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## Students react to parking price hike

by Holly Meyer  
Alestle News Reporter

The recent parking permit price increase has caused a traffic jam of frustration for some SIUE students.

"I don't think it is fair," sophomore Michelle Jenkner said. "They raised them \$12 last year, and there hasn't been anything to show for it except for some new trucks."

Concerned students are using different forums to air their grievances.

In addition to a letter to the editor in Thursday's edition of the Alestle, the networking Web site Facebook is being used as a tool by students to start a petition to Parking Services. The Facebook group is called "Petition for Those Upset with Parking Services Raising Fees" and currently has 525 members.

Administrative Services Director Bob Vanzo said that he was not aware of the Facebook group. However, he said he did read the letter to the editor and has explained and answered the questions of concerned students that have called him. If students present Parking Services with a petition, he said he will listen to their concerns.

"We always take petitions seriously," Vanzo said.

However, Vanzo said a petition will not change the "necessary price increases."

"All I can assure students is that it is as small as we can possibly make it," Vanzo said.

Vanzo said Parking Services has "looked at alternatives" and delayed projects to keep the increase as "minimal as possible."

The more fuel-efficient vehicle alternative suggested in junior Mike Musik's letter to the editor was countered by Vanzo.

Vanzo said trucks are necessary because Parking Services' employees need to haul items such as parking meters, road cones, de-icer and battery boosters. He said the 4x4 feature on the trucks allows the drivers to travel in inclement weather.

According to Vanzo, the university selected the trucks off a state bid list that allows SIUE to purchase the vehicles at a lower

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## Touchy subject

### Hand scanners being tested at Woodland Hall entrance

by Catherine Klene  
Alestle News Reporter



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To increase security, a biometric hand scanner is being used on a trial basis at the entrance of Woodland Hall.

Freshman Nate Clarey needed more than a key to get to his room in Woodland Hall Friday.

Clarey swiped his Cougar Card through a card reader, then turned his attention to a small gray machine perched on the edge of the front desk. Spreading his fingers, Clarey placed his palm on a sliver pad inside the machine and waited.

After a few dubious seconds, the machine chirped and the word "Approved" flashed on the small screen.

Clarey had passed the identity test.

The increased security is not because Clarey is a dangerous person or a secret government agent. The hand scanner is part of a new housing security measure being tested in

Woodland Hall.

Housing Director Michael Schultz said the biometrics hand reader was not put into use because of lax security.

"We are pretty safe, and I don't think we would have any strangers getting into the building," Schultz said.

Rather, the hand scanner is a result of residents repeatedly violating the guest policy.

The current policy requires a resident to swipe their Cougar Card each time they enter the building. If a guest accompanies the resident, the host must sign the guest in and provide photo ID.

Schultz explained some residents would give their IDs to other individuals who would swipe it, while the actual resident claimed to have forgotten his or her card. This way, the resident would not have to sign in his or her guest.

Schultz said the biometrics readers increase security and verify that the residents are in fact the ones using their IDs.

For the past month, the roughly 475 Woodland Hall residents scanned their hands at the Service Center, registering their information with the system.

Woodland Hall residents began using the readers Monday, March 12. After a few glitches, the system was fully operational the following day.

Schultz explained that with the new system, a

resident swipes his or her Cougar Card, then places his or her hand on the scanner.

"(It) verifies that you're the ID holder," Schultz said.

The new security measure is a test, Schultz added. Housing will gather feedback from students and desk managers in the coming months.

"That's what we're doing with this test, getting an evaluation of it," Schultz said.

Schultz said no decision has been made on whether the other residence halls will add biometrics readers to their front desks as well.

Not everyone is a fan of the increased security measures.

Junior and Woodland Hall resident assistant Jessica Renner said the new system takes too long to shuffle several students past the front desk.

"I think that it takes a lot longer," Renner said. "It's very repetitive and not needed."

Renner said she saw lines of up to nine people around the front desk, waiting to use the scanner.

SIUE residence halls are among the most secure in the area, Renner said, referring to a KMOV News Channel 4 report.

In November 2006, investigative reporter Steve Chamraz attempted to enter residence halls at four St. Louis-area universities. SIUE was the only school where Chamraz was denied

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## Slur against fraternity sprayed on Rock

### No charges filed

by Kyle Wiese  
Alestle News Reporter

The Rock in the Stratton Quadrangle bore a derogatory message directed at the Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity in an incident reported to police March 13.

According to SIUE Police Lt. Kevin Schmolz, a 20-year-old male student spray-painted the phrase, "Who is queer? AKL," onto the Rock.

SIUE Police did not release the name of the student responsible because the student was not charged with a crime.

The university could hand down a

punishment of their choosing; however, the student is allowed the option of a hearing.

"If the student admits guilt, then he will receive punishment directly from the dean of students or they can choose to have a hearing in front of a faculty member, staff member and a student," Coordinator of Greek Life John Davenport said.

SIUE Police responded to a call regarding the situation at 5:59 p.m. March 13. Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity or campus police have not filed charges.

"We are not contemplating legal action even though the police were involved," Dean of Students Jim Klenke said. "Witnesses are still being interviewed."

According to Chris Mueller, president of Alpha Kappa Lambda, this incident has

proved detrimental to one of Alpha Kappa Lambda's goals for this school year, which is togetherness in the Greek system.

"This has been a series of unfortunate events because we've been trying to promote a unified Greek life on campus," Mueller said.

According to Davenport, the suspect in question is a member of a separate Greek organization. The name of that organization cannot be released at this time.

An incident that occurred earlier that day, in which trash cans, forks and caution tape were placed around the rock is considered unrelated to the spray-painting incident.

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## Campus Scanner

**Just for Laughs:** Laugh and learn as comedian Andrew Kennedy turns culture into comedy from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Woodland Hall's Multifunction Room. For more information, contact Chris Worrick at cworrick@siue.edu.

**Baseball Spirit Night:** Root for the SIUE baseball team with giveaways and food from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Friday at the SimmonsCooper Complex. Join CAB for a night at the ballpark to cheer our Cougar baseball team to victory over the Northern Kentucky Norse. For more information, contact Rachel Reitz at rlaruss@siue.edu or visit siue.edu/CAB.

**Dive In Movie:** Dive into a great time with a movie at the pool from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in the Vadalabene Center Indoor Pool. Flotation devices will be provided. For more information, contact Rachel Reitz at rlaruss@siue.edu or visit siue.edu/CAB.

**North Carolina Dance Theatre, Arts & Issues:** Watch the infusion of classical ballet and avant-garde style in the North Carolina Dance Theatre's presentation of "Under Southern Skies" from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Friday in Dunham Hall Theater. Tickets are \$24 for general audience members and \$12 for students. For more information, call the Fine Arts Box Office at 650-2774 or visit artsandissues.com.

**Trivia Night:** Put random knowledge to use from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the Edwardsville KC Hall on Illinois Route 143. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. and the tournament begins at 7 p.m. Teams of 10 cost \$80 per team, or \$12 for individuals. For more information, contact Hilary Hertenstein at hilary\_hertenstein@yahoo.com.

## Police Reports

### 3-12

Police issued Nicole Beyers a citation for speeding on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Regina Feezel a citation for speeding on North Circle Drive.

Police issued Emmanuel Eneyo a citation for speeding on North Circle Drive.

Police issued Brian French a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Roshan Khan a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Mary Kelly a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Ryan Smith a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Anushiya Sivanarayan a citation for speeding on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Amanda Halliday a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Larry Brantley a citation for speeding on Northwest University Drive.

### 3-13

Police issued Aaron Eimer a citation for improper lane usage at Cougar Village Lot 5A.

Police issued Irvin Neal a citation for expired vehicle registration on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Erika Errandi a citation for speeding on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Allison Tutor a citation for speeding on Northwest University Drive.

Police issued Jesse Richardet a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Stephen O'Brien a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police arrested Andrew Hueneger for driving with a suspended driver's license. Hueneger surrendered his driver's license and was given a notice to appear.

Police issued William Scherer a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

### 3-14

Police arrested Joseph Wooten for possession of cannabis. Wooten was released with charges pending.

Police issued Stanley Gula a citation for failure to reduce speed after a two-vehicle accident was reported on Northwest Entrance Road.

Police arrested James Bartee for driving with a suspended driver's license on South University Drive at Stadium Drive. Bartee was issued a notice to appear.

Police arrested Jimmy Persons for driving under the influence and improper lane usage on South University Drive. Persons also had a St. Clair County warrant for intoxicated pedestrian. Bond was set at \$1000.

### 3-15

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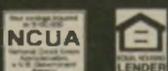
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# Double shifts

## Rich Walker serves as assistant vice chancellor, alderman

by Zach Groves  
Alestle News Reporter

By day, Rich Walker works to expand SIUE. By night, he works to expand the city of Edwardsville.

While Walker dons a suit and tie instead of a bat suit, he still works to make a difference in his respective communities. The assistant vice chancellor for administration has spent more than 20 years with the university between his work in the Arts & Issues series and current ties with the school's projects.

"I do the planning for these projects, which means hiring the architects and working with them through the design phase, getting the financing in order, getting the board approvals, the state approvals," Walker said.

On Walker's watch, SIUE finished the School of Pharmacy and the Morris University Center renovation projects. Now he is overseeing 15 projects, including the building of the Student Academic Success Center, the additional space to the Student Fitness Center and Evergreen Hall.

Whenever building designs are approved and ready for contractors to bid on the best price to construct the facilities, they also begin correspondence with Walker.

Walker worked his way to SIUE from Indiana State University, where he earned his Bachelor degree in Arts Administration. He then worked in Arts & Issues at a school in Tulsa, Okla. before taking on the Arts & Issues job at SIUE.

While working on his master's degree in public administration, Walker earned his current job in 2001.

Walker said that both his responsibilities and the university have changed since he started his career at SIUE.

"Even during the daytime, there was a different feel then," Walker said. "Students ... drove to campus, went to their class and they left again. They weren't even sticking around to eat or to take part in any campus activities."

Since then, he said more students are getting more involved in the activities SIUE offers.

"There is a much stronger connection today to the university by the students than there was 20 years ago," he said.

Since 1994, Walker has served as an Edwardsville city alderman in the 7th Ward, which represents the area around Goshen Road and Governor's Parkway.

He is on his third term and will run for a fourth one in April's municipal elections.

Walker said that he and the city council together have revamped downtown Edwardsville, enhanced the water and sewer plants and improved the Illinois Routes 157 and 159 highways as well as Center Grove Road and Governor's Parkway, which is currently undergoing renovations. Additionally, the parks, police and fire departments have grown during Walker's time in office.

"I am just real pleased since I look back over the last 12 years at where we are now as opposed to where we were then," Walker said.

Walker added that part of his love for public works stemmed from his days of helping his mother campaign for clerk-treasurer while growing up in



photo staff/Alestle

northern Indiana near Chicago.

Edwardsville Finance Committee Chair Janet Haroian, a fellow council member, has worked with Walker throughout his tenure on the city council. Haroian said between her years working with him on the board and at the university as University Park manager, they maintain good communication and chemistry.

"Working with him between here and the university ... I have contact with Rich in many capacities," Haroian said. "It has been a very good working relationship with him. I am confident that he will represent his constituents well so he will get re-elected."

Haroian added that she helped play a role in convincing him to "utilize his newly-granted degree and put his skills to work" when he initially considered running for city council during the early 1990s.

Ordinarily, balancing meetings in two administrative roles can be a hassle. However, Walker said the conflicts are not a problem as SIUE grants him city work opportunities on university time. In exchange, he must continue the work he does now because of the university's vision statement on supporting community leaders.

"As long I can keep that balance straight, to some limits at least answer questions and set up meetings for other times for my city job," Walker said. "Without the support of the university and its commitment to this vision, I could not do it."

Vice Chancellor for Administration Kenn Neher said Walker was actually the dark horse candidate for the position when then-Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration Gloria Atkins took her position at the East St. Louis campus in 2001.

"I had no specific candidate in mind, but I had a list in my mind," Neher said. "Rich was not on that list. I was unaware of his experience in capital planning with the city because he was doing Arts & Issues."

Walker said that since he leads a double professional life, he has to read a lot for the projects in addition to spending time with his wife and two teenage sons. In short, he would be the wrong guy to ask about the latest "Grey's Anatomy" episode.

"(Twelve) years ago I gave up television for the most part because I did not have time to go home and watch (it)," he said.

Walker said he has always liked diving into a project and finishing it.

Walker's role on the city council, while different from his administrative role on campus because of the control factor, still allows him to interact with the residents and hear their concerns.

"I will go out after work and talk about whatever the problem is they are dealing with and I know who to contact on city government to help at least address the problem or answer their questions," Walker said.

He said even with his busy schedule, the results are well worth the hours he works.

"It is a good school," Walker said. "I feel like I have really put down roots here now and will be here for a long time to come."

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access to a residence hall. In addition, SIUE also had the lowest number of reported burglaries out of the four schools.

Renner said watchful desk managers and cooperative guests help keep security breaches to a minimum.

Sophomore history major Mike Wallace, a desk manager, said the biometrics scanner is a great idea.

"In the long run, it will make life a lot easier," Wallace said.

He acknowledged that some residents had problems with the scanner. The most common seemed to be when the scanner did not recognize some residents' handprints.

Wallace said when this happened, he would check the Woodland Hall roster for the ID holder's name, and then tell the resident to stop by the Service Center to get his or her hand rescanned.

"After that, it usually goes through," Wallace said.

Wallace said the current security at the residence halls is already better than most other St. Louis-area universities. Wallace was working the front desk when KMOV Channel 4 attempted to enter Woodland Hall, and he refused to let them in without student Cougar Cards.

"I think security here is at a top-notch level," Wallace said. "This is only going to make it 10

times harder for people to sneak in."

Clarey said the new security system is good, but not needed.

"It might be a bit excessive," Clarey said.

Clarey said the hand scanners could potentially lower crime rates or people trying to sneak into the residence halls, but "it was low before we used it."

Clarey said the hand scanners had a few kinks in the system at first.

"Several people were having problems getting it to operate correctly," Clarey said.

Freshman mass communications major Jessica Maldonado said she likes the new scanners because they provide an increased level of security, but said it can be inconvenient.

"I think it's OK," Maldonado said. "I don't like that it's slower."

Wallace encouraged students to give the hand scanners a chance.

"People should have some patience, give it a little time," Wallace said.

Renner said, ultimately, those who want to get in will.

"If people want to sneak in, they can still crawl past the desk," Renner said.

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price than if purchased from a dealership. The trucks were purchased for about \$16,000 each.

"Not every vehicle is on the list," Vanzo said.

The trucks are kept for about five years and then sold, he said.

"They have a good resale value," Vanzo said.

Vanzo said the gas savings from a more efficient vehicle would not compare to the amount saved on the initial cost of the trucks.

The reason the parking permit prices are increasing is because Parking Services is not making enough revenue, Vanzo said. The new parking lot needs to be financed, and the new escalating fine system is not providing adequate funding.

"It just doesn't seem fair to punish those who don't get the parking tickets," freshman Kyle Baughman said.

