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Demonstration on Quad yields arrest

Milwaukee anti-abortion group demonstration draws crowd



above: Steve Berry/Alestle, below: Laura Lengyel/Alestle
(above) SIUE Police officers arrest demonstrator Mark Gabriel on the Stratton Quadrangle Wednesday. (below left) A crowd gathers around the demonstration. (below right) Students debate with demonstrators.



by Holly Meyer
Alestle News Reporter

SIUE Police arrested Mark Gabriel from the demonstration organized by Missionaries to the Preborn in front of Lovejoy Library on Wednesday.

The SIUE Police had no comment and referred the Alestle to Director of Public Affairs Greg Conroy.

Greg Conroy said he did not witness the arrest, but that an officer approached Gabriel and asked if he had a written permit to demonstrate. Conroy reported Gabriel said something of a "belligerent nature" to the police officer and the officer asked Gabriel again if he had a permit. Conroy said Gabriel grabbed the officer's arm and became confrontational toward the officer. Conroy said he did not know if Gabriel was charged.

Jason Storms from Missionaries to the Preborn said he did not witness how Gabriel ended up on the ground. However, Storms said this was not of Gabriel's character.

"He is not a combative or aggressive individual," Storms said.

Lee Smith from Missionaries to the Preborn said he did not witness how Gabriel ended up on the ground. However, he did see Gabriel on the ground with a police officers knee on his back being handcuffed.

Missionaries to the Preborn is an organization based out of Milwaukee. They are on a weeklong tour of Illinois and have already demonstrated at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, a university in Chicago, at high schools and at busy intersections. A group of approximately 15 people came to campus, passed out literature and held up signs depicting anti-abortion messages.

At the time of the arrest, Director of Administrative Services Bob Vanzo said the organization had not requested permission to demonstrate.

However, shortly after the arrest, Storms sought permission from the administration and it was granted.

Vanzo said that the university has a policy that requires 24-hour advanced notification for people who want to demonstrate. However, in the past, if the organization has traveled a long distance they waive the 24-hour requirement. The Missionaries to the Preborn are from Wisconsin so the requirement was waived.

The administration determined where the organization would demonstrate and notified the police for preventative measures, Vanzo said.

"I went and met with the administration," Storms said. "They

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Row, row, row your boat

Cardboard Boat Regatta set for Sunday

by Zach Groves
Alestle News Reporter

Kevin Wrigley is looking to pull a Florida Gators-like run and win back-to-back championships.

Instead of playing with a basketball, though, the SIUE alumnus in economics and finance will compete with cardboard and duct tape.

Wrigley and other racers plan to take to Cougar Lake Sunday afternoon in Sigma Pi's fourth annual Cardboard Boat Regatta in an effort to not only win but help a foundation as well. The fraternity started the event in 2004 as a joint effort with the Alpha Phi sorority, but has since worked alone.

"You get to have fun and compete, yet you are still giving something back to something better than yourself," Wrigley said.

Each year, Sigma Pi picks a foundation to donate the race's proceeds to. This year, the SAM Spady foundation gets the money. SAM stands for Student Alcohol Management.

The organization was formed in honor of Sam Spady, a Colorado State University student who

died from alcohol poisoning in September 2004, according to the foundation's Web site.

"(Members) go to colleges and high schools and talk about alcohol and alcohol poisoning," Sigma Pi member Arnes Camo said. He also said the organization encourages people to "watch out if someone has too much to drink."

Teams are required to pay \$30 to register and those interested have until Friday to sign up, according to Camo. Tables are available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lower level of the Morris University Center.

The event is free for anybody wanting to come out and watch.

As of Wednesday, the Sigma Pi members did not have the amount they raised in 2006 available, but Davenport said the organization came out of the 2005 race with more than \$1,500.

A tradition that began at Southern Illinois University Carbondale in 1974, cardboard boat races have become a community staple nationwide. With more than 1,500 racers and 100,000



Photo provided by Kevin Wrigley

Josh Alwine and Kevin Wrigley compete in the 2006 Sigma Pi Cardboard Boat Regatta. This year's event will be held Sunday at Cougar Lake Marina.

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Police Reports

4-6

Police Issued Dean Coleman a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Terry Bradshaw a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police took a walk-in report of a vehicle theft in Lot 5D. A CD player was reported stolen.

Police took a report of a vehicle theft in Lot F. A wallet and a garage door opener were reported stolen.

4-7

Police issued Paige Williams a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Jeffrey Sedlacek a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

4-8

Police issued Dayan Garst a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South Circle Drive.

Police issued Desiree Hutton a citation for expired registration on South University Drive.

Police arrested Tamara Gardner on SIUE warrants for failure to appear, the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle and speeding. Gardner was released after posting \$7,500 bond.

Police responded to a report of a vehicle accident with a deer on South University Drive.

4-9

Police responded to a report of an alleged domestic battery in progress in Lot C. Avery Adams was arrested for domestic battery and transported to Madison County Jail. Adams posted \$500 bond and was released from Madison County Jail.

4-10

Police arrested Megan Maag for unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor in Woodland Hall. Maag was given a notice to appear.

Campus Scanner

Food Chat: Join other students, faculty and staff to discuss current events in the world. Have an educational lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's University Club. For more information, contact Chris Worrick at cworric@siue.edu.

TechnoStress: Overloaded by information? Attend the LIS Spring Symposium presentation, "TechnoStress: Fighting Information Overload and Time Poverty." Washington University professor David M. Levy will be the keynote speaker, while SIUE professors Patricia "Gussie" Klorer and Peter A. Theodore will serve as panelist speakers. The event will take place from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Lovejoy Library's Abbott Auditorium. The program is sponsored by the Library and Information Services Research, Projects and Development Committee, the Friends of Lovejoy Library and the

Graduate School.

Bowling Night: Everyone is welcome to join the Sociology Club for Bowling Night from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's Cougar Lanes. Prizes will be awarded. For more information, contact Laurie Estilette at siuesociologyclub@siue.edu.

Starbucks Late Night Espresso: Relax and enjoy a cup of coffee while listening to live performances from 8 to 11:30 p.m. every Thursday at Starbucks.

Friday Free Flicks: If you are low on cash and need some entertainment, come watch free movies from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday in Lovejoy Library's Abbott Auditorium. The Campus Activities Board sponsors the event.

Men's and Women's Tennis: Show your school spirit and cheer on the men's and women's tennis

teams as they take on Rockhurst University from 2 to 5 p.m. Friday at the SIUE Tennis Courts.

Cougar Kid Saturday: SIUE students and employees can bring their family to a hands-on presentation by a kinesiology professor discussing the proper way to wear a bike helmet, as well as other rules of riding. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in the Student Fitness Center. Participants will receive a free bike helmet. For more information, contact Rachel Reitz at rlaruss@siue.edu.

Cardboard Boat Regatta: Find a partner and join Sigma Pi's Cardboard Boat Regatta. The registration fee is \$30 and is due by noon the day of the race. There will be food, music and prizes. The event will take place from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Cougar Lake Marina. For more information, contact Arnes Camo at boznianboy3@yahoo.com.

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Traffic jam

MSNBC reports St. Louis to be second most dangerous city for driving

by Sarah Byer
Alestle News Reporter

St. Louis drivers may need to examine the rules of the road one more time as the city was recently named the second most dangerous city to drive in by a study reported on MSNBC.

"Every time I go into St. Louis there is a traffic jam thanks to someone rear-ending someone else," sophomore David Gunnell said.

"The Capitals of Crash" article, originally reported in "Men's Health Magazine," used several tactics to figure out where the best – and worst – drivers in the U.S. take to the freeways.

The study, conducted by researcher Jaclyn Colletti, incorporated rates of fatal accidents, deaths caused by speeding and information from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In addition, research includes city statistics on accident frequency from Allstate Insurance, speeding statistics from the Governors Highway Safety Association and data on seatbelt use. St. Louis was listed number 99 out of 100.

"I do believe Missouri drivers are bad because they don't have to take driver's education," sophomore Diane Stroh said.

According to the Missouri Department of Motor Vehicles, teen drivers do not necessarily have to take a driver's education course. Residents age 15 and up must drive for 185 days on a learning permit before they can get their license.

The permit costs \$3.50 and expires in one year's time. While driving, a student must be accompanied by someone 21 years old or older and seatbelts must be worn at all times.

Stroh said she thinks 16 is too young to begin driving.

"The driving age should be raised to 18 because a lot of 16-year-olds are too immature to drive," Stroh said.

She believes raising the age limit will reduce accident statistics.

According to the Missouri Department of Transportation Web site, there were 147 fatal accidents involving people ages 16 to 20 in 2005.

Junior Ben Jacobs said he thinks Illinois should not be ruled out as a suspect for poor drivers.

"(Missouri drivers) are no worse than Illinois drivers," Jacobs said.

According to the Illinois Department of Motor Vehicles, a person must be 15 years old to get a permit, at a cost of \$20.

An eye exam must be passed and most people are required to take a driver's education course before they can get their license.

Jacobs also thinks St. Louis drivers are not the worst out there.

"Miami," Jacobs said. "They don't follow any rules at all."

Jacobs said at a 35 mph speed limit, Miami drivers go 75 mph and disobey traffic signs.

"Stop signs are basically yields," Jacobs said.

Gunnell said although he believes St. Louis drivers are dangerous, Chicago drivers are reckless as well.

"Especially the cab drivers," Gunnell said.

He mentioned a ride he took in a cab in which the driver went 65 miles per hour through a tunnel where the speed limit was 35.

Stroh said Kansas City has some bad drivers as well.

"The drivers cut you off right and left and they swerve in and out like it's no big deal," Stroh said.

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Missing Edwardsville teen found in Texas

by Kyle Wiese
Alestle News Reporter

Kaylee Stimson, 13, who disappeared from her Edwardsville home Friday night, was found Monday by police in Amarillo, Texas.

She is currently being held by Amarillo juvenile authorities who are assisting the Potter County Texas Sheriff's Office.

Stimson is reported to have run away with 22-year-old Warren D. Harbison of Carpenter, Ill.

According to Edwardsville Police Chief Investigator Sgt. Dennis Gunderson, the Madison County State's Attorney's office and federal authorities are still investigating the case, which is at this time considered a runaway case, not a kidnapping.

The Potter County Sheriff's Office located the two at a truck stop after sporting a 1989 gold Honda Accord that was registered to Harbison.

Gunderson said Stimson and Harbison had a relationship prior to her disappearance.

"We don't yet know the relationship between the two, but we are still looking into it," Gunderson said.

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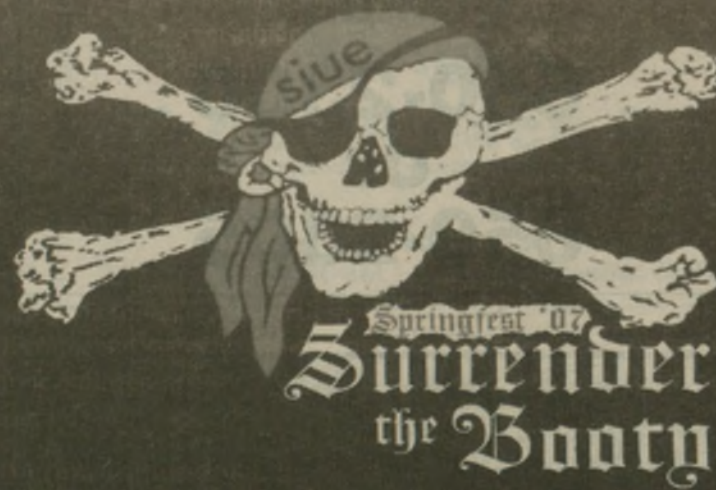
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Information overload

Exploring technology attachments

by **Kathy Ferrero**

Alestle News Correspondent

Call it information pollution. Call it the data avalanche. Better yet, turn off the cell phone for five minutes and just don't call.

Information overload can suck the quality out of life, according to David Levy, a University of Washington Information School professor who has a doctorate in computer science, and is a former member of the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center. As keynote speaker, Levy will explore this phenomenon Thursday at a symposium from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at Lovejoy Library's Abbott Auditorium.

"There's no question that today we're exposed to more forms of media and packaged information than ever before," Levy said. "We may be able to adjust; but the question is, at what cost?"

"I see very high costs today: fragmented attention spans, loss of time to think and reflect, increasing stress and its effects on the body and mind," Levy said.

Technology is not the culprit; it's how people use it, he said. The information tide is also pushed by the current of social values, said Peter Theodore, Department of Educational Leadership program professor at SIUE, who has a doctorate in educational studies.

He and Patricia "Gussie" Klorer, who has a doctorate in philosophy in art therapy and is director of the Art Therapy program at SIUE, will also speak at the symposium.

"Today we're particularly prone to being rushed," Theodore said. "It's always achieve, achieve, achieve. Push, push, push."

"We need to look at the problems of how technology affects attitudes about work," Theodore said. "I don't have my e-mail set up to 'ping' me here; it doesn't pop up when I'm working. I check it when I want to."

"Sometimes, on the weekends I don't check it."

I figure if people really need to reach me, they can give me a call."

Modern ideas of technology and productivity paint a limited picture of humanity, Levy said.

"Surveys show that people derive much of their joy and meaning from relations with other people, not from the number of things they produce," Levy said.

Levy takes a weekly sabbath, or 24-hour break from work and new technologies.

"All of us, I believe, could benefit from some kind of regular disengagement ... to step away from the digital domain and engage with nature and our friends and family," Levy said.

Klorer said children especially suffer under the effects of information overload and multitasking.

"I love being able to connect to so much information so quickly," Klorer said. "But I worry about teenagers who are more connected online than they are face-to-face. You miss something in that kind of communication."

"We are teaching children to multitask, but research shows that they aren't as good at it as they think they are, and we are losing quality in place of quantity," she said.

Levy said everyone, including parents, can benefit by reflecting on how they use new technology and determining when technologies are most helpful.

Those interested in attending the Library and Information Services Spring Symposium can stop by Lovejoy Library's Abbott Auditorium any time between 2 and 4:30 p.m., said Michelle Toohey, co-chair of the LIS Research, Projects and Development Committee. There will be free refreshments.

For more information, call Lovejoy Library at 650-2711 or e-mail mtoohey@siue.edu.

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Senior Project Showcase Monday

by **Kyle Wiese**

Alestle News Reporter

To celebrate SIUE's recognition by "U.S. News and World Report" magazine as one of the top 15 schools in terms of capstone experiences, a Senior Project Showcase will be held on Monday.

The event will feature guest speaker chemistry professor Mike Shaw as well as special events running all morning.

According to Shaw, his speech, "Reflections on Undergraduate Research," will be about his own experiences as an undergraduate researcher and an adviser, the importance of research at a school like SIUE and the value of undergraduates involved in research.

The students submitted projects varying from

posters, presentations and portfolios and awards will be given to the top project in the areas of humanities, education, fine arts, business, engineering, nursing and social sciences and natural science and mathematics.

Some of the displays will include a self-adjusting grill, a robotics team painting and several biology and chemistry displays.

"We are hoping for this to become an annual event," Rebecca Lindell, Department of Physics and Office of Science and Mathematics Education, said.

Door prizes will include an iPod shuffle, four \$25 gift certificates to the University Bookstore and Senior Project Showcase T-shirts.

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Bouncing around

Idea Bounce to provide forum, prizes for ideas

by Catherine Klene
Alestle News Reporter

Crowded around the tiny laptop screen with the rest of her group, MBA student Natalie Kizzire was giving feedback on a project when the group had an idea.

What if the group could stay seated at the table and see what the other member was working on from the other side of the screen?

The idea for a two-sided computer screen led Kizzire to an extra \$100 when she entered it in Idea Bounce, a forum to share innovative and entrepreneurial ideas.

The program originally began at Washington University in St. Louis, and it has recently expanded out into other area universities.

SIUE will host an Idea Bounce at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Technology and Management Center, and ideas are still being submitted.

Entrepreneurship Center Director Kristine Jarden is coordinating the program at SIUE. Jarden said many attend the event to hear creative ideas and to help the participants get them off the ground.

"It really gives them an opportunity to jumpstart their idea," Jarden said.

Kizzire posted her idea on the Idea Bounce Web site last year, and a few weeks later received an e-mail asking her to present it.

"I was very nervous about it," Kizzire said. "But the more I thought about it, I thought, 'This would be really cool if somebody actually took this idea and ran with it.'"

While at the event, Kizzire said the judges took a liking to her idea and offered suggestions as to where it could be used.

"If you are in a hospital and they have your information already on the computer, they could just pull it up and you could see what the person is seeing on the other side," Kizzire said.

Kizzire said people also contacted her via e-mail with more suggestions. She said a hearing-impaired man from Chicago said he would love to learn more about her idea.

"He said that this would be a godsend for him," Kizzire said.

Kizzire said the man thought the idea would make everyday situations like going to the store much less frustrating; he could simply type out what he wanted to say.

Kizzire has no formal computer engineering training, although she has worked with computers for a number of years as a secretary. She said she

thought about selling her idea to computer companies but has made no plans yet.

"I'd like to be in on the research and development phase," Kizzire said.

Ideas submitted to the Idea Bounce do not have to be technological.

School of Nursing Dean Marcia Maurer posted her idea for an on-campus retirement community building on the Idea Bounce Web site.

Maurer proposed a new health sciences building on campus, and next to it, a high-rise apartment complex for elderly and retired individuals.

"It's not assisted living," Maurer said. "They would have to take care of their own apartments, but they would have health facilities right next door."

In addition to physical health services, Maurer said having retirees on a college campus would allow them to exercise their mental health as well. She suggested the elderly individuals could take college courses for no credit, simply to keep their brains nimble.

Maurer also said the apartments would generate revenue for the university and possibly help pay for a health sciences building.

"By building this high rise where the elderly people would live and pay rent, that might offset the expense of building the other building," Maurer said.

Although Maurer could not attend the Idea Bounce forum last year, she said the program gives the SIUE community an opportunity to solve problems in a creative way.

"I think there is a lot of untapped talent among staff, faculty and students that this kind of thing could really generate," Maurer said.

Jarden said there are currently five to 10 presenters scheduled for Thursday's Idea Bounce, but more slots are available. Submitting the idea online is not necessary.

Individuals must present ideas to judges in a two-minute speech. The winner will receive \$100.

Jarden said the ideas do not need to be elaborate.

"A lot of students think this is a lot of work, but their ideas can be very elementary," Jarden said.

Students interested in presenting their ideas at Idea Bounce can contact Jarden at 650-2166. For more information on Idea Bounce, go to www.ideabounce.com.

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had no problem with what we were doing."

However, Smith said he thought having to request permission was a violation of his constitutional rights.

"I think it is sad that in America today rights of free speech are merely a charade," Smith said. "Speech by permission is not by definition free speech."

Conroy said since the anti-abortion message came from an organization, permission to demonstrate was necessary.

The demonstrators are allowed to engage in conversations with students, but they are not allowed to be confrontational, Vanzo said.

Vanzo also said the administration has received phone calls and complaints from people on campus about the organization's message.

"We can't censor what somebody believes or what they want to say," Vanzo said.

A group stood around the demonstrators to listen and respond to their message.

Junior Matt Skoklo and Freshman Michelle Dekoter held up an impromptu simple sign with the words "Pro-Choice"

written on it.

"I bought the posterboard in the bookstore," Skoklo said.

He said he did not appreciate how the demonstrators were displaying their message. Skoklo said they were "harassing people."

"There are two sides," Dekoter said. "I think everyone needs to hear the other side."

Storms said one of the goals of the Missionaries to the Preborn was to focus on the fetus as a child.

"We're here to bring the baby back into the abortion debate," Storms said.

Smith said the group came to educate.

"We want to educate the student body about what abortion really is," Smith said. "Prevent future abortions if possible."

Freshman Hilary Cloe said the images were disturbing.

"I am pro-choice in cases of rape and violence," Cloe said. "I don't like their message."

She said they should be promoting adoption as an alternative to abortion.

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BOATS

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spectators annually, the activity is growing as a family favorite, according to the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta Web site.

Additionally, while Sigma Pi has run the event for three years, it officially started in 1989, according to the SIUE timeline. Davenport said the event goes back even further to the late 1970s as an original campus favorite.

Cardboard boats can be made into anything from kayaks to cars, as long as they follow the official regatta guidelines.

"Really you are just supposed to use tape and cardboard and glue and things of that sort," Sigma Pi member Adam Hughes said. "No Styrofoam."

Also, participants, who compete in teams of two, have to follow safety rules, use a life jacket and cannot bring alcohol.

There will be food, music, local business sponsorship from places like Applebee's and Krieger's and T-shirts for the participants.

The fraternity will also hand out three awards after the races, including Fastest Boat, Best of the Show and the Titanic trophy, which according to Wrigley "is the first boat to sink."

Wrigley said the races were fun last year, though there were not as many competitors as in years past.

"Last year it was not as high of participation as usual," he said.

Wrigley plans to make his boat more sleek and efficient in his bid for a second straight title.

"Last year I went more for looks, the boat was really neat-

looking," Wrigley said. "This year I am looking for speed, which means my boat will be more aerodynamic ... it will be longer in length and it will be narrower."

However, he said he would not reveal what the boat will look like because he is "maintaining a low profile" in anticipation for the race.

Wrigley said the first time he competed, the first year Sigma Pi ran the race, he threw together a boat shortly before putting it on water. Since then, he has redesigned it each year.

"When I am building the boat, I like to start from scratch now and I kind of experiment a little bit," Wrigley said. "Each one is a surprise each time I finish it."

Not only will he feature a different boat for the competition, but also a different teammate, in fellow alumnus Brandon Fletcher.

"The one I competed with last year went to Indiana," Wrigley said.

Wrigley's team name, "Bimcats on the River," will remain the same and Wrigley is hopeful the result will, too.

"I am ready to defend the title," Wrigley said. "I am just ready for everyone to come out and have a good time."

The event begins at noon Sunday at Cougar Lake Marina, with races starting at 12:30 p.m. For more information, contact Camo at 815-575-2119 or by e-mail acamo@siue.edu.

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Forrester a good choice to lead SIUE

As SIUE prepares to make the jump to Division I status, a new basketball coach who has the experience to lead a successful program is needed.

Former Bradley assistant Lennox Forrester is more than capable and was a great choice to replace the popular Marty Simmons, who left SIUE to coach his alma mater, Evansville.

Forrester was chosen over Western Michigan University Assistant Coach Jeff Dunlap and Southern Illinois University Carbondale Assistant Coach Rodney Watson.

SIUE needed a coach that is not only a great teacher of the game, but a great recruiter as well.

Under Forrester's tutelage, O'Bryant became a force for Bradley University during its

run to the 2006 NCAA Sweet Sixteen.

Once SIUE becomes fully established in Division I, Forrester will need to be able to display the same type of ability to recruit players that can help the basketball program compete at the highest level.

To most, Watson would have been a logical choice because of his 19 years of experience at SIUC and it would have been an easy move for him to SIUE.

However, Forrester was the second-longest tenured assistant coach in the Missouri Valley, right behind Watson.

Forrester takes over SIUE at a period of transition and his ability to get the players to buy into a new system will be extremely important.

One of the first tasks Forrester and the administration will be faced with is finding a

conference to join once the school obtains Division I status.

Considering that Forrester also did most of the scheduling for the Bradley staff, he will be qualified to help SIUE in its search to find the conference that will be the right fit.

According to Athletics Director Brad Hewitt, Forrester has "the best chance to make the quickest impact."

Forrester has also had considerable success developing guards at Bradley by helping all Missouri Valley Conference guards Phillip Gilbert and James Gillingham to become the first-ever MVC guards to simultaneously score more than 1,400 career points.

Forrester will have his work cut out for him, but he appears to be ready for the task of transforming SIUE into a prominent Division I program.

Kyle Wiese

Matthew Schroyer

No matter what side of the abortion issue each student chooses, or no side at all, any reasonable person should be able to know a civilized debate. There's a right way and a wrong way to get a message across. Those are lessons that should have been learned in childhood.

When the Wisconsin-based organization Missionaries to the Preborn descended on the SIUE campus, brandishing large posters displaying mutilated fetuses, they were not attempting a sane debate. It was, rather, a publicity stunt along their "Illinois college tour," according to their Web site.

What they attempted to achieve with posters of dismembered, bloody fetuses was to make an ethical statement about the nature of abortions. What they accomplished instead was a disruption of the lives of many university students with

violent images, tarnishing the reputation of a university.

Out of all the shouting, there wasn't a single person shouting about their opinions being changed. None of the Supreme Court judges were in attendance. So, what was the point? Freaking people out?

Whatever it was that occurred at the entrance of the Morris University Center was not a debate. More than that, considering the arrest and the general disruption of normal campus life, it was an example of how NOT to champion a cause with public disobedience.

The public image of the university was at stake. What were the parents of prospective students thinking when their group came to the Morris University Center? It probably wasn't a warm, fuzzy feeling.

There were two children participating in the event, handing out graphic pamphlets like little marketing machines. The parents of those children,

who so fervently defend the rights of the unborn, need to take a course on how to raise the recently born. The graphic images weren't nearly as disturbing as watching these children being coerced into an argument they can't comprehend.

If people think they saw a demonstration, they would be sadly mistaken. What people saw and people participated in was a freak show. They aren't revolutionaries, just troublemakers from Wisconsin.

Despite the effects, freedom of speech is a right that everyone has in this country, for good reason. If one group's right to speak is taken away, what is standing in the way of others losing their rights?

Wednesday's demonstration shows that free speech goes hand in hand with the right to be a lunatic in public. And, it should be left at that, and not serve as a cause to abolish the First Amendment.

Sarcasm is expressed about tact at SIUE

The April 5 edition of the Alestle was wonderful to read, both as a straight ally and as a Jewish woman.

First, I get to read that a man who literally made a fellow senator cry was elected vice president, despite having written a homophobic slur on the Rock for the entire university to see. Oh, but I'm sorry, as I was told by a gentleman in the computer lab, that was funny. But, of course, how could I forget? Slurs are hilarious! Hence, why he is not being severely punished and was still allowed to run for vice president of the Student Senate, as well as why the majority of the low voter turnout voted for him.

Then, I get to see an ad for speakers coming to SIUE featuring a picture of members of the Ku Klux Klan. Whether these speakers are speaking out against the KKK or not, this picture was in extremely excellent taste, especially since we are in the midst of Passover, and seeing pictures of the KKK always make me feel happy to be a Jew, whom the KKK are renowned to love and accept.

I appreciate the tact and respect SIUE continues to deliver to both Jews and homosexuals. It is much appreciated. Thanks!

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Correction: In the article "SIUE campus named 150 'Illinois Great Places'" featured in the March 29 edition of the Alestle the trees in the Stratton Quadrangle were incorrectly identified as Dogwood. They are actually Bradford Pear trees.

The Alestle regrets this error.

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When ART met TECHNOLOGY

Jason Bly explores what it means to be wired in his exhibition in the New Wagner Gallery

by Catherine Klene
Alestle News Reporter

Shadows hid graduate student Jason Bly's work in the New Wagner Gallery. Four pillars stood waist high in the middle of the room. On each pillar, orange buttons shone dimly in the darkness and thick black cords snaked up into the rafters.

Metalsmithing and art education senior Danielle Seckel entered the shadowed room, reached out and pressed one of the glowing orange buttons.

Light burst from a spotlight overhead and revealed one of Bly's oil paintings, "Spyware."

A large depiction of the human ear's inner workings copied from a grade school science textbook is depicted in the azure background. The outline sits atop an old-fashioned dial radio, the knobs nearly popping off the canvas. To the right, the heads of the three infamous dictators of World War II — Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini and Hideki Tojo — listen in, their hands cupped around their ears.

"Some parts of it are so realistic and 3-D," Seckel said, gesturing to the radio's knobs.

"Spyware" is one of 12 of Bly's creations for his graduate exhibition, on display in the New Wager Gallery in the Art and Design Building until Friday, April 13. The exhibit is the visual component of Bly's thesis for his master's in fine arts.

Bly said when creating the paintings, he wanted to explore the relationship between the direct and indirect, particularly when it involved people and technology.

"It's similar to how when you order fast food, and you're not talking (to) a real person, but you go through a machine," he said. "Or when using an ATM machine, you have to interact with the technology to get an end product."

Bly said his work reflects his own thoughts on how a person can perceive and grasp the intangible in things like books and cyberspace through the use of objects or "electronic middlemen."

For example, Bly explained, the theme of hearing in "Spyware" is depicted through the three dictators cupping their ears, the image of how the ear works and the radio itself. Bly said a radio allows people to hear information they would not hear otherwise by simply turning it on.

"It's a globalization of information," Bly said.

Bly said each of the paintings expresses a similar theme of interaction with technology. The symbol or element featured is enhanced using a painting technique called "trompe l'oeil," meaning "to fool the eye." The item appears to jump out of the painting, such as the knobs on the radio.

"Using that tradition in painting, I'm playing along with this idea that we get used to touching things, get used to pressing buttons, turning on light switches," Bly said. "It's habits that we form to collect that information."

Even the gallery lighting plays a part. To make the viewing

experience unique and to highlight the theme, a person must push a button to light up each piece, one at a time.

Seckel said she liked the creative lighting and enjoyed pressing the buttons to see what piece would appear next.

"It's definitely different," Seckel said. "It definitely makes it more interactive."

It's exactly what Bly was going for.

"In the same way that you have to use your keyboard and mouse to check your e-mail, you have to go in and press something to view the artwork," Bly said.

Radios are not the only technological items featured. Other pieces include anything from a Nintendo game controller, extension cords, a lie detector and even Superman.

"I feel like I'm in between commercial design aesthetics and fine art aesthetics," Bly said. "(They are) very traditional in technique, but the imagery tends to be very modern."

Many of the images in his work appear digital, as if printed straight off a computer. This is due to another fusion of traditional art and modern technology.

Rather than sketch each piece, Bly created collages made from digital imagery he found online

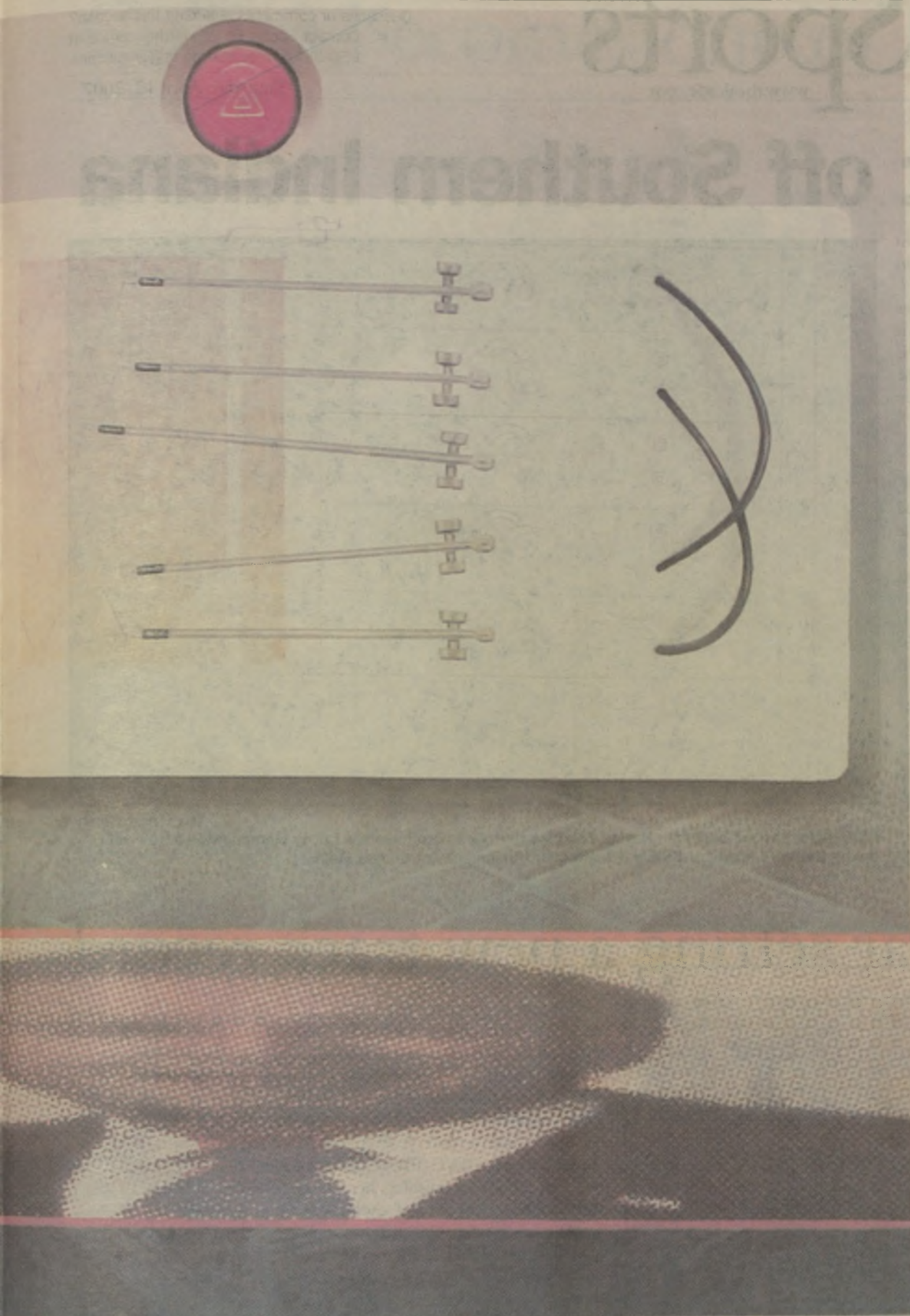


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Above: "Verisimilitude" (oil painting) by Jason Bly.
Left: Graduate art student Jason Bly in his studio space at the Art and Design Building.

and in books.

"The technique itself is all done with oil paints and brushes," Bly said. "But the sketching process, the way that I organize the composition is not with a pencil and paper, but I get on the computer ... and figure out how I want the final piece to look through that indirect experience."

Bly said the tradition of painting is about slowing down the digital process. The 12 paintings took him a year to complete, and he finished the final piece just last week.

Bly said he hopes to appeal to a wide audience, even if art is not their forte.

"Some people might come to this because they appreciate painting, and other people might come to this because they want to geek out and learn about electronics or Superman or Nintendo," Bly said.

Whatever the reason, Bly said he hoped each art critic could take back a bit of understanding about the world of pop culture, and each Nintendo fan could learn a bit about the tradition of painting.

"It's a collision of traditional and modern, and fine arts and low arts," Bly said.

"Some people might come to this because they appreciate painting, and other people might come to this because they want to geek out and learn about electronics or Superman or Nintendo"

- Graduate art student Jason Bly

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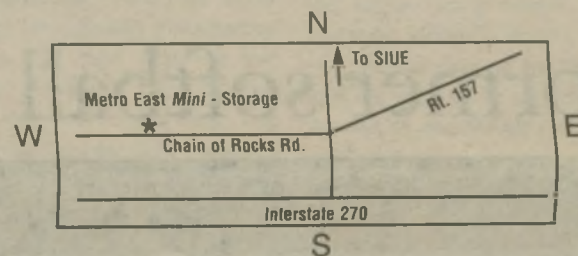
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Cougars dust off Southern Indiana

by Matthew Bruce
Alestle Sports Editor

The No. 13 SIUE softball team rode sophomore hurler Kaitlin Colosimo to two more wins Tuesday at Cougar Field, sweeping a doubleheader against Great Lakes Valley Conference foe, University of Southern Indiana, to reach the 30-win mark for the 12th consecutive season.

Colosimo started the first game, tossing a complete game as the Cougars downed USI 3-1. She came on in relief for four-and-two-third innings in the nightcap as SIUE prevailed 5-4 in nine.

"Kaitlin's doing outstanding," SIUE Head Coach Sandy Montgomery said. "She's throwing well and she's very reliable. She's got nasty stuff so that is making her tough to beat."

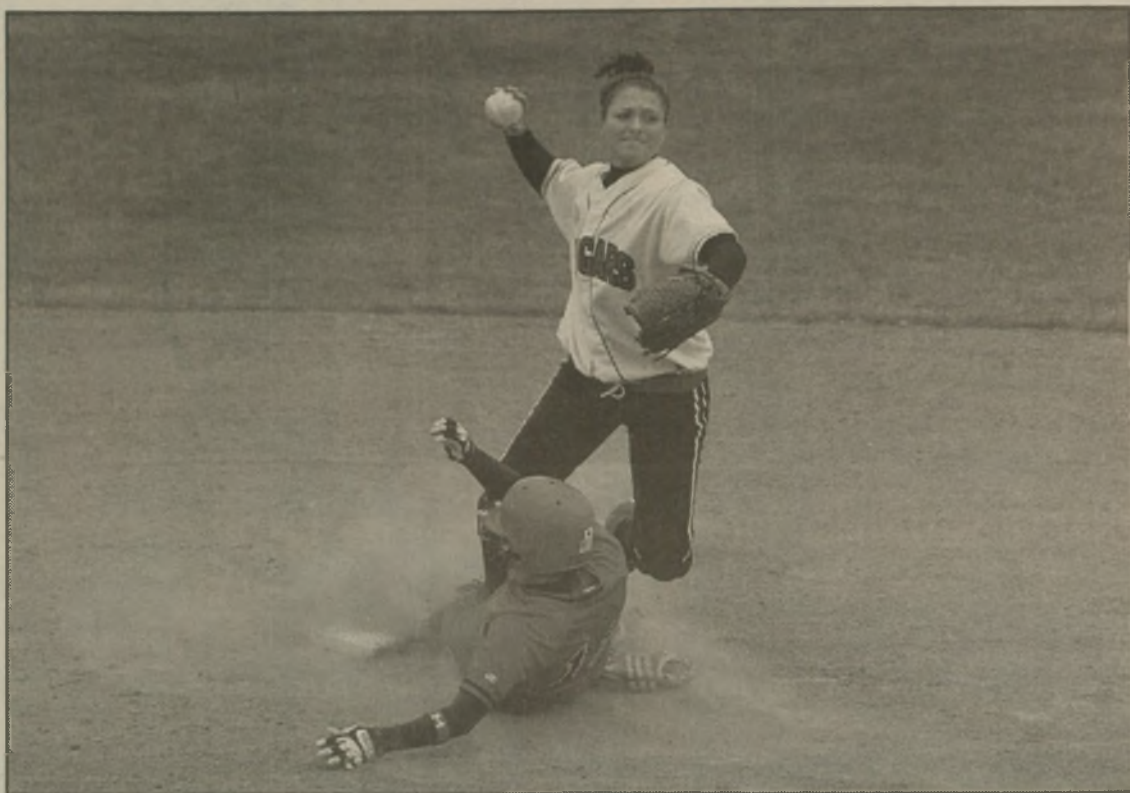
SIUE freshman Lauren Zembruski put SIUE on top in

game one with an RBI triple in the fourth inning, driving in sophomore Nicole Beecher.

The Screaming Eagles answered with a run of their own in the top of the fifth, but SIUE scored twice in the bottom of the frame. SIUE sophomore Courtney Mall led off with a triple before junior Ashley Price blasted a two-run shot.

Colosimo held USI off, allowing just one hit through the final two innings to preserve the lead.

In game two, the Screaming Eagles had more pop in their bats as they swung for 11 hits. Jennifer Mullikin hit a solo homer in the third inning to help the Eagles strike first blood. Lindsay Raikes slapped an RBI single in the fifth to give USI a 2-0 lead. Colosimo came on in the frame for SIUE junior Lindsey Laas, who gave up four hits and two runs in four-and-one-third



Laura Lengyel/Alestle

SIUE junior second baseman Haylee Eubanks tags Southern Indiana's Lacey Ligmanowski for an out during the third inning of SIUE's 3-1 win over USI Tuesday at Cougar Field.

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Former softball star setting a new track record



Laura Lengyel/Alestle

SIUE senior Alicia DeShasier warms up for the javelin throw during the Cougar Classic Saturday at Korte Stadium. DeShasier, a former standout for the SIUE softball team, has broken the SIUE school record in the javelin throw twice this season, her first on the track team.

by Lindsay Stuart
Alestle Sports Reporter

SIUE senior javelin thrower Alicia DeShasier is taking her first track season by storm, placing first in her first two meets and throwing just 11 inches short of the Olympic trials qualifying mark.

"From the first day that she

came out, I knew she was definitely going to be able to help us out, especially on the conference level," SIUE Head Coach David Astrauskas said. "I knew she would definitely be top one or two in the conference, but I wasn't expecting this much success this soon."

DeShasier, who is in her first track season at SIUE, has

competed in only two track meets and placed first in each. She earned a mark of 162 feet, 1 inch in the Missouri Relays and 164 feet and 4 inches in this past weekend's Cougar Classic.

"I was very happy to see Alicia follow up her first performance with her second performance being another big one," Astrauskas said. "If we can

keep improving each week we will have accomplished a lot this year. That's our goal, just keep increasing a little bit each week."

DeShasier, who played four years of softball before switching to track, was a two year All American and GLVC Player of the Year in 2006, finishing her softball career with five of eight career categories in SIUE history including hits, RBIs, home runs, doubles, walks, stolen bases and runs.

"She came from softball so she doesn't really have a track background," SIUE Assistant Coach Ben Beyers said. "But it's just been absolutely amazing what she's been able to accomplish thus far. And so you've got to give both her and Coach Astrauskas a ton of credit – just for identifying the talent, working with it and getting it to the point where it's just been such an overwhelming success."

It was at one of DeShasier's softball games that Astrauskas saw the potential for a successful javelin thrower.

"I saw her play two years ago at a softball game," Astrauskas said. "I saw her arm from right field and I saw her throw home. I knew that that girl would be a good javelin thrower. And from then on, whenever I saw her, I said, 'Hey, whenever your softball year is up are you going to come throw javelin for me?' Then last October she decided it was something she wanted to do and we went from there."

DeShasier's javelin career may take an exciting turn as Tuesday she met with two-time Olympic javelin thrower Tom Pukstys.

"It went well," DeShasier said. "I learned a lot. He gave me a lot of useful instruction and was very helpful so I feel lucky that I got to go see him."

When asked how she felt about working toward the Olympics, DeShasier just laughed.

"It would definitely be pretty cool but I still have quite a bit of work to do between now and then," DeShasier said.

After four years of softball, track has been a big change of pace for DeShasier.

"Since I hadn't done it before I didn't know what to expect," DeShasier said. "But it's been a heck of an experience so far and everyone on the team has been great, the coach has been great and it's been a good experience," DeShasier said.

Immediate success like this is unusual for even the best athlete.

"For Alicia to break the school record in her very first meet – and then do it again in her second meet – I mean that's just absolutely amazing," Beyers said. "It's really hard to even describe it with words. It's just one of those things where you just shake your head and go 'Wow, that's incredible.'"

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Collins becomes one of baseball's finest

by Anthony Patrico
Alestle Sports Reporter

SIUE Head Baseball Coach Gary Collins has led a life that could be envied by many. From playing baseball for the Cougars in the '60s, to getting drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals, Collins has had his share of excitement. Now, as a coach for the team he once played for, he has collected 900 wins.

Collins is one of only six active college baseball coaches to reach 900 victories. Collins has gained a majority of those victories as the head coach for the Cougars for 29 seasons. After spending some time as an assistant, under former coach Roy E. Lee, Collins left SIUE and headed to neighboring Lewis and Clark Community College.

Some of Collins' players had no idea of the milestone that he was quickly approaching on. He believes it was a good thing that they did not.

"It wasn't anything I promoted," Collins said. "We had some conference games we had to focus on during the week, and a only few guys knew that it was coming."

Collins came back to take over the reigns of SIUE baseball and became the first alumnus to return when he took over as SIUE's head coach. Collins, after succeeding on the field with the



SIUE Head Coach Gary Collins has a laugh while leading a hitting session during baseball practice Tuesday at Roy Lee Field. Collins won his 900th game over the weekend

Katy Hartwig/Alestle

Cougars, became the first SIUE athlete to be drafted in a professional sport. After being selected by the St. Louis Cardinals, he traveled in the system playing in Florida, Iowa and Arkansas.

"I never expected to be drafted," Collins said. "It was a great experience. It's a different level of play there. It's baseball every day."

Collins' players know that

his time in the game can be a big help during the season.

"He's been around the game for a long time," senior pitcher Adam Tallman said. "When there is any situation, (Collins) has usually seen it and he knows what to do."

Collins was head coach of the 1987 Cougars who broke the 40-win mark for the first time in the schools history. A handful of Collins' players also made their

mark during that season and eventually, got looks from major league teams including the Houston Astros, the Minnesota Twins, the Cincinnati Reds and the Chicago Cubs.

Collins also took the 1983 Cougars to regional tournament play for the first time in the schools' history. But Collins could not just single out one team that he has really enjoyed coaching during his tenure at

SIUE.

"It was a pretty special time," Collins said. "I couldn't even pick just one team that I've enjoyed. I've coached a lot of great guys."

Collins' players have heard stories of his previous teams' successes and have hopes that they can have the same events happen to them as some of his previous teams.

"Coach said he had a team start like we have in the beginning and they turned it around and made it to the World Series," senior outfielder Ryan Czyz said. "He said we could also do it if we wanted it bad enough."

In his tenure here at SIUE, Collins has made a strong appearance in the NCAA Division II tournament. Including last year's trip, Collins has taken the teams he has coached to 13 NCAA tournament appearances. Collins and the 1983 Cougars placed in fourth, which has been the best outing by a Cougar team thus far.

Two of the current Cougar players were also on the team as Collins recorded his 800th victory. Tallman being one, and the other being senior second baseman Mike DalPozzo.

"It's an honor for (Collins) and it's great to be a part of both his 800th and 900th victories,"

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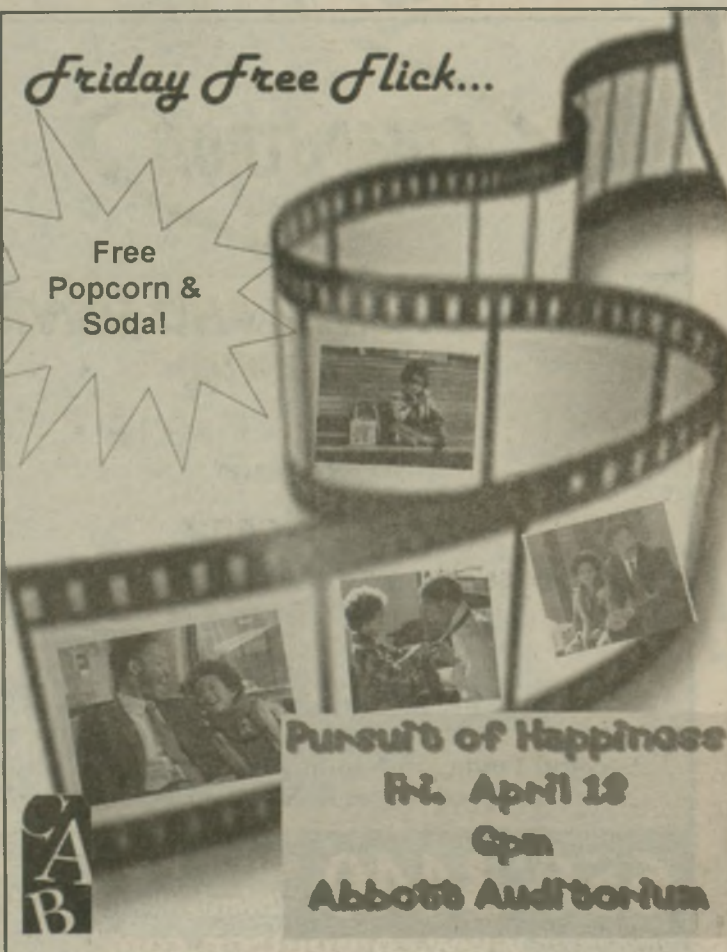
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Men take second at GLVC Tournament

Women's golf takes fourth

Alestle Staff Report

The SIUE men's golf team finished eight strokes out of the top spot Tuesday at the Great Lakes Valley Conference Men's Tournament at Otter Creek Golf Course in Columbus, Ind.

SIUE took second with a score of 894, finishing on the heels of Northern Kentucky University, which grabbed first place with 886 in the 13-school event.

SIUE senior Kyle Lickenbrock led the Cougars, tying for fifth place overall with a two-day total of 222. NKU's David Shearer topped the field at

219.

SIUE senior Craig Heinzmann joined Lickenbrock – who was named to the All-GLVC team – in the top 20, finishing seventh at 223.

SIUE senior Kyle Gansauer finished at 22nd with a 228. Seniors Brian Kuddes and Ryan Coughlin rounded out the Cougar performances with scores of 231 and 232, respectively.

The SIUE women swung to a fourth place finish at the GLVC Women's Championships at Timbergate Golf Course in Edinburgh, Ind.

SIUE rallied 626 points to edge the University of Southern Indiana by one stroke for the number four spot. Drury University snagged first place with a 603 to top the 12-school field.

Junior Julie Cline led the Cougars, shooting a 153 to finish 10th overall. NKU's Bianca Hutton chipped a 144 to finish first.

SIUE senior Casey Biddinger stroked a 158 and freshman Sheena Collins notched a 161. Senior Ashley Hemann and sophomore Kirstin Fischer both posted 162 to flank the Cougars.

Next up for the men is the NCAA Great Lakes Regional III Saturday and Sunday at Lockhaven Country Club in Alton. The women hit the greens again for the NCAA East Regionals Monday, April 30, and Tuesday, May 1, with the time yet to be determined.

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Men's tennis cruises, women lose in Indy

Alestle Staff Report

The SIUE men's and women's tennis teams continued Great Lakes Valley Conference play against the University of Southern Indiana Tuesday in Evansville, Ind. The men walked away victorious, winning 6-3, while the women fell by the narrowest of margins, losing 5-4.

SIUE freshman Zach Allison and junior Thibaud Chevalier won their grueling doubles match with a 7-3 triumph in the tiebreaker.

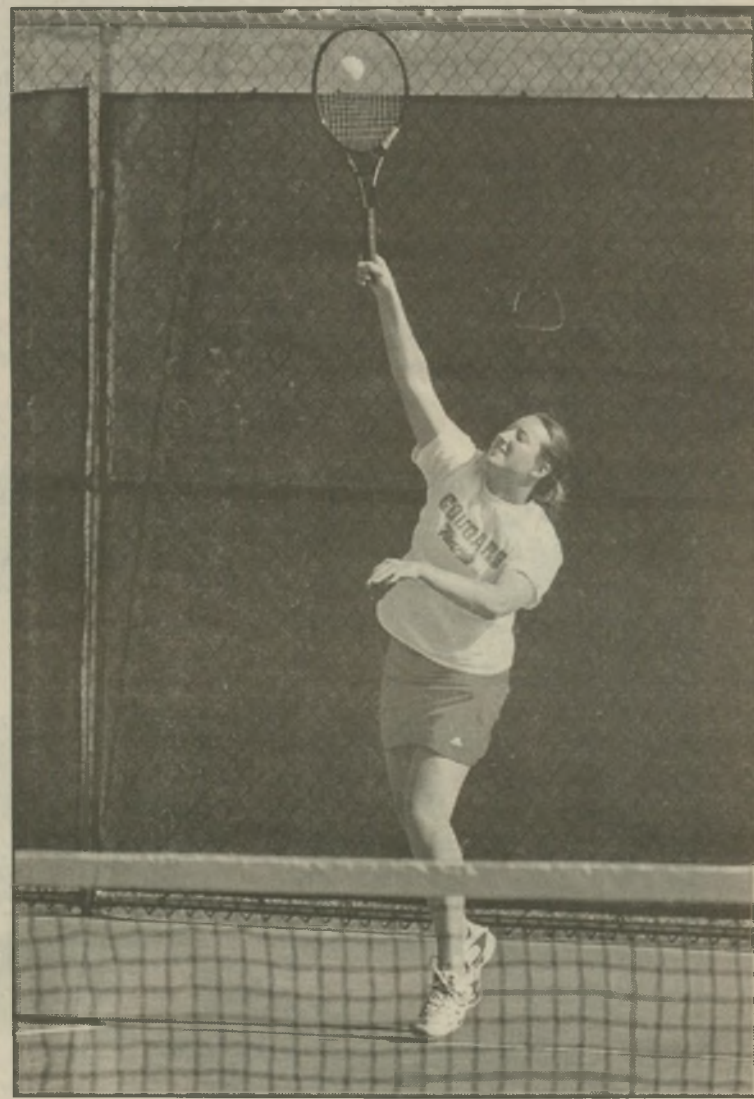
SIUE seniors Doug Kim and Eduardo DeLaCruz trounced USI's Bryan Sulcer and Dustin Thomas 8-3.

The women won three singles matches and one doubles match.

SIUE freshmen Stephanie Clark and Sarah Rhein beat USI's Audra Bartelt and Katie Jo Clagg in a 7-1 tie-breaking match.

The SIUE men and women are now both 2-1 in the GLVC. The men are 10-8 overall while the women sit at 8-9.

Next up for the Cougars is a date with GLVC foe Rockhurst University at 2 p.m. Friday at the SIUE Tennis Courts.



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SIUE junior Loren Hewitt serves during a singles match of an exhibition against Lewis and Clark Community College Monday at the SIUE Tennis Courts.

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SIUE sophomore pitcher Kaitlin Colosimo tosses a pitch during SIUE's 3-1 win over Southern Indiana Tuesday at Cougar Field.

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innings of work.

But the Cougars rallied for three runs in the bottom of the inning. SIUE senior Jodie Ohlau ripped a solