



# Student pleads guilty to aggravated DUI charge

AARON SUDHOLT  
NEWS REPORTER

Senior computer information management systems major Jeffery Graham pled guilty Monday to the charge of aggravated driving under the influence in the death of an Edwardsville man.

"He faces three to 14 years,"

Madison County State's Attorney Office Spokeswoman Stephanie Smith said.

Smith said Graham's sentencing will be sometime in the next 60 to 90 days.

The state's attorney will begin investigating Graham's records before sentencing.

"What happens is they order a pre-sentencing investigation,"

Smith said.

The charges stem from Sept. 16, 2005, when Graham struck Gregory J. Hamil, 49, in the parking lot of Rusty's Restaurant in Edwardsville with his car. Hamil died Oct. 8 at St. Louis University Hospital.

Graham is out on bail, which was set at \$70,000.

Graham is currently enrolled

at SIUE for the spring and summer semesters.

He could, however, face possible discipline under the Student Conduct Code at the University.

No comment was immediately available.

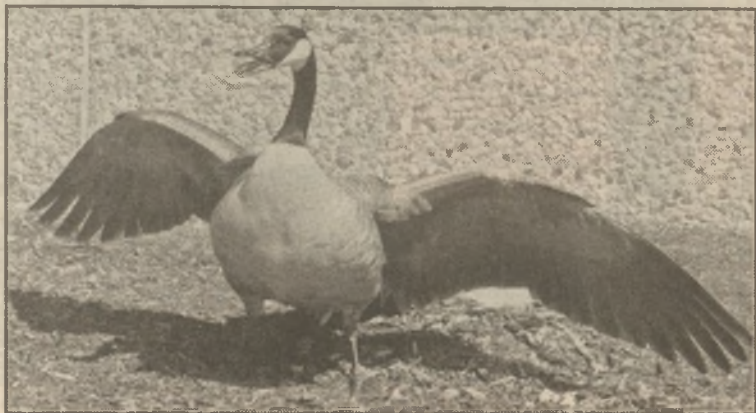
"I am not permitted by law to discuss issues of student discipline," Dean of Students and

Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Jim Klenke said.

Graham originally faced one count of reckless homicide and two counts of aggravated DUI. The reckless homicide charge was dropped in favor of the aggravated DUI charge, which carried a heavier penalty.

Graham declined comment.

# Nesting geese may attack



KATY HARTWIG/ALESTLE

**A Canada goose protects its nest near Alumni Hall Wednesday.**

ZACH GROVES  
NEWS EDITOR

Students will need to watch their step as they walk by the geese on campus.

According to Administrative Services Director Robert Vanzo, it is nesting season for the geese. He said they "can get extremely territorial" and confrontational.

Vanzo added that to his knowledge, Facilities

Management has heard reports of three incidents involving geese attacking students.

Facilities Management Director Robert Washburn said while the "likelihood of a (serious injury) is remote," they can swat at people with their wings and peck them with their beaks. Washburn added that children are more prone to injury from geese attacks than adults.

However, while Facilities Management is trying to keep the goose population down by removing the eggs from the nests, or coddling, Vanzo said students are still at risk.

"The goose is on the nest where you can't see it," Vanzo said.

Washburn said the staff can only do so much to settle the problem besides coddling the eggs.

"That is all we can do, since the geese are protected by the Migratory Waterfowl Act," Washburn said.

In the meantime, Vanzo said students will have to "go a different way" to get to a building if a goose happens to be there, even if there is no indication that it is nesting.

Vanzo said he is looking into taking other steps to minimize the situation.

"We need to do something," Vanzo said.

# New provost announced for SIUE



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**New Provost Paul W. Ferguson**

ZACH GROVES  
NEWS EDITOR

After nearly three months of interviews, the Provost Search Committee found the new provost in current University of Nevada-Las Vegas Research and Graduate Studies Vice President

Paul W. Ferguson, Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift announced Ferguson's new job Tuesday.

Ferguson will take over in July for current Provost Sharon Hahs, who will assume the duties as the university special projects director.

According to a press release, Vandegrift said Ferguson's administrative experience will "make an immediate impact to our vision for SIUE to be recognized nationally as a premier metropolitan university."

Provost Search Committee Chair and philosophy professor John Danley said Ferguson brought the bigger presence of the three candidates who participated in open interviews in March. Ferguson, University of Indianapolis Interim Provost and Academic Affairs Vice President Mary Moore and University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Undergraduate Education Associate Provost Kathleen Rountree were the final candidates.

"(Ferguson) is clearly one of the strongest candidates we got to look at," Danley said.

Ferguson was also the senior vice provost and dean at UNLV prior to his current position at the school. He worked as the University of Louisiana at Monroe graduate studies and research vice provost and dean, toxicology program director and pharmacology and toxicology head professor before moving on to UNLV.

