

Tuition and fees going up

Carbondale students protest, SIUE students remain silent on more than \$700 in tuition and fee increases

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NEWS STRINGER

An increase in student tuition and fees approved for 2006 will hit incoming freshmen the hardest, but returning students will also feel the pinch.

The Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees approved a 9.4 percent tuition

more in tuition and \$321 more in fees in 2006, according to a data report generated from the SIU Office of Financial and Administrative Affairs.

The \$729 overall increase will apply to freshmen, but returning students from fall 2004 or after will only face the fee increase. The Illinois Guaranteed Tuition Law, which applies to

full-time students who entered college in fall 2004 or thereafter, ensures that "new entering undergraduate students will pay the same full-time tuition rate for 48 months from the date of their matriculation," according to the SIUE Admissions

Department Web site, siue.edu/prospectivestudents.

Assistant Vice President for Financial and Administrative Affairs in the SIU Office of the President Corey Bradford said the fees that students pay funds projects and programs that do not have state support.

An example of such a program is the textbook rental service available to undergraduates at SIUE. The textbook fee will increase \$46.50. Students paid \$210 in 2005 and will pay \$256.50 in 2006 for textbook rental services.

Bradford said this increase is necessary because "textbook prices are rising at an alarming rate."

"SIUE students pay less than \$300 a year for books. That is a deal that can't be beat," Bradford said. "Students at other schools sometimes pay \$1000 a year for textbooks."

Two new fees will also appear on fall 2006 bills. At \$180, the new Information Technology fee is the most expensive. This fee is "expected to generate \$2 million per year," according to the board of trustees' proposal for the fee at siue.edu/bot. The proposal says the use and need for technology at SIUE continues to rise but the funding has "remained stagnant."

According to the proposal, the money generated from this new fee will help provide "wireless connectivity throughout the campus and expand the high-speed fiber network into Cougar Village." The fee is also expected to help fund an increase in bandwidth on campus.

The other new fee has the second steepest price tag at \$60 for 2006. The new Student Academic Success Center fee was created in order to provide the funds for the design of the new building that will centralize many academic and personal services for students, according

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hike and a 37.4 percent increase in student fees at the May 2 meeting.

According to a May 2 St. Louis Post-Dispatch article, "major concerns" were voiced by faculty and students at the March board meeting in Carbondale, but the SIUE meeting, when the increase was approved, lacked dissenting Edwardsville voices. A motion to increase housing fees at the Carbondale campus was tabled following objections by Carbondale students present.

Incoming in-state freshmen at SIUE can expect to pay \$408

SIUE loses legendary Katherine Dunham



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An early photo of Katherine Dunham.

AARON SUDHOLT
NEWS EDITOR

Katherine Dunham, world-renowned for her work in anthropology and dance, died Sunday. She was 96.

"The SIUE community is saddened by the news of the death on Sunday in New York City of Katherine Dunham,

university professor emerita and a retired member of the Anthropology faculty at SIU," SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift said in a statement released Monday. "She will be remembered for her great accomplishments, but also for her vision and spirit. Katherine Dunham was an extraordinary woman, one who performed on stages throughout the world and in film."

Dunham had been a university professor and adjunct professor of anthropology in 1975 at SIUE. She retired in 1982.

She had been a tenured professor at both SIUE and Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

SIUE East St. Louis Center for the Performing Arts Program Director Theo Jameson, who was also a student of Dunham's, said her work had a great impact on the world and her students.

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University benefits local economy

AARON SUDHOLT
NEWS EDITOR

The completion of an economic impact study for the 2005 fiscal year showed SIUE's importance to southwestern Illinois.

The results of the SIUE Economic Impact Study were presented to SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift May 16.

Economics and Finance Department Chair Rik Hafer and economics and finance professors John B. Meisel and Timothy S. Sullivan conducted the study.

Results showed a total benefit of about \$356 million on the communities around SIUE and more than \$178 million in expenditures by SIUE and its employees, students, donors and

visitors.

"The purpose of this study, any impact study, is to try to get a snapshot of where the university sits on the economic impact on the region," Hafer said.

"Every dollar from the university that is directly related to it generates two," he said. "That \$178 million, that's how much expenditures wouldn't be in the area if SIUE didn't exist."

The result of that doubling is the \$356 million.

