

Code of conduct idea shown to Student Senate

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NEWS EDITOR

New recommendations for handling disruptive students at SIUE have resulted in the revealing of possible voluntary codes of conduct at Friday's Student Senate meeting.

The proposed codes of conduct, known as the Cougar Creed and Cougar Commitment, offer a set of guidelines students can follow in order to prevent disruptive behavior in class.

"I happen to think that the majority of our students are respectful and disciplined," Associate Vice Chancellor Jim Klenke said. "(But) it's a phenomenon that has reared its ugly head on a number of college campuses."

Klenke said disruptive behavior has become a serious problem that is affecting learning at SIUE. It was so serious that the

The Cougar Creed

As a member of the SIUE learning community, I am:

- ♥ Committed to the SIUE community, its past, present and future.
- ♥ Open to other points of view.
- ♥ United in school pride and spirit.
- ♥ Grateful for the privilege and the opportunities of higher education.
- ♥ Accepting of classmates as colleagues and equals.
- ♥ Respectful of the rights and property of others.

Civility Task Force was formed in 2004 to decide what to do about the problem. The task force eventually broke up, but was replaced by faculty volunteers who were still concerned about a disruptive behavior problem.

Klenke unveiled the Cougar Creed and the Cougar Commitment for consideration and approval Friday to Student

The Cougar Commitment

As a member of the SIUE learning community, I pledge to uphold honorable and high standards. I commit to participate in a friendly and unique academic community. I will practice personal and academic integrity, respect the dignity of all people, and respect the rights and property of others. I will demonstrate a concern for others, their feelings, and their need for conditions which support their work and development. I have a responsibility to achieve academic and personal success and to make a positive difference on campus and in the community. Commitment to these ideals requires that I refrain from and discourage behaviors which threaten the freedom and respect that every individual deserves.

Government.

The Cougar Creed offers six points for students to follow.

The Cougar Commitment follows the Creed and is a pledge students may recite saying they will be courteous and respectful in class.

Though Klenke thinks the two pledges offer a good way to prevent problems in the classroom, he says he is wary of making them mandatory.

"We don't want to over-regulate," he said. "Certain things are better as common, agreed principals rather than legislated."

Efforts to have the creed approved will be presented to college deans after Student Government has the opportunity to review it.

"It'd like to have a blessing from the Student Government, then I'll present it to the deans," Klenke said.

The codes will then be shown to incoming freshman as soon as this fall.

Bookstore offers early ordering

JESSICA SHUMAKER
NEWS STRINGER

To get the best prices and have the best chance at getting a book, the University Bookstore urges students to request their fall semester books online soon after Aug. 1.

"The book companies jump their prices almost ten dollars almost every semester," University Bookstore Assistant Manager Cindy Reinhardt said. "And most of the time they're not even new."

The books at the University Bookstore are typically supplemental and are required by many professors. Students are now able to log on to siue.edu/MUC/bookstore.html to request their books for the fall. The sooner students submit their request, the better chance they have of getting a less expensive book.

"We get the books from wholesale book companies and we buy them in bulk," Reinhardt said.

Before the summer is over, of books, especially the used, are long gone from these wholesale companies. The bookstore competes with many other schools around the country to get the best deal. The staff sends in the students' orders by the hundreds every week.

The idea for the Web site developed after the bookstore continued to receive an

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Sharon Hahs moves to special projects spot

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Provost Sharon Hahs is moving to a newly-created position July 1.

The Office of the Provost Director of Special Projects is a new position created at the university to coordinate special

projects.

The position will cover special projects for the university, beginning with the building of the new science lab building and the renovation of the Science Building. According to initial estimates, completion of the work should happen by either 2007 or 2008.

"The biggest job she's going

to have is to bring the biology labs online," Public Affairs Director Greg Conroy said.

Conroy said the only job so far for the position was the leading of the construction of the new biology lab. Later projects will then be directed to Hahs so she can lead them.

Hahs' replacement will be current University of Nevada Las

Vegas Research and Graduate Studies Vice President Paul W. Ferguson.

Ferguson was chosen after a national search and interviews conducted at SIUE lasting much of the spring semester. He was announced as being chosen for the position on April 18 by Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift.

Kestrel falcons rescued by faculty

MEGAN GATTUNG
NEWS STRINGER

Unexpected visitors dropped into the top floor of the Science Building last week: three baby kestrel falcons.

"I heard them yesterday, but it wasn't until today that their calls became really loud," biology professor Paul Brunkow said Wednesday, May 31.

Brunkow found the three kestrels in a storage room after hearing some very loud chirping coming from inside. The three birds fell from their nest inside an air duct on the Science Building and landed safely in a plastic box.

"It's amazing that all three of them made it," biology professor Rick Essner said.

Brunkow made a phone call to the Tree House Wildlife Center in Brighton to decide what to do

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Baby kestrel falcons sit in a plastic box they fell into through a vent in the Science Building roof. The babies were taken to the Tree House Wildlife Center for care.

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Dean found for Engineering

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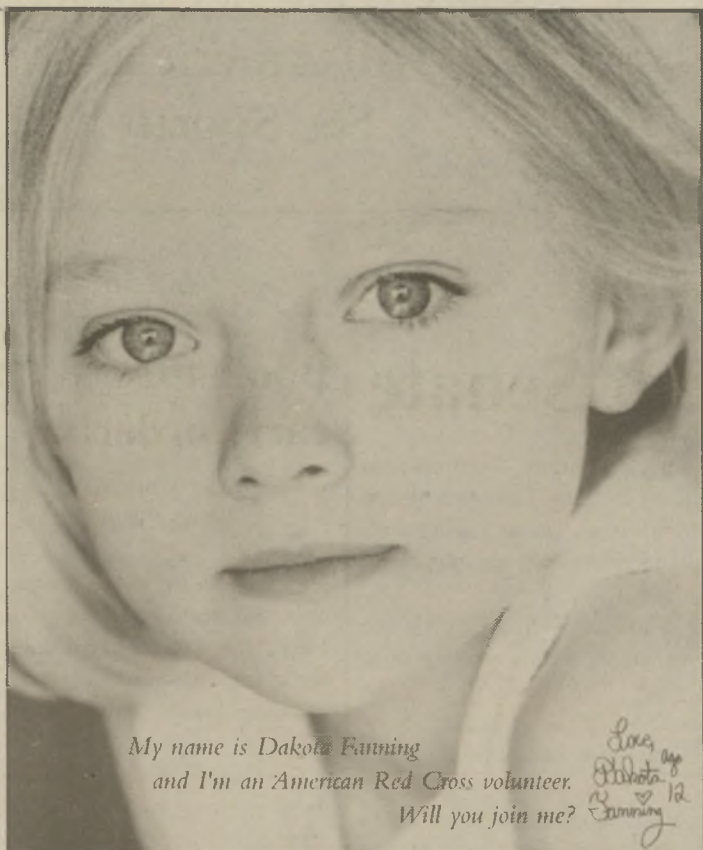
Southern Illinois University Carbondale College of Engineering Associate Dean Hasan Sevim will become the dean of the SIUE School of Engineering Aug. 16.

Sevim takes over following the retirement of former School of Engineering Dean Paul Seaburg in December 2005.

In addition to the retirement of Seaburg, interim School of Engineering Dean Bernard Waxman said he plans to retire sometime between now and the end of August.

Waxman volunteered to become interim dean even though he had originally planned to retire even sooner.

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"The school needed someone to do it," Waxman said. "I thought it was good since I'm retiring."

Waxman has been acting dean since Seaburg retired. He said by being on the verge of retirement, he was able to lead the school without needing to worry about getting the job, which might alter his performance.

Waxman said he thinks Sevim is a good choice for the

school.

"I think (Sevim) is going to be an excellent dean," he said. "Since he comes from Carbondale, he will be familiar with the school."

Sevim's arrival at SIUE follows a career at SIUC, which he began in 1983 as an assistant professor in the Department of Mining Engineering. He became an associate professor in 1988 and full professor in 1995. He became associate dean in 2000.

"In all aspects the campus is really improving and making great progress in different areas. I would like to be part of that process," Sevim said in a press release May 25.

Following Seaburg's retirement, Sevim was chosen by a national search conducted by the university.

The search began in January and was conducted following policy of the university for finding new administrator.

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overwhelming number of calls from the students in regard to buying books or requesting information; the bookstore staff knew it was time to reorganize.

"There was a demand for the Web site and we're here for the students, so we fulfilled that demand," Reinhardt said.

The books are not just requested by the teachers and downloaded for the students to see; there is a large amount of investigation put into this process. The bookstore staff collects the lists of books from each department and researches

each book to make sure it is still in print, the most recent edition and is the least expensive format acceptable for the instructor.

"In researching the books, we sometimes find a newer edition to the book that the professor didn't know about," Reinhardt said, "or sometimes we find a hardback book as opposed to the paperback they put on their list."

The information is then put into the database for the students to view when those books are available. If a student finds his or her book, it can be ordered using

a credit card. Students can option for an in-store pickup to avoid paying any shipping and handling costs.

"We try our best to help the students," Reinhardt said. "That's what we're here for."

Information for the book selection will be made available Aug. 1, three weeks before the fall semester begins.

For additional information on reserving books or how to use the Web site, send an e-mail to bookstore@siue.edu or call the University Bookstore at 650-2132.

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once the kestrels were found. "After I found them, I called the Tree House rehabilitation center and was instructed to give them a syringe of water," he said.

Since the birds were found early, they were still in good health and were not yet in any danger of dehydration.

Kestrels are the most common falcon and can be spotted most frequently among telephone lines and on top of buildings.

"These birds are cavity nesting falcons that are very common to this area," Essner said. "We are looking for ways to improve their habitat because they use the buildings here as places to build their nests."

Tree House Wildlife Center volunteer Kila Lesicko came to

take them to the center the same day the birds were found. Lesicko, who has been with the center for 18 years, estimated the kestrels were only a week old.

"I will start the birds on some fluids and give them mice, if they are healthy, then the fluid from the mice should be enough for them," she said.

Lesicko said that within two days the birds would be given to another volunteer. The baby Kestrels will be placed with a foster parent. This is necessary for the baby Kestrels to have a model to imitate.

"We do this because it is important that they imprint," she said. "If they imprint a human, then they will not be able to survive in the wild. We have even had some birds that thought they

were suppose to mate with us because of human imprinting."

In a situation where a student might find a baby bird, Lesicko said the most important thing that a person can do is to look for a nest or parents.

"Some birds have fledged and their parents are nearby, but they are not abandoned," Lesicko said. "If there isn't a nest, you can make one from a bowl and some grass."

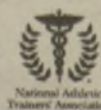
Lesicko said she wanted to clear up a myth that many believe to be true.

"It is absolutely a myth that the parents won't come back if you touch the baby bird," she said. "All in all the best thing one can do is let nature take care of what it can."



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Letter to the editor Student advocates smoking ban

Smoking in public buildings causes many problems and is unpleasant for non-smokers. Almost all eating facilities, airports and workplaces have a designated smoking section. My proposed solution is that all restaurants, airports and workplaces should have a non-smoking policy.

Secondhand smoke causes several health problems. Disease-causing polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons reach their highest concentrations in sidestream smoke, and have a huge effect on non-smokers.

Exposure to secondhand smoke has been strongly linked with a higher incidence of asthma, respiratory infections (including pneumonia), and ear infections in children. Children exposed to passive smoke are hospitalized more frequently, and also have a higher chance of dying from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

Secondhand smoke contains more than 4,000 chemicals, more than 50 of which can cause cancer. It's estimated that secondhand smoke is responsible for more than 35,000 heart disease deaths and 3,000 lung cancer deaths each year.

The American Journal of Epidemiology published an important article that strongly linked cigarette smoking with breast cancer. In this study, three groups were followed: women who smoked, women who had been exposed to secondhand cigarette smoke for at least an

hour a day for a year, and those without cigarette smoke exposure.

The women who smoked cigarettes, depending on how much they smoked, were found to be between 2.2 and 4.6 times as likely to develop breast cancer.

“My proposed solution is that all restaurants, airports and workplaces should have a non-smoking policy.”

The relative risk from passive smoke was 3.2! According to this study, this would make passive smoking a more important risk factor than having a mother with breast cancer (2.1), or having an early first period (1.3), or having a late first pregnancy (1.4).

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention journal, found that less than half of the country's largest airports, which account for the majority of passenger traffic, had a smoke-free policy. That means many travelers and airport workers lack adequate protection from secondhand smoke.

The basis of my position is that the law should protect the

health and safety of citizens. The state of Illinois would be defending and protecting its residents and future residents by enforcing a non-smoking law in all enclosed buildings.

In most cases, public buildings will lose. Yes, some businesses will lose money following the implementation of a non-smoking law. But, in turn, they may possibly gain more “family” business, which would mean they are kid-friendly. Smokers are going to object and say that they have the right to smoke where they want to because of personal freedom. My response is that their rights ended when they began harming others with their actions.

If the solution is applied, many men, women and children will be healthier, smell better and have a more pleasant experience when they are in a smoke-free environment. If the proposed solution is not applied, then public buildings will be playing a hand in non-smokers' problems (associated with secondhand smoke). Secondhand smoke causes many health problems and should be banned in all public buildings.

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Junior
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Letter to the editor Student proposes parking adjustments

One major problem with SIUE is the parking for Cougar Village, and many of the students agree.

I interviewed my roommate and a couple of people who live in Cougar Village and by the time they get home late at night they are not able to find a parking spot. Since there are no spots, we have to park far away from our apartments and there is a possibility of us getting hurt, such as being assaulted. The students pay \$60 to park and I won't want to feel like I might get attacked every time I come home from work late at night. The university is obligated to provide necessary resources and safe conditions for students and residents of campus housing.

The interviewees and I sat down and thought of a couple ways this could be changed. There could be more spaces built, or have numbers on parking spots. If more spaces are built or students are given an assigned spot, then the students will know they will be able to get a spot close spot to their apartments.

Some of the environment will be destroyed, but there are enough trees and grass so this will not be a problem. Building more parking spaces will cost money, but the cost of parking passes and tuition are going up next year, so how could a few more dollars hurt?

Since the university said that they are obligated to provide safe conditions for the students and residents, they should be able to find some way to solve this problem and provide that safe condition.

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Correction

In the May 24 issue of the Alestle, the directory information announcement ad from the Office of the Registrar was published with an incorrect date. The correct deadline for submission of a written objection to publication of student directory information was May 26, 2006. The Alestle regrets this error.

Boating and the booze

Drinking while boating increases the risk of fatalities and carries serious legal consequences

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For some students, a little fun in the sun may include a couple of cocktails and a long afternoon on a lake. However, many people may overlook the dangers associated with mixing boating and booze.

According to the American College of Emergency Physician's Web site, more than 70 million people will be out on the water this year, including many alcohol-happy students.

"An estimated one-half of all accidents and fatalities that occur on the water are a result of alcohol," Michael Mello of ACEP said. "Drinking while on the water also heightens the risk of dehydration, and especially when combined with the stresses of sun exposure, boat vibrations, engine noise and constant motion."

Mello said drinking on the water impairs a boater's balance, vision, reaction time and decision-making skills, increasing the risk of capsizing or falling overboard.

Simply being out in the elements can slow a boater's reaction time.

According to www.boatingsafety.com, "in three hours of normal boating, the noise, motion, sun, wind and glare can frequently double an individual's reaction time."

With reaction time already

reduced, adding alcohol to the mix can lead to dangerous results.

According to the Web site, "a moment of dizziness or even a misstep may not cause any harm on your patio or in a restaurant, but it can lead to disaster on the water. (Alcohol) can also create a tunnel vision effect, reducing peripheral vision. It can impair your ability to 'focus' on

'implied' consent to alcohol and/or drug testing if arrested for operating under the influence. Refusal to submit to testing will result in loss of vessel operating privileges for a period of two years."

First time offenders of OUI face up to one year in prison, a \$2,500 fine and loss of vessel operating privileges for a year. If the offense results in a fatality, the penalty for OUI increases to a Class 2 felony.

While a designated driver for the boat is essential, passengers are also at increased risk of injury when drinking.

Dehydration can be a particularly dangerous threat in the sun because perspiration eliminates the body's fluids, but the alcohol remains in the

system.

According to www.boat-ed.com, dehydration can lead to fatigue, increasing the risk of an accident.

Signs of dehydration include nausea, sleepiness, dizziness, irritability and headaches. If dehydration is suspected, the individual should drink large amounts of water, and if possible, get out of the sun.

"Boat operators and passengers alike simply need to be aware of the hazards created by alcohol while on the water," Mello said. "By staying sober, everyone on board will be safer."

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objects and it can reduce your night vision, especially for reds and greens – the colors of running lights."

Drinking and boating can lead to serious legal consequences as well.

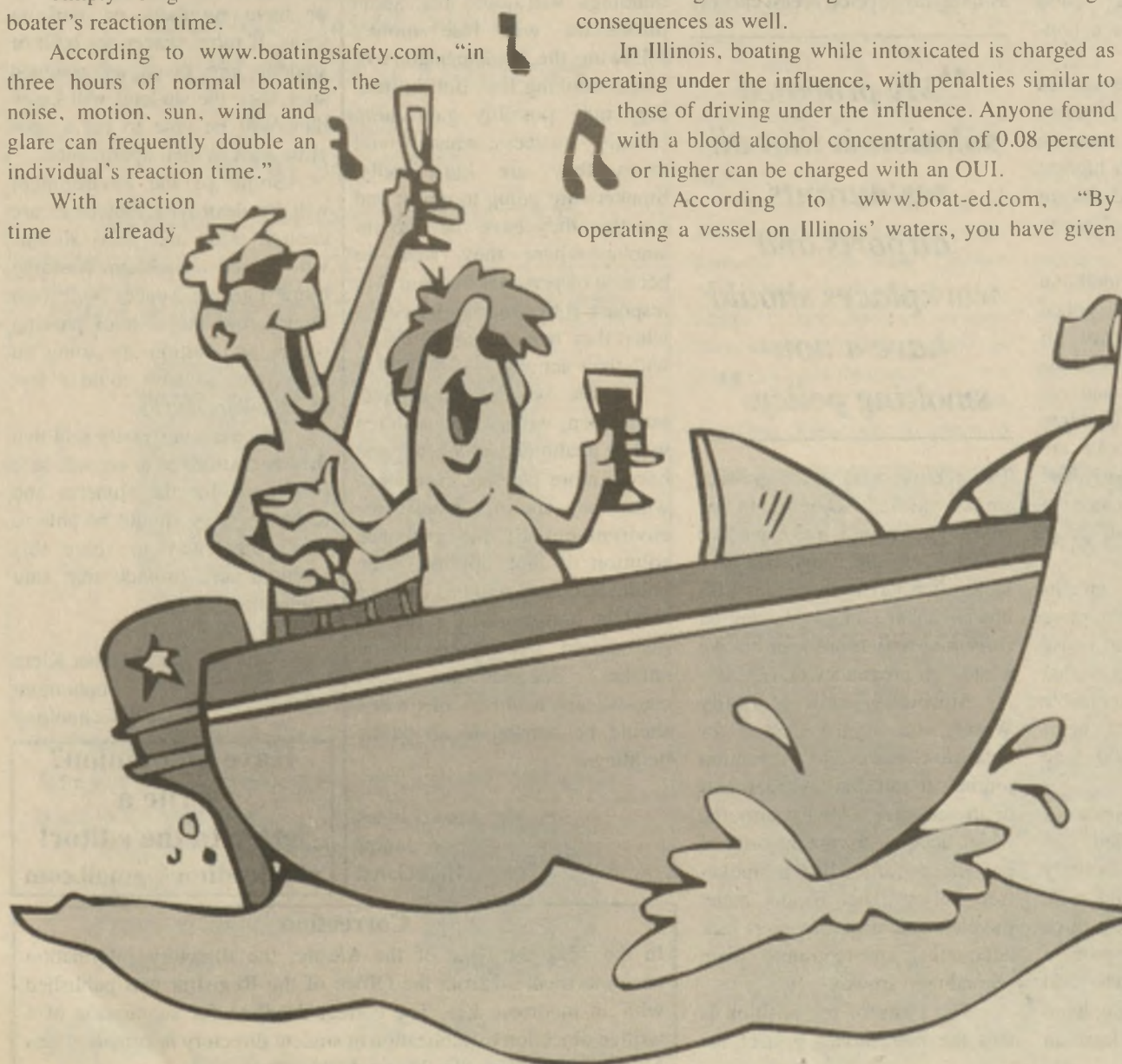
In Illinois, boating while intoxicated is charged as operating under the influence, with penalties similar to those of driving under the influence. Anyone found with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or higher can be charged with an OUI.

