday or night, soft drinks may not be the best pick me up.

"It's just not a healthy choice," Burzminski said.



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Curly McLain (Scott Kuntz) confronts Jud Fry (J. R. Strzelec) in Summer Show Biz's production of Oklahoma! The remaining shows are at 7:30 p.m., Thursday through Saturday, and 2 p.m., Sunday in Dunham Hall Theater.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for faculty, staff, students and senior citizens. They may be purchased by calling the SIUE Fine Arts box office at 650-2774.

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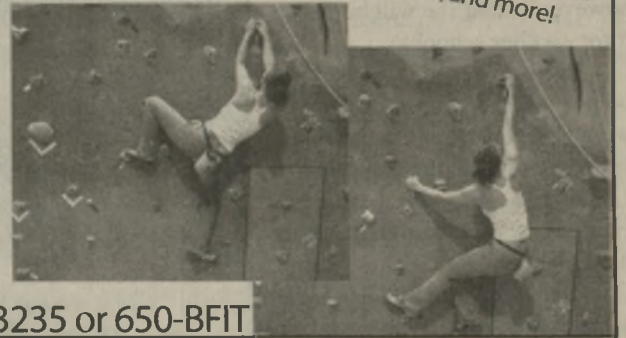
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Sports Quote of the Day

"Most people have the will to win. Few people have the will to prepare to win."

~Bob Knight



SPORTS



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Bye Bye Birdie

Golf team loses star to Ball State

ZACH GROVES
SPORTS REPORTER

Junior Kallie Harrison is ready to hit the greens for another potential record-breaking season in women's golf.

The problem for SIUE fans, however, is that she will be doing it for another school.

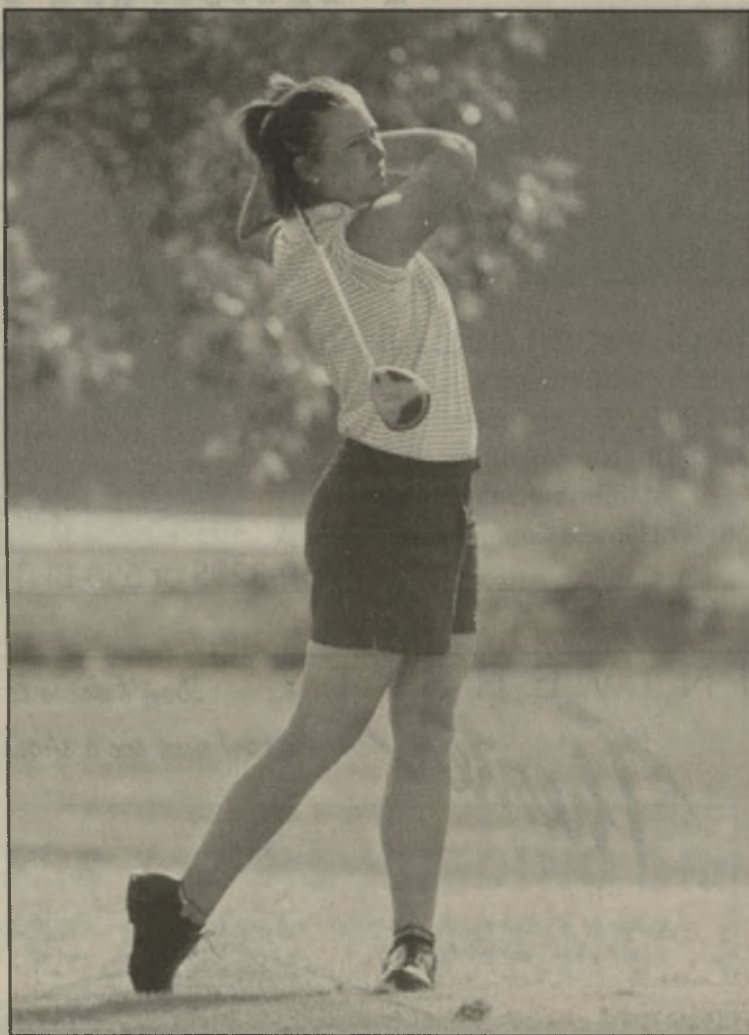
Harrison recently signed on with the Ball State University women's golf team after playing two seasons with the Cougars.