According to Vanzo, all permit prices will increase by \$12. Yellow parking permit holders will pay an additional \$25 for a total increase of \$37. Yellow permits, which currently cost \$72, allow students to park in the residence halls' parking lots and the Cougar Village parking lots. After the increase, these permits will cost \$109.

"We pay so much to live in housing," Jenkner said. "Why are we being penalized more?"

Vanzo said yellow permit

holders will pay more for their permits because they use their spots 24 hours a day, seven days a week and are guaranteed a parking spot. In addition, yellow permit holders can park in the red permit lots. They also have a free guest parking program, whereas other permit holders have to have their guests pay to park if they come to campus.

However, one student did not think the increase was significant.

"I don't think it is that much," junior Mistie Tennant said. "Where I used to go to school, it was \$110 a semester."

Although she was not concerned with the increase, Tennant said she still felt the students should have been consulted.

"I think they should have had a little say," Tennant said.

Baughman agreed with Tennant.

"Students are the majority of the people who have yellow permits," Baughman said. "I would ask the students. They are the ones who are going to be affected by it."

Vanzo said the fee increase did not have to be approved by the Student Senate because it is not a mandatory fee, as students do not have to purchase parking permits.

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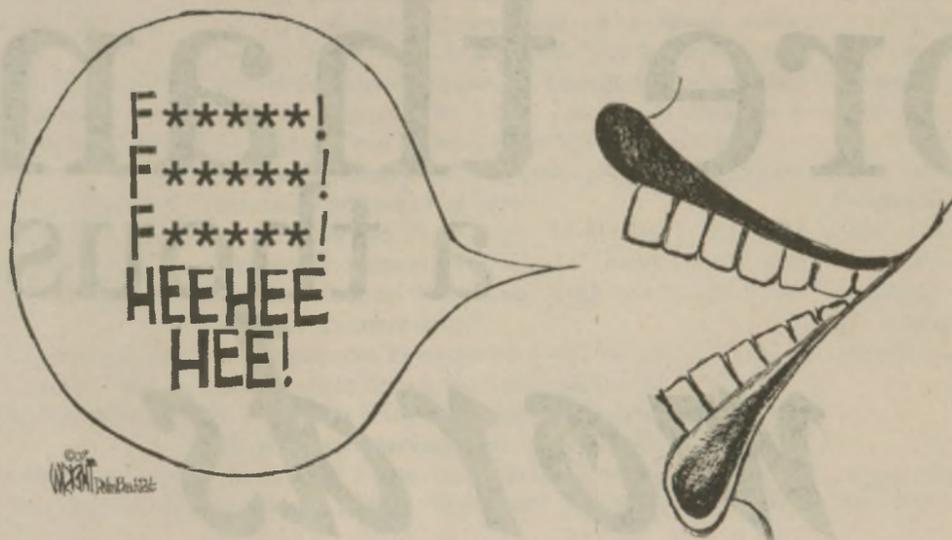
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## Parents of fallen soldier thank SIUE

Dear Friends,

My family would like to express its deepest thanks to the SIUE community for all its support following the death of our son, Spc. Ryan Garbs.

Many of you helped with the funeral service in ways that we will never know about. The amazing part is that most of you who helped did not know our son or us.

We want to thank Chancellor Vandegrift for allowing us to have Ryan's funeral in the Meridian Ballroom. It became apparent to us during the early planning stages that there was no church in Edwardsville large enough to contain the expected crowd. Our only other option would have been churches in other nearby

communities, but our hearts are in Edwardsville.

We know the SIUE Police Department, Facilities Management and many employees of the Morris University Center provided their services. We know that Denise DeGarmo encouraged her students to honor Ryan by standing outside the MUC before and after the funeral, but many more students paid their respects as well. In fact, some students dropped by the library with sympathy cards for us. We also know that someone even painted the Rock in the Stratton Quadrangle with Ryan's name. The response of the students has been the most touching of all. Some knew Ryan, but most did not.

To my colleagues in Lovejoy Library and especially in the Technical and Access Services Department, thank you for the many expressions of

sympathy you have shown us.

Lastly, but perhaps most importantly, we want to thank the Music Department for providing the one thing that gives the most solace to my aching heart. John Korak, Katrina Bradley and John Goss contributed some of the music that made Ryan's funeral beautiful, if such a thing can be beautiful.

Our sincerest apologies to those we have inadvertently not mentioned. I do want you all to know that the Army and especially the Army Rangers have been unbelievably kind to us. They truly share our grief. I'm proud that Ryan was a Ranger, proud to live in this great country and proud to be a member of the SIUE community. God bless you all.

Douglas and Jill Garbs

## Americans take their education for granted

On Friday, talk show mogul and philanthropist Oprah Winfrey opened her second leadership academy in South Africa.

The Oprah Leadership Academy for Girls provides the necessary vehicle for select South African girls to receive a first-class education and to go on to college.

"All of my adult life I have been searching for a way to give back what I've been given," Oprah said. "The greatest gift I know you can give is the gift of learning ... education was my path to possibility."

However, while Oprah's

intentions are noble, she has received a lot of flack from American spectators who believe Oprah should have built her schools at home in America where good schools are much needed.

Oprah's reasons for not building her schools in America rest on the basis that American children simply do not appreciate education as much as children in regions where education is a luxury.

Oprah said when she asked students in American classrooms what they wanted, they responded with such things as iPods, sneakers and other merchandise.

But when Oprah asked a young South African student what she wanted most, she replied "a uniform" so she could attend school.

Is Oprah wrong in investing

her money in schools abroad that will aid in educating African girls? Absolutely not!

Another difference between America and South Africa is that America has every means to create top-notch schools, the application just is not always there.

For example, while billions of dollars have been spent in Iraq, they could have built hundreds of schools across the nation and hired thousands of excellent teachers.

Criticism of Oprah distributing her money for the betterment of Africa's underprivileged is unfair. If America wants better schools for American children, go to the American government for a response.

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## Housing on campus too protected

The Alestle published an article on Dec. 7, 2006 about an investigation into dorm security. According to the article, KMOV's Steve Chamraz and his investigative team went undercover to four different universities and "at each campus, the producer attempted to enter a residence hall and reach a common area within that building."

SIUE was the only school to stop the producer's entrance.



Maggie Willis

Safety is an important issue on college campuses and SIUE has tackled that issue with stringent security plans: enforcing ID scans, locking doors to the residence halls after certain times, having security cameras and checking to see that students have their keys and Cougar Cards after fire alarms prior to re-admittance.

This helps protect students from strangers sneaking into the residence halls, but do we need protection from other students living on campus?

Why is it that when campus residents want to spend the night at another residence hall they have to check in their guests and stay attached at the hip?

For instance, about a month ago, a friend from Woodland Hall stayed the night with me at Bluff Hall.

I got up early to finish a take-home test for a class, but needed my ID card - which must be left at the front desk upon checking in any guest - to print something out.

It was pretty early, about 7 a.m. or so, and my friend was sound asleep. So, leaving him behind to sleep, I went to ask for my card.

The person at the front desk could not give it to me because the guest was not with me. In order to get my card, to print out the needed material for my class, my exhausted friend had to be woken up and dragged to the front desk at 7 in the morning.

At 18, students can go off to war - but they apparently cannot be trusted in a different residence halls on the college campus they too inhabit.

The need to regulate non-resident visitors is understood, but it is not understandable why fellow campus residents are not trusted in different halls.

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# More than a thousand *words*

by Maggie Willis

Alestle Lifestyles Reporter

The words "art auction" may bring several different artists to mind—Monet, daVinci, or Picasso, to name a few.

None of these artists, however, will be at the Friends of Art auction Friday.

Instead, the Friends of Art, gives students and faculty the chance to get their works and names known while bringing in money for the campus.

This Friday, the event starts off with a preview at 6 p.m. at the Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville, followed closely at 7 p.m. by an auction of all the works.

Since 1977, Friends of Art has joined with the SIUE Department of Art and Design to stage this highly successful fund-raiser. All of the proceeds raised by the auction go directly to the department to enhance art education.

Art History Professor Pamela DeCoteau said the FOA uses the auction's revenue to help fulfill requests by SIUE faculty and students.

"Faculty members and student groups within the department put in requests for visiting artists, traveling conferences, art workshops, and books," DeCoteau said. "The Friends of Art sit down after the auction, look at the requests, and try to make the money stretch as far as possible to meet those requests."

The money also is used for art scholarships and awards students in various high school shows and exhibits.

"I really enjoy doing these kinds of projects, getting to know the people."

- Jane Floyd-Hendey,  
Director of Disability Services  
and photographer

Because all of the works are donated by faculty, students, visiting artists and alumni, more profit is generated, which is why the contributions of faculty and students are such a vital part of the auction.

Director of Disability Services Jane Floyd-Hendey, a former president of FOA, donated four photographs to this year's auction.

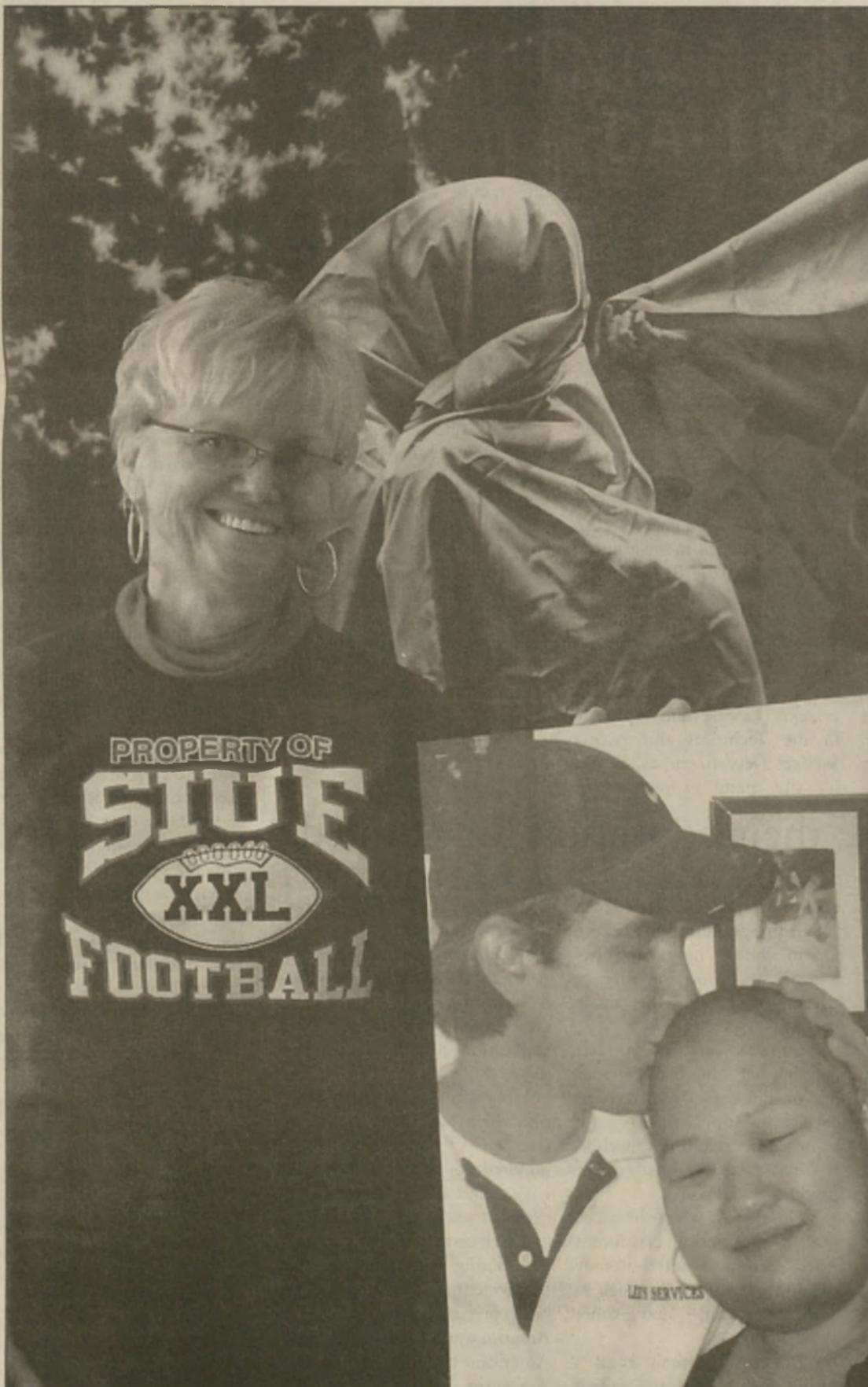
"I make it a point to donate each year," Floyd-Hendey said.

Floyd-Hendey, an avid photographer, has thousands of photographs from which to choose her donations.

About a hundred people observed several of her photos last Wednesday in an exhibition titled, "How I Spent my Summer Vacation: A Visual Diary of Jamie Currier's Journey with Cancer."

This exhibition is just one of several major photography projects by Floyd-Hendey.

Another such project is comprised of 500-plus photographs of



Laura Langyel/Alestle

Director of Disability Services Jane Floyd-Hendey holds up one of her photographs of cancer survivor Jamie Currier. Floyd-Hendey donated four of her photos to the Friends of Art auction, taking place on Friday.

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couples getting married at the Madison County Courthouse.

One photographed couple in particular might be familiar to SIUE students.

"I took a photo at the courthouse of Professor Greg Fields in the Philosophy Department and his wife," Floyd-Hendey said.

An additional project by Floyd-Hendey encompasses 200 to 300 photographs of truck drivers with their trucks.

"I really enjoy doing these kinds of projects, getting to know the people," Floyd-Hendey said.

Rebecca Dabbs-Kayser, Floyd-Hendey's daughter, said her mother's success lies in her ability to give underrepresented people a voice in her photography.

"She seems to find the extraordinary in the ordinary," Dabbs-Kayser said.

Bill Hendey, Director of Academic Counseling and Advising and Floyd-Hendey's husband, said his wife is incredibly passionate about her photography, taking her camera everywhere.

"She sees the world through a camera lens, even when it's in her pocket," Hendey said. "I can look at the

same thing, but I don't see the artistic possibilities. I don't see what makes that individual or object unique. It's just there."

Hendey said part of his wife's approach stems from photographer Diane Arbus.

"(Floyd-Hendey) has kind of a Diane Arbus perspective on art," Hendey said. "She looks at people you normally wouldn't select to photograph because they seem so ordinary. Yet when you isolate them in a photograph, you see what makes them distinctive."

Floyd-Hendey said she agrees her style was at least somewhat influenced by Arbus.

"I really like Diane Arbus' work because she works with underrepresented populations," Floyd-Hendey said. "She wasn't afraid to approach people that others would normally shy away from."

Right now, Floyd-Hendey said she does not have as much time to devote to photography as she would like.

But after being the director of disabilities services for 20 years and working with people with disabilities at places like Lewis and Clark Community College, Southern Illinois University Carbondale-sponsored

camp and a mental health center for numerous years, Floyd-Hendey is ready to retire.

"I'm going to retire in December and I'm really hoping to get into photography full-time for myself," Floyd-Hendey said.

Her husband will also be joining her in retirement, both planning on spending at least three months out of the year in Florida near a beach, as well as some time at Lake of the Ozarks.