According to www.boat-ed.com, "By operating a vessel on Illinois' waters, you have given

SAFE BOATING TIPS

- * Take a boating safety class offered by your local Coast Guard Auxiliary or Red Cross.
- * Know your boat's load limit, and don't exceed it. A safe boat is a well-equipped boat. Always carry the necessary safety gear – and know how to use it.
- * Knowing how to swim just makes good sense if you spend time on the water. If you don't know how, learn. However, even good swimmers do not always survive the shock or panic of sudden immersion in cold water.
- * Keep lifejackets visible and accessible – and never make someone feel uncomfortable if they choose to wear a life jacket.
- * Learn "the rules of the road" – and obey them!
- * Remember, while a drink or two can relax you and make your day more enjoyable, they may also slow your reaction time, reduce your coordination, and increase your susceptibility to hypothermia.

Information courtesy of www.boatingsafety.com



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE – WATER QUALITY REPORT – 2005

To: SIUE Students, Faculty and Staff

This year as in years past your tap water met all United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and state drinking water health standards. We are able to report that your water system had no violation of a contaminant level or of any other water quality standard during 2005. The attached report summarizes the quality of water that we provided during the year 2005 including details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. We are committed to providing you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water system, please contact Ed Matecki (650-2258) or Bob Washburn (650-2560) at Facilities Management, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

WATER SUPPLY INFORMATION

The University water system receives water from the City of Edwardsville into a 400,000 gallon underground reservoir. Water is pumped from there through a system of underground mains serving the entire campus and into a 500,000 gallon elevated tank which maintains system water pressure. A second connection to the Edwardsville water system at the east edge of campus near Highway 157 provides us with a backup should the primary system experience trouble.

The Edwardsville water works system is a municipal utility owned by the City of Edwardsville. Water is obtained from a well field located near the water treatment plant which draws water from the American Bottoms Underground Aquifer. There are seven wells drilled to an average depth of approximately 114 feet. The water is filtered, softened and chemically treated with fluoride and chlorine.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

The Illinois EPA has identified eight potential sources of contamination that could pose a hazard to the groundwater used by Edwardsville's community water supply wells. These potential sources include two municipal disposal facilities, a furniture refinisher, a recycling facility, a sanitary sewer and

three above ground fuel storage tanks. The continuous monitoring of these sources ensures that contamination does not occur. Information provided by the Leaking Underground Storage Tank and Remedial Project Management sections of the Illinois EPA indicates there are additional sites in Edwardsville with ongoing remediation. A complete copy of this assessment may be obtained from the City of Edwardsville by calling 618-692-7535.

IMPORTANT HEALTH INFORMATION

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/CDC (Centers for Disease Control) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

SUBSTANCES THAT MIGHT BE IN DRINKING WATER

To insure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. U. S. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from

human activity. Possible contaminants consist of:

• Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife;

• Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming;

• Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses;

• Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems;

• Radioactive contaminants, which may be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

WATER QUALITY DATA TABLE

The 2005 Water Quality Data Table, which follows, was prepared with data supplied by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. There are two sections to the Table. The first shows data drawn from the parent source, as detailed in the City of Edwardsville 2005 Water Quality Report. The second provides data drawn directly from samples taken on the SIUE campus. The Water Quality Data Table lists detected water contaminants and their typical sources, the maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG), the maximum contaminant level (MCL), the level of contaminant concentration found, the range of detection and date of sampling. Undetected water contaminants are not listed in the Table. Sampling dates ranging back to 2004 are shown since Illinois requires us to monitor some contaminants less than once per year because their concentrations do not change frequently.

2005 WATER QUALITY DATA—CITY OF EDWARDSVILLE SAMPLING

CONTAMINANTS (units) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Amount Detected	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS						
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.086	0.086 – 0.086	No	2004
COPPER (ppm) Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.	1.3	AL=1.3	0.83	0 above AL	No	2005
FLUORIDE (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth. Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.	4	4	1	0.95 – 1.16	No	2005
NITRATE & NITRITE (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.7	0.838 – 0.838	No	2005
DISINFECTION/DISINFECTANT BY-PRODUCTS						
HALOACETIC ACIDS [HAA'S] (ppb) By-product of drinking water chlorination.	N/A	60	3.3	NA	No	2004
TTHM's [TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES] (ppb) By-product of drinking water chlorination.	N/A	80	54.5	NA	No	2004
UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS ²						
BROMODICHLOROMETHANE (ppb) By-product of drinking water chlorination.	N/A	N/A	6.0	6.0 - 6.0	No	2004
BROMOFORM (ppb) Discharge from manufacturing plants; used to dissolve dirt and grease	N/A	N/A	0.5	0.5 – 0.5	No	2004
CHLOROFORM (ppb) Used as a solvent for fats, oils, rubber, resins; a cleansing agent found in fire extinguishers.	N/A	N/A	5.0	5.0 – 5.0	No	2004
DIBROMOMETHANE (ppb) Used as a chemical reagent; an intermediate in organic synthesis.	N/A	N/A	5.0	5.0 – 5.0	No	2004
SULFATE Erosion of naturally occurring deposits.	N/A	N/A	77	77 – 77	No	2004
STATE REGULATED CONTAMINANTS						
SODIUM (ppm) ³ Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; used as a water softener.	N/A	N/A	93	93 – 93	No	2004

