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Division jump could equal fee jump

by Matthew Bruce Alestle Sports Editor

Annual fees for SIUE students will go up \$150 if the Athletics Department makes a jump to compete at the NCAA Division I level, according to the Intercollegiate Athletic Task Force's draft report.

The IATF held three open forums Monday and Tuesday, seeking input from the SIUE community on the fate of the Athletics Department.

"I've come away with several

impressions," School of Business Dean and IATF Chair Gary Giamartino said. "I could tell that people have read the report. Great questions, great comments. So I've been impressed with the quality of participation."

According to Giamartino, attendance at the open forum discussions has ranged between 20 and 40 people.

"I thought there would be more people, but I didn't think the opinions would be as strong," Human Resources Director and IATF member A.G. Monaco said. "The people that are coming out seem to have pretty strong opinions.

"There are a couple of reasons you might get low attendance - one is apathy. It doesn't appear to be because there's a lot of buzz about this thing on campus," Monaco said. "Another possibility is that they're fairly confident this is going to be thoroughly discussed and I hope that's the case.

Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift assembled the 15-member task force in September 2005 and summoned it to research three options for the Athletics Department - making a transition to

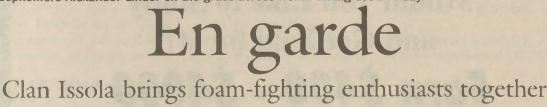
Division I, staying at Division II and strengthening the program or developing a hybrid with one or two Division I teams. The IATF is scheduled to submit a final report by Dec. 15. Vandegrift said that he will make a final decision by early 2007.

If the decision is to make the jump to Division I, SIUE would need \$1.8 million more in operational costs annually, according to the draft report. That amounts to an extra \$150 per year in student fees.

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Caitlyn Williams/Alestle Clan Issola foam sword-fighting member sophomore Brian Bower, left, takes on fellow member sophomore Alexander Linder on the grass across from Parking Lot B Friday.



by Maggie Willis Alestle News Reporter

without the affected limb. Nor did they have real weapons in their hands; the swords, flails and arrows were all padded with foam. The leader's

SIUC chancellor removed from office

by Zach Groves Alestle Assistant News Editor

Southern Illinois University Carbondale Chancellor Walter Wendler is now the ex-chancellor, according to the Daily Egyptian.

Wendler is out after five years at the helm and will be an architecture professor at the university.

SIU President Glenn Poshard said in the Egyptian that Provost John Dunn will take over as the interim chancellor in the next week, but will not be a candidate for the position when Poshard conducts a national search for a permanent replacement.

According to Poshard, the new chancellor is expected to take over July 1.

Poshard told the Egyptian that problems such as declining enrollment led him to believe that the university, in order to reach his goals, needed a "different skill set and a different kind of strength."

Wendler has been under fire in recent years for actions involving alleged plagiarism, including not citing authors in a speech he gave in spring 2005. He was also accused of copying parts of his long-term plan for the university's 150th birthday from work he did as chancellor at Texas A & M-Corpus Christi prior to SIUC

Wendler's plan was to bring SIUC to national recognition as one of the top 75 public research

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Non-tenure track faculty barred from reform vote

by Catherine Klene Alestle News Reporter

Association will meet on Tuesday

to discuss its lack of a vote in the

Baccalaureate Reform through

Integrated Design of General

Education proposals and its new

contract with the university.

Track

Non-Tenure

President Susan Breck, the three BRIDGE proposals are new

Eight people circle each other cautiously with flails, swords and bows and arrows in hand. Divided into two opposing groups of four, they face each other in grim determination.

One person towers above the others at a mammoth height of 6 feet, 3 inches. In his black winter tunic, tan and gray cloak, leather armor and black hakamas, a type of Japanese pants, he seems like he just stepped out of a Lord of the Rings book or possibly even a Star Wars movie. His name is Zigor.

Exuding a persona of leadership, he shouts, "Weapons up!" and dozens of weapons simultaneously spring into the air.

With a cry of "Lay on!" Zigor leads his band of warriors in a quick but fierce battle against the other four people. Within seconds, several people lose appendages or lay sprawled out on the field.

Except, they didn't actually lose appendages; those who got hit simply pretended to function name isn't even really Zigor – it's Brian.

Sophomore Brian Bower is the leader of Clan Issola, SIUE's foam-fighting group. According to www.foamcombat.com, foam fighting is a "fullcontact high-speed interactive sport, with elements of live action role-playing, fantasy and history all rolled together."

Providing the weather is good, Clan Issola battles it out around 4:30 p.m. every Friday on the stretch of grass across from Parking Lot B. However, if it's too cold or raining, they might be found in the Vadalabene Center Activity Room.

"I've been doing this since eighth grade," Bower said.

Sophomore Adam Becherer joined last year. Becherer said he enjoys "the fun of actually beating the crap out of each other... hurting someone without actually hurting someone."

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designs for SIUE's general The 50 members of the education program. Faculty

"We just discovered nontenure track faculty will not be given an opportunity to vote on the BRIDGE proposals," Non-Tenure Track Faculty Association President Alan Shiller said.

Shiller feels this is problematic because many of the non-tenure track faculty teach general education courses. He feels that they should have a say in the curriculum.

"We don't have the job stability of tenure track, but we make a big contribution and our voice should be heard," Shiller

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Non-tenure track faculty include full time instructors and part-time lecturers, while tenuretrack faculty members include full professors, assistant professors and associate professors.

One pressing issue facing the non-tenure union organization is the Faculty Senate vote on the new BRIDGE proposals.

According to Faculty Senate

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SIUE professor Stephen Kerber expressed concern about a possible move, citing increased pressures and the increased expense to students.

"The stakes go up at Division I, which means there are more temptations to be less than honest," Kerber said. "Also, we can't afford it. The only way to finance this would be an additional fee to the students. If you multiply that by four, five or six years, you're talking about the better half of \$1,000."

Others at the forum cited the increased exposure that Division I would bring to the university.

"We know what the opportunities are there. We know that a lot of people would have a preference to do that," Giamartino said. "I think there are a lot of potential benefits there."

It would cost \$250,000 more annually for SIUE to stay at Division II and strengthen the program, which would result in a \$20-a-year increase in student fees.

To form a hybrid program, SIUE would need the \$250,000 to enhance Division II teams, plus an undetermined fee depending on which sports are bumped up to the Division I status.

Under the hybrid option, the wrestling team would be the most likely team to move to Division I because it is the only

SIUE intercollegiate sport not sponsored by the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

There is one more open forum discussion scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, in the Morris University Center's Conference Center. The IATF, in an attempt to get more input from SIUE students at its final meeting, plans to set up a Facebook group to alert students about the discussion.

"We thought of it because a lot of students rarely check their SIUE e-mail. That's our opinion," IATF member Jonathan Bannister said. "Basically, this Facebook group would be a way to get students to recognize that there is this effort going on and we are about to submit our report to the chancellor. And it's just a way to get students to know that there is a link and if they want to read our report that it is available to them."

Students would be able to post comments about the report with committee members acting as moderators, answering questions and gathering input from the students.

"We understand that students often communicate in different ways," IATF member Rachel Aubrey said. "We thought this might encourage more feedback."

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Traffic

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Police issued Clarence Cosby a citation for parking in a handicap zone.

Police issued Gretchen Richoux a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

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Police issued Lisa Ann Allen a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

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Police Reports

Police issued Brett Hinnen a citation for speeding on South Circle Drive.

Police issued Kelly Schwaegel citations for speeding and the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South Circle Drive.

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Police issued Christopher Murphy a citation for disobeying a stop sign on North Circle Drive.

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Police issued Nicole McNew a citation for speeding on Circle Drive.

Police issued Maria Ochoa a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on Circle Drive.

SFC weight room to close temporarily

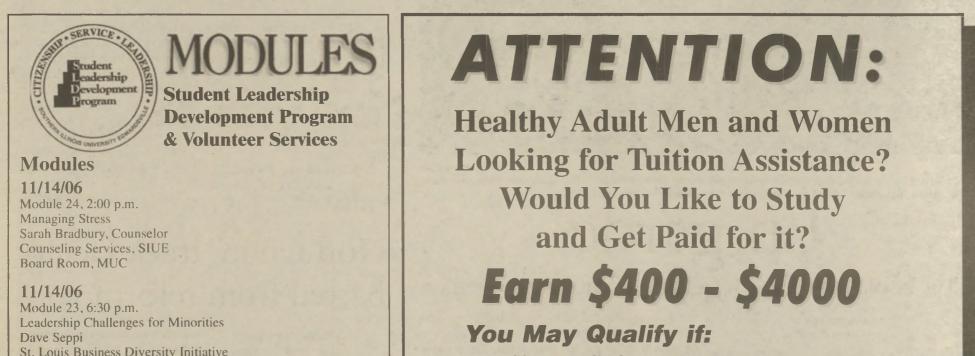
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For the next two days, students looking to pump some iron will have to wait.

The Student Fitness Center is closing the weight room near the basketball courts starting Thursday and reopening it Saturday.

The SFC said the floor is being refinished near the weight room. Everything else will be open. For questions or more information about the closing, contact the SFC at 650-2348.

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Board Room, MUC

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Volunteer Service Structured Reflection 2:00 & 6:30 p.m. Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt, Assist. Director Leadership Development, SIUE Board Room, MUC

SLDP Reminders.... Volunteer Projects

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For more information and the calendar, contact the Kimmel LeadershipCenter at extension 2686 or visit the website at www.siue.edu/KIMMEL/SLDP.

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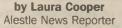


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Sophomore physics major Jeremy Wood peeks at Mercury orbiting the Sun through a specialized telescope at the west side of Dunham Hall Wednesday.

Students witness rare sight as Mercury orbits sun



It was only for a few hours and then it was gone. The transit of Mercury is only visible once in 10 years, and it was a once in a are able to view this are eastern lifetime event for students.

The transit of Mercury is actually a very small eclipse of the planet, which can be seen through telescopes that was set up by the Physics Department Wednesday. Physics professor Tom Foster explained how the transit of Mercury will orbit.

"The idea is simple enough," Foster said. "Mercury is the innermost planet that orbits the Sun. It takes 116 days for Mercury to go around the Sun." Foster said.

Even though Mercury orbits the Sun every 116 days, it takes the right alignment to be viewed. Mercury has to be correctly in line between the Sun and the Earth, and only certain parts of the Earth will be able to view the transit. However, the sun will set before the transit ends, so there is only one day, or chance, to view

"It takes about five hours for Mercury to completely cross the

Sun," Foster said. There is only so much time. Other areas of the world that

Asia and Australia.

Mercury's transit was only in view until sunset Wednesday for America's viewing. This was taken into consideration for each time zone as well. The viewing for Central Standard Time was from 2 p.m. until sunset.

Foster said it would only last a couple of hours.

The next transit of Mercury that can be seen will be in 2016, and there are only 13 transits per century.

To see this event with the naked eye would be tricky. The size of Mercury will be 1/194 of the Sun's diameter. The Physics Department will have telescopes set up for anyone to view.

"It's a rare event," Foster said. "We have the tools."

As for its distance to the Earth, Mercury will not be bigger, or closer to the Earth in

any sense. It will remain at normal distance.

As Mercury cannot be seen vividly without the help of a telescope, it will be pretty small in contrast to the Sun. Foster said the transit will resemble a small black disk that will "move across the sun's surface in a diagonal pattern."

In 2004, the Physics Department set up telescopes to view the transit of Venus on top of Founders Hall ar dawn.

"Twenty to 30 people showed up," Foster said. "It was a lot of fun,'

Telescopes were set up in the handicap parking lot on the west, or Bluff-side, of Dunham Hall Wednesday.

"After students graduate, and are out in the business world, it is really a lot of trouble to go out of the way to view in this event," Foster said. "It's really a once in a lifetime event.'

For more information, contact Foster at 650-3049.

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said.

Another issue that will be tenure track faculty member Breck said that voting faculty discussed at the meeting is the would have the opportunity to join the union at the meeting The meeting will touch on other issues as well.

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is defined in the faculty handbook as tenure track members.

"There was no separate decision to exclude them," Breck said

Breck said that SIUE values its non-tenure track faculty members very highly.

"I would encourage them to attend the meetings... to talk at the meetings," Breck said. "Just because they don't have a vote doesn't mean they don't have a voice."

The BRIDGE proposal vote will take place this year, and the final proposal is scheduled to go into effect for the fall 2008 semester.

new contract between non-tenure track faculty members and the university.

The contract will affect all 270 non-tenure track faculty members currently working at SIUE. The contract will set standards concerning working conditions, benefits, salary, grievance procedures and other issues.

Shiller encouraged all nontenure track faculty members to attend the meeting and "let their voice be known," even if they are not members of the union.

"Only members will be able to vote on the contract," Shiller said

Shiller added that any non-

"One of our concerns is the teacher load," Shiller said.

Currently, instructors teach four courses a semester, or the equivalent. The university might be looking to increase teacher load, but the non-tenure track members are looking to keep the load at four.

The meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, in the Morris University Center's International Room.

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Getting to know your government

Each week, the Alestle will feature an officer of Student Government. Have a question for your Student Government officials? Let us know!



Name: Hilary Starr Hertenstein Student Government Title: Student Senator Hometown: Morton (Pumpkin Capital of the World) Age: 22 Major: Business Administration, Specialization

in Marketing

Why did you come to/stay at SIUE?

I chose SIUE because I did not want to be a number; I wanted to have an identity and because of the beautiful, clean campus. I stayed here because SIUE was everything I expected it to be and more. I am extremely happy with my choice.

What are your future plans? My future plans are to graduate in May and obtain a job in the pharmaceutical sales industry in the St. Louis metropolitan area. After becoming established in my field, I plan to get my graduate degree. What are other organizations you are a part of? I am on the Student Organization Activities Board and the External Affairs

Committee for Student Government. In addition to SG, I am the President of the SIUE Marketing Association and on the Campus Life Task Force. I am currently considering joining Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity.

Why did you join Student Government?

I wanted to be able to give the students a voice in what was happening within the university. I know a large number of students and it is easy for me to address any concerns they brought to me. I have made an effort to make myself accessible to any student who wants to talk about their concerns. I ultimately joined because the student body elected me. So I am here to represent them!

What do you feel is the most important issue facing Student Government and the student body right now? How do you plan to address it? cannot pinpoint only one

important issue facing Student Government. Every issue we address is important to this university in one way or

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another. One of the many important issues we are currently facing is the use of student fees. I am addressing this issue by increasing my general knowledge about student fees and researching how student fees have been put to use in the past. One of the ways for students to bring up any concerns they are having is to address Student Government by speaking at our open forums during all senate meetings.

The university is about to celebrate its 50th anniversary. Where do you see SIUE in another 50 years?

Wow... I cannot wait to see where SIUE will be in another 50 years. I believe SIUE will be on the U.S. News and World Report's Top 20 Colleges for 2057! SIUE has great potential; we really are the Midwest's best-kept secret. In 50 years, people are going to come from far and wide for our exceptional athletics, outstanding academics and reputation of excellence. I also see expansion through extended offerings of majors and specific fields of study.

Other comments? I love SIUe...

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Freshman Andrew Lyons, on the other hand, had never participated in foam fighting until last Friday.

"After a long day of studying, I walked by and saw them fighting. I didn't want to do it at first, but (Bower) talked me into it," Lyons said. "It's fun. It's like an intense P.E. game."

Intense is the perfect word to describe it. To these students, foam fighting isn't just a game, but something to be taken very seriously. It's taken so seriously that even seemingly insignificant events could become cause for smaller fights.

"Something like that to replace? It's a \$40 sword!" Bower said testily when a player mishandled Bower's sword.

Another small fight broke out when a player accidentally dealt several blows to others' heads, which is against fighting rules.

For the most part, however, Clan Issola functions as a cohesive group working toward a common goal.

According to its constitution, that goal is "to promote physical fitness, balance and hand-eye coordination among its members, to encourage an interest in appreciation for history and literature, to promote the values of teamwork and fair play and to facilitate enjoyable character interaction and realistic stimulated combat in a safe, challenging and exciting environment."

The entire constitution, along with by-laws, can be found on the group's Web site at www.angelfire.com/realm3/clanis sola.

Clan Issola's Web site also provides a link to the Web site of Dagorhir, which is the original foam fighting organization and the basis of Clan Issola's rules and regulations.

Since the founding of Dagorhir by Brian Weise in 1977, foam fighting has become a national phenomenon, with one splinter group named Amtgard becoming the largest foam fighting organization in the world. It has members as far away from its birthplace in Texas as Russia, Sweden and Korea, according to www.foamcombat.com/.

Amtgard has been known to hold events with anywhere from 300 to 500 participants; Dagorhir has held national events with as many as 696 participants.

Weapons are divided into classes by color: blue, red, green, and yellow. Each class of colored weapon gets progressively stronger going from blue to yellow, blue being the weakest.

They are also divided into type: daggers, javelins, doubleended weapons, polearms, shields, and bows and arrows. Each type has a different function and can only be used for that function.

For instance, white weapons consist of arrows and rocks and are the only weapons allowed to strike the head.

Standard blue weapons consist of swords equally padded on both sides and are used for "hacking and slicing ... bludgering, too," Bower said. Unlike green weapons, blue weapons cannot stab.

Regulations on blade width, length and thickness, tip diameter or shield circumference for each class and type of weapon help keep weapons safe for battle.

"My primary weapons are a punt shield and a medium length sword," Bower said.

He also owns about 25 swords, eight shields, and several other miscellaneous weapons.

Weapons can be somewhat costly and time-consuming to make. Linder said his weapons collectively cost around \$120 and took a total of approximately 20 to 24 hours to complete.

"I'm glad I did it," Lyons said. "More people should come out to try it."

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He was also involved in Saluki Way, a 10-year plan for a makeover of the east side of campus, including a new football stadium

"They believe at this time that there is a more effective leader for the campus and will set out to find him or her," Wendler said in a written statement. "I wish them the best in that quest and appreciate the opportunity I have had to serve Southern in my capacity as chancellor."

Prior to his dismissal,

Wendler was a candidate for the chancellorship at two other schools at Mississippi State and his old school at Texas A&M.

Wendler said despite the move he will do his best at his new position.

"I am looking forward to stepping up into the highest purpose of the university where raw opportunity flourishes ... the classroom," Wendler said in the statement.

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DID YOU HEAR WAGES AND BENEFITS ARE YES AND IT'S GOING UP ? COKE TERRIBLE I WAS JUST ABOUT TO ASK FOR A RAISE! 200 B

Perspective: Kazakh journalist says despite premise, Borat still offends

By Bagila Bukharbayeva The Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)

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Producers of a film starring British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen say that his alter ego, Borat, a bigoted TV journalist from Kazakhstan, is not about making fun of Kazakhs.

They say the idea is to make fun of bigotry

Western in From society through the a character who Wire is outrageously open about his

racist, anti-Semitic and sexist convictions. Kazakhstan was chosen because of its obscurity, they say.

Maybe, then, we Kazakhs should welcome the movie "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" because the idea behind it is a noble one. We, too, are against anti-Semitism, racism and sexism.

So when Cohen, as Borat, says that one of Kazakhs' favorite pastimes is to shoot Jews, that homosexuals in Kazakhstan until recently were obliged to wear blue hats, that incest is a norm, and that other post-Soviet country takes its international image as seriously as Kazakhstan. The government hires PR companies to promote the country, and regularly buys ad time on CNN and the BBC, and in the largest Western newspapers.

The image of moving toward democracy that the government tries to promote is not quite accurate - the country has never seen free elections. But there has been notable economic progress since the Soviet collapse, thanks to a great extent to the nation's huge oil reserves.

So Kazakh government officials have been unhappy with Cohen, especially after he appeared as Borat on the MTV Video Music Awards last year. They became unhappier after his insulting remarks about President Nursultan Nazarbayev.

The Kazakh Foreign Ministry threatened to sue Cohen and alleged that Borat was a plot aimed to damage the country's image. The Western media jumped on this funny story about some obscure country's government with no sense of humor wrestling with a comedian.

Kazakh officials told me

Borat, after arriving in the United States, falls in love with Pamela Anderson and then chases her across the States.

Nazarbayev probably saw his meeting with President Bush as a high point in his efforts to find the right balance in relations with two powerful regional neighbors, Russia and China, and at the same time build a bridge to the West. Or it could have been a story of this former Soviet republic's struggle to embrace the concepts of human rights and civil and political freedoms.

But for most U.S. media, it was a story of some unknown developing country being taken on by a Western comedian. As Nazarbayev proceeded with his official visit, Cohen, as Borat, gave a press conference outside the Kazakh embassy in Washington.

When Cohen is in character, interviewing people, probing them for their hidden prejudices and phobias, it can be effective. But when giggling journalists interview his character, then the noble idea declared by the film's producers gets lost. He is not making fun of bigotry. He is making fun of Kazakhs.

Activism, awareness necessary traits of students

The atmosphere of Friday's Student Senate meeting was slightly different than normal. Really different, actually. A number of students approached the senate to ask questions and



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Megan

McClure

The recent Student Government decision allocate up to \$11,000 for a leadership conference was likely the primary cause for the increase in

attendance. Despite our differences in opinion, I am confident that there is at least one fact President Mitchell and I can agree on: it was great to see students sharing their views.

Regardless of beliefs, it is crucial for students to recognize their responsibility to speak up, or at the very least, stay informed. By ignoring issues, students neglect one of their greatest duties as members of the university community: to actively engage in campus life.

Tuesday's election is a prime example of how voters can influence government. In just one day, the political atmosphere of our nation changed dramatically. Despite these changes, collegeage citizens as a whole remain politically passive. The time for activism is now.

This is not a call for change; rather, it is a call for consciousness. It is time for each of us to sit up and pay attention to our surroundings. From the United States government to our own student government, we - as constituents - must not forfeit

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Kazakh women are kept in cages - we should understand that he is making it up for his good cause. Since he is Jewish, it makes even more sense.

And I guess when he makes up something like Kazakhs" favorite drink is fermented horse urine, we should understand that the message is about respecting foreign cultures and cultural diversity. Ironically, probably no privately later that they realized the attempt to silence Borat, or pay any attention to his antics, was a mistake. So they decided to ignore him.

Cohen, to his credit, nevertheless found a way to engage the Kazakh government, using Nazarbayev's visit to Washington in late September. Borat declared that Nazarbayev was visiting the States to promote his film, in which

Correction

In the piece, "Opening eyes," in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, edition of the Alestle, it was incorrectly stated that historical studies professor Steve Tamari hosted "Eyes Wide Open." Rather, the event was sponsored by the Peace Studies program. The Alestle regrets the error.

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Maggings Exhibit displays works inspired by trip across the border

by Matthew Schroyer Alestle Lifestyles Reporter

Candles, authentic Latin music, Mexican cuisine and a piñata marked the opening of the Mexica 2006 exhibit last Friday in the Art and Design Building.

Mexica 2006 is the latest school of Art and Design exhibition, which features the work of 18 SIUE artists. The artists featured in the exhibit traveled to the town of Tlaxiaco, Mexico, and learned the artisan skills of the local people for nearly 23 days in May. The artists then returned to SIUE and began working on art inspired by the trip.

The trip was organized by Ceramics and Glass Area Head Paul Dresang, and Textiles Area Head Laura Strand. Tlaxiaco was a fascinating place, according to Strand.

"It's not wealthy by our standards," Strand said, "but it is a nice place."

Courtney Henson, an artist featured in the exhibition, entered the sculpture "Gemelas" or "siamese twins," and "Un Dibujo," a T-shirt embroidered with symbols. "Gemelas" is a dome-like structure that rests on the ground, and includes a red "tail" that starts in the art galler, and ends outside. Henson said the inspiration came from her fascination with



connections and similarities.

"I'm always interested in the connections between things," Henson said.

Henson said the sculpture represents the similarities between the American and Mexican peoples.

"In reality, they aren't that different," Henson said.

The children of Tlaxiaco were especially curious about the U.S. and were sometimes mistaken in their perceptions, Henson said.

"A lot of people had this idealized view of what the U.S. was," Henson said.

Henson said she particularly remembered one Tlaxiaco child who was unaware of airports or airplanes and asked how the students got to Mexico.

"They thought we walked across the border," Henson said.

Bernadette Marquez, another artist featured in Mexica, produced 22 miniature containers out of waxed linen, wire and beads. The containers took nearly six weeks of day-long work.

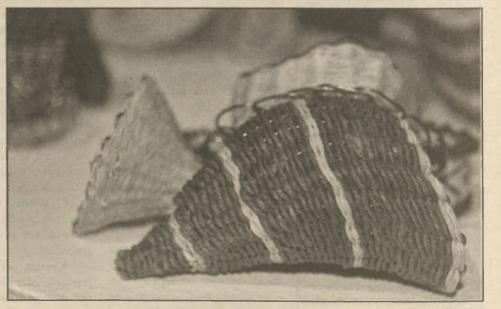
Marquez said the people of Tlaxiaco were very cordial. A woman had started a conversation with Marquez once, speaking Spanish all the while, and took Marquez into her home to demonstrate how she made rugs with her husband.