"I am very excited for her," Dabbs-Kayser said. "I know that she will continue her life work of advocating for people with disabilities. I also know that she will not just be at home watching television."

Dabbs-Kayser isn't the only one excited about the upcoming retirement.

"I'm getting really excited about my next life," Floyd-Hendey said.

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# Pressures keep some black women from working out

by Harry Jackson Jr.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch (MCT)

ST. LOUIS — Andrea Riggs was ready to take on the competition when she opened her personal training studio in Black Jack, Mo.

The niche for Body Beautiful was to help black women get into shape, be healthy and look good.

The competition she ran into, however, wasn't Bally or Gold's or 24 Hour Fitness. Instead, her greatest competition came from attitudes about exercise and diet from the people she wanted for her clients: black women.

"They told me they didn't want to lose weight," Riggs said, recalling her efforts to recruit clients. "It's cultural expectations and pressures. African-American women seem to say, 'We want meat on our bones, and we all want to be bootylicious and appeal to African-American men.'"

African-Americans aren't the only people to feel the effects of cultural impediments, but they're at the top of many lists for having bad health.

The American Obesity Association says that cultural factors related to diet, exercise and weight among African-Americans play a role in interfering with weight-loss efforts.

The association also says that 78 percent of black women are overweight, and that includes the 50.8 percent who are obese.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that black women suffer higher percentages of diabetes, hypertension, cardiovascular disease, cancer and premature death. And, the CDC says, when they get these diseases, they have more severe cases than white women.

Dr. Michael Railey, medical director of the St. Louis County Health Department, says health disparities are reaching a crisis level for black women and that it's time health officials take gender into consideration for any health concerns

because one size doesn't fit all.

For example, Railey says, "For black women to exercise, there needs to be a social connection. Studies tell us that black women will work out in groups, but not alone. Men are more likely to work out alone."

Also, to get black women to exercise and adopt healthful lifestyles, you must take hair and appearance into consideration, Railey says.

"If a woman spends hours in a (salon) chair and spends \$60, she's out of the gym for at least two days," Railey says.

Lori Jones, an instructor in nutrition and dietetics with St. Louis University, agrees that cultural norms can be a route to bad health.

"There is some truth to that in our culture," says Jones, who is black. "Black women with a little more meat on them seem (attractive), and that's not a bad thing. A little bit of hips, being curvier, is appealing, and sometimes you do have men telling their girlfriends and wives not to lose weight because they like the curves, the extra softness."

Some American food traditions "date back to slavery — eating what's available rather than what's healthy," Jones says.

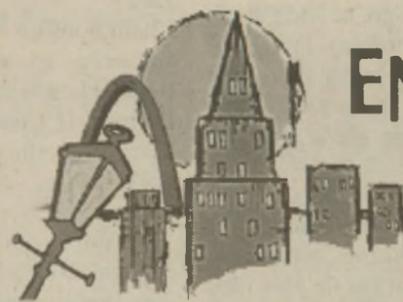
And food becomes a center of celebrations.

"So we value food (as something) more than just an energy source," she says. "And that's not just us. Many cultures have a historical basis for their food."

"It's not about being thin; it's about health," Riggs says. "What we're fighting are choices. We don't want to be thin; and the barriers that keep African-American women from working out, silly stuff ... our hair? Your need to save a hairdo lessens your desire to perspire and perform physical activities?"

"We all want to look good, but to sacrifice your health doesn't make sense."

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# ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

**Not a UFO, just an art invasion**

Resembling a large, chrome Twinkie, the **Art-Stream Gallery** travels from coast to coast displaying works of master potters. The gallery is a remodeled 1967 Airstream Sovereign "land yacht," converted by Alleghany Meadows, who studied pottery in Nepal. The Art-Stream Gallery will be parked from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday at the St. Louis Community College at Meramec, at 11333 Big Bend Boulevard in St. Louis.

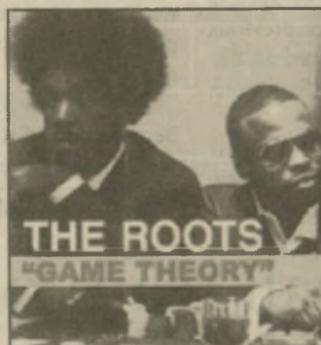


**Watch films and help a cause**

Making Waves is sponsoring its second annual **LumaFest** at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday. The film festival will feature a series of international short films about the hardships women face worldwide. Ticket proceeds will benefit the Breast Cancer Fund and the Making Waves organization. Tickets are on sale in the Morris University Center and are \$7 for students and \$10 for general public and faculty.

**Connect with The Roots**

The Roots have a lot to be proud of. With a Grammy Award for "Best Rap Performance" and five other nominations, a BET nomination for "Best Group" and a host of other feathers in their proverbial cap, perhaps it's no wonder the Philadelphia sextet received critics' praise for their latest album "Game Theory." St. Louis gets a slice of the action on Thursday at The Pageant, 6161 Delmar Blvd in St. Louis. Tickets are \$25 and are available at Ticketmaster outlets, and there is a \$2 surcharge for minors at the door. The Roots can be sampled at [www.theroots.com](http://www.theroots.com).



**Solve a kidnapping**

A mystery is afoot at the Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, and Sherlock Holmes is on the case. "**Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure**," an adaptation of two Sherlock Holmes stories by Arthur Conan Doyle from 1899, begins its run Wednesday at the Repertory Theatre in St. Louis. In the Edgar-nominated play, Holmes investigates a kidnapping, which draws him into London's dangerous underworld, pits him against a longtime rival and causes him to fall in love with an opera diva. For more information, call the Repertory's box office at 314-968-4925, or visit [www.repstl.org](http://www.repstl.org).

**Get Creepy with local musicians**

**Bear Hug Jersey**, a Madison County rock group that describe their music as sounding "like fun," will play Friday at the Creepy Crawl, 3524 Washington in St. Louis. The band's MySpace page declares their influences as "everything you've ever listened to," and sounds like "whatever you want it to sound like." The Vanity Affair, Parkside and Aurcoline will also play at the concert. Tickets are \$11 for minors and \$8 for those over 21. For more information, visit the Creepy Crawl Web site at [www.creepycrawl.com](http://www.creepycrawl.com) or Bear Hug Jersey's Web site at [www.myspace.com/bearhugjersey](http://www.myspace.com/bearhugjersey).



# Simmons becomes Evansville's Ace

## Simmons leaves SIUE to coach at alma mater

by Matthew Bruce  
Alestle Sports Editor

The infamous black sweater-vest and red polo shirt will no longer be a familiar sight on the sidelines of the Vadalabene Center court for SIUE basketball fans.

Marty Simmons resigned as coach of the SIUE men's basketball team Thursday, taking the head coaching position at the University of Evansville.

"While we would rather not see Marty go, we recognize how great of an opportunity this is for him and his family," SIUE Athletics Director Brad Hewitt said in a press release. "Marty has propelled SIUE's men's basketball program to a new level, and we are thankful for all that he has done."

The recent success of SIUE has also attracted the attention of other institutions, including Division I mid-major schools. Simmons became the third member of SIUE's coaching staff to leave Edwardsville in the last two years. Assistants Mark Allaria and Marcus Belcher departed after last season – Allaria for a head coaching position at Edwardsville High and Belcher for a chance to coach at Eastern Illinois University, a DI school.

"Coach got here and kind of turned things around," said

SIUE assistant coach Ron Jones, who transferred to SIUE from Kankakee College and played for Simmons from 2002 to 2004. "From the get-go, he had guys in at six in the morning, lifting and working out pretty much as soon as he got here in the fall. So that kind of got his whole mentality here."

Simmons replaces Steve Merfield, who had five consecutive losing seasons in Evansville. The Purple Aces have had sub .500 campaigns in each of the last seven years.