2005 WATER QUALITY DATA – SIUE SAMPLING

INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS						
COPPER (ppm) Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.	1.3	AL=1.3	0.19 (90th % tile)	0 exceeding AL	No	2004
LEAD (ppb) Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.	0	AL=15	nd	0 exceeding AL	No	2004

Water Quality Data Table Footnotes

¹FLUORIDE

Fluoride is added to the water supply to help promote strong teeth. The Illinois Dept. of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride level of 0.9 to 1.2 ppm.

²UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS:

Maximum contaminant levels (MCL's) for these contaminants have not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose for monitoring these contaminants is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and

whether future regulation is warranted.

³SODIUM

There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.

WATER QUALITY DATA DEFINITION OF TERMS:

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCGLs allow for a margin of safety. MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest

level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCGLs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. AL: Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. In most cases, the Level Found or Amount Detected column represents an average of sample result data collected during the sample year. The Range of Detection column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the sample year.

Abbreviations: nd – not detectable at testing limits. N/A – not applicable. ppm – parts per million or milligrams per liter. ppb – parts per billion or micrograms per liter.

"My body could stand the crutches, but my mind couldn't stand the sideline."
~Michael Jordan



Pitching ace wins All-American

Kyle Jones becomes Cougars' first All-American since 2001

GEOFF SCHARDAN
SPORTS STRINGER

After a breakout season that included a run in the North Central Regional Tournament, the accolades continue to roll in for the SIUE baseball team.

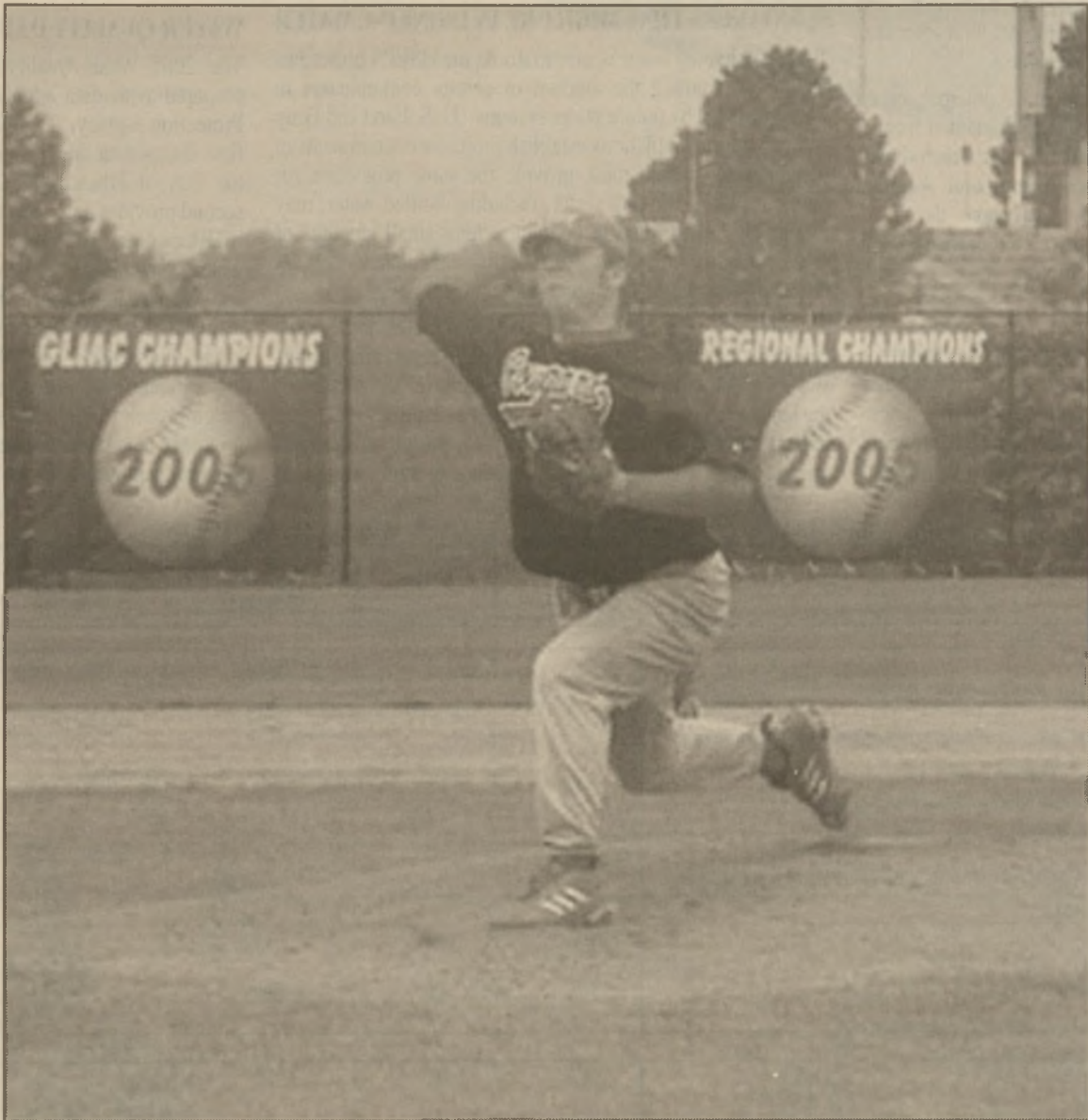
SIUE senior pitcher Kyle Jones, who led a Cougar pitching staff that stymied opposing hitters all season, was named to the 2006 Rawlings/American Baseball Coaches Association All-American first team Thursday.