In those two seasons, Harrison helped lead the team to its first-ever Great Lakes Valley Conference title in 2003, and to date holds the single-season record for scoring average with a 79.9. She finished last season with an 80.0 average.

However, Harrison said golf was not the primary reason for her decision to transfer.

"More than anything else it had to do with my intended course of study," Harrison said. "While students still get into medical school via SIUE, the university doesn't specialize in that path of study. However, Ball State is very well equipped to get students into medical school, especially Indiana University.

"They have very high acceptance rates, and I felt I could come out of Ball State a



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Harrison watches one of her drives during a game last season.

little bit farther ahead of the game," she added.

She said it was also a combination of all the aspects a

college student-athlete needs: the academics, the financial aid and

see HARRISON, page 7

Spots still remaining at Junior Golf Classic on country club course

MATTHEW BRUCE
SPORTS EDITOR

The greens at the Sunset Hills Country Club will catch a glimpse of the past, present and future next week during the Junior Golf Classic.

The golf camp, a one-day training session for youngsters, will feature SIUE Head Coach Mark MarCuzzo, Assistant Coach Kyle Viehl, P.G.A. tour professional Mike Brengard and members of the SIUE men and women's golf teams.

With more openings available, there is still enough time to sign up for the action.

The camp is open to boys and girls ages seven to 14 looking to improve their golf game.

Campers will be coached in tee shots, chip shots and putting. The classic also offers youngsters guidance on how to use their woods and irons, and the difficult art of handling bunker shots.

The camp takes place July 25 at the Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville with the first

session, geared toward boys and girls ages seven to 10, kicking off at 9 a.m. Session two, catering to 11 to 14-year-olds, begins at noon.

The registration fee, which includes lunch and a T-shirt, is \$40 per camper, and \$30 for the children of SIUE employees.

For more information, contact MarCuzzo by telephone at 650-5083 or fax the registration form to 650-3369. Forms can be downloaded from the SIUE golf webpages at siue.edu/ATHLETICS.

Wrestlemania makes its way to Vadalabene

TED MCKINNEY
MANAGING EDITOR

The SIUE wrestling team is hosting 60 young grapplers at its annual camp that began Monday and will conclude Wednesday.

The cagers' Vadalabene Center hardwood has been temporarily buried under five large red and white mats. SIUE coaches, wrestlers and visiting coaches are working on fundamentals and techniques with the young campers.

"The coach to wrestler ratio is very good," Head Wrestling Coach Khris Whelan said. "That is key. Some camps you go to, you will have 300 kids in camp,

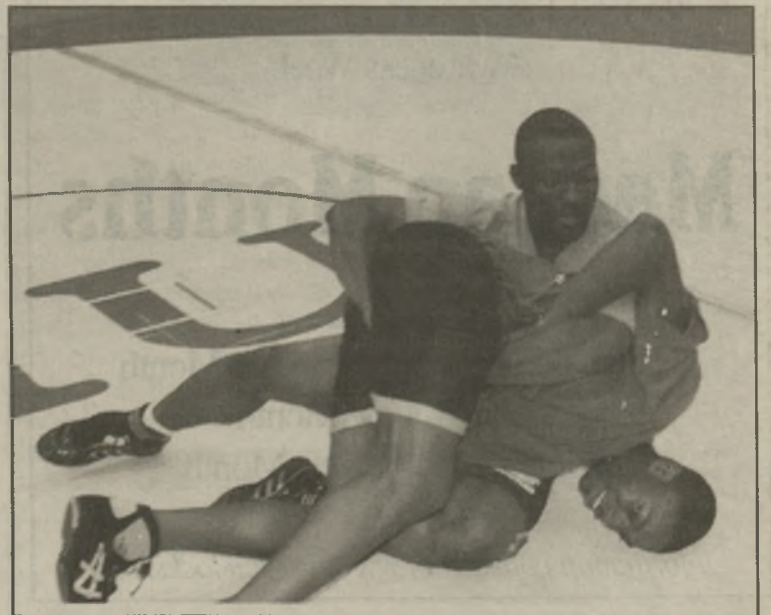
and you will only have three clinicians."