"They were very willing to share information," Marquez said, "even if they didn't speak any English."

Marquez said the experience made her feel that she should "leave a smaller footprint.



Bernadette Marquez, a student artist featured in Mexica, works on another art piece Wednesday in the Art and Design Building.



Katy Hartwig/Alestle

Erin Cork works in the Art and Design Building Wednesday. Cork's art for the Mexica 2006 exhibit was inspired by family values of the Tlaxiaco residents. "It made me realize that my consumption is a little bit excessive," Marquez said.

Erin Cork, artist of "Follow the Marigolds to the Ones You Have Lost," said her creation was inspired by family values of the Tlaxiaco locals. The art piece is a combination of synthetic fabric, hand felted wool and hand embroidery.

"I am seeking to connect the values present in Mexico with what I feel is missing in the present culture of the United States," a card next to the piece said.

Cork said she was moved by the Mexican tradition of the "Day of the Dead," a celebration of remembrance of the departed. Cork said she was also touched by the "close-knit" family relationships she observed in Mexico.

Katy Hartwig/Alestle

A piece featured in the Mexica 2006 Exhibit. The exhibit will be on display until Friday, Nov. 17, in the New Wagner Gallery in the Art and Design Building.

Families with as many as four generations lived and worked together daily and teenagers would often look after their nieces and nephews with enthusiasm.

"It was very powerful," Cork said. "We've gotten so far away from that."

Memories also played an important part of the Tlaxiaco family, something that may be lacking in the U.S. family, Cork said.

"There's such a push for new things, experiences and getting away," Cork said.

Strand said she was pleased with the way the exhibition turned out.

"I engaged the students," Strand said.

"They worked very hard there, and they turned it into a spectacular exhibition."

Strand said she was happy with the reception, too.

"People thought it was a good party," Strand said. "The children loved the candy from the pinata."

Mexica 2006 is on display in the New Wagner Gallery in the Art and Design Building until Friday, Nov. 17.

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Alestle Lifestlyes Stringer

"Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" follows a journalist from the country of Kazakhstan who travels across America while making a documentary in which he throws bigotry at unknowing patrons while possibly revealing some of our country's true attitudes toward racism, sexism and homophobia.

Borat is a character based off actor Sacha Barron Cohen's alter ego featured on "Da Ali G Show."

While the movie may have a deeper meaning about American's true inner beliefs, the laughter the viewer will experience nears overbearing. However, overly sensitive people should probably stay away from this film.

Borat spares no one as he makes an attempt to insult everyone he can. Conservative Republicans, African-Americans, Jewish people and the mentally handicapped are all a target at some point.

The ignorance of Borat is hilariously displayed at many points as when he first arrives in New York City. He considers every woman in the city to be a prostitute. He then goes ahead to meet with a woman's feminist group as well as a couple of congressman.

While watching the television show, "Baywatch," Borat decides he wants to travel to California to meet and marry Pamela Anderson.

His journey across America leads him into

many situations that he flips around to make very funny. Borat lands in a rough neighborhood in Atlanta, fancy hotels in which he stirs up trouble and he stays in a Jewish home where he believes the couple living there is plotting to kill him because he believes Jews are the devil.

Dinner guests, including a pastor in attendance, find themselves in a predicament when they invite Borat over to learn proper manners at a fancy meal. Borat acts as if his traditions from his homeland are forcing him to show the dinner guests his "poop-party" before he invites over a prostitute to join them.

Some scenes are a little too much, as when Borat and his overweight male companion have a naked wrestling match that spills into a meeting hall where prominent businessman are.

The true mystery of the movie is the question of how many scenes are staged. Pamela Anderson's scene obviously has to be; while others are so shocking that one would have to think they are staged, yet they probably are real due to the extent Cohen will go to on his real television show.

Borat is by far the funniest movie to be released this year, as of now. It is a movie that will keep audiences laughing hysterically and comparing it to other great comedies; that is as long as they leave their sensitivities behind before viewing.

Grade: A

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Sing-a-long: See the winner of the 2005 Tony Award for Best Musical, "Monty Python's Spamalot," at the Fox Theatre in St. Louis. The show began Tuesday, Oct. 31, and continues through Sunday, Nov. 26. Ticket prices range from \$28 to \$75. For more information, visit the Fox Theatre Web site at www.fabulousfox.com.

Have family fun: Have "tons of fun" with Campus Recreation and Campus Activities Board. Inflatables and free food will be in the Student Fitness Center from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday. For more information, contact Rachel LaRussa at rlaruss@siue.edu.

Feast: The Wagner Potters Association invites everyone to feast

on turkey at the 31st annual Wagner Potters Association Turkey Feast from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday in the Art and Design Atrium. For more information, call 650-3071.

Catch a show: See Madison County-based band, Bear Hug Jersey, in concert with Lowercase, Change of Pace, the Junior Varsity, Signal The Sirens, and Paulson Saturday at Mississippi Nights in St. Louis. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. The show begins at 7:30 p.m., with doors opening at 7 p.m. All ages may attend. For more information, visit the Mississippi Nights Web site at www.mississippinights.com.

Date Rape Drugs: Getting to know G, Special K and Roofie

by Catherine Klene Alestle News Stringer

Most people know the danger of being slipped a date rape drug. However, few may know what to do if they find themselves the victims of date rape drugs or even what constitutes date rape.

"The old classification of rape has been broadened," said SIUE Police Sgt. Richard Delmore.

According to Delmore, date rape includes any form of sexual assault where "the victim was unable to understand and to giving knowing consent."

Because date rape drugs inhibit understanding, sexual predators often will use them to colorless, odorless, and has little taste, making it barely detectable in a drink.

In small doses, GHB's effects have been compared to a feeling of drunkenness. Large amounts of GHB cause increased heart rate, black outs, hallucinations and death. GHB is also known as "Grievous Bodily Harm," "G," "Georgia Home Boy" and "Liquid X."

Another common date rape drug is ketamine. Ketamine is a drug that veterinarians use to anesthetize animals before surgical procedures.

When ingested by humans, the drug causes hallucinations, visual distortions and often puts the person to sleep. Delmore classified this drug as a "dissociative anesthetic" due to the detached feeling experienced when using it. Like GHB, ketamine quickly takes hold of a person's body, and all traces of the drug disappear soon after. Other names for ketamine are "Cat," "Special K" and "K." Perhaps one of the most well known of date rape drugs is rohypnol. Commonly referred to as a "roofie" or "rophie," rohypnol is a pill used in Latin America and Europe to treat some sleep disorders and also as a psychiatric problems. According to Delmore, rohypnol is illegal in the United States, but is often

smuggled in from Mexico.