It marks the first time a Cougar has been named to the All-American first team since former standout second baseman Mark Bugger boasted the award in 2001 to become SIUE's only two-time All-American.

Jones also snatched up a couple more awards for his outstanding season. He was named Pitcher of the Year for both the Great Lakes Valley Conference and the North Central Region.

Jones was also named to the GLVC first team and earned All-North Central Region honors.

Along with the awards, Jones broke some SIUE and national records. He broke the 31-year-old school record for lowest ERA – set by Nick Baltz in 1975 – with a 0.85 ERA and tied the record for most wins in a season with 11.



COURTESY OF SIUE PHOTO SERVICES
SIUE senior Kyle Jones delivers a pitch at the North Central Region Tournament at the Grand Valley State University Baseball Field in Allendale, Mich., during a 2-0 victory over Northern Kentucky University on May 18.

Jones' dominance on the mound allowed him to shatter the NCAA Division-II record for consecutive shutout innings pitched, throwing 54 and one-third innings to begin the season 8-0. He also holds the national record for most complete-game shutouts in a season with six, breaking the old mark of five sets by four different players — including former SIUE starter Ryan Cox in 1999.

Jones notched an 11-1 overall record during the season and had 103 strikeouts while holding opposing hitters to a .157 batting average against him in 84 and two-thirds innings of work.

Jones was not alone on the mound. He was the trump card of one of the most lethal pitching rotations in the nation. The Cougar hurlers combined for a total of 21 shutouts this season, breaking the old NCAA-Division II record of 16 set by Central Missouri State University in 2005.

The staff also set the school record for lowest ERA in a season with a 2.06 average. The old record was a 2.61 set in 1973.

The Cougars' season ended with a third place finish in the North Central Region Tournament. They had a 40-19-1 record overall and a 30-14-1 record in the conference, marking SIUE's most GLVC wins in a season.

New head of outdoor recreations

Campus Recreation hires new specialist for outdoor activities

MATTHEW BRUCE
SPORTS EDITOR

SIUE students looking for a good time in the sun should have more to look forward to as Campus Recreation has hired a professional to oversee its outdoor program for the first time.

Mark Applegate took over as the new Campus Recreation specialist for aquatics and outdoor recreation Thursday. His hiring marks a new level of commitment for Campus Recreation's outdoor activities.

"I am very excited about this position as it is the first time that grow with a broad range of new and exciting outdoor trips."

"Our program is up-and-coming and I think that within a few years it will be labeled as a premier university outdoor program."

~Mark Applegate,
Campus Recreation specialist for aquatics and outdoor recreation

Campus Recreation will have a full-time employee dedicated to the outdoor program," Applegate said. "I hope to see the program

Responsibilities for Applegate's job include overseeing the indoor and outdoor pools and aquatic

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KATY HARTWIG/ALESTLE

Newly hired Campus Recreation specialist for aquatics and outdoor recreation Mark Applegate files away at his desk in the Student Fitness Center.

CAMPUS REC

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facilities, the indoor rock climbing gym, the trip programs and experimental learning activities.

"Basically, what my position entails is overseeing the ins and outs of the indoor and outdoor pool, rock wall, outdoor trips and the low-ropes challenge course," Applegate said. "I will be the point of contact for swim lessons, hours of operation, equipment rentals, outdoor excursions and challenge course facilitation."

Applegate began working with Campus Recreations two years ago as a graduate assistant before stepping into a temporary position where he oversaw the fitness and outdoor recreation programs.

"The biggest thing that I hope to see is increases in student participation. I do not believe that students realize that Campus Recreation has a substantial outdoor program," Applegate said in an e-mail. "Our program is up-and-coming and I think that within a few years it will be labeled as a premiere university outdoor program."

Applegate took over the

position from former Recreation Specialist for Aquatics and Outdoor Recreation Keith Becherer, who was promoted to Campus Recreation's assistant director for recreational programs on May 1.

