

Sigma Pi loses two brothers

Fraternity hopes to create scholarships in honor of fallen members as student body mourns

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

The Sigma Pi fraternity will remember two fallen brothers with a scholarship.

Ryan Fark, 19, died in a car accident July 28 on the night of the fraternity's national initiation ceremony. He has subsequently been inducted into the fraternity posthumously.

Martin Sutherland, 21, died Aug. 20 at his home in Edwardsville, according to Madison County Coroner investigator Ralph Baahlmann.

"Everyone loved them both. ... It's been bad, man, I won't

lie," Sigma Pi Vice President Zach Kerker said.

Sutherland, a sophomore studying business administration and construction management, was a key member of Sigma Pi on campus. As a chapter leader, he put together the annual Formal dance.

"He had been on E-Board (chapter's governing body) as our herald for several semesters. ... At our recent Formal (dance) he got Most Likely to Get the Job Done

(award)," Kerker said.

Greek Life Coordinator John Davenport said both men were members of the Bucket Brigade and helped paint a house last spring.

"Martin seemed to have an

him."

Fark was a freshman in the College of Arts and Sciences. According to Kerker, his pledge process brought him from "a shy guy to blossoming into this funny, hilarious guy."

"Ryan was a nice kid. He had a good attitude and lots to look forward to," Davenport said. "It's a shame."

Kerker said Wednesday that the fraternity was still reeling from the loss of Sutherland, but the members plan to start a scholarship in Fark's honor.

"We're planning to set up a scholarship in Ryan's name, maybe an all-Greek scholarship for getting kids into school. ... We're also thinking ... maybe the most outstanding pledge would get all his dues taken care of. ... We're not sure, we're still working on one or the other," Kerker said.

The Sigma Pi fraternity is also in the process of getting photos and letters together to give to the families.

"I'm sure everything we do this semester will be for those guys," Kerker said.

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SIUC's Daily Egyptian is hoax victim; newspaper staff apologizes to readers

Former Carobondale student offered letters from young girl to non-existent father reportedly with U.S. Army in Iraq

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

Staffers of the Daily Egyptian student newspaper at Southern Illinois University Carbondale have apologized to readers after learning they were deceived in a two-year saga about a little girl and her Army father after the tale shattered into a web of lies.

SIUC and the surrounding community were gripped by the compelling tale of 8-year-old Kodee Kennings whose father, Sgt. Dan Kennings, shipped out to fight in Iraq with the 101st Airborne.

"I don't have a mom. If he died, I don't have anywhere to go," the Daily Egyptian quoted Kodee in 2003.

Kodee's story was an instant hit, with letters to the editor requesting updates on her life and her father. The Daily Egyptian, under editor Michael Brenner, even published unedited letters and notes reportedly written by Kodee.

According to the Chicago Tribune, Brenner said the girl initiated contact by an e-mail. She reportedly wrote she

witnessed an anti-war protest on the SIUC campus and it troubled her because her father was a soldier. Brenner followed up with e-mails and phone calls and began writing her story.

A relative, Colleen Hastings, reportedly cared for Kodee while her father was away. However, last week Hastings was found to be Jaimie Reynolds, a former SIUC

The story of Kodee's life began to collapse earlier this month after Hastings/Reynolds called the Daily Egyptian and said Sgt. Kennings had been killed in Iraq. The Chicago Tribune was contacted Aug. 17 by an SIUC professor regarding the story and sent a reporter that night.

Details began falling short and lies surfaced almost immediately.

Military officials could not find any record of a Dan Kennings in any branch and no deaths in Iraq during the time Hastings said. A Department of Defense Web site, which lists U.S. casualties,

had no mention of any Kennings.

Hastings refused to talk to Tribune reporters; Brenner said she was attempting to shelter Kodee from the media. Nonetheless, Hastings invited media to a memorial for Kodee's father at an area American Legion post. Hastings arrived with Kodee, who was wearing an oversize Army shirt. Both reportedly cried throughout the service.

Tribune reporters later

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- SIUC faculty adviser Eric Sidler

student and person with whom Brennan had regular contact for two years.

Over that time, columns by Kodee became a regular feature in the Daily Egyptian, titled "Kenningsology," and her topics ranged from her childhood to friends at the Daily Egyptian to even President George W. Bush.

A large crew-cut man claiming to be Kodee's father visited the Daily Egyptian's newsroom in the summer of 2004. The reported sergeant said he was on furlough.

Players help kids take aim in downtown Edwardsville



KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE

SIUE basketball players senior Ryan Belcher, left, and freshman Nick Arth assist children with the free throws at the Edwardsville block party Friday.

Man charged after child is taken from Cougar Village

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

A baby was abducted, by its father from Cougar Village on Saturday evening.

"He took the baby out to his car, where he had another adult in the car, and then went back and committed the domestic battery," Lt. Kevin Schmoll said.

Demetrius L. Manning was arrested for domestic battery shortly after 6 p.m. and was taken to Madison

County Jail.

The victim was not in need of medical assistance.

Manning was served a persona non grata two hours later, indicating he was not allowed back on the SIUE campus.

"His (persona non grata) will be good for a long, long time," Schmoll said.

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SIU presidential search to cost \$90,000

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Southern Illinois University has begun looking for a new president, but it will not come cheap.

President James Walker announced his retirement in June, and will leave office June 30, 2006.

"Dr. Walker has reached a time in his life after about 35 years in higher education ... to kick back and enjoy himself," SIU Board of Trustees Chairman Roger Tedrick said.

The board created the

Presidential Search Advisory Committee in July and appointed Baker-Parker and Associates of Atlanta, Ga., a search firm for higher education, as a consultant. The firm helped in the search for SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift.

The search firm was paid a \$90,000 fee, excluding travel expenses, by the board, which SIU spokesman David Gross called "a significant but necessary expense."

According to Assistant Provost Rudy Wilson, the teams will meet with vice chancellors and directors from all SIU

campuses to get a profile of the ideal candidate.

"This is to get feedback from all campuses to help the search committees to bring in candidates," Wilson said Thursday. "It's also to get a profile of what we think and hear the needs of the university."

The search teams are scheduled to meet with SIUE officials Sept. 7.

Wilson added that in the past the board typically looked for a president who has served on a board in higher education and worked closely with government

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HOAX

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wrote that some students and faculty became hostile over any suggestions that Kennings did not exist.

"It just got increasingly more bizarre. ... We were wary when they (the Chicago Tribune reporters) began looking at that conclusion," SIUC Assistant Campus Editor Monique Garcia said. "We know it was a hoax. The more we figure out, the less we really know," she said later.

Garcia said Friday that staff members had bought Kodee birthday presents and would pass the phone around the office when she called. She also said that Lance Speere, faculty adviser at the time, had Kodee and Hastings over for a barbeque.