The main effect of rohypnol is anterograde amnesia, meaning that the victim will not be able to convert new events into long term memory.

"In other words," said Delmore, "(the effect is) a chemically induced amnesia."

Newer rohpynol pills now include a blue dye that appears when it comes into contact with liquid, making it harder to slip unnoticed into a drink.

However, older, colorless pills still exist.

Despite the dangerous effects, there have been reports of all three drugs being used intentionally in order to get high.

"Some of these drugs might be used casually," said Delmore. "If you do, you are crazy." rape drug because it can be legally purchased and consumed by people who are 21 and older. Also, alcohol is much more likely to be present and in use at parties than illegal drugs.

Sexual abuse and sexual assault can occur at parties not because a sexual predator is present, but merely because a person had too much to drink.

"(When intoxicated,) a guy might do things that he normally wouldn't do and regret it," said Delmore.

Delmore believes that the best way for students to stay safe is by exercising caution.

"Be careful when you go to a party," Delmore said. "Never go to a party or bar where there is drinking or eating without a According to Delmore, there have never been any reported cases of date rape drugs on SIUE campus.

Still, Delmore said that just because there have been no incidents reported does not mean that it has not happened. Often victims feel ashamed, and many cases of date rape go unreported.

It is important that victims step forward to report the crimes, Delmore said.

SIUE Health Services Head Nurse Sue Grimes agrees.

"We would encourage (victims) to at least make a report to the police," said Grimes.

Grimes added that SIUE offers date rape victims counseling and other health services, including emergency contraceptives, STD testing and drug testing.

incapacitate their victims.

The three most common illegal date rape drugs are gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), ketamine, and rohypnol.

"These three drugs are the most likely to be used by sexual predators," said Delmore.

Sexual predators often use GHB because the drug acts quickly. Once ingested, the drug can affect a person in as little as 15 minutes. The effects last three to six hours, and after that, the drug is untraceable.

Another reason predators use GHB is because it can be made into a liquid, a pill or powder. In its liquid form it is Delmore stressed that one possible effect of all these drugs is death.

While GHB, ketamine and rohypnol are the most common illegal drugs, students may be surprised to learn that the leading date rape drug is actually legal and accessible.

"Alcohol is the number one date rape drug," said Delmore.

Many people do not consider alcohol a drug, Delmore said. Alcohol affects a person's judgment, often making them do things that might be out of character.

Alcohol is the leading date

buddy."

If drinking does occur, he also stressed the necessity of a designated driver.

"The designated driver could also have a secondary duty as a guardian angel, watching out for everyone," said Delmore.

This person would watch carefully for signs of date rape drugs among his or her friends.

"If someone begins to act out of character after only a couple of drinks," Delmore said, "something is wrong."

The best thing to do in that situation is to get the victim to the emergency room as soon as possible, Delmore advised. Although date rape has never been reported on campus, SIUE has felt the impact of date rape drugs in years past.

In 2002, SIUE student Tressa Gross died from a GHB overdose while at a party in St. Louis.

Ultimately, Delmore said that students should never assume it cannot happen to them.

"You just don't know," said Delmore. "Anything can happen anywhere, at anytime."

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SIUE hits courts for hoops

Men enter season with high hopes

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by Mallory Hensley Alestle Sports Stringer

SIUE men's basketball Head Coach Marty Simmons' number one tactic is to emphasize defense. Since Simmons' arrival at the school, the average points allowed to opponents has dropped from 75.1 to 60.9 points per game-a record that the 2006-2007 team will aim to shatter with its arsenal of new talent.

Recently, the head coaches of the fourteen teams in the Great Lakes Valley Conference sat down to hash out their predictions for the season in the GLVC Men's Basketball Preseason Coaches Poll. SIUE received one first-place vote, collecting 28 points from the coaches. The University of Southern Indiana received three top-choice picks, and is favored by the coaches to win the Western Division crown.

packing after a match-up with the Cougars in the championship game of the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional just eight months ago. The Cougars ended Indiana's season in overtime with a 64-60 decision. One thing is for certain: both teams will be out for blood this year.

Besides for Southern Indiana, who posted a 14-5 record in GLVC play last year, the top conference competitors this year will be Quincy University, Drury University and UW-Parkside.

SIUE has received plenty of preseason attention in national rankings. SIUE and Southern Indiana both made the top 10 of the 2006-07 Preseason Top 25, which was printed in the Division II Bulletin Preseason Preview. The ranking, released last month, had SIUE slotted at No. 4 in the nation and the Screaming Eagles at No. 10.

Street and Smith has also recognized the Cougar's talent, ranking them as the third-best Division II team in the nation, behind defending national champion Winona State University in Minnesota and Barton University in North Carolina. Two other Great Lakes Region teams broke

"I think everybody will get a chance to play. We're still learning a lot about each other, and how people fit into our system." -Marty Simmons

SIUE Head Coach

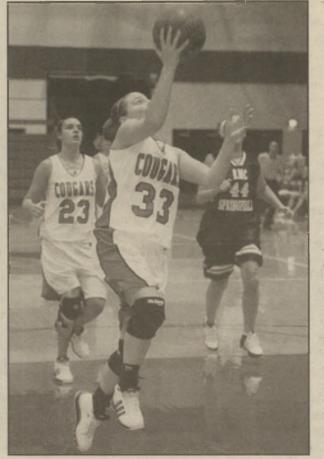
Northern Kentucky University was chosen to lead the East Division by a unanimous vote. SIUE slid in right behind Southern Indiana. SIUE defeated the Screaming Eagles in all three match-ups last season. Perhaps most importantly, it was the Screaming Eagles who were sent



into the top 10: Grand Valley State topped out at No. 5 and Southern Indiana was slotted at No. 9.

"I think it's nice to be recognized in any poll. It's rewarding to our program and to the university, but our focus right now is on day-to-day practices and on improving details and blending the new players into the system. Hopefully, we'll put out a good basketball team this year," Simmons said.

Street and Smith's College Basketball Yearbook also make All-American predictions. SIUE's J.B. Jones was granted a preseason All-American honorable mention. The Cougars, who posted a 25-8 overall record last season and won the Great Lakes Region title, lost only one starter to graduation.