"You're generating more students and keeping students that would've gone to Eastern (Illinois University), Western (Illinois University) and (Southern Illinois University) Carbondale," Meisel said. "I think the university is on a positive trend."

The study showed that SIUE creates more than 2,000 jobs and gives \$19 million in local and state taxes.

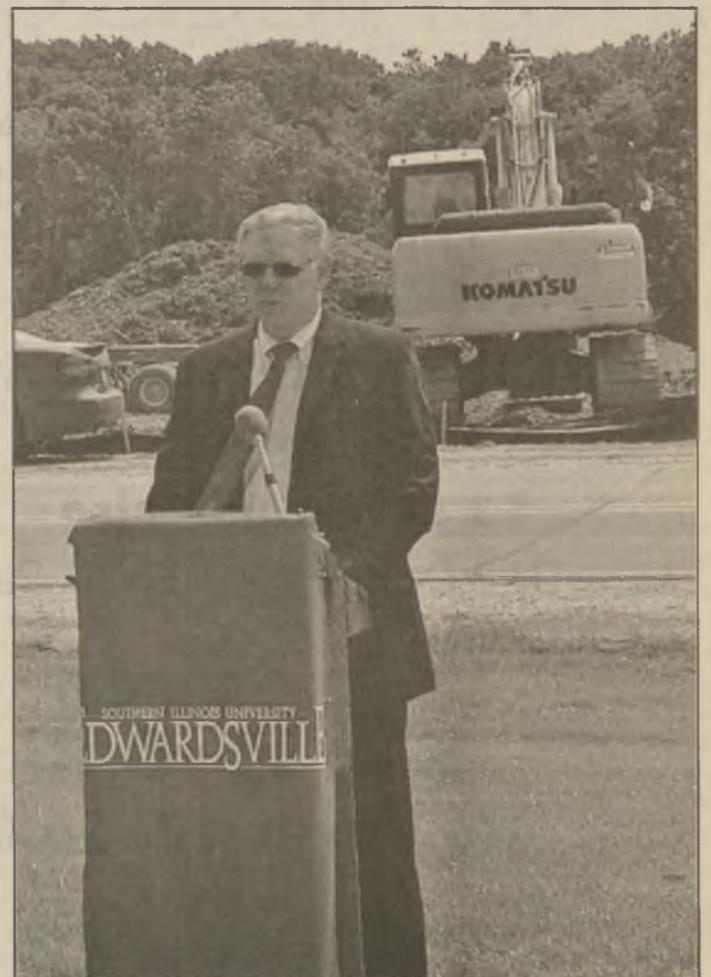
The study also found that 37,000 SIUE alumni lived in the region after graduation and 50 percent of graduates stayed in the area.

"It's not just students and faculty that benefited, but businesses," Meisel said.

The study, conducted over nine to 12 months in 2005, was taken through surveys, university budget expenses and taxes and statistics from the SIUE Foundation.

Meisel said that the benefit increase since the last time the survey was taken, in 2001 and 2002, was about 10 percent after inflation.

Evergreen dig begins



ANDY RATHNOW/ALESTLE

Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift speaks before an audience at the groundbreaking for Evergreen Hall Thursday. Construction of Evergreen will cost more than \$40 million and be finished by the fall 2007 semester.

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to the proposal at siu.edu/bot. The proposed 58,000-square foot building will be an addition to Morris University Center and is expected to house such services as Academic Advising, Health Services and the Kimmel Leadership Center, among others.

Not all members of the board felt the increases were good for students. Board member Sam

Goldman and Southern Illinois University Carbondale student board member Tequia Hicks voted against the increases. Goldman said some of the projects the fee increase will fund should have been paid through fundraising. He felt students should not have to face this increased financial burden, according to the May 2 St. Louis Post-Dispatch article.

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Dunham opened both the Katherine Dunham Center for the Performing Arts at the SIUE East St. Louis Center, now the SIUE East St. Louis Center for the Performing Arts, and the Dynamic Museum in East St. Louis, now the Katherine Dunham Dynamic Museum.

"She opened the door for a lot of youths here at the East St. Louis Center and in East St. Louis," Jameson said.

On June 11, 1998, the Communications Building was renamed the Katherine Dunham Hall following a vote by the board of trustees. It was formally dedicated March 3, 1999.

"My work with Miss Dunham has been very life-enriching," Jameson said.