Last week Chicago Tribune reporters discovered the ruse by Reynolds.

According to the Tribune, Reynolds admitted that she invented Kennings. She explained that she had an acquaintance play the part of the furloughed father.

That man told the Post-Dispatch he believed he was acting in a film. The Daily Egyptian reported Friday that he said he was paid \$100. Reynolds insisted he was not.

The Daily Egyptian has since learned that Kodee is Caitlin Hadley, the 10-year-old daughter of a pastor in Montpelier, Ind. Hadley has said she believed she was being filmed by hidden cameras.

Reynolds has placed the blame on Brenner. She was quoted by the Daily Egyptian as saying, during her most recent interview, "He wanted to get his byline in a section of the paper other than sports." Reynolds told the Chicago Tribune, "Mike is my best friend. In the last couple years, he's had a hard time with

his career."

Brenner denies the allegations and has said he feels stabbed in the back.

SIUC faculty adviser Eric Sidler declined to comment when asked if the Daily Egyptian stood behind Brenner. He maintains that the newspaper must look at the events from all angles.

"One of the things she said, 'He was struggling in his career,' she said in May. He was already picked for editor in chief for the fall," Sidler said.

"She also said, 'He wanted his byline in more than just sports.' Mike was a good writer ... he could have written wherever he wanted. That certainly doesn't add up," Sidler said.

in 2003. He hatched the plan and encouraged her to find a child to play the little girl. Brenner denies the allegations and said he had no contact with her before the e-mail. The two either forgot or failed to mention a spring 2002 journalism class they were in together, according to SIUC records.

Brenner also alluded to mistakes and being untrustworthy in his final column in December 2004. He said he was referring to his early work at the Daily Egyptian when he would tape conversations with sports contacts without their knowledge. This is illegal in Illinois, but Brenner said he could not get sources to talk to him when he first started in 2002.

Brenner never verified the identities of Hastings or Kennings. He also wrote about an emotional meeting between Kodee and her father at Fort Campbell in Kentucky.

Brenner was never at Fort Campbell and maintains he was told this information by Hastings.

"I know it was wrong, but that was my writing style at the time," Brenner said.

Reynolds has said Brenner threatened suicide if she would not continue to go along with the hoax.

Brenner told the Daily Egyptian he attempted suicide once and that he may have told Reynolds during their contact.

"But in the cynical journalism world, there's no room for the truth. Every single word I'm saying is being analyzed. I'm scared to slip up and say the wrong thing," Brenner said in an interview with the Daily Egyptian.

Brenner also said he is considering legal action against Reynolds.

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-SIUC Assistant Campus Editor Monique Garcia

Sidler did not want to comment on any legal matters. He said he was not a lawyer and would leave any prosecution up to the state's attorney.

"I'm not seeking retribution. I'm seeking to find out what happened ... and learn from it. ... I would think the Pentagon would be interested in this (the man) for posing as a soldier though," Sidler said.

"Looking back, it just seems so obvious," Brenner said. "The explanations and stories all sound so stupid now."

In a six-hour interview with the Daily Egyptian Saturday, Brenner attempted to set the record straight. He maintained his ignorance but admitted, "I always knew I was a better writer than a reporter."

Reynolds claimed Brenner first met her in a Carbondale bar



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officials.

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After interviews with SIU officials and preparing dossiers for each presidential candidate,

the teams will evaluate all candidates according to the board's criteria.

The search committee will submit to the board a written evaluation of each semifinalist and give an unranked list of at

least three finalists by Nov. 28.

The new president will be announced in December or January.

A public report on the progress of the search will be made to the board on Sept. 8.

Police Incidents**Drugs****8/21**

Police arrested William R. Keys and Kye W. Miller in Cougar Village for possession of cannabis under 30 grams. Police arrested Cody J. Epperson for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor.

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Alcohol**8/20**

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Police issued a citation to Breann N. Fowlkes for

speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Lacy N. Bowyer for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Daniel W. Heimos for disobeying a stop sign on North Circle Drive.

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Police issued a citation to Alicia D. Whitaker for disobeying a stop sign on New Poag Road.

Police issued a citation to Kyle A. Fuhrmann for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

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Police issued citations to Terry L. Ostrander for speeding and the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police issued citations to Brian J. Miller for speeding and the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Tommie L. Childs for speeding on South University Drive.

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Police issued a citation to Lauren N. Wilhelm for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

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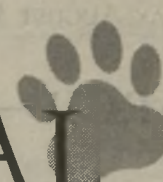
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Parking change results in tickets for many



As my favorite Muppet, Kermit the Frog, says, "It's not easy being green." So I imagine beneath the green exterior of Parking Services' shiny trucks, there are, despite popular belief, really nice people just doing their jobs. In fact, I am sure of it. Yet, when your job results in making people have a bad day, that truth becomes harder and harder to accept.

And I know there are students and even faculty and staff members who feel the same way. First of all, Parking Services gave 30,370 bad days or what the Parking Services Web site refers to as fines during the 2004-2005 school year. I cannot even count the occasions that I have seen Parking Services workers get yelled, booed and hissed at, or flipped off by students (whether they see it or not, which, I assume, they do).

They take it much better than

I ever could. As I said, I don't think they are bad people and they most definitely do a job that I could never do. So I find it admirable that those who work for Parking Services can handle the criticism and do their jobs every day. I know it can't be easy.

Some Parking Services agent was just doing his or her job when I received my first-ever parking ticket on the third day of school. Until then, I had no tickets whatsoever. I try to be very conscientious in my driving and parking. But, I got a ticket because I parked in the "brown" lot without a valid parking tag. I

little bit nicer during the first week of school? Before many freshmen and transfer students even set foot on SIUE's beautiful and sprawling campus, they know of the horrors of Parking Services. What they do not know is all the rules. Sure, the parking lot signs are color coded, but as far as newbies go, they might think those color-coded signs apply to the colors of their cars. "I have a red car," one might think, "Guess I'll park in the red lot."

I know many of you found out about the Student Fitness Center and Vadalabene Center

places set aside for the disabled, parking meters and the visitor pay lot, available over the campuses in Alton, East St. Louis and here. No wonder you have to park so far away (known to some as BFE). With so few parking spots, you may as well be walking from town.

Why not set up some sort of warning system during the first week of school? Under this system, tickets could and would still be handed out for the obvious parking violations such as the unauthorized use of a handicapped parking spot, expired meters, parking in places where it is clearly marked "no parking," etc. Yet for those of us who accidentally park in the wrong lot, why not give us a warning the first time around so we understand the implications of our parking actions? I am sure after the one warning, most of us would get the hint and those who don't, well, they can have the tickets. Why not? Could it be because the university clearly would not earn enough revenue from the impoverished, Ramen noodle-eating students?