Simmons returns to his alma mater in Indiana where he has a rich history, having been named one of the Purple Aces' top 15 players of all time. Simmons scored 1,265 points in two seasons for Evansville and led the team to its first ever National Invitation Tournament appearance in 1988.

Simmons returned to the Purple Aces as an assistant coach in 1997, leading them to a Missouri Valley Conference title and a bid in the NCAA Tournament.

But while at SIUE, Simmons achieved more success than any of the Cougars' previous five coaches. He collected an 88-59 record during his five seasons in Edwardsville.

Some credit SIUE's recent decision to move its athletic program to Division I status to

Simmons' success with the men's basketball team.

In 2005, Simmons piloted the Cougars to the NCAA Division II Tournament for the first time in 15 years. In 2006, he led SIUE on its deepest postseason run as the Cougars won the Great Lakes Regional Championship and advanced to the Elite Eight. He was named the Division II Coach of the Year by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association.

"You can't say enough about what he's done for the program," Jones said. "He's heading in the right direction and our program is heading in the right direction as well. Even with him leaving, we're still hoping to build on the success that he started and keep things going."

With Simmons at the helm, the Cougars held positions in the national rankings 16 weeks with their highest point coming in this season's preseason poll, which saw them at No. 4.

"Throughout his career I'd say that he really focused on the details probably more than anybody I've ever been around," Jones said. "That was a big part of his success and the reason why we had so much success as a program. Just his attention to detail."

While at SIUE, Simmons became one of the more beloved coaches and developed a

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## Pitching puts baseball team on top

by Anthony Patrico  
Alestle Sports Reporter

As the SIUE baseball team traveled into Rolla, Mo., this weekend, the Cougars had the opportunity to head into a tie for first place with GLVC rival Drury. With an impressive pitching performance, the Cougars now sit atop the leader board.

The Cougars, now 10-4 overall, performed very well on the mound this weekend. After defeating the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners in the first game 6-0, the Cougars then went on to gain a victory on a close 1-0 game.

In the first game of the double-header set, the key to

success for the Cougars was the performance from freshman pitcher Luke Vine. Vine collected seven strikeouts and walked only two batters while collecting the victory for the Cougars.

The weather had some effect on the conditions of the game, however the team managed to stay on top of their game and have a successful road trip.

"The conditions were nasty," senior third baseman Danny Fletcher said. "But, with good pitching, good defense and some clutch hitting, we stayed focused and got the win."

The Cougars scored two runs in the fourth inning after a lead off double by junior outfielder Daniel Thomson. During the next inning, the

Cougars scored two more runs on some crucial defensive errors by the Minors.

During the second game of the two-game set, it was a true pitchers duel. The Cougars knew heading into the final game of the series that if they won this game they would have duel leadership in the GLVC.

"We've been talking about coming to the field and being ready to play," Fletcher said. "We knew we just had to execute plays."

In the second game, both the Cougars and the Miners had very impressive stints on the mound. Senior pitcher James Hertle threw a one-hit shutout while

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Pete Ridens/Alestle

Former SIUE Men's Basketball Head Coach Marty Simmons discusses a call with a referee Jan. 11 at the Vadalabene Center.

## Tennis teams split over weekend

by Lindsay Stuart  
Alestle Sports Reporter

There was no weekend rest for the SIUE men's and women's tennis teams as they traveled first to Bellarmine University then to Northern Kentucky to compete in their 12th and 13th matches of the season.

The Cougar men won Friday against Bellarmine University 7-2 and the women lost 5-4. The tables turned Saturday at Northern Kentucky University with the women winning 7-2 and the men losing 5-4.

The Cougar men were 2-4 following the singles competition against NKU, with junior Thibaud Chevalier and sophomore Zach Allison coming off with the only two wins.

In the doubles competition Chevalier and Allison defeated NKU's Felipe Rossetti and Reed Sparks with scores of 9-8 and 7-5.

SIUE seniors Doug Kim and Eduardo DeLaCruz came off with SIUE's final win, beating Jason Kramer and Curt Collins 8-2.

"(Saturday) we took two out of three doubles going into singles," SIUE assistant coach Kyler Updyke said. "That's what we wanted to do ... we're

competing hard and getting some good performances out of everyone."

Going into their skirmish against NKU, the Cougar women were coming off a close loss to Bellarmine, which saw freshman Sarah Rhein fall 4-6, 6-4, 7-3 in a three-set battle that proved to be the deciding match.

SIUE held a solid 5-1 lead going into the doubles competition, where they proceeded to lose their first match but then came back to win the last two matches.

Rhein and fellow freshman Stephanie Clark defeated NKU's Michelle Schirmann and Devan Yates 8-2.

Freshman Marley Coghlan and sophomore Jayda Gleghorn won by forfeit due to NKU's lack of players.

"It was very cold, extremely cold weather," Updyke said. "It was very windy but we came out ready to play. We were fired up from the day before with the close loss and we took care of business."

SIUE's matches against Washburn, which were scheduled for Monday, were cancelled due to weather.

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# Falker leads SIU to Sweet 16 Men's soccer team signs six

by Reid Hanley  
Chicago Tribune

(MCT) -- Randal Falker returned to the Southern Illinois basketball team over the weekend. But this was the real Randal Falker.

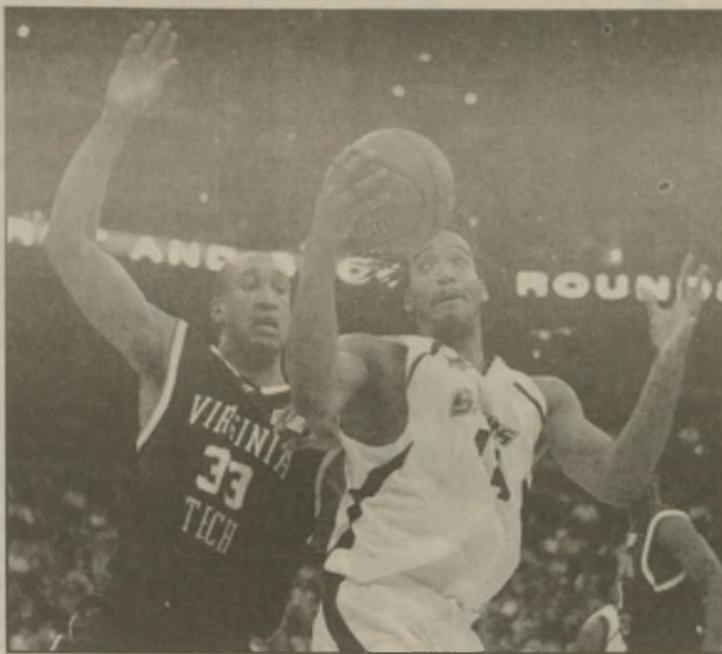
Falker, the Missouri Valley Conference defensive player of the year, never literally left the team, but he was a different player when the Salukis lost the MVC tournament final to Creighton. Virginia Tech got to see Falker at his best in Southern Illinois University Carbondale's 63-48 victory over the Hokies on Sunday at Nationwide Arena.

Fourth-seeded SIU (29-6) advanced to the Sweet Sixteen and will play Kansas in the West regional Thursday in San Jose, Calif.

Falker, a 6-foot-7-inch junior, snapped out of his slump with 10 points, 12 rebounds, three steals, three blocks and three assists. He's back.

"I just realized I have a big impact on this team," Falker said in a happy, but quiet Southern locker room after the game. "I can't let the emotion of a game get to me to where I'm not thinking right and I'm not playing for my team."