Jameson said a celebration of Dunham's life will be held from 4 to 6 p.m., Sunday, June 4, at the Village Theater in Centerville.

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Police issued Zachary A. Graff a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

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Police issued Trevor H. House a citation for disobeying a stop sign on Circle Drive.

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Police issued Sarah Lambert a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

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Police issued Jacob J. Gaudreault III a citation for disobeying a stop sign on Poag Road.

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Mascot protestors should prioritize efforts



In this era of political correctness and hypersensitivity, some special-interest groups are simply failing to accurately prioritize their efforts.

The University of Illinois' mascot, Chief Illiniwek, has long been a source of nationwide controversy. Although the Chief has been around for 80 years, opponents argue that the mascot's regalia and traditional dance are offensive. Consequently, the NCAA has listed the U of I as one of the universities prohibited from hosting NCAA tournaments as long as their "hostile and abusive" mascots remain.

Despite the honor and respect associated with the Chief Illiniwek, some groups may consider the Chief to be an insulting symbol. However, the more pressing issue at hand is that other, more blatantly offensive, athletic mascots continue to be used by other collegiate and professional sports teams.

Letter to the editor

Student says add religion classes to curriculum

From birth until death, religion plays a major role in the lives of people all over the world. However, very few people know anything about religious beliefs beyond their own. As a result, potentially offensive or degrading comments regarding religion are made.

Almost daily, when walking through campus, I hear students uttering insults based on religion. This is because these students are ignorant of religious beliefs outside their own. Having students take a world religions course as a general education requirement would be beneficial to SIUE students because education builds knowledge and knowledge builds tolerance.

World religions, a two-semester course, would cover the basic beliefs, principles and

gesture fashioned after the Redskins as an example. I'm not what you could consider an avid football fan, nor have I ever even been to Washington, but I do find their team name offensive.

I looked up the term "redskin" in the dictionary, just to be sure (Webster's New World College Dictionary, Fourth Edition, in case you're wondering). The first definition deals with potatoes, which could make for a humorous alternative mascot, but that's a story for another time.

The second definition – "an American Indian: now considered by many to be an offensive term" – says it all. What we have here is a mascot that, from what I can tell, is not based on respect and whose name is considered a racial slur.

... The more pressing issue at hand is that other, more blatantly offensive, athletic mascots continue to be used by other collegiate and professional sports teams.

The Atlanta Braves also portray Native Americans in a negative light. Although the ballclub's official mascot is Homer, a baseball player with a large baseball for a head, the team's uniforms feature a large tomahawk. During games, fans are known for their "tomahawk chop," the traditional spirit

gesture fashioned after the hacking motion associated with use of a tomahawk.

So, let me get this straight. It's OK for baseball fans in Atlanta to mock Native Americans and their tools, but if sports enthusiasts at a university in Illinois join arms and sing together as a symbol of unity, some people are indignant. Give me a break.

The team I find most disturbing, however, is the Cleveland Indians. While watching baseball on TV during finals week, it occurred to me that the ball club's logo is among the most offensive I've ever seen. A cartoon of a red-faced man, resembling the devil more than a Native American, adorns the team's Web site, hats, jerseys and other items. Additionally, to

perpetuate the stereotype, the team is often referred to as the "Tribe."

However, not all of the Cleveland team's creative extensions fall in the Native American genre. Since I am a die-hard Cardinals fan, I'm not what you would consider an expert on baseball in Cleveland.

As I searched the Internet, hoping to learn more about the team and its logo, I saw a picture of the team's mascot for the first time. All I can say is ... "wow".

"Slider" is a magenta and yellow bird-like monster that wears a jersey and tennis shoes. This mascot doesn't even fit the Indians' color scheme, much less the same train of thought. It blows my mind that a character so absurd, so ridiculous, can be associated in a nonsensical combination with a team called the Indians, yet the University of Illinois – whose Chief Illiniwek regalia was donated by Sioux Chief Frank Fools Crow in 1982 – is the subject of a witch hunt.

The main difference between the Redskins, the Braves, the Indians and the Fighting Illini, however, is that the University of Illinois is a state-run educational institution, while the other three are professional sports teams. I suppose that in the "real world," people can do as they please.

Of course, the list of controversial mascots goes on: the Kansas City Chiefs, the Florida State Seminoles, even the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. But that's neither here nor there.

The fact of the matter is that it will likely be only a matter of time before Chief Illiniwek is merely a memory and animal-rights activists come after our Cougar.