I do realize that Parking Services uses some of the profits to run the Motorist Assistance Program on campuses to assist students with car-related issues, including dead batteries, flat tires, lockouts or de-icing. Also,

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"It's frightening to see spots go unused when you consider that there were 18,089 parking tags sold by Parking Services during the 2003-2004 school year for the 9,547 spots."

didn't realize that you needed a tag there after 3 p.m., which is admittedly my own mistake. However, I've had such problems with my financial aid this year that I didn't really have the dough to dish out for my rent, let alone \$60 for a red tag. Despite my personal credit card limit, I have since ordered a tag.

Don't you think Parking Services agents could be just a

lot, the newly christened "brown lot," the hard way. When a lot of people used the parking lot to get to nearby classes, at least the parking lot was being used a little more. It's frightening to see spots go unused when you consider that there were 18,089 parking tags sold by Parking Services during the 2003-2004 school year for the 9,547 parking spots, including the numerous parking

Letters to the editor

Parking Services upsets student with ticket policies

I really have a problem with SIUE parking ticket policy. I've heard many students' complaints about how SIUE ticketed students for this and that. I did not seem to care much until now when I received a parking ticket on the first day of classes.

Many students before me have already suspected that parking violations had to do more with collecting extra money from students' small pockets than helping students park in appropriate lots. In my opinion, that seems true.

I heard from a student's presentation in a summer class that SIUE collects approximately \$10 million a year in parking tickets alone. This figure might be checked for accuracy but many students, including me, feel that the money generated from parking fines is not a small sum.

The parking in front of the Vadalabene Fitness Center used to be for vehicles with red

hangtags.

This morning I happened to park there, as usual, very early in the morning for my 8 a.m. class. When I came out later and found a ticket, I thought it was a mistake.

I immediately took the ticket and my parking permit to the parking office and was told that the lot is now changed. I was also told that I should have received the information about the change in the mail and on the SIUE Web site. Nobody mentioned a thing about the change when I came to the office to buy the permit at the end of the summer.

I also did not receive mail informing me about the change.

Where is the information on the SIUE Web site? Should I go to dig in the school site for any update in parking policy every day so that I can avoid being fined? I noticed there were signs at the entrance of the parking lot that said the lot was now a brown

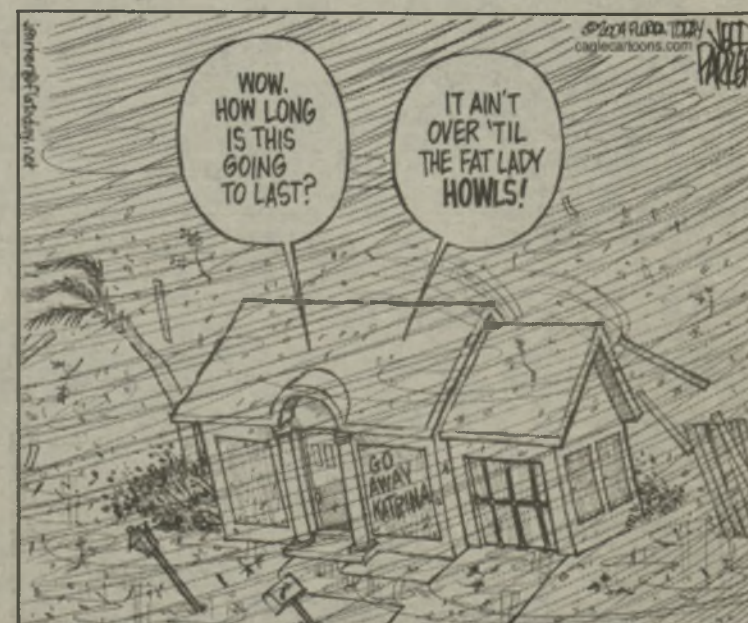
lot after I got the ticket.

I could not find a single legitimate reason for that parking

lot to be changed from red to brown except that SIUE might want to make more money. The

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if you are feeling uncomfortable walking to or from your car at night, MAP can dispatch an escort from university police to either walk with you or give you a ride. These services, which were used in nearly 1,600 instances in 2004, can all be obtained by pressing the "Info" button on emergency beacons throughout the campus or by calling the SIUE Police Department at 650-3324.

While part of the revenue from fines does help make the campus a better place, my boyfriend still has philosophical issues with the idea of paying for parking. He finds it to be one of the best examples of how people are greedy and obsessed with money.

I understand his points. Despite my parking ticket, I still believe tags are necessary to keep some sort of order. The Parking Services Web site says we have to pay for parking because "the university receives no money from the state of Illinois to support its parking program. This means that the money must be generated internally through

parking permits, fines, meters and Parking Lot B, the pay lot next to Morris University Center."

Nevertheless, I still find the parking tags just flat-out unfair in some instances. For example, it is just awful that faculty and staff members must purchase a tag to park on campus. I know that each faculty and staff member brings yet another vehicle to an already crowded campus, but they are the reason why we students are here. Faculty and staff make this campus go round and they definitely should not have to pay for parking. I am sure parking tickets alone bring in more than enough revenue to allow our educators and keepers of this wonderful campus to park for free.

While I know "it's not easy being green," I have learned through personal experience that it's not easy being a poor college student with a car ... and a parking tag ... and, now, a ticket.

Kristen Reber
Assistant Managing Editor

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parking in front of the gym was used by many students to have a shorter walk to the gym, Science Building, etc. I am also a gym regular in the morning but if I want to use that parking lot, I have to wait after 3 p.m. to park. It may be a good idea if SIUE shut down the gym, spare its expenses, and make more money that way.

I used to live on the East Coast and the school I went to always allowed the first week of classes for the students to park free so students has enough time to register for classes, buy parking permits and comply with the rules.

Besides putting noticeable signs informing students about parking policy, the administrators would issue a warning. SIUE Parking Services could do the

same!

I predict that if this trend of SIUE parking policy continues, we will soon exhaust all the colors of the rainbow. Before long, we will see combination of color codes for parking lots. This might help keep students, who could not keep up with the ever-increasing parking fees, to get in shape and stay healthy since miles-long walk would be part of student life.

I could come up with some other innovative ways to help SIUE to collect even more money. How about installing a tollbooth at both ends of walkways strategically placed where the students use them the most to collect fees? How about swiping the Cougar card every time a student uses a computer in the computer labs or library?

SIUE is a public university, which is supported by Illinois taxpayers and federal funds. Thus, its ultimate goal should be to deliver an affordable education and provide other academic services for the public.

Understandably, the university may need some extra funds to operate smoothly and to expand and develop as a true premier metropolitan university. Yet it could raise money by some different and noble ways. If this situation continues, the name of the university could be spelled as \$IUE instead of SIUE.