Ferguson earned his bachelor's degree in biology at Whittier College in California and his doctorate in pharmacology and toxicology at the University of California, Davis. In addition, he has owned

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# Tasers drawn in MUC

STEVE BRITT  
NEWS REPORTER

A Bethalto man redecorated the Morris University Center early Saturday morning.

Police arrested Derek Leonard, 21, for criminal damage to state-supported property and aggravated assault after custodians heard noises in the MUC.

"He threw a cigarette dispenser through the door and broke it down ... He was breaking furniture by throwing it down the steps near the Kimmel Leadership Center," SIUE Police Lt. Kevin Schmoll said Wednesday.

Schmoll said Leonard was acting inappropriately at 2:21 a.m. when officers arrived, but quickly complied with their

commands after Tasers were drawn. Leonard tried to hit an officer resulting in the other charge of aggravated assault.

"He was cuffed and taken to Anderson Hospital for a cut on his leg. He refused stitches and gave the doctors and nurses a hard time," Schmoll said.

Schmoll said Leonard was intoxicated with alcohol at the time, but would not speculate on any other influences.

"He said his reason for doing this was that he was with his friends down at the UC bowling alley and they left him there," Schmoll said.

Estimates for damage to the furniture and door were unavailable Wednesday.

Leonard remains on a Class four felony hold in Madison County Jail.

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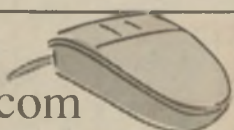


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**Sophomore Zaxxon E. L. Nation, as the pirate king, is carried by his mates in "The Pirates of Penzance" Tuesday during dress rehearsal. The play runs through Sunday.**



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# Rescue earns student award

TED MCKINNEY  
MANAGING EDITOR

For a lifeguard, when a day of splashing, tanning and belly-flops is interrupted by a whistle piercing the air three times, it means trouble.

Last summer, with more than 400 children packing Shaw Park Pool in Clayton, Mo., the lifeguard staff was already on edge.

SIUE sophomore Brad Kofron was the head lifeguard on duty at the time.

When the three whistle blasts burst above the din at the beginning of Kofron's shift, he "was thinking it was just going to



American Red Cross

# Lifesaver

## AWARDS

**"When it happened, I didn't think. I just reacted."**

~SIUE sophomore

Brad Kofron

be another pullout ... I heard another guard yell my name, and when I looked in the pool, he had this kid in his arms. (The boy) was totally unconscious and had a lot of water and vomit in his mouth."

Kofron was presented a Lifesaver Award from the American Red Cross on March 13 at its chapter headquarters in Creve Coeur, Mo.

The Lifesaver program was started to inspire people to get trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, according to Stephen Hall of the St. Louis Area Chapter American Red Cross. The regional award program recognizes community members four times a year to let others know that first aid and related training may allow them to save a life someday.

Since its inception in 1984,

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS  
SIUE sophomore Brad Kofron, pictured with Clayton Parks and Recreation representative Stephanie McCormick, was recognized with the Lifesaver Award from the American Red Cross for his rescue last summer at a ceremony in March.

the Red Cross Lifesaver Program has honored more than 200 individuals in the St. Louis area.

Kofron was honored for his rescue effort when a "skinny-little" third-grader at a party marking the end of the school year got trapped under his fellow students during a contest to see who could hold their breath the longest.

Kofron credits his saving the child to the first aid and CPR training he and colleagues

received.

"It went by so fast," he said Monday. "It was a crazy experience. When it happened, I didn't think. I just reacted."

Kofron, who is still a lifeguard at another area pool, said it was one of the scariest moments of his life but also one of the most rewarding.

The recognition and plaque on his wall mean a lot, Kofron said, but "seeing him get up and walk after all of that was a huge thrill."

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## Campus Scanner

**Volunteer:** Give back to the community by volunteering with a local food co-op program. The Share Food project needs volunteers to package and carry food to customers' vehicles. This event is from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Granite City Community Care Center. Sign up in the Kimmel Leadership Office. For more information, contact Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt at 650-2686.

**Cardboard Race:** Sigma Pi presents the Cardboard Boat Regatta at noon Sunday at Cougar Lake. Each team is required to submit \$30 with a completed application. Each member will get a Boat Regatta T-shirt with entry. For more information, contact Trent at 401-9336

**Cricket Club:** Come out and join the Cricket Club and Campus Recreation in officially opening the new cricket pitch. The event begins at 11 a.m. Sunday at the soccer fields near Korte Stadium. For more information, contact Keith Becherer at kbecher@siue.edu.

**Music:** Come hear great music from the SIUE Band at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Dunham Hall Theater.

**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 will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Religious Center. This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon.

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# Chicago gallery displays SIUE art

LAUREL WILLIAMS  
NEWS REPORTER

Three SIUE students have been selected as finalists for the 2006 Annual Collegiate Artists Competition.

The SIUE finalists are seniors Linda Brady for "Rembrandt" in charcoal, Nate Jones for "The Emotional Propagandists" in photolithography and Jason Schipkowski for "Untitled #2" in photography.

"It's a statewide competition," Art and Design Chair Ivy Cooper said. "There aren't many in the country like this."

The competition consists of 56 finalists from the 282 student-artists that originally entered. Overall, there were 699 entries.

Finalists have the chance to

be one of four winners, receiving \$1,000 purchase awards. The winners will be announced on May 6 during an awards ceremony reception from 3 to 6 p.m. at Robert Morris College's State Street Gallery in Chicago.

The finalists were chosen by the internationally-known painter Phyllis Bramson, who acted as a juror.

This is the third year for the competition, with SIUE having participated in it every year.

Cooper explained that SIUE also had three finalists the first year, but none for last year's competition.

"I think we've done really well," Cooper said. "It shows the other schools what we're up to."

"I'm very honored to be part of this group," finalist Linda Brady said.

Other universities such as

the Art Institute of Chicago, Illinois Institute of Art, Bradley University, Northern Illinois University, University of Illinois and Southern Illinois University Carbondale were also represented.

Sponsors for the competition included the Office of the Governor, Illinois Board of Higher Education, Federation of Independent Illinois Colleges and Universities, Robert Morris College, Illinois Community College Board and the state's community of colleges and universities.

From May 4 through June 16, all finalists' artwork will be displayed at the Robert Morris College's State Street Gallery at 401 South State Street in Chicago.

For more information, visit [www.ibhe.state.il.us/art](http://www.ibhe.state.il.us/art).

# SIUE cricket club opens

RAJSHEKAR DACHA  
NEWS STRINGER

Cricket, a common game that is played in many countries in Asia, as well as in Australia and the United Kingdom, has found a home at SIUE.

SIUE has constructed a cricket stadium, located near the youth soccer fields on Stadium Drive.

The SIUE Cricket Club formed two years ago brought up the idea and decided to construct the stadium in the campus. Nearly \$6,000 was spent on construction and equipment required for the game.

Major fundraisers include Poo Management and a few members of the Indian Students Association, including graduate students Jaya Prakash Vadlamudi, Shyam Sunder and Srinivas Sambarajuand. Keller Construction helped build the facility.

International Student

Services also helped in the stadium's progress.

There is a membership fee to join. The game is played during the summer session and fall semester.

"The official inauguration and ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held on April 23 and an observers match will be held," Campus Recreation Assistant Director Keith Becherer said.

Cricket is a sport similar to baseball in which a thrower, also known as a bowler, tosses the ball to a batter, or a batsman. According to [www.cricinfo.com](http://www.cricinfo.com), the bowler attempts to get the batsman out by hitting a wicket and the batsman defends the wicket by hitting the ball.

He added that the match will be followed by a teaching seminar about cricket and food samples will be provided from areas of the world where cricket is popular.

For more information, contact Becherer at 650-3242.

# Prof gets research funds

BRIAN BAYLEY  
NEWS STRINGER

English professor Allison J. Funk will get a research boost with the 2006 Paul Simon Outstanding Scholar Award.

Funk has been with the university since 1990.

"I feel very honored and excited about it," Funk said.

The award is given to the SIUE faculty member who exemplifies the role of research and creative activities in achieving excellence in teaching.

The award is sponsored by the graduate school and presented by the graduate school faculty.

Funk has authored three books and been included in numerous anthologies, including three in the United Kingdom.

She is responsible for creating the River Bluff Review, the SIUE student literary magazine, as well as creating the course English 494, which allows students to receive credit for working on the magazine. Funk is also in high demand to present poetry readings across the nation.

The Paul Simon award gives the recipient a financial donation, that can be used for anything.

"I haven't received (the money) yet and I'll have to kind of think about what to use it for," Funk said.

She said the money could be used to foster her creative side, "to maybe buy me a little bit of time away from things so I can write more."

Funk was presented with the award at a ceremony on March 29.



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## Employee of the month



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### Binod Pokhrel

ELIZABETH SCHMITT  
NEWS STRINGER

Technical specialist Binod Pokhrel keeps things running smoothly for the School of Education.

Pokhrel has been recognized as the April recipient of the Employee Recognition Award.

"It is an honor to be recognized this way," Pokhrel said.

Pokhrel was nominated by his supervisor, Amy Wilkinson, who is the program manager in the same department.

According to Wilkinson, Pokhrel's "expertise and willingness to share that expertise" made him a prime candidate for the award.

"He doesn't turn anyone down. He offers support at multilevels," Wilkinson said.

Pokhrel has worked as a technical specialist for the School of Education for nearly four years. During that time, he has contributed a great deal to the department.

Wilkinson recounts his assistance in making Alumni Hall and Founders Hall wireless, his ability to co-train graduate courses and workshops and his integration of new technology.

A first-time recipient of the award, Pokhrel felt the best perk was the department's recognition of his hard work.

"I have enjoyed the good compliments of the faculty and staff within the School of Education," Pokhrel said.

Pokhrel will receive a plaque, a \$25 gift certificate to the Morris University Center Bookstore, a close parking spot for one month and two complimentary lunch coupons to the University Restaurant.

The award presentation will take place at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Room 1137 of the Dean's Suite in Alumni Hall.

Questions or comments should be directed to Shrylene Clark at sclark@siue.edu or 650-2155.

## Art auction aids student

### ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

Students, faculty and staff can pick up local artwork and help a student replace his photography equipment.

The Art and Design Building will present a silent auction at 4 p.m. Thursday, offering participants a chance to bid on artwork from the campus community.

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the professional certification of diplomate from the American Board of Toxicology since 1985.

Ferguson is carrying some recognition to the university as well. He has earned several awards and is credited with having written works in more than 100 publications, including journals and academic magazines.

Proceeds will go to graduate student Pete Gifford. According to an e-mail from Art and Design Chair Ivy Cooper, Gifford's photography equipment was stolen April 11.

The equipment was estimated to be worth nearly \$5,000.

For more information on the auction, contact the Art Department at 650-3071.

Danley said the committee started its search with 60 candidates and brought the number down to eight via telephone interviews.

The committee minimized the candidate list even further after February airport interviews and picked its new provost after conducting open interviews in March with Ferguson, Moore and Rountree.

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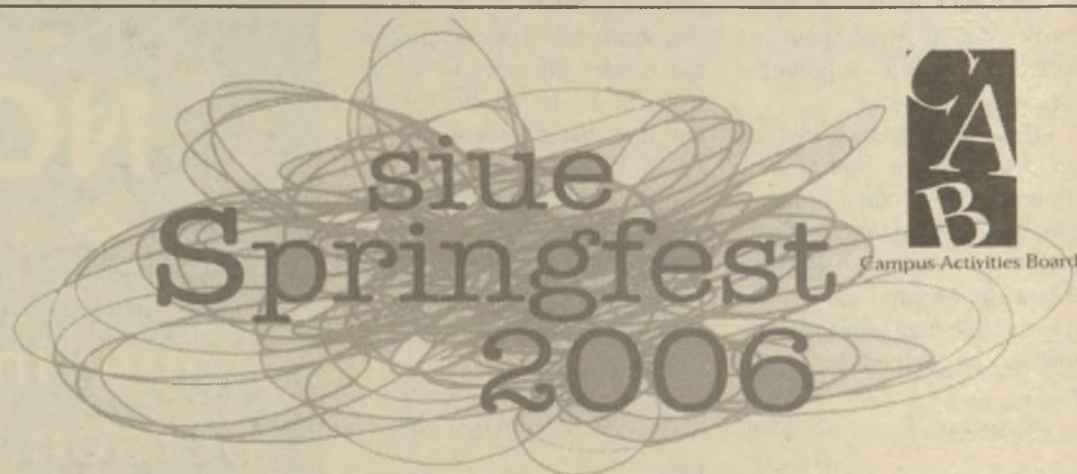
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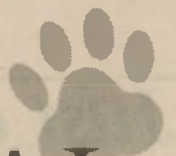
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## Letter to the editor

### Concerned parent says geese must be controlled

When I moved on campus last fall as a transfer student, I found the goose population at SIUE mildly annoying. There was goose poop everywhere, and the geese themselves were everywhere!

Over time, I adjusted and

A little more than a week ago, my children - ages five and six - and I were walking along one of the walkways in Cougar Village, when out of nowhere and for no apparent reason, my 5-year-old son was attacked by a goose. Seeing this, my 6-year-old

Then, today, I read of another goose attack in the Alestle. It seems to me that someone should do something to ensure the students and families are not injured while on campus. I have asked UH and UHFM to consider relocating the geese in an effort to ensure safety of people on campus, as well as the well-being of the geese.

I am writing this letter to ask that other students voice their opinions as well. Write to or call Housing and UHFM to show your support of the relocation of the geese.

Obviously, the geese and the people cannot peaceably co-exist.

It is time for the geese to go. If the university does nothing, it very well could be held liable for the damages caused by the geese, and I am not referring to minor things, such as one stepping in goose poop, or washing goose poop from a car windshield. I am referring to personal injuries sustained by these birds.

While they do deserve to live in a "natural" habitat, they cannot live where it threatens the safety of people on a daily basis.

Mandi Cygne  
Sophomore  
School of Business

**"My oldest son was attacked so hard he had abrasions on his back and face from the goose's beak."**

eventually began to enjoy the geese as part of the scenery around campus. I live in family housing with my husband and two children. Until recently, we had been able to co-exist with the geese fairly well.

With spring, however, come goslings and over-protective parents of goslings. I figured that if we left the geese alone to live peacefully, they would leave us alone. Was I ever wrong!

son stepped in between his brother and the goose to protect his brother. I was about 20 feet behind them both, unable to do anything.

My oldest son was attacked so hard he had abrasions on his back and face from the goose's beak. I have written a letter to University Housing Facilities Management and University Housing asking them to address this problem.

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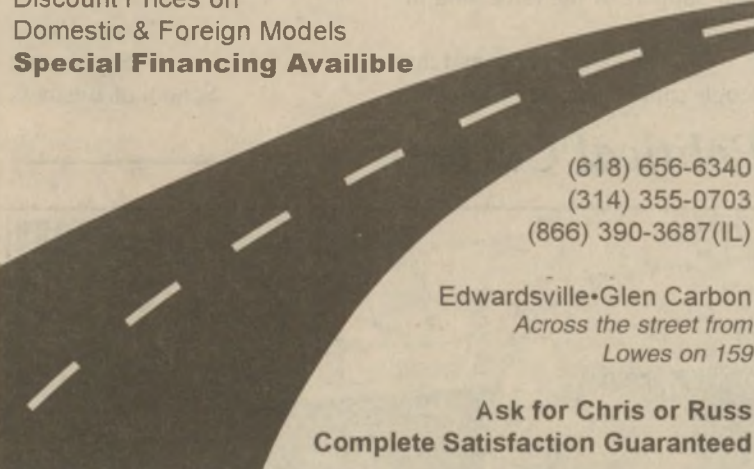
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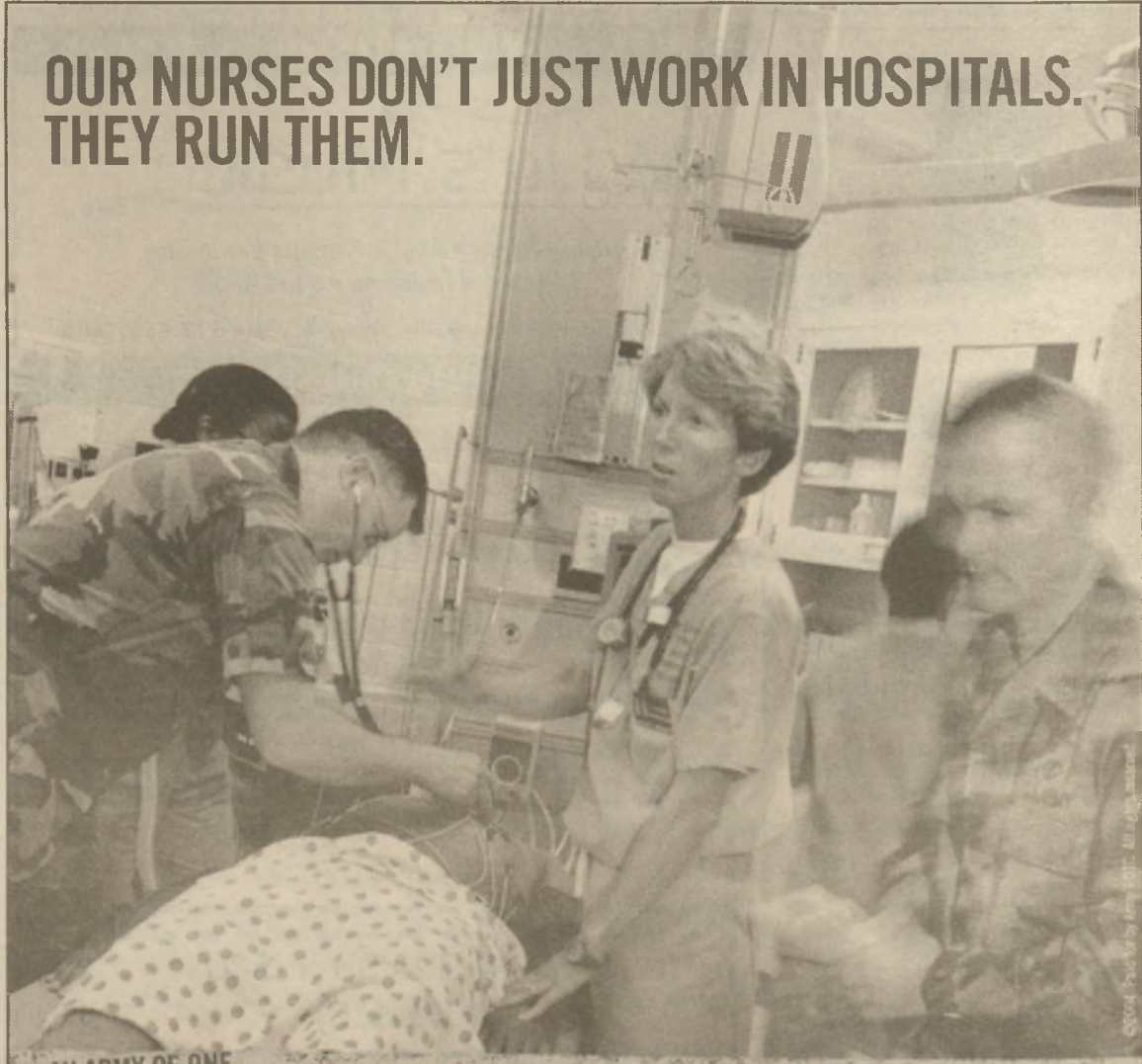
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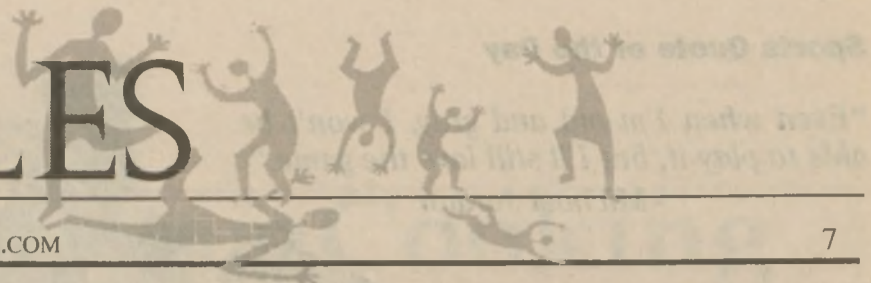
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- D. Freshman Sean Mead dives in a dodgeball game at Springfest.**
- E. Delta Sigma Theta sorority members Crystal Williams, Brittany Reeves, Tyra Walls, Phelon Williamson, and Camilya Pruitt dance in the quad.**
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# SIUE in history books

## Cougars tie NCAA record for shutouts

STEPHEN BUDNICKI  
SPORTS STRINGER

The Cougars took three of four games against Southern Indiana this past weekend while tying an NCAA Division II record.

The SIUE pitching staff marked its 16th shutout of the season, tying the previous record held by Central Missouri State last season. The Cougars took game one of the twin bill on Saturday 1-0 with another outstanding performance by pitcher Kyle Jones.

Jones ran his streak of scoreless innings to 54, improving to 8-0 for the season. He pitched six innings, striking out 10 and walking four. Patrick Keller relieved Jones to seal the deal and collect his first save of the season. Keller is 2-0 with four combined saves this season while allowing only one earned run in 23 innings.

With the bats silent, the Cougars were able to produce their only run in the first inning. Center fielder Ryan Czyz ignited with a single out to right field while advancing to second on a



KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE  
SIUE sophomore infielder Cory Bunner, left, slides into home plate to beat the throw to the catcher, right background, during a recent game at Roy Lee Field.

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# Women's golf team find its stroke

MATTHEW BRUCE  
SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE women's golf team found its stroke this week, stringing together a pair of top-three performances.

The Cougars finished third at the University of Findlay Outback Steakhouse Women's Invitational Tuesday and captured second place at the Ashland University Invitational over the weekend.

The Cougars tallied 675 total team points at the Outback Invite in Findlay, Ohio. Grand Valley State University won the nine-school tournament with 649 points while Ferris State University finished second with 658.

Junior Ashley Hemann keyed the Cougars as she had the fourth-best individual performance with a two-day

score of 162. Hemann finished her first 18 holes with a score of 86. She had a handle on the 18,009-foot course her second time around the greens, notching the best day-two score in the 53-man field as she shot four strokes over par.

SIUE junior Danielle Kaufman was not far behind Hemann as she tied for 11th place with a score of 168. Junior teammate Brittany Hood was on her heels, finishing with a two-day total of 169.

SIUE sophomore Julie Cline saw her score rise eight points in the second day of competition and finished with a 176. Junior Casey Biddinger weighed the Cougars down as she neared 100 on both days of the tournament. Biddinger, who came into the invite averaging 168.38 points, hacked her way to a score of 197.

The Cougars went into

Findlay coming off of a strong performance at Ashland University.

The Cougars finished behind Ferris State University with 665 total points. SIUE had three individuals finish in the top 10 of a field that included 60 golfers.

Cline led the Cougars with a score of 165 and Hemann was just behind, shooting 166.

Kaufman ended the first day in a three-way tie for the lead with 78 points. She tacked 10 onto that score in the second day of competition and finished in a tie with Hemann and three other performers for ninth place at 166.

Hood finished in a tie for 15th with 168 points. Biddinger flanked the Cougars with a score of 175.

SIUE gets back into action Sunday at the Broken Arrow Golf Course in Lockport for the Lewis Invitational.

# Women's track places sixth...

MALLORY HENSLEY  
SPORTS STRINGER

The success the SIUE women's track team found last week at the Division II Challenge was a collective effort.

Supported by 13 top-five event finishes, the Cougars took second place in the tournament, which was hosted by Emporia State University in Emporia, Kan. At least one representative of each grade placed in an event, proving that balance is a key characteristic in a successful team.

SIUE was edged out by Lincoln University, which finished the tournament with 173 points. SIUE held a nine and a half point lead over Pittsburgh State University. Central Missouri State and Chadron State University rounded out the top five.

Although no Cougar took gold, four athletes placed second in their categories. Senior Holly

Noller placed second in the women's javelin throw, earning eight points in SIUE's favor. Noller also finished fourth in the shot put with a toss of 13.29 meters.

"Every week, Noller gets a little better and better. She is a senior and she's determined to go out with a bang," SIUE Head Coach Ben Beyers said.

A 46.73-meter throw also earned junior Callie Glover points in the throwing category. Glover's throw secured her the fourth-place slot in the hammer throw.

Sophomore Christine Butler notched a strong performance for the Cougars, placing second in the triple jump and third in the long jump.

"This was Butler's first outdoor meet since she performed at nationals. She notched her personal record in the long jump. She's well on her way," Beyers said. "Callie has

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# ...Men's track does too

MALLORY HENSLEY  
SPORTS STRINGER

The SIUE men's track team found its groove last weekend, placing sixth out of 22 teams in the Division II Challenge.

Seven top-five performances were enough to push the Cougars ahead of many of their competitors.

Senior Brian Taghon was the star of the show, and the only Cougar to place first. He finished the 5000-meter run in 15 minutes, 47.25 seconds, more than 20 seconds in front of the rest of the pack.

SIUE sophomore Kyle Rose

earned the second-most individual points for the Cougars. Rose placed second in the 400-meter dash with a time of 48.12. His performance earned the team eight points.

"Kyle had a great meet. It was a very loaded field. There were a lot of national competitors. For him to get second, on top of a slight injury, is pretty great," SIUE Head Coach Ben Beyers said.

In the pole vault, junior Anthony Weber placed third. His throw traveled 16 feet, 0.75 inches. Steve Landers, a senior,

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KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE  
SIUE freshman Brent Rehkemper leaps over the bar in the high jump during a recent meet at Korte Stadium.



**BASEBALL**

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passed ball. Jake Smith picked up an RBI single inside the gap of left field sending home Czyz.

The Cougars rallied from a 3-0 deficit in top of the ninth to come out victorious in extra innings, 6-3. Danny Fletcher ignited the inning with a single through the right side setting up second basemen Brian Newby. Newby had an RBI double sending Fletcher to the plate. Cory Bunner singled to right center bringing Newby home for an RBI while Jeff Darnall doubled down right field to bring in the tying run.

In the 11th inning, SIUE's bats came alive as the Cougars doubled home the winning run. Newby started off with another double, eventually advancing to third off a bunt from Kyle Amerson. Czyz's sacrifice fly sent Newby home and gave SIUE the lead. Amerson scored off an

infield error off the bat of Bunner. Bunner later scored off a wild pitch from USI's Chad Werry. Adam Schneider improved his record to 1-2 for the season.

Cougars lost game one of the twin bill Sunday. USI's Adam Vetter didn't allow one hit in seven innings and pitched in a 2-1 win. The only run the Cougars picked up was from Fletcher, who was walked and later scored off a sacrifice fly from Amerson. Cameron Cheek pitched seven innings.

SIUE ended the series with a statement in Sunday's night game. The bats were alive as they scored 10 runs periodically through the innings. Adam Tallman was impressive in seven innings pitched. Tallman improved to 3-2 for the season. SIUE is now 26-12-1 overall and 21-11-1 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

**MEN'S TRACK**

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also earned a third-place finish. Landers best represented the Cougars in the discus throw.

"Steve Landers is on cloud nine about his performance, I'm sure," Beyers said. "I know he is going to continue to work hard and get to the nationals so he can do well there, too."

Sophomore Erik Steffens was the final Cougar to notch a

third place. He finished the 5000 in 16:10:93.

Rounding out the top-five finishers were seniors Phil Freimuth and Dustin Bilbruck. Freimuth placed fourth in the javelin throw; Bilbruck earned fifth.

The Cougars return to action Friday as they travel to Champaign to participate in the Illinois Invitational.

**WOMEN'S TRACK**

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had a great season. She was an indoor All-American, and outdoors as well. She's gaining more and more confidence and experience. She will be extremely tough to beat this year."

SIUE found more success in the sprinting categories. Three of the top-five slots in the 400-meter dash were awarded to Cougars. Junior Tairisha Sawyer placed second with a finishing time of 55.47 seconds. SIUE senior Kimetha Williams and freshman Deserea Brown finished fourth and fifth, respectively, with times of 56.40 and 56.46.

"Tai is having the best season of her career. I'm very proud of her. Kimetha had the goal of making the national list, which she did," Beyers said. "Deserea broke our school record

and is also on the national list. She's had some beautiful performances and she is just a freshman."

Brown and Sawyer also placed in other events. Brown finished the 400-meter hurdles in just over one minute. Her performance earned her second place. Sawyer came in fourth in the 200-meter dash. The Cougars were also well represented in the 100-meter hurdles, as junior Valerie Simmons placed fifth.

In addition to the individual performances, SIUE placed second in the 4x100 and 4x400 meter relays.

The Cougars return to the track Friday when they go to Champaign to compete in the Illinois Invitational.

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## Cougars take sixth place at regional golf tourney

MATTHEW BRUCE  
SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE men's golf team took a step in the right direction as it faced off against its regional competitors over the weekend and proved itself a formidable foe.

The Cougars finished with Northern Kentucky University in a tie for sixth place at the Great Lakes Regional number three in Edinburg, Ind. The field included 19 schools and 94 individual performers.

SIUE racked up 581 points in the two-day event and finished one point behind Bellarmine University and the University of Findlay for fourth place.

The tournament featured stiff competition and was hotly contested as fewer than 10 points

separated first-placed University of Indianapolis from Northwood University, which finished ninth.

Ashland University's Chris Robertson shot a 67 on the first day and followed it up with a 68 as he was declared champion of the event with a two-day score of 138.

Junior Craig Heinzmann powered the Cougars, tying for seventh with a score of 142.

Fellow junior teammate Kyle Gaunsauer was just behind with a score of 144 to finish 11th. SIUE junior Ryan Coughlin was a lift as he finished just behind Gaunsauer with a score of 145.

Junior Kyle Lickenbrock rounded out the scoring for SIUE, finishing with 150 points.

The tournament marked the end of the Cougars' first full season in over 10 years.

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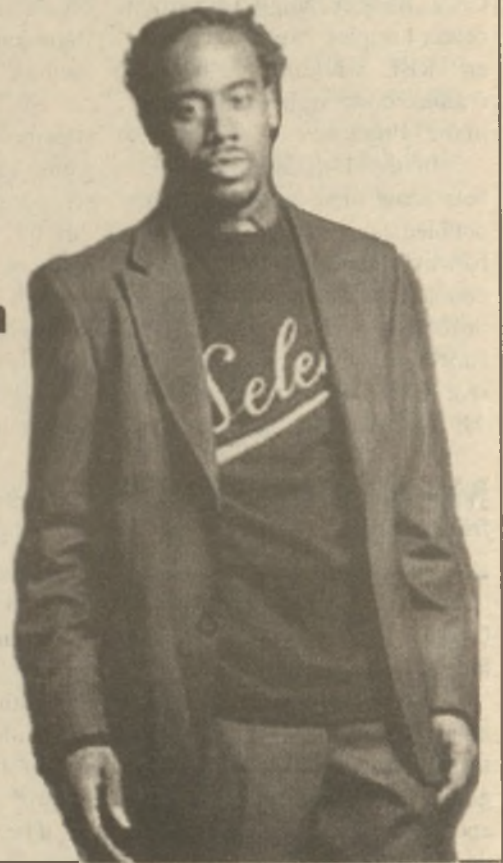
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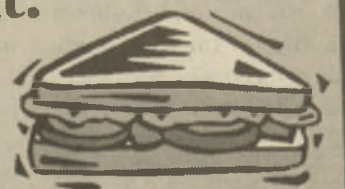
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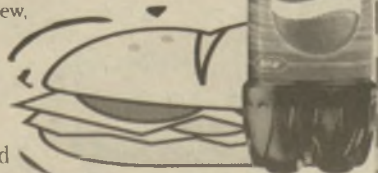


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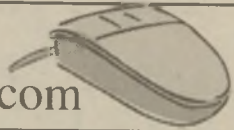
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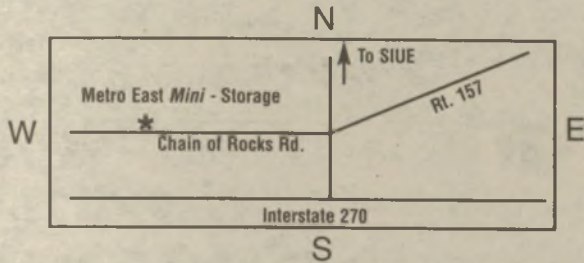
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
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