Let's hope not.

Megan McClure
Editor in Chief

believe in one of them, it is not a violation of separation of church and state.

If the university requires the class, SIUE students will have the opportunity to become more aware of the religious backgrounds of others and therefore more apt to avoid a religious faux pas.

As Albert Einstein said, all religions, arts and sciences are branches of the same tree. All these aspirations are directed toward ennobling man's life, lifting it from the sphere of mere physical existence and leading the individual toward freedom.

For example, I attended religious school from elementary through high school, and we were not taught about other faiths until high school, to avoid confusing our young minds. Also, college-age students will be more likely to retain the information and understand the importance of what they are learning.

It may also be argued that requiring students to take a religion class would be a violation of the separation of church and state. The separation of church and state exists to avoid the endorsement of a "state religion," meaning that no person should be forced to follow the practices of any one religion. Because a world religions class would serve the purpose of educating students about many religions and not forcing them to

Melissa Blair
Student



Use free summer time to help others

The Kimmel Leadership Center provides students with volunteer opportunities

COURTNEY RAKERS
MANAGING EDITOR

For many students, summer vacation is filled with long days at work, internships and school. Yet for a lucky few, summer represents an extended stretch of freedom from responsibility. While it's hard to deny the appeals of a permanent residence on the sofa, students may want to consider volunteering some of their extra time.

The obvious benefit of volunteering is the opportunity to contribute to society and help people in need. But volunteer work is beneficial to the individual as well. Volunteers gain job advancement potential and develop real-world skills.

"It's complimentary to academics," Kimmel Leadership Center employee Diane Schilling said. "You get hands-on experience gaining practical knowledge while volunteering."

The Kimmel Leadership Center works to place students in positions that would be beneficial to their area of study.

"(For example), we placed some dental students in public health agencies," Schilling said. "It really builds your resume."

Schilling said the relationships gained through volunteer work can be invaluable.

"You get a certain sense of accomplishment," she said. "It's self-rewarding."

The Kimmel Leadership Center's Student Leadership Development Program offers students the chance to add an extra boost to their resume through volunteer work.

"Volunteering allows students to apply academic knowledge, gain skills and experience and contribute to the community," according to the Student Leadership Development Program's Web site.

The SLDP allows students to earn a leadership transcript to accompany their resume and academic transcript by completing volunteer and module requirements.

According to the SLDP Web site, the program consists of two parts: university and community service and leadership development modules.

In order to fulfill the requirements of the university and community service portion, students must complete 60 hours of volunteer service, 30 of which must be completed in the community. Volunteer hours must be documented on verification of services forms that detail the duties performed and skills gained through each volunteer opportunity.

Verification forms are available on the Web site and in the Kimmel Leadership Center. Volunteer work must be completed through a recognized agency.

"Sweeping your neighbor's sidewalk is not a recognized volunteer agency," Schilling said.

After the volunteer agency signs off on the verification form, students can turn in hours for credit in the program.

When the necessary hours are completed, students must attend a volunteer service reflection session to complete the first component of the program.

Leadership development modules make up the second

portion of the program. Students are required to complete 20 modules in the Kimmel Leadership Center. Modules are scheduled throughout the fall and spring semesters. Module schedules are available at the SLDP's Web site.

In addition to the professional leadership transcript, graduates of the program receive a SLDP medallion and an invitation to a recognition reception.

Students can join the Student Leadership Development program by filling out an application and scheduling an appointment for orientation at the Kimmel Leadership Center.

Although leadership development modules are not available during the summer, students can begin the volunteer portion of the program in the summer session.

Students looking for volunteering ideas may use VolunteerMatch.com as a resource to find an ideal placement.

VolunteerMatch offers volunteer opportunities ranging from therapeutic horseback riding to storytelling and teachers' aides.

The volunteer positions on the site range from one-day events to long-term

programs.

Many of the agencies listed on the site are compatible with the SLDP.

For more information on volunteer opportunities in the area, call the Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686 or visit siue.edu/KIMMEL.

"You get a certain sense of accomplishment. It's self-rewarding."