"I think the realization that I really hurt my team tells me to come through," Falker said. "I realized I can do so many things other than score points. I'm just



Jim Prisching/Chicago Tribune

Virginia Tech's Coleman Collins (33) defends as Randal Falker of Southern Illinois University Carbondale grabs a rebound during second round action in the NCAA Tournament at Nationwide Arena Sunday in Columbus, Ohio.

here to do anything to win."

Virginia Tech (22-12) had a good idea what to expect from the Salukis, having lost to them 69-64 in November.

When Falker got the ball down low, he was quickly surrounded by maroon-shirted Hokies. But he did a good job of getting the ball back out to the perimeter.

With all the attention on Falker, SIUC matched a season-high with 12 3-pointers on 21 attempts.

"I don't think in their game plan they wanted to shoot half their shots (21 of 43) from 3-point range," Virginia Tech Head Coach Seth Greenberg said. "I don't think that's who they are. They made shots."

Jamaal Tatum, who led all scorers with 21 points, hit 6 of 9 3-pointers and Schaumburg's Tony Young (17 points) made 4 of 8.

"He's getting double-

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## Alestle Staff Report

SIUE Head Coach Ed Huneke announced that the SIUE men's soccer team added six players to its roster for the 2007 season Monday.

Benny Jeffery, Ryan Wilhelm, Scott Meyer, Eric Schmidt, Timothy Boruff and Torey Werner will join the Cougars, who finished 15-4-3 last year, advancing to the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Championship.

Jeffery, one of the five Missouri recruits, comes to SIUE from Florissant, Mo., where he tallied 16 goals and 20 assists last year at Hazelwood Central Senior High School. Jeffery was a four-time All-Suburban North selection for the Hawks and won conference Player of the Year

honors twice.

Wilhelm, an All-State player, pushed Christian Brothers College High School to the state title in 2005.

Meyer was a goalkeeper at DeSmet High School, where he stopped 144 shots and allowed 1.34 goals per game last season.

Schmidt, whose uncles played for SIUE when it began its soccer program in the 1960s, was a two-time All-Metro defenseman at Oakville High School, while Werner comes to SIUE from nearby Edwardsville High School.

The Cougars lost seven seniors from last year's team, including All-American midfielder John Matthews. SIUE also lost 2005 All-American Mike Banner, who was drafted by the Major League Soccer team Chicago Fire.



## "Meet the Candidates"

### Open Forum

Tuesday, March 20

6-8 p.m.

Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center

This event is a great opportunity to ask questions of the Student Government candidates and to gain information about each of them. Please attend so you can make an informed decision. Also, remember to vote on one of the following dates:

### Monday, April 2

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Morris University Center, Peck Hall,  
Student Fitness Center, & Founders Hall  
Skywalk Café

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

School of Pharmacy

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

School of Dental Medicine

### Tuesday, April 3

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Morris University Center, Peck Hall,  
& the Engineering Building

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relationship with the Red Storm, SIUE's student-led cheering section.

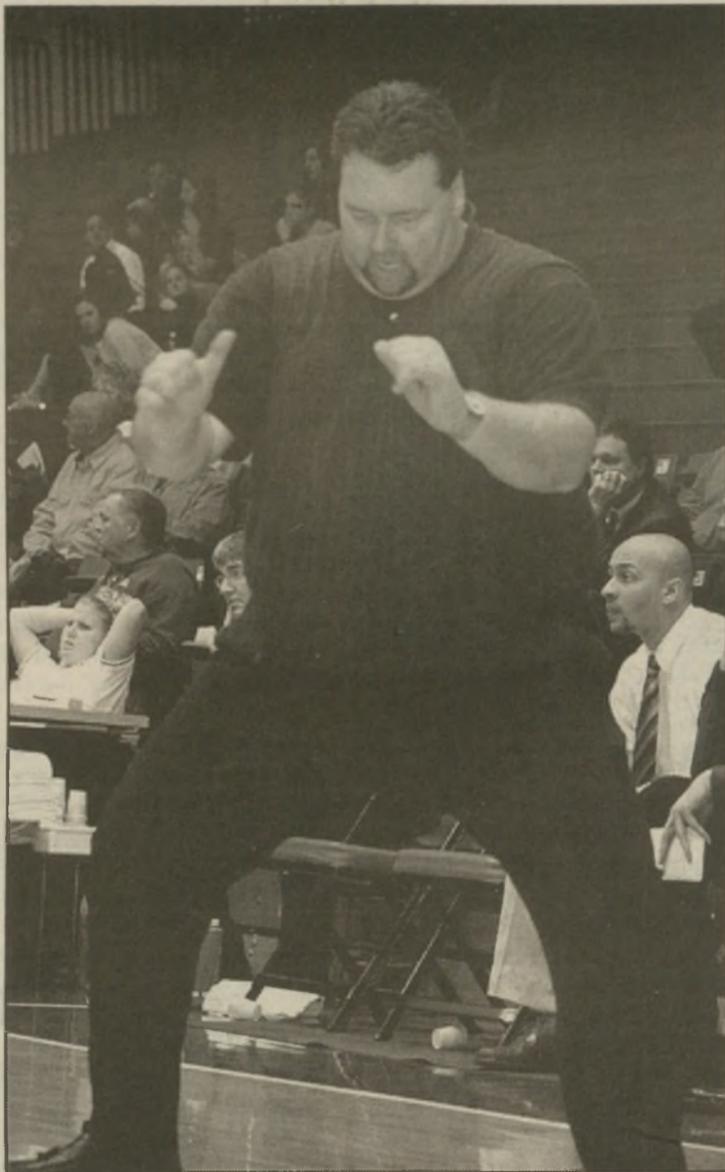
"He was a really easy guy to talk to," SIUE junior and Red Storm member Derek Fountain said. "He always seemed happy to see us and seeing him pumped up to see us made us even more pumped up."

"He was never too arrogant either, which I enjoyed," Fountain added. "We had three good seasons in a row and a lot of coaches would let that get to their head. But he always saw every game as an important one."

Hewitt said the search for Simmons' replacement would begin immediately. Simmons was in the second year of a four-year contract extension, in which he earned about \$100,000 per year. At Evansville, he is likely to see a pay increase of about \$100,000.

"Considering the amount of success he's had here in the few years that he's been here, really turning the program around, I don't know if I'd say that it was a surprise," Jones said. "We were definitely happy for him that he could make that move in his career. We're always sad to see him leave here just because of what he's done for the program and where the program is headed as a whole. But it's a great opportunity for him."

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Pete Ridens/Alestle  
Former SIUE Men's Basketball Head Coach Marty Simmons dances on the sideline during a win over Quincy University Feb. 21 at the Vadalabene Center.

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teamed, triple-teamed," Tatum said about Falker. "When you're a great player, you have to adjust to it because you're going to be at the top of everyone's scouting report. He made good passes out of the traps."

As usual, the SIU defense was the big difference. The Salukis led 28-20 at the half and held their 24th opponent to 25 or fewer points in the first half. The Hokies shot just 37.5 percent in the first half and improved to only 41.3 percent for the game.

"They are a strong defensive team," said Virginia Tech forward Deron Washington, who scored 15 points. "We couldn't get any easy buckets to get us going. It's frustrating because we

tried to take it to the basket, but we couldn't get any calls."

Virginia Tech, led by Jamon Gordon's 16 points, got within 33-26 on a pair of Lewis Witcher free throws with 13 minutes, 46 seconds left, but came no closer. A three by Downers Grove's Bryan Mullins soon bumped the margin to 10. Mullins finished with 11 points.

"I think the biggest thing is being smart," Young said. "Don't be scared to shoot the ball, and don't hold the ball, but actually work the clock and just do the things that we do."

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leading the team to victory.

Junior shortstop Cory Brunner singled home the only Cougar run, which placed them at 10-4 overall, and 6-2 in the GLVC.