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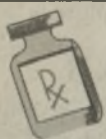
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Pageant success leads to changes for student

Miss Madison County title brings new opportunities and challenges to student



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AMANDA DICKSON

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NEWS EDITOR

Since winning the Miss Madison County title at the county fair July 23 in Highland, Amanda Dickson has stepped into a whole different world.

Dickson has gone from just going to school and living under a routine schedule to living the hectic life of a pageant winner.

"(The title) has made me very busy," Dickson said. "A lot of appearances, a lot of parades and interviews. I am thinking of going into the Miss Illinois USA pageant."

The Moro native and SIUE sophomore gained the title on her first try in a pageant and only entered the competition with a friend's influence.

"It was the very first time I entered a pageant and I really did not expect it at all," Dickson said. "I just did it because I wanted to try it again next year, so I wanted to get some experience in it and I ended up winning."

"One of my friends was in this one. That is the only reason I started getting into it," she added.

Dickson said she has only performed in front

of crowds as a member of her high school's dance team, but felt that made the difference.

According to Dickson, confidence was the key.

"Stage presentation is a large portion of the judging," Dickson said.

Despite the success and attention she is receiving, Dickson is keeping her focus on her studies. An early childhood education major, she hopes to teach someday.

"I want to work within the school district and get a job," Dickson said.

She is also keeping busy on campus working in the Sociology Department.

While many pageants are seen as cutthroat and dramatic, Dickson noted that the competition was anything but rough.

"It wasn't vicious, like you would see in those movies," Dickson said. "We were all friends and we went to Wild Country (together)."

Friends and hobbies have been a small part of her life recently, but Dickson said she works to keep everything balanced, especially in her sorority, Alpha Sigma Tau.

"I would love everybody to come out if they can."

~Amanda Dickson

"I try to see my friends once every once in a while," Dickson said. "And I take dance two nights a week."

Dickson admits there is plenty of hard work in pageants, but said, "it's worth it."

"It's a great experience," Dickson said. "It is a lot of work, a lot more than I thought it would be, but it's worth it."

"Every bit of it I have loved so far," Dickson added. "I met the governor (Rod Blagojevich) at the State Fair (in Springfield)."

Dickson will take the next step in the competition when she travels in January to the Crown Plaza Hotel in Springfield for the Miss Illinois County Fair event.

"I would love everybody to come out if they can," Dickson said.

SIUE police force began with just one officer watching construction

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

Integrated deep within the history and roots of SIUE are the guardians of safety and justice, keepers of the peace and order.

SIUE police have served and protected the people on campus for more than 40 years.

Carl Foster was hired May 1, 1962, as the first chief security officer for SIUE. He was a police officer but his duties were geared more toward protecting the ongoing construction at the Edwardsville campus.

"We believe that he was hired to watch the construction site here at the main campus, and then a circuit driving to Alton and East St. Louis checking those two buildings that housed the beginnings of SIUE," Police Chief Gina Hays said.

Exactly one year later, another officer was hired and in 1964 two more signed on. When the campus opened in 1965, the department began hiring at a more rapid pace, Hays said.

In 1970, the university took the officers out of uniform and put them in sport coats, took their weapons away and locked them under the seat in the squad cars. According to Hays, this was done because of the student unrest on college campuses and because of Kent State, where students were killed by National Guardsmen during an anti-war confrontation.

"They got the uniforms and ... weapons back in 1974 after two robbery incidents," Hays said. She added that more than \$75,000 was stolen during those robberies.

In another police case, a school employee embezzled more than \$350,000 from the Bursar's office.

Some 1,500 students were the culprits from October 1993 to September 1995 when a long-distance telephone scam cost SIUE hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"We had the telephone fraud case where students were defrauding the phone system. It went on for several years and cost the university over \$250,000," Hays said.

According to then-Chancellor Nancy Belck, however, figures are closer to \$1 million, as written in the Feb. 13, 1997, edition of the Alestle. Slightly more than \$400,000 was

repaid through students either coming forward or being pressured through the withholding of grades or transcripts.

SIUE has had its share of dangerous situations and events. Hays said there was an angry alumnus who once fired shots in

included a tract on Bluff Road, the SIUE Credit Union, the basement of Rendleman Hall and what is now the site of Woodland Hall. Headquarters is now in the same building as Facilities Management on Services Road.

The budget for the department is around \$2 million.

"The money comes from SIUE's Vice Chancellor of Administration budget, some from the state and some internally from SIUE," Hays said.

SIUE uses the money to employ 36 police officers — a chief,

a captain, three lieutenants, eight sergeants, one detective, one officer assigned to an auto-theft

task force and 21 patrol

officers. According to

the SIUE Police

Department Web

site, there are six

full-time

telecommunicators

and three full-time

civil service

employees.

The SIUE

Police

Department

has five

marked

squad cars,

two

unmarked

cars and five

administrative

vehicles, Hays

said.

Police at

SIUE have to

be more

community-

oriented and

behave

differently than

other police

officers. "We

operate under

community

policing

philosophy so

officers need to

be more

approachable.

We stress

visibility,"

Hays said.

SIUE police

work is different.

Hays said.

"Of course

we encounter the same

types of crimes that

municipalities do, we are

technically a city here. But we

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"On the big scheme, it would be nice if students drank more responsibly."

~SIUE Police Chief Gina Hays

the Alumni Association and Credit Union. A grenade was also mailed to an Alton Dental School administrator.

The most heinous, according to Hays, was a fraternity event taken too far.

"We had a fraternity hazing where a student was beaten until he ended up in the hospital with kidney failure," Hays said.

Despite the problems, working as a police officer has been enjoyable for Hays and Capt. Tony Bennett. Each started as a patrol officer at SIUE: Hays in 1988 and Bennett in 1989.

"I took this job because I enjoy working with students. Our population continually changes, which I like. On the big scheme, it would be nice if students drank more responsibly," Hays said.

"Students have a positive impression of SIUE police and they are usually positive," Hays said.

One aspect of SIUE life that is not so positive, however, is excessive alcohol consumption.

"I would like to see a drop in the drinking to excess and the outcomes of some of those incidents, i.e. sexual assaults, batteries, etc.," Hays said.

The headquarters for the SIUE police has moved several times.

According to Bennett locations for the department





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National organization activates SIUE chapter

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If you've got something to say, come out and raise your voice.

Raise Your Voice is a nationwide campaign that gives students the chance to speak out about current issues.

The organization's first forum will be from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 8 in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge. An informal meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 7 at Starbucks for students unable to attend the Thursday forum.

Students are encouraged to attend meetings or forums where they can share their views and opinions. Raise Your Voice is sponsored by Illinois Campus Compact and Pew Charitable Trust.