Whelan said programs are relying more on outside revenue sources. Non-revenue sports are suffering from cutbacks and many are being dropped completely.

"This is a fund-raiser for the wrestling program because we don't have scholarships and we are not fully funded," Whelan said.

The three-day camp costs \$85, and all proceeds go directly to the wrestling team. Whelan said the money raised at the camp, combined with the proceeds from a recent golf

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Lincoln College student Manuel Brooks wraps up Darrius Roberts of Kahokia High.



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SIUE Assistant Coach Ken Liddell trains campers in a single egg finish technique.

HARRISON

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in her case, the golf.

She said it was "like an opportunity I couldn't pass up."

The idea of transferring was already in Harrison's mind before the team even broke out the clubs for the 2005 spring season.

"I decided on a transfer, I think, sometime near the end of February or beginning of March," Harrison said. "Coaches Viehl and Marcuzzo were both aware I was talking to other schools as soon as I came into contact with them and once all the paperwork went through, it became official.

"After the fall season I wasn't necessarily looking to transfer simply because Coach Bennett retired," she continued. "However, after a series of events that took place, I felt I needed to take advantage of my opportunity to talk to some other schools simply to cover all of my bases for the rest of my collegiate career. In the end it turned out I found something I really liked."

Harrison has also taken into account the adjustments she will have to make, such as making new friends, trying to fine-tune her lifestyle on a different campus and especially having to make amends to her golf swing at

the Division I level. Even with the changes, she is ready to take them on.

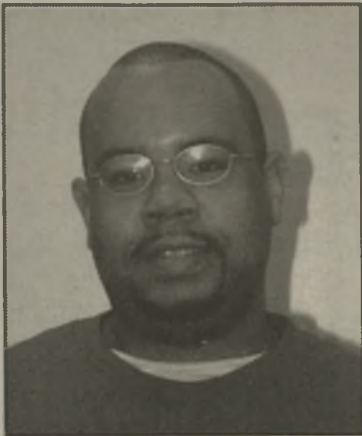
"I expect the transition to be fairly smooth, at least I hope it will be," Harrison said.

In a press release on the official Ball State website, the Cardinals women's golf head coach Katherine Mowat welcomed Harrison with open arms and didn't seem at all worried about the adjustment.

"She will be an instant contributor to our team. I believe her game will really develop with this team and program," Mowat said. "She has been very successful to this point and her potential is what makes us most excited. Kallie is a very good player."

Before Harrison picked up her clubs and rode off into the Indiana sunset, the state where BSU is located, she gave out some great words of advice to all of her former teammates:

"Play hard and most importantly have fun," Harrison said. "They've got great potential to go to the next level and start competing with the top teams in the region. Be good spokespeople for SIUE, and enjoy yourselves!!"



Since the fall of 1967, SIUE has competed in NCAA intercollegiate athletics, winning 16 national championships in that time.

SIUE's athletic director Brad Hewitt announced in March that nominations for SIUE's initial Athletics Hall of Fame class were being accepted, with the first group of inductees scheduled to be revealed later on this year.

Honors will be awarded for best team, best coach/administrator, best individual player, and an award to the best of SIUE's many "Friends of the Program."

In last week's issue, I made my selections for the best SIUE team and coach, choosing the tennis squad that laid the foundation for a seven-year national dynasty, and the coach that led them to the top.