The Cougars will now prepare for the rest of the season and hope to finish on top of the GLVC leader board.

"We now must stay focused," Fletcher said. "The GLVC games are usually decided by three runs or less. The team with the fewest mistakes usually comes out on top."

The Cougars will now look

to play their first home game today at the SimmonsCooper Baseball Complex. The Quincy Hawks will come to town for a two-game set starting at 1 p.m.

As for Fletcher and the rest of the Cougars, it looks like they will now switch their focus to "one game, and one series at a time."

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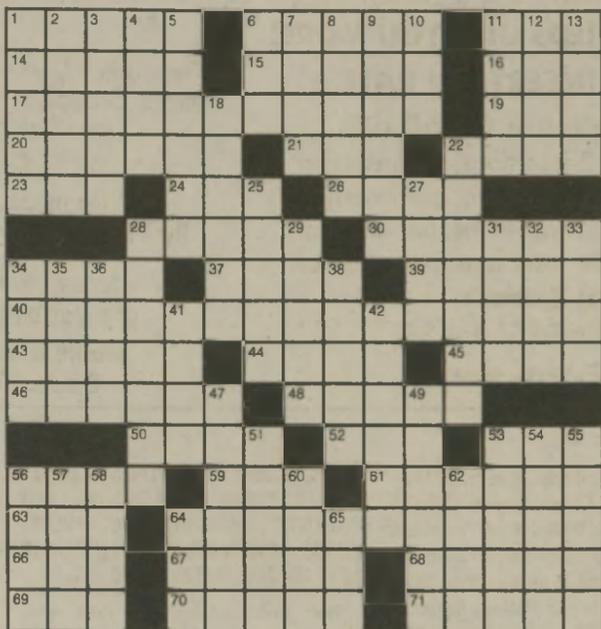
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## ACROSS

- 1 Actress Rogers
- 5 Wall climbers
- 10 Spanish home
- 14 De-crease
- 15 Came to
- 16 Boat's body
- 17 End of discussion!
- 19 Polish prose
- 20 Main course
- 21 Abate
- 23 Lady Liberty's prop
- 26 Supply boat
- 27 1900
- 30 Father
- 31 Business letter abbr.
- 32 Captain in "Moby Dick"
- 34 OK Corral combatant
- 36 Lugged
- 40 Nigerian city
- 42 Curly's friend
- 43 Chalkboard
- 44 'Tween
- 45 Brad of "Troy"
- 47 Break bread
- 48 Use a Singer
- 50 Dweeb
- 52 Vegas lead-in
- 53 Flying object?
- 56 Iroquois tribe members
- 58 Sticking to the agenda
- 60 Pentax or Kodak
- 64 Black in Burgundy
- 65 Major phone connections
- 68 Vogue rival
- 69 Chart stand
- 70 Sardine containers
- 71 Visualizes
- 72 Stockholm resident
- 73 Biblical paradise

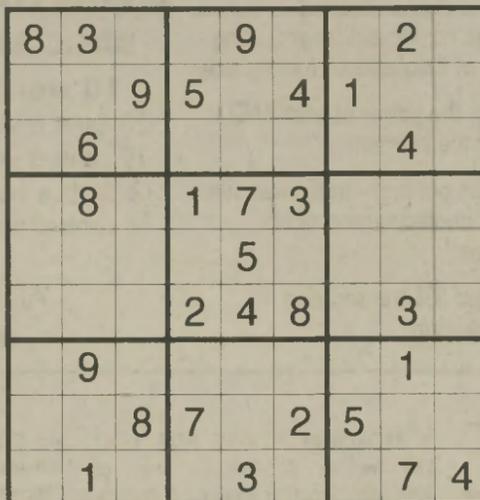


## DOWN

- 1 Mickey and Minnie
- 2 Shah's realm
- 3 More than half
- 4 Stagnant
- 5 Actress Bertinelli
- 6 "Sands of \_\_ Jima"
- 7 Unpromising replies
- 8 Barely manages
- 9 Act alluring
- 10 Congested condition
- 11 Financial review
- 12 Playground incline
- 13 Change
- 18 Business VIPs
- 22 Sacrifice plays
- 24 Charley horse
- 25 Female lead
- 27 Brewer's ingredient
- 28 Tobacco mouthful
- 29 First Christmas visitors
- 33 Game figures
- 35 Falk or Fonda
- 37 Rear appendage
- 38 Sicilian volcano
- 39 Ruby and Sandra
- 41 Nearly vertical
- 46 Thin stream
- 49 Gets off a letter
- 51 Start a new hand
- 53 Loudness units
- 54 Tropical lizard
- 55 Functional
- 57 Hit, Biblically
- 59 Crop of a bird
- 61 Author Bagnold
- 62 M. Descartes
- 63 Grp.
- 66 Function
- 67 Actor Beatty

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By Michael Mepham



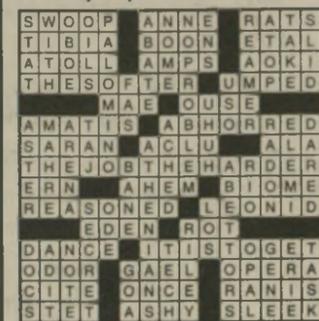
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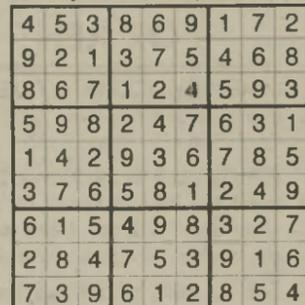
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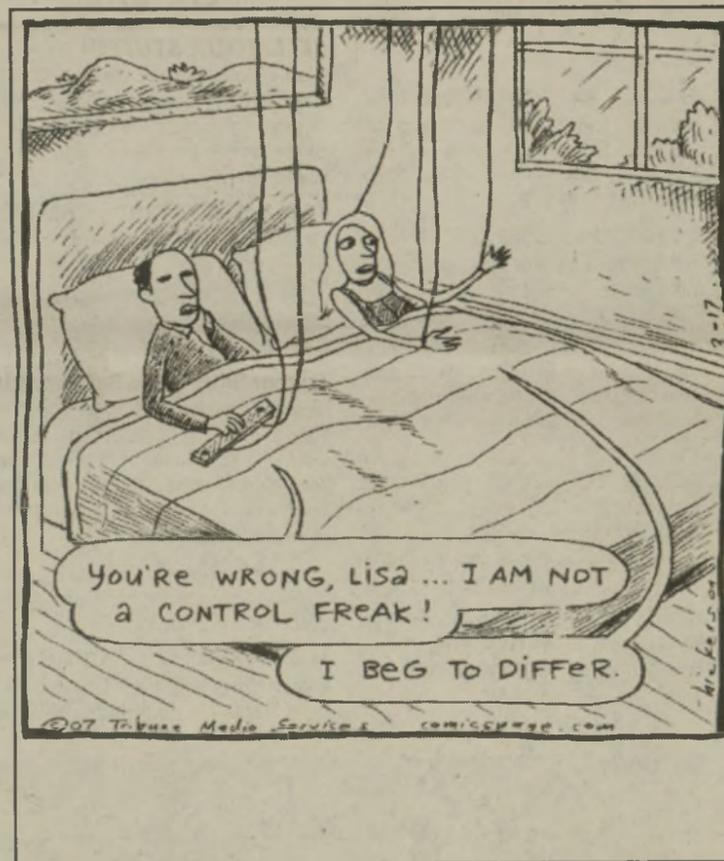
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### A College Girl Named Joe

by Aaron Warner



### Welcome to Falling Rock National Park

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"It gets worse. Some days he has green beans, broccoli and cabbage."

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