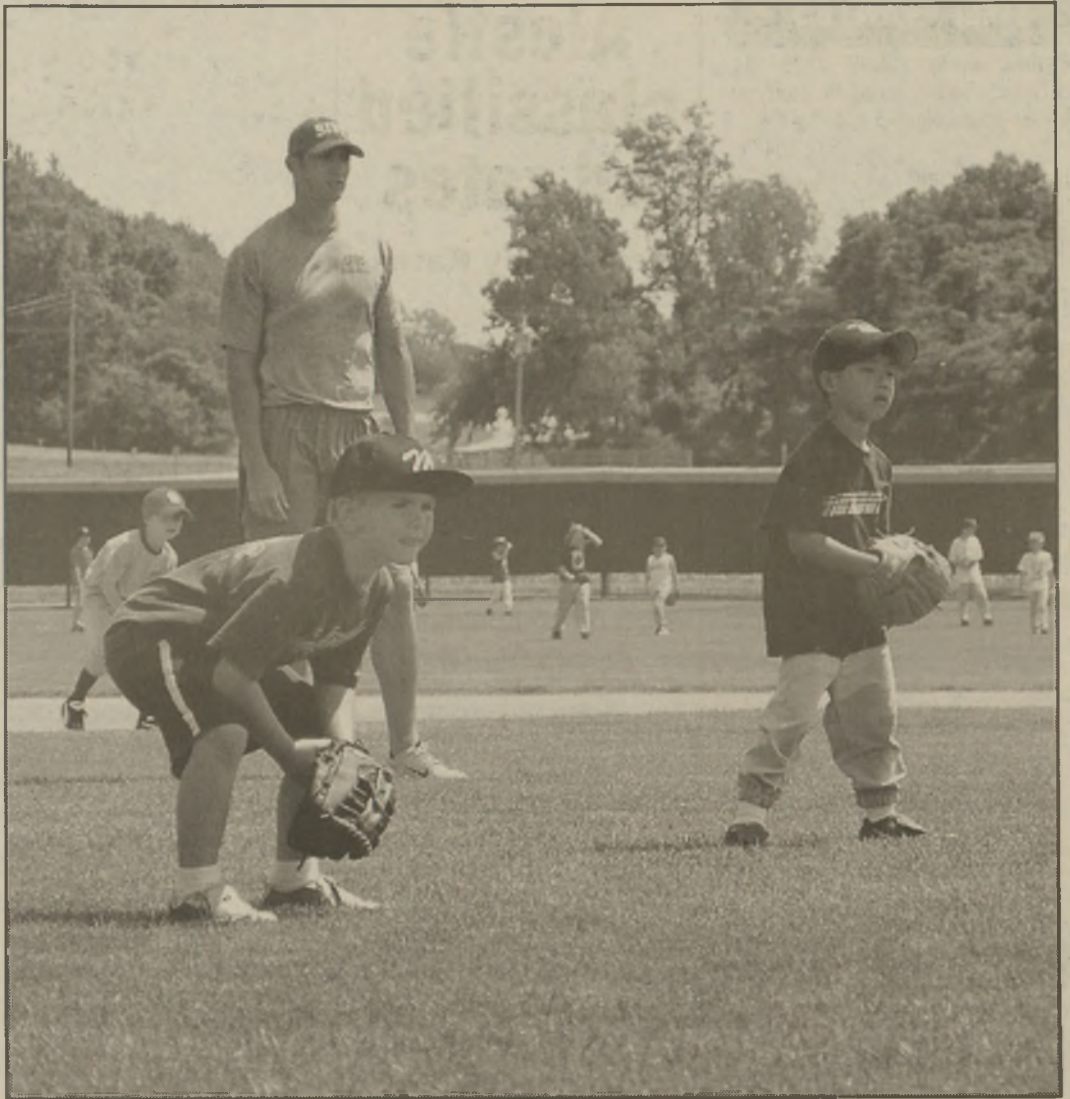
"(I'm) very excited ... very excited," Becherer said. "I'm very humbled and very honored to be selected for the position. Obviously, this is a fantastic opportunity to be affiliated with the university at this time and I hope to take all of our programs to the next level."

Becherer said his duties as recreation specialist for aquatics and outdoor recreation included the club sports program, among other things, as well as supervising the outdoors program.

Becherer has worked with Campus Recreation for four years and started off, like Applegate, as a graduate assistant. From there, he was hired as the recreation specialist for aquatics and outdoor recreation.

Becherer's new job duties include managing the intramural sports program.

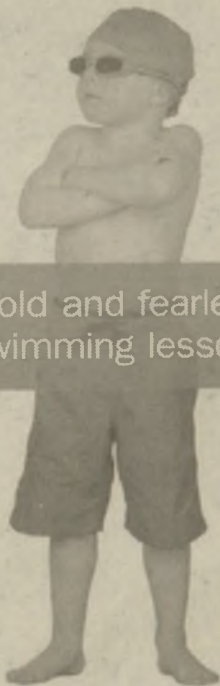
The fundamentals of baseball



KATY HARTWIG/ALESTLE

SIUE assistant coach David Crouters, back, looks on as six-year-old Andrew Mendenhall, left, fields ground balls at the fundamentals baseball camp Tuesday at Roy Lee Field.

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