Here, now, are my selections for SIUE's greatest athlete, and the most generous supporter to the athletics program.

Friend of Program

Ralph Korte was immortalized when SIUE named its track and field stadium after him in 1994.

Korte, a 1968 business graduate of SIUE, has long been supportive of developments

Final two Hall of Fame picks

around the university, helping with projects in Birger Hall, the School of Business and now the Spring Green Lodge and Conference Center.

The Highland native's multi-million dollar corporation, Korte Construction Company, built the Student Fitness Center in 1993, SIUE's first facility for recreation and physical conditioning.

Korte's donations and fund-raising efforts also helped to erect the track stadium that bears his name.

Among the events Korte Stadium has hosted was the widely televised farewell track and field meet for world-class superstar and St. Louis native Jackie Joyner-Kersey in the summer of 1998.

The facility also houses Bob Guelker Field, home of the men and women's soccer teams.

Korte has publicly credited the education he received at SIUE for his company's success.

"I feel that if it weren't for finishing college, my business would have only made \$5 million instead of \$140 million," he said in a 1999 speech, after donating \$1 million to the School of Business.

Korte's loyalty and gratitude to SIUE is the reason for a few of the Cougars' state of the art sporting facilities. Not only has he supported SIUE, but he has also urged his fellow alumnus to follow his lead.

Korte has proven that his blood drips with Cougar pride through his efforts over the years. And for that reason, he makes a perfect candidate for SIUE's "Friends of the Program" selection.

Individual

John Carenza joined the SIUE men's soccer team one year after its berth in 1967, and instantly became the go to man. He was the most effective scorer, and became the most dominant offensive force SIUE's soccer team has ever fielded.

In his first season with the Cougars, Carenza led the team in every major offensive category. He tallied team highs in goals and points all four years he played at SIUE.

Carenza had his best season in 1971, when he scored 21 goals en route to accumulating nearly 50 points.

To put that into perspective, Steve Gauvain scored one goal more over the span of a four-year career at SIUE, and he ranks in the top 20 on the all-time list.

After more than 30 years, his career marks for points, goals and assists still remain tops in SIUE school history. In fact, Carenza has 19 more goals and over 40 more total points than the nearest suitor, Don Ebert.

Although Carenza never led the Cougars to a championship, he brought them close. He carried the Cougars to their first three NCAA Tournament appearances only to lose two consecutive years in the semifinals.

And the fact that he still holds the number one position in all three major offensive categories with his career totals is significant. It means Carenza's work has stood the test of time, and continues to reign supreme.

Carenza, with his efforts in SIUE's formidable years, set the bar for a soccer program that continues to be a force to be reckoned with in the NCAA. For that, he deserves the nod.

WRESTLING

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outing, will put the wrestling budget in fairly good shape.

Whelan has recruited some big names in Midwest wrestling from his alma mater, University of Missouri, to help at the camp.

On Tuesday, Mizzou Head Wrestling Coach and 2004 Big 12 Coach of the Year, Brian Smith worked with campers. On Wednesday, two-time All-American and Big 12 Champion Tyron Woodley will be coaching the wrestlers.

Mark Crone, armed with a camcorder, and his son, James, 15, are making the daily drive from Jerseyville to attend the camp. This is James' third camp

of the summer.

Crone said they chose SIUE because "we heard it was a good one. One thing about wrestling is, there is always something new, some new technique or some way of doing an old thing that you know better. That gives you an advantage."

Niko Capodice, 13, made a four-hour drive from Minooka, Ill. to attend the camp. He is staying with his uncle, Tom Blaha, a wrestling coach at Collinsville and a camp counselor.

Capodice said Monday he learned how to do slide bys and some Greco-Roman techniques. "It is a neat experience."

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Korte (right) presents an award at the Spring Green Lodge's groundbreaking ceremony earlier this year. Korte's company will help in constructing hotels at University Park.

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