*~Diane Schilling,
Kimmel Leadership
Center employee*



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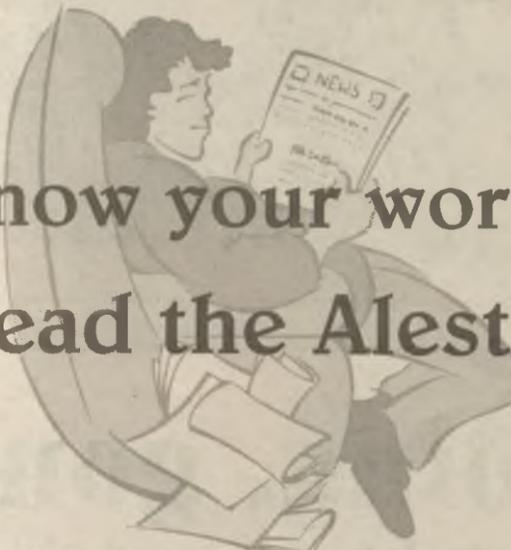
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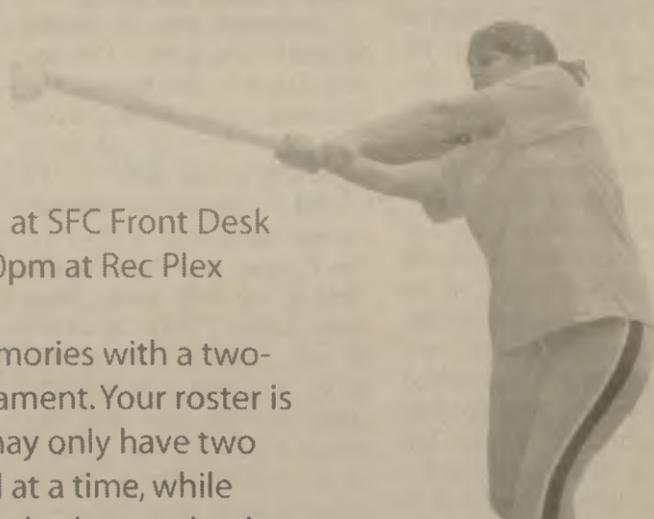


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Going, going, gone Baseball team ousted from postseason

GEOFF SCHARDAN
SPORTS STRINGER

Things looked promising for the Cougars after a pair of wins last week in their first regional action in five years. But the luck did not pan out. The SIUE baseball team had its season ended over the weekend after losing back-to-back games in the NCAA Division II North Central Regional Tournament. The Cougars ended the season with a 40-19-1 overall record and went 30-14-1 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. This was the Cougars' first 40-win season since 2001, when they won the region.

SIUE looked poised to make another trip to the NCAA Division II World Series after winning its first two games of the double-elimination tournament against GLVC foes Quincy University and Northern Kentucky University, respectively. The Cougars had lost to both teams a week earlier in the GLVC Tournament, but were able to avenge those losses by beating

them with more on the line in the regional tournament.

Pitching was just as outstanding in the postseason as it was in the regular season. SIUE beat Northern Kentucky 2-0 and Quincy 1-0. Senior ace Kyle Jones and fellow senior hurler Cameron Cheek picked up the wins and junior reliever Adam Schneider received a save.

Following those two wins, things got a little hairier going up against the No. 3 Grand Valley State University and 20th-ranked Ashland University.

SIUE went into Saturday's action with an upper hand on the six-team field as it was the only club with no losses through the first two days of play. The Cougars had to lose two games in a row to not participate in the regional championship. That is exactly what happened.

The Cougars played strong, but it wasn't enough. They lost to Grand Valley State University 3-1 and fell to Ashland University 9-4.

Those two losses knocked the

Cougars out of the tournament. SIUE junior Ryan Czyz kept up his solid offensive season, scoring five of the team's eight runs. Senior hard-hitter Jake Smith went 7-15 with a run scored and two RBI's.

The Cougars were in the GLVC tournament, where they won their first game against Rockhurst University 7-3, and Jones notched the victory. SIUE lost the next two games to NKU and Quincy and were out of the tournament.

During the Cougars' great season, they managed to break a couple of NCAA records.

The team broke the record for shutouts, shattering the old record of 16 by recording 21. Jones broke the NCAA record for consecutive shutout innings with 54 and one-third innings and the record for shutouts with six. He was also named GLVC Pitcher of the Year and North Central Region Pitcher of the Year. Jones was also first-team North Central Region, while Cheek was second team.