Women looking for improvements, postseason play in 2006-07 season

by Nicholas Johnson Alestle Sports Reporter

The SIUE women's basketball team hopes to rebound from a sub-.500 season, relying on the team to play as a unit

SIUE Head Coach Wendy Hedberg is returning 10 of 15 players including senior Julianne McMillen, junior cocaptain Amy Austin, junior Whitney Sykes, sophomore Deidra Dace, and adds freshman Allison Fogle to the roster.

Last season, Austin led all players with 3.3 assists per game and Sykes paced the Cougars with 10.1 points per game

"We have a bunch of great players," Hedberg said. "Throughout the season, hopefully we see different people step up."

that's a big part of it." -Wendy Hedberg, **SIUE Head Coach**

"A lot of it is

how we play

as a team -

Courtesy of

SIUE Photo Services **SIUE junior guard Whitney** Sykes, who led the **Cougars in scoring last** season with a 10.1 points per game average, lays in a basket during a game against Robert Morris College last season at the Vadalabene Center. SIUE finished 14-15 last vear.

that's one of our main focuses right now," Hedberg said.

That success hinges on many components, according to Hedberg, a 27-year coaching veteran of women's basketball.

"A lot of it is how we play together as a team - that's a big part of it," Hedberg said. Hedberg also said that good defensive play, limiting opponents' second-chance opportunities, controlling the boards and rebounding competitively are keys for the team to be successful.

The team's inability to finish a game attributed to lack of success and 14-15 record last season, according to Hedberg.

"I think last year we struggled," Hedberg said. "We were in a lot of games and lost four or five games by either letting a team back in when we had a lead or a couple key turnovers at the end of a game."

Hedberg commended her team on

Courtesy of SIUE Photo Services SIUE senior guard Ty Johnson soars to the bucket for a layup during a game against St. Joseph's College of Indiana last season at the Vadalabene Center. The Cougars won the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional title last season.

Four starters from the 2005-2006 team will return to the court, fresh off of SIUE's first Elite Eight appearance in Cougar basketball history. More focused and in better shape than ever, Jones, along with senior Doug Taylor and seniors Ty Johnson and Mike Hardiek, hope to return to the Elite Eight in the spring to show the world what the SIUE basketball team can really do.

Jones is noted for his leadership skills and teamwork. Jones, a 6'2" junior guard, was named second team All-Great Lakes Region and second team All-Conference last season. He is no stranger to the record books, currently standing at No. 3 in alltime assists with 307 and No. 4 in all-time steals with 117.

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Two additions were made in the form of the Division-I variety in junior Julie Sweetin from Illinois State and junior Amber Shelton from Missouri State. The team relies on the strong leadership from the trio of captains.

"Our captains, Amy Austin, Amber Shelton and Elyse Morris, come in there and play hard every day and set the tone for practice and how we play in game situations," Hedberg said. "I think the players just feed off of that and that's where we'll look to get a lot of energy from."

Hedberg hopes to finish in the top three in the Western Division to earn a bid to the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament.

"We've gotten a little hungrier for it since we didn't make it last year and its performance in their first exhibition game of the season against Western Illinois University of Division-I.

"I thought we played hard," Hedberg said. "We were right there on the boards with them and had opportunities to win the game. When you go 9-20 at the free-throw line, you're probably not going to win too many games. We had opportunities to open it up. Other than that, I thought we played pretty well for a first game as well as still adjusting to new players in the lineup."

SIUE will open the regular season Nov. 15 when they host University of Illinois-Springfield at the Vadalabene Center.

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by Marty Jenkins Alestle Sports Reporter

The SIUE wrestling team will hit the mats this Friday night in their season opener hoping to rebound from a winless 05-06 campaign.

The dual match will be in Fayette, Iowa against the No 8.seeded Upper Iowa University.

The Cougars are hoping to turn things around this year after going 0-12 last season.

SIUE flirted with victory a couple of times last year but the closest they came to a win was a 24-22 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

One of the bright spots for the Cougars last season was finishing ninth out of 20 teams at the Midwest Classic in Indianapolis, Ind.

Senior Joe Rujawitz thinks the team will be much improved this year and he is looking forward to a winning season.

"This team is stacked with veterans and we are very hungry to have a great year considering the events that unfolded last year," Rujawitz said.

"This team has been working hard all off season and we are going to shock a lot of people this season."

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Wrestling team looking forward to rebounding after tough season

SIUE grapplers return to mats

Lewis, Rujawitz and John Ficht.

Lewis, the 149 lb. starter, is a standout transfer from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Lewis has brought a lot of leadership and intensity to the team since arriving over the summer.

"I am really looking forward

this year," Lewis said.

The Middleweights of the was an NCAA national qualifier team are headlined by seniors Jed in 2005 and led the team in wins in 2006.

Rujawitz, a fifth year senior, wants to end his wrestling career on a positive note.

"I've always wanted to be an All-American and it's now or never for me," Rujawitz said.

Ficht, the 165 lb. starter, led the team in wins in 2005 and has

Scott, the 174 lb. starter, is recovering from two knee injuries and is looking forward to his first full season as a Cougar.

"I've worked really hard in the off season and I am looking forward to helping this team out a lot," Scott said.

"This team has a lot of talent throughout the lineup and I think we are going to be a threat

"This team is stacked with veterans and we are very hungry to have a great year considering the events that unfolded last year."

> wrestlers for the Cougars over the past three years.

The upperweights for SIUE are sophomores Cory Scott, Brandon Cleary and junior Sean to many teams."

Cleary, the 184. lb starter, has brought a very strong work ethic to the team over the past two years and is expected to be a significant contributor.

Tyus, the 197 lb. starter, had

28 wins in 2004 and missed being a national qualifier by one match that year.

The lightweight section of the team includes 133 lb. starter sophomore Rashad Riley and 141 lb. starter freshman James Aschenbrenner.

Riley had a record of 10-4 last year and Aschenbrenner is looking forward to his first full season as a starter.

With a majority of the lineup being veterans, the Cougars have some new faces on the team as well

High school standouts Tommy Hill of Roxana and Ian Darr of Civic Memorial both look to have a significant and immediate impact on the team.

Hill will be the 125 lb. starter while Darr will be the Cougar heavyweight. Both of them were state runners-up in high school.