The group connects 300,000 students across the country in more than 450 college campuses. Although Raise Your Voice has been on campus for three years, leaders say they plan to get organized this year and become a recognized student organization.

"You get to learn a lot about the world around you," Leah Orwig, a graduate adviser, said. "It's very empowering."

Raise Your Voice provides students with practical resources, an outlet to share their thoughts and obtain information in order to be better educated and involved in their community. Community work, activism, leadership and civic growth are the ideals of the group.

For more information e-mail skutter@siue.edu or sign up in the Kimmel Leadership Center in the MUC.

POLICE

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have the student conduct code, which allows us to use internal discipline and not always have to opt for criminal charges. ... The world of academia is always different," Hays said.

The most important trait of SIUE police, and police in

general, Hays said, is the ability to communicate.

"Ninety-seven percent of what an officer does is verbal communication, only 3 percent is physical. Understanding the community you serve is obviously important," Hays said

Block party brings SIUE and townfolk out to dance



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Policy on Release of Student Information and Access to Student Records, SIUE

I. PURPOSE

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, hereinafter referred to as the "University", maintains individual records and information about students who are legitimately enrolled, for the purpose of providing educational, vocational, and personal services to the student. For the purpose of complying with federal regulations regarding the maintenance of confidentiality of student educational records, as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (20 U.S.C. par. 1232g) the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University enacts the following policy.

II. DEFINITIONS

A. "Student" is defined as a person who is or has been enrolled at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville in a course of study either on campus or off campus. For purposes of this policy, any student attending SIUE will be considered to be an adult and to have sole control over the release of his or her information, except as provided in this policy. The term "enrolled" is defined as having been duly admitted as a student, registered, and paid appropriate fees.

B. "Education Records" means (1) those records which are directly related to a student, and are maintained by SIUE or by any party acting for SIUE; (2) the term does not include:

1. Personal records of instructional, supervisory, and administrative personnel which are not revealed to other individuals.
2. Records of a law enforcement unit of an educational institution which are (1) maintained apart from the education records, (2) maintained solely for law enforcement purposes, and (3) are not disclosed to individuals other than law enforcement officials of the same jurisdiction.

For purposes of this policy, the SIUE Police Office will be treated as an outside agency and will therefore be required to comply with all formal regulations relating to the disclosure of information from student's educational records, as set forth in this policy.

3. Employment records, so long as they are maintained separately from any educational record.

4. Records of a physician, psychologist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional acting in his or her professional capacity, which are used only in connection with treatment and are not disclosed to individuals other than those providing the treatment; provided, that these records can be personally reviewed by a physician or other appropriate professional of within the appropriate record.

5. Records which are created, maintained, or developed after that person is no longer a student at SIUE, such as alumni files.

C. "Student Information" means any information contained in an educational record as defined in II.B.

D. "Personally Identifiable Information" (P.I.) includes:

1. The name of a student, the student's parents, student's spouse, or other immediate family member.
2. The address of the student.
3. Student's identification number.
4. A list of personal characteristics, which would make the student's identity easily traceable.
5. Other information that would make the student's identity easily traceable.
- E. "Directory Information" includes:
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 received.
10. The most recent educational agency or institution attended prior to enrollment at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.
11. Participation in officially recognized activities or sports.
12. Weight and height of members of athletic teams.
13. Date of birth.

III. BASIC POLICY REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION FROM EDUCATIONAL RECORDS

A. Disclosure not requiring prior consent.

The appropriate recordkeeping office shall obtain the written consent of the student before disclosing "personally identifiable information" from the educational records of a student, except in the case of "directory information" as delineated in (II.E.) or disclosure to:

1. The student himself/herself.
2. University personnel who have a legitimate educational interest to permit their functioning or research.

The sufficiency of the interest will be determined by the head of the unit from which the records are sought.

Student information supplied to any SIUE personnel or unit is provided on the basis that it is needed to permit their necessary functioning. All members of the faculty, administration, and clerical staff must respect confidential information about students which they require in the course of their work. They are bound by the conditions outlined in this policy statement relative to the release of student information. All institutional personnel should be alert to refer promptly to the appropriate office, requests

for transcripts, certifications, or other information which that office typically provides.

3. Officials of other schools or school systems in which the student seeks or intends to enroll, if there is a legitimate interest. The sufficiency of the interest will be determined by the head of the unit from which the records are sought. A copy of any information sent will be provided to the student upon written request.

4. Faculty or students conducting student characteristic research providing the research project has written approval of the academic unit executive officer sponsoring the research and providing guarantees are made that no "personally identifiable information" will be published or released and such information will be destroyed when no longer needed for the purpose for which it is collected.

5. Certain state and federal representatives specified by Title 20, par. 1232g for the sole purpose of evaluation and auditing of governmentally funded programs in which the University participates, with the guarantee that the identity of the students shall be protected.

6. State and local officials as directed by State Statute adopted prior to November 19, 1974, as approved by the General Counsel of the University.

7. Authorized organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, state or federal educational agencies or institutions for the purpose of developing, validating, or administering predictive tests, administering student aid programs, and improving instruction, with the guarantee that the identity of the student shall be protected and such information will be destroyed when no longer needed for the purpose for which it is collected.

8. Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or received.

9. Accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting function, with the guarantee that the identity of the student shall be protected.

10. Appropriate persons in connection with an emergency, if knowledge of such information is necessary to protect the health or safety of a student or other persons.

11. Comply with a judicial order or subpoena. The sufficiency of the order or subpoena will be determined by the General Counsel.

Disclosure without consent can only be effected with written notice given the student in all cases as soon as practically possible.

B. Disclosure Requiring Prior Consent

1. Except as listed in "A" above, all requests for student information other than "directory information" must be accompanied by a written consent of the student.

2. The written consent required by this section must be signed and dated by the student giving the consent and shall include (a) a specification of the records to be disclosed, (b) the party or parties to whom the disclosure is to be made, and (c) the purpose or purposes of the disclosure.

3. When a disclosure is made pursuant to this section, the appropriate recordkeeping office shall, upon request, provide to the student a copy of the records which are disclosed.

4. Student information will not be released to parents of students without the student's written consent. Exceptions to this procedure can be made if the Office of the Registrar is provided with appropriate documentation certifying the student as dependent as defined by the Internal Revenue Code.

5. Disclosure of information will be effected only with written agreement of the third party not to effect further disclosure.

6. The written consent of the student shall be filed in his permanent record.

C. Disclosure of Directory Information

Directory information pertaining to currently enrolled students may be released by the University at any time provided that it publish information relating to what constitutes directory information at least once each academic year in the campus student newspaper or other designated publication with wide circulation, and the individual student is given a reasonable period of time to inform the University in writing, through the Office of the Registrar, that he/she does not wish such information concerning himself/herself to be released without his/her prior consent. The Office of the Registrar will be responsible for identifying or withholding directory information which the student requests not to be released and for informing all University recipients of that information that such information is not to be released. This directory information hold will remain in effect until a written cancellation is filed by the student with the Office of the Registrar.

The procedural requirements of this section do not apply to the disclosure of directory information from the education records of an individual who is no longer in attendance at the University. Thus, the University (or appropriate recordkeeping office) is not required to give public notice of the above to former students.

All recipients of student information will be bound by this policy. Lists of student information are never knowingly provided to any requesting party for a commercial or political purpose.

D. Records of Disclosure Made

Records of disclosure are not required to be kept in the record of a student when the disclosure is initiated by the student himself/herself. The institution shall maintain a record within the student's education record indicating all individuals, agencies, or organizations which have requested or obtained access to a student's educational record which will indicate specifically the legitimate interest that each person, agency, or organization has in

obtaining same.

Subject to the provisions herein, the University may disclose "personally identifiable information" from the education records of a student only on the condition that the party to whom the disclosure is made will not further disclose the information without the student's written consent, except in the case of disclosure of "directory information".

The University shall, except for the disclosure of "directory information", inform the party to whom disclosure is made of the obligation to receive the student's consent before further disclosure to other parties.

E. Waiver of Right to Inspect and Review Education Records

1. The student may waive his or her right to inspect and review his/her education records. The waiver, in order to be valid, must be in writing and signed by the student. The University (or each appropriate recordkeeping office) may not require a waiver of rights, but it may request said waiver.

2. If a student has waived his/her right to see confidential letters of recommendation placed in his/her record after January 1, 1975, the waiver will be effective only if: (a) the applicant or student is, upon request, notified of the names of all individuals providing the letters or statements; (b) the letters or statements are used only for the purpose for which they were originally intended, and (c) such waiver is not required by the University as a condition of admission to or receipt of any other service or benefit from the University.

3. A waiver may be revoked, but the revocation must be in writing and signed by the student. Revocation of waiver will affect only documents received after its execution.

IV. IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT INFORMATION

A. Academic Records

The Office of the Registrar, (The Office of the Registrar at the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine), retains the official academic record of a student. It is a cumulative history of a student's admission, registration, and academic participation and performance. Certain biographic and demographic information is also kept for identification for enrollment and research related purposes. For information concerning these records, contact the Office of the Registrar, (The Office of the Registrar at the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine).

Academic records may also be maintained in academic units, departments, and schools or colleges. For information concerning these records, contact the head of the academic unit, department, or schools or colleges in question. The Office of Institutional Research also maintains some academic records.

B. Financial Records Offices within the business area maintain certain financial records, which relate to the payment and accounting of tuition, fees, and other charges. They also maintain records, which record student loan and grants. For information concerning these records, contact the Bursar's Office.

For billing purposes, the Office of the Registrar, (The Office of the Registrar at the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine), maintains a record of financial aid received and tuition and fees paid. For information concerning these records, contact the Office of the Registrar (the Office of the Registrar at the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine).

The Office of Student Financial Aid, (or the Office of Student Affairs for the School of Dental Medicine), maintains records of students receiving loans, grants, and aid along with scholarship information and some academic information. It also maintains records pertinent to student employment including the family financial statement. For information concerning these records, contact the Director of Student Financial Aid, or the Director of Student Affairs for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine.

The Housing Office maintains records of housing accounts. For information concerning these records, contact the Director of Housing.

C. Medical Counseling/Clinical Records

The University Health Service maintains medical records on all students. Only information pertinent to the health of the individual is contained therein. For information concerning these records, contact the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

Counseling Services maintains counseling records pertinent to services rendered by that office. For information concerning these records, contact the Director of Counseling Services.

D. Disciplinary Records

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (or The Office of the Dean of the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine), maintains records of disciplinary action which has been taken against a student with documentation pertaining thereto. That office also maintains only the academic information necessary to permit its functioning. For information concerning these records, contact the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, or the Dean of the School of Dental Medicine for students enrolled in the School of Dental Medicine.

E. Placement Records

The Career Development Center creates a record for those persons who wish to avail themselves of its services, with the student's voluntary participation. This information is distributed to potential employers. It consists of self-completed resumes and various personal references. For information concerning these records, contact the Director of the Career Development Center.

V. ACCESS TO RECORDS

A. Right to Inspect or Review Educational Records

1. The student has the right to physically review his records in the presence of a designated University representative.

2. Requests for review are required to be submitted in writing to the appropriate office.

3. That office shall comply with the request within a reasonable time, but in any case, compliance shall be effected not more than thirty (30) days after the receipt of the request.

4. Where requested by the student concerned, a written interpretation of the record shall be provided by qualified University personnel and said interpretation filed in the educational record.

5. Original records cannot be removed from University premises. A copy will be provided if requested, but only if not providing a copy will preclude review of the educational record by the student.

6. Copies of transcripts from other educational institutions will be provided only if the original source of those transcripts is no longer available or going to the original source would cause undue hardship as determined by this University.

B. Limitations on Right to Inspect or Review

1. The student may not inspect the following records:

a. Financial records and statements of his parents.

b. Confidential letters or statements of recommendation, placed in records before January 1, 1975, so long as they were solicited with an understanding of confidentiality and are used only for the purpose for which they were written.

c. Confidential letters of recommendation and confidential statements of recommendation placed in the educational records of the student after January 1, 1975, are subject to the student's right to inspect and review unless the student has signed a "written waiver of the student's right to access" after being notified of the names of those persons making confidential recommendations, and that such recommendations are used solely for the purpose for which they were intended.

2. Reports that involve two or more persons are considered confidential to protect the identity of the other person(s), but review is permitted as to that portion relating to the student concerned.

VI. CHALLENGING CONTENTS OF A STUDENT'S EDUCATIONAL RECORD

A. Purpose

A student has the right to challenge the content of a record on the ground that he/she believes it is inaccurate, misleading, or other wise in violation of his/her privacy or other rights and to have inserted in the record his/her written explanation of its contents. Academic grade review procedures are covered by separate policy. (A hearing may not be requested by a student to contest the assignment of a grade; however, a hearing may be requested to contest whether or not the assigned grade was recorded accurately in the educational records of the student.)

B. Procedure

To initiate such a challenge, the student shall, within sixty (60) days after he/she has inspected and reviewed the record in question for the first time, file with the University office responsible for maintaining such record a written request for correction, on a form specified by the University. Within thirty (30) days following receipt of such request, the head of such office, or his/her designated representative, shall review the record in question with the student, and either order the correction or deletion of such alleged inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise inappropriate data as specified in the request, or notify the student of the right to a hearing, at which the student and other persons directly involved in the establishment of the record shall have an opportunity to present evidence to support or refute the contention that the data specified in the request is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise inappropriate. The head of the office, or his/her designated representative, shall have five (5) days from the time of the review, to notify the student of his/her decision. If the student desires a hearing on the decision, the student shall exercise said option in writing within ten (10) days of said notice, and file the request for a hearing with the head of the office.

VII. DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS

The University may destroy educational records when they are no longer necessary, with the following limitations:

A. Educational records may not be destroyed if there is an outstanding request to inspect and review them.

B. Explanations placed in the record by the student and the record of requests and disclosures of information must be maintained as long as the educational record to which they pertain is maintained.

VIII. RIGHT TO FILE COMPLAINTS

A. If the student thinks his or her rights have been violated, he or she should first file a complaint with the head of the office that maintains the records in question.

B. After exhausting all the internal remedies available within the University, if the student still thinks his or her rights have been violated, written complaints can be filed with:

The Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act Office
Department of Health, Education and Welfare

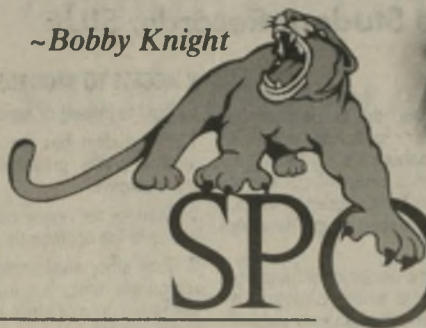
330 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20201

The Office shall notify the complainant and the University of the receipt of the complaint and an investigation will follow.

Sports Quote of the Day

"Bad officiating has almost ruined the basketball in this league."

~Bobby Knight



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2005

SIUE stumbles off the blocks

SIUE recovers from loss in season opener with a win at home

JOE VANZO

SPORTS STRINGER

MATTHEW BRUCE

SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE men's soccer team traveled to Memphis, Tenn., Thursday and put its No. 1 ranking on the line.

The Cougars managed only six shots and were shut out by the Christian Brothers University Buccaneers dropping their record to 0-1.

Both squads played a scoreless first half.

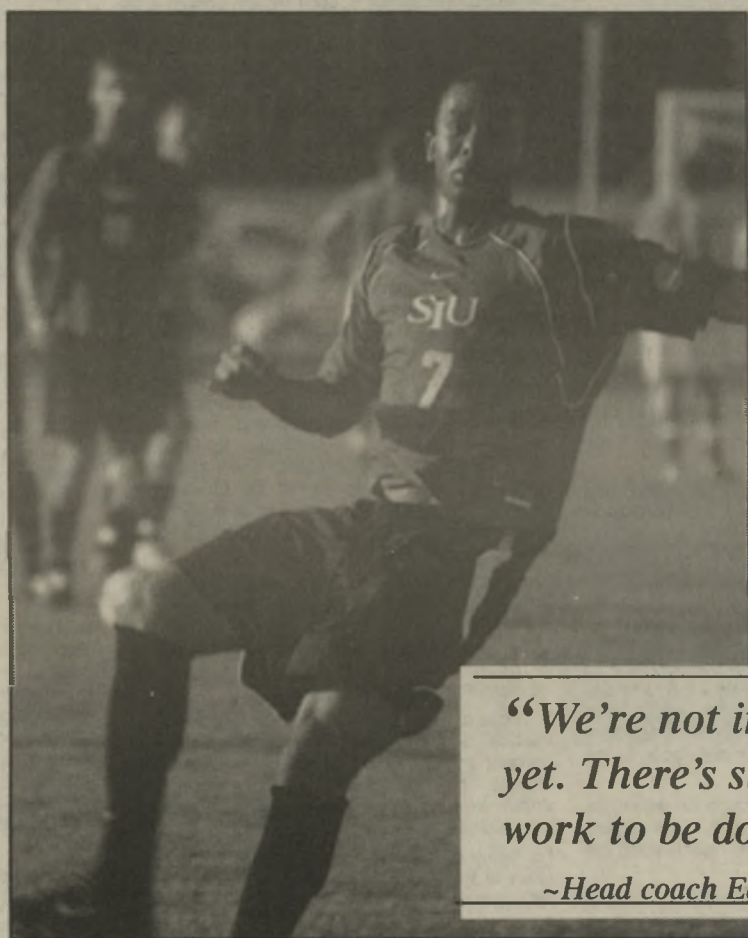
SIUE kept Christian Brothers at bay even though the Buccaneers played a majority of the first half down a man.

SIUE junior John Matthews was handed a red card just 12 minutes into the game.

"My opinion is it was definitely undeserved," SIUE Men's Soccer Head Coach Ed Huneke said. "He was taken down and was laying down when another player ran over him. John made a motion to the guy that tackled him from behind with his leg, and while John was on the ground, the referee gave him a red card eight minutes into the game.

"It affected us a lot," he added. "John's one of our best players. He was a key last year, and he does a lot of work."

Three minutes into the



MATTHEW BRUCE/ALESTLE
SIUE senior Mike Banner catches his footing after a kick at Korte Stadium.

second half, the playing field was leveled when CBU's Ryan Heine caught a red card ejection.

"He was trying to control (the game) too much," Huneke said of the referee. "Their guy didn't get it until right (after) half, and he didn't deserve it either. This guy was in

the mode of refereeing high school girls, I think."

But at the 73:10 mark, CBU midfielder Kieron Wilson humbled the No. 1 team in the land with a shot and goal on a two-on-one break.

Junior Mike Banner and senior Brian Higgins each had

two shots for SIUE. None were good for a score however, and time ran out on the Cougars as they went down 1-0. The loss dropped SIUE to 0-4 at Signaigo Field.

Sunday's game at home against Ashland had a better result.

SIUE sophomore Andrew Crider found the back of the net on a pass from junior Victor Pacheco at the 38:29 mark of the first half.

SIUE's first goal of the 2005 season proved to be a significant one. Sophomore goalkeeper Nicholas Frasca made Crider's goal stand up, making three saves and improving the Cougars to 1-1 on the young season.

"I truthfully wasn't as pleased with how we played," Huneke said. "I was happy with the victory, but I wasn't pleased with how we played. While we were victorious, we're not in sync yet. There's still work to be done."

SIUE outshot Ashland 14-8.

SIUE's next matchup comes Saturday at home against Quincy.

The battle will open Great Lakes Valley Conference play as SIUE tries to defend its 2004 conference title.

"We're not in sync yet. There's still work to be done."

~Head coach Ed Huneke

COUGAR DIARIES



Brian Higgins, Mid Fielder
SENIOR, MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

My name is Brian Higgins and I am a senior captain on the men's soccer team here at SIUE.

This is my last year as a student athlete, and this is my last chance to win a championship at the collegiate level.

We started this year with very high expectations as we were ranked as the No. 1 team in the country. There has been a lot of excitement around the soccer program as school started, but that also brings about some extra pressure.

We were looking to get off to a good start and defend our ranking last week, but that wasn't the case and we lost our first game 1-0.

What a slap in the face! We are the No. 1 team in the nation and we go out and lose our first game of the season.

It's very tough to swallow, especially when you know you are the better team and that if you play that team 10 times, you would win nine of them.

I think our team is feeling the pressure, and when things don't go the way we planned, we start to panic a little bit.

We have an experienced group of guys, guys who have won conference titles and have played in a national title game, so I think we will be fine.

It is good to see school get under way and to get into the routine of practice and classes. School also brings an extra bit of pressure, but once you get into your normal routine, it's like second nature.

In closing, I am still really excited about this upcoming season and trying to reach our goal of winning a national championship, and I hope that students will come out and support our team even more than they have in the past.

Sincerely,
Brian Higgins

Freshmen power Cougars to pair of wins

JANELLE DOBSON

SPORTS REPORTER

The SIUE women's soccer team refused to be intimidated by the seventh-ranked Ashland University Eagles and won 3-1 Sunday.

"It's a huge victory for us," SIUE Women's Soccer Head Coach Lynda Bowers said. "It's another step toward us getting to the national tournament."

The unranked Cougars outshot the Eagles 23-11.

Freshman Jenny Kates scored the first goal of the game at 33:49. Kates flew into the air to meet a header off of a corner kick



MATTHEW BRUCE/ALESTLE
Freshman Amy Million drives toward the goal during a preseason game against McKendree College.

from freshman teammate Jennifer Kratzer.

Ashland came out fired up in the second half and scored at the

51:45 mark.

The Cougars refused to give the Eagles any hope of winning. Freshmen Amy Million continued the trend of freshmen scoring by knocking the ball in from 12 feet out at the 65:14 mark.

"Five out of our last six goals in the past two games were scored by freshmen," Bowers said. "We don't care who puts the ball in the net as long as somebody does." The Cougars stripped the Eagles of any chance of winning when sophomore Katie Yearian netted a penalty kick, making the score 3-1.

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Volleyball a big hit at weekend tournament

MATTHEW BRUCE
SPORTS EDITOR

The school year just kicked off, but SIUE's volleyball team already had its first big test – and passed.

"I would give our team, after this weekend, ... an A-," SIUE Volleyball Head Coach Todd Gober said.

The Cougars opened their 2005 season on the road with four games in the Omaha Executive Inn and Suites Classic at the University of Nebraska-Omaha, winning three of the four contests.

"We had a great weekend," Gober said.

The Cougars opened the tournament against the Hillsdale College team that received more than three times the votes SIUE

did in the 2005 American Volleyball Coaches Association Division II Preseason Top 25 Poll. Neither team earned enough consideration for a ranking in the poll, but the Chargers got the nod for 19 votes while SIUE had only six.

The Cougars took the opportunity to make a statement, battering Hillsdale in straight sets 30-25, 30-25 and 30-20.

The Cougars overpowered the Chargers, hitting .271 as a team and holding Hillsdale to a .124 hitting percentage.

The Cougars got 41 assists from senior Krystal Majernik, while senior team captain Kindra Westendorf turned in 12 kills.

SIUE nabbed its second win of the season later in the evening with a 30-23, 30-21, 27-30 and 30-21 victory over Regis

University.

Senior middle-hitter Heather Bonde notched 15 kills, and led the way for SIUE.

The Cougars had a tougher row to hoe Saturday afternoon. They went down for the first time this season at the hands of Wayne State College, losing 25-30, 30-25, 21-30 and 19-30.

SIUE could not hold Wayne State in check, as the Wildcats ran wild to post a .305 hitting percentage. WSC also out blocked the Cougars as a team 11-5.

"Wayne State kind of caught us by surprise. They really played an efficient match," Gober said. "They're for real. I think you're going to hear more from them."

SIUE committed 35 errors in their third match, while WSU committed just 13.

Wayne State's Jacey Kuck Schwarz wreaked havoc on SIUE, going for 20 kills and 17 defensive digs.

Bonde led the Cougars again with 18 kills, and sophomore Kim Potthast chipped in with 14.

The Cougars bounced back in the night game, defeating University of Nebraska-Omaha in a fiercely contested match 30-20, 23-30, 27-30, 30-27 and 15-11 before its home crowd.

"Going in their gym and taking someone's crowd, it was awesome," SIUE junior Jamie Jones said. "UNO was quiet. We had all the energy. It was all around excitement."

The Cougars needed five sets to dispose of UNO – a team that received 29 votes in the Top 25 poll – after fumbling two of the first three games. SIUE

finally put the Mavericks to bed after more than two hours.

"(Against Wayne State), I thought we lacked mental preparation," Gober said. "I think that's the sign of a champion. You figure things out as the season goes along. They came back three hours later to beat a better team in Nebraska-Omaha."

Kim Potthast sparked SIUE with 20 kills, as the Cougars out-blocked UNO 15-4.

The Cougars are scheduled to take on McKendree College at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Vadalabene Center.

Gober says the Cougars' next big test will be this weekend in the Cougar Classic when they take on seventh-ranked Northern Michigan University and the Truman State Bulldogs, ranked No. 2.

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"With a bunch of young players, sometimes chemistry is hard to find. But we're figuring it out and it's pretty exciting," Bowers said.

The victory over Ashland improved the Cougars' season

record to 2-0.

SIUE opened the season Friday night with a 3-0 shutout over Missouri Southern State University. The Cougars outshot the Lions 17-5.

Freshmen Elizabeth Valenti,

Kates and Million provided the offense for SIUE, all scoring goals.

Sophomore Kim Roady and freshman Kaci Backs guarded the nets for the Cougars, with Backs logging four saves.

The Cougars worked hard at solidifying the team through the summer, and it seems to be paying off.

"We did the ropes course together," freshman Alison Stambaugh said. "We went

hiking; we go to dinner."

"Basically we spend every second of the day together," junior Pendra Bencini said.

The Cougars play at 4 p.m. Friday against Grand Valley State in Allendale, Mich.

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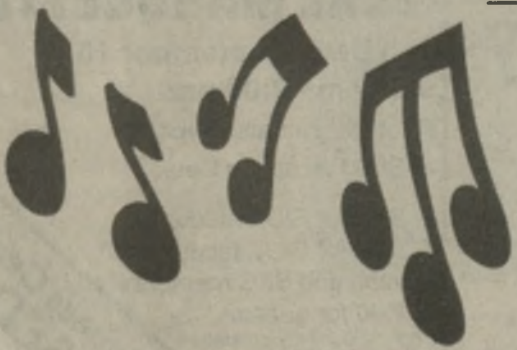
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