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SIUE senior Kyle Jones throws a pitch during a game at Roy Lee Field this season. The Cougars lost Sunday in the NCAA Division II North Central Regional Tournament to end the season.

Cougars end winningest season

MATTHEW BRUCE
SPORTS EDITOR

It was a fun ride, but the wheels finally came off as the season ended for the No. 4 SIUE softball team last week as it suffered two consecutive losses in the NCAA Division II Softball Championship Finals in Salem, Va.

The Cougars fell Friday, May 19, 2-0 to the University of Central Oklahoma in the consolation bracket of the tournament and were eliminated. Bronchos hurlers Alli Blake and Jordan Akin paired up to five-hit SIUE for the shutout.

UCO finally broke through to push its first run across the plate in the fifth inning on the heels of three two-out singles. Lindsay Tripp's base knock drove in Lindsay Mitchell from second to put the Bronchos up 1-0. UCO tacked on an insurance run one inning later when catcher Emilee Bounds blasted a solo home run to right field over the head of SIUE senior Alicia DeShasier, who knocked over the

outfield wall trying to make the catch.

Blake picked up the victory for the Bronchos, giving up four hits and one walk in five innings from the mound to improve to 17-11. Akin tossed two innings of one-hit ball for the save.

Senior All-American Sabra McCune fell to 33-9 with the defeat, allowing nine hits and two earned runs in seven innings.

DeShasier, who was named National Fastpitch Coaches Association first-team All-American last week, broke through for two hits and had a stolen base against Blake.

SIUE could not put together a serious threat to score, however. The Cougars best shot at a run came in the fifth inning when junior catcher Emily Lenart led off with a double to right field. SIUE eventually moved the runner to third base with two outs, but the rally was silenced when senior Shanna Waldo grounded out to the pitcher.

The loss was the Cougars' second in as many days. SIUE was bombarded the day earlier, as

No. 5 Lock Haven University blitzkrieged the Cougars 13-1. It was SIUE's worst loss in at least the past eight seasons.

The Lady Eagles smacked around McCune and freshman pitcher Kaitlin Colosimo, racking up 13 hits and nine earned runs in six innings off the duo.

LHU shortstop Courtney Hughes wreaked havoc on the Cougars all day, going 2-4 with a double and driving home four runs. Left fielder Steph Nail pitched in a pair of hits and two RBI's for the Lady Eagles.

Senior second baseman Holly Neuerburg had the only lively bat for the Cougars, going 2-3 and driving in SIUE's only run of the game.

LHU pitcher Kristin Erb silenced the SIUE offense, holding it to five hits and zero earned runs in six innings of work.

McCune was the loser, allowing five runs and seven hits in three innings.

The Cougars finished the

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The SIUE softball team spills out of the dugout in celebration after winning the Great Lakes Regional Tournament at Cougar Field with a 7-1 win over Northern Kentucky University on May 15.

Track and field teams ready to run at NCAA Outdoor Championships

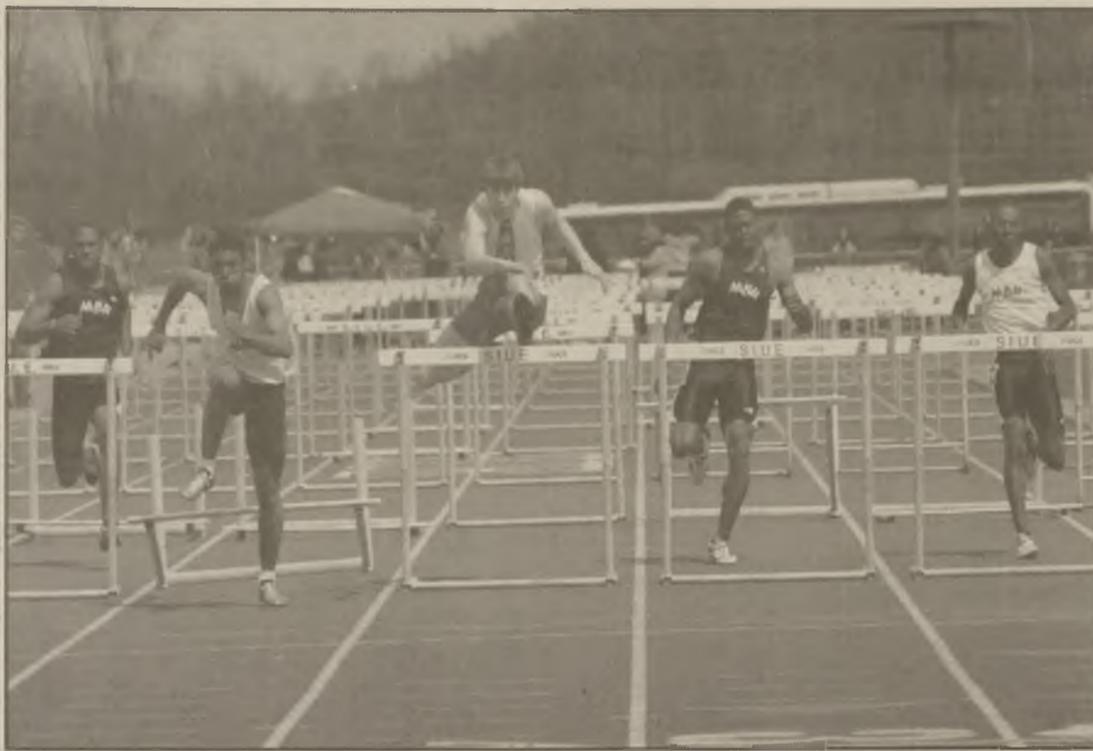
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SPORTS STRINGER