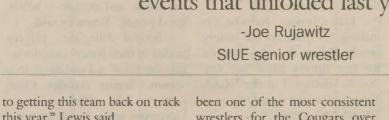
After the trip to Fayette, the Cougars will travel to Dubuque, Iowa on Nov. 11 for the Spartan Open

SIUE's next match will be the home opener on Nov. 16 against Missouri Baptist.

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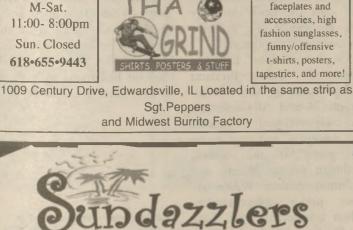


have a lot of success this year." Rujawitz, the 157 lb. starter, Tyus. We have cool stuff for your room or dorm Ve carry cell phone

"I know if this team

continues to work hard all season

like I've seen so far then we can



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"J.B. is off to a good start. He's been working hard. He's the glue of our team. He ties everything together for us. He scores in a variety of ways, he rebounds well, and he's a good defender, too," Simmons said.

In his first two seasons as a Cougar, Jones recorded consecutive seasons of more than 100 assists. In addition, Jones is second in scoring and blocking. Besides being a full-time team leader, he was an integral part of SIUE's wins over Southern Indiana and Northern Kentucky last season.

Johnson will return to the court as the team's reigning scoring leader. He averaged 12.9 points per game, scoring double figures in 25 of the 32 games he appeared in last season. He was named to the Great Lakes Regional All-Tournament team and was named second team All-GLVC.

"Ty brings a lot of energy to our team. He's very fast and quick - an excellent penetrator and an excellent three-point shooter," Simmons said.

Like Jones, Johnson is making his mark on the history books. He set the school record for free throws made and free throws attempted in the NCAA Tournament win over Quincy, at 19 and 22, respectively.

Hardiek, a 6'7" forward, transferred from Lincoln Land College and made a contribution to SIUE right away. Hardiek was named Most Valuable Player of the Great Lakes Regional Tournament after scoring 55 points in his three tournament games. He started 26 games last year and became the team's third leading scorer, averaging 10.6 points per game. Hardiek, Johnson, and Jones are this season's co-captains.

"Mike's a hard worker, and an excellent perimeter shooter. He's worked hard to improve his inside shooting," Simmons commented.

At a towering 6'9", Taylor was practically born to play ball. He blocked 41 shots last year in 33 appearances. His his performance propelled him to No. 4 in blocks in the record books (53 over his first two

seasons).

"Doug is our most consistent player so far in preseason. He's really improved his game. He's scoring more and rebounding more, and we'll be looking for big things out of him this year," Simmons said.

Several new faces will mix with the old to compose the team this year. Junior guard Anthony Jones has netted 97 threepointers during the past two seasons, averaging 6.2 points per game off of the bench. Freshmen forward Nick Arth is slated to return to the court this year after missing almost all of his freshman season due to an eye injury. Asa Clayborne, a returning senior, was benched last season, but traveled to the Elite Eight to support his teammates.

"Asa redshirted last year, and should come in off the bench. Nick Arth played mostly off the bench last year, but should be starting for us. He will be starting in the University of Illinois game. He can score from the inside and outside - he's a good passer," Simmons said.

Several collegiate players traded in their jerseys in order to don the SIUE red and white this season. Senior transfer Clint left Weber State Burris University, where he led his team and the Big Sky Conference in offensive rebounds last year, in favor of becoming a Cougar. Junior Jeremy Gathing, a 6'6" forward, averaged 7.3 points per game last season at Kankakee Community College.

"Clint is an inside player - a big, physical strong guy who can step out and shoot the three. Jeremy is an athletic inside guy who runs the floor extremely well. He should give us some rebounding," Simmons said.

Sophmore John Edmison transferred from Parkland College and brings with him All-Region 24 and All-Conference titles. He averaged 15 points, four rebounds, and four assists per game at the school. Freshman Ahmad Wright and Sophmore Andrew Wilson are other junior college-transfers. Wilson transferred from Lake Land College. Wright played two

seasons for Kaskaskia College, averaging 16.8 points and 5.0 rebounds per contest. He was a first team All-Great Rivers Athletic Conference pick, an All-Region 24 first team selection, and was dubbed Most Valuable Player of his team.

"I think everybody will get a chance to play. We're still learning a lot about each other, and how people fit into our system," Simmons said.

Other fresh talent includes freshmen Dane Church, Edmonn Maul, Patrick McDermott, Glendale Moore and Mark Schaefer.

The season is set to begin with showings against three Division I competitors. The Cougars premiered their new talent in an exhibition game against the University of Illinois last night (score not available at time of press). On Saturday, SIUE will travel out of state to take on the University of Nebraska in exhibition game number two.

"We're really excited. The University of Illinois obviously has a great program, and we are very fortunate to play in that environment. Our Red Storm (the fan group comprised of SIUE students) have come a long way, and hopefully they will one day be able to match the Orange Crush in their enthusiasm," Simmons said. "The exhibition games should be a good measuring stick to see where we are at. We'll use that to help us improve."

Regular season commences with a game against Bradley on Nov. 15 at 7:05p.m., a Division I competitor who earned a spot in the Sweet Sixteen in 2005-2006.The Cougars play host to Harris-Stowe on Nov. 18 at 3p.m. at the Vadalabene Center for the home opener. Conference play will begin on Nov. 30th when SIUE takes on Bellarmine at 8p.m. in an away game in Louisville, Ky.

Mallory Hensley can be reached at alestlesports@gmail.com or 650-3524

Dont forget for FAMILY FUN this weekend check out **TONS OF FUN** at the **Student Fitness Center** tomorrow @ 6pm and **Dn your Mark, Get Set, Go** Saturday @ 10am at the MUC for info on these and other free events visit us on the web at www.siue.edu/CAB



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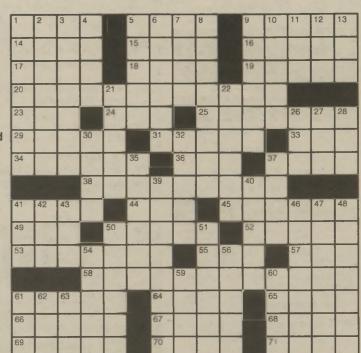
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Happy 19th Birthday Maggie Couri! Love, Stephie, Amanda, and Sarah. 11/09/06

Alpha Phi Red Dress Dinner-Saturday November 11, 6 p.m. in the Meridian. Dinner and silent auction. Tickets are \$20. 11/9/06

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