More than a dozen athletes wearing the red and white Cougar track and field uniforms will be representing SIUE at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships this weekend. The tournament will be held at Francis G. Welch Stadium and the nearby Zonla Witten Track in Emporia, Kan., beginning on Thursday.

Both the men and women's teams will be heavily represented. The women's team has had an exciting year. Four of the women have set new school records in the past few months. Leading the way for the team will be junior Tairisha Sawyer. Sawyer, a sprinter, was recently named the Great Lakes Valley Conference's Female Outdoor Athlete of the Year. Aside from anchoring the qualifying 1,600-meter women's relay team, Sawyer will also compete in the 100-meter dash, the 200 and 400.

GLVC Freshman of the Year Deserea Brown will compete with Sawyer in the 400 and on the relay team for SIUE. Brown will also run the 400-meter hurdles.

Throwers Callie Glover, a junior, and senior Holly Noller have provided a consistent two-hit punch for the Cougars all season, often ending up near each other in the final standings. In the



SIUE freshman Alex Kwiatkowski, center, skies high over a hurdle and looks to catch the front runner during a recent meet at Korte Stadium.

KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE

GLVC Outdoor Tournament, both women had several top-five finishes. Noller picked up second places in the javelin and discus throws, as well as in the shot put. Glover placed first in the hammer throw and fourth in the shot put.

Noller qualified in both the shot put and the javelin while Glover earned the highest national ranking for the Cougars this year at number three.

Sophomore Christine Butler

will be representing SIUE in the triple jump. Butler holds the school record in the long jump and broke the record in the triple jump at the Illinois Invite on April 22 with a leap of 40 feet, 4 inches.

Rounding out the 1,600-meter relay team will be freshman Angel Royston, juniors Julia Scherer and Valerie Simmons and senior Kimetha Williams.

The men's team will add six more Cougars to the arsenal, including three seniors. Dustin Bilbruck, Phil Freimuth and Steve Landers will attempt to end their track and field careers with a bang.

Bilbruck and Freimuth will be competing with and against each other in the javelin throw, while Landers will toss the discus.

Junior Anthony Weber

matched Glover's final ranking, posting the third best pole vault of the year for the men. Junior Brian Taghon will run the 3,000-meter steeplechase, while his teammate Kyle Rose competes in the 400.

Both Men's Track and Field Head Coach Dave Astrauskas and Women's Track and Field Head Coach Ben Beyers were named GLVC Coaches of the Year. Astrauskas was named Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year Monday.

Currently, SIUE's men's team is ranked 12th in the nation, while the women push ahead at number eight.

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season 52-11 and made their first appearance in the NCAA Finals. They won the Great Lakes Regional Tournament May 15 with a 7-1 victory over Northern Kentucky University. Lenart led SIUE with a pair of hits and three RBIs. The Cougars loss their first game of the regional 3-2 to Grand Valley State University and then ran off six consecutive wins to advance to the NCAA tourney.

SIUE broke the school record for single-season victories, stolen bases with 188 and strikeouts with 420. McCune broke the single-season record for wins and strikeouts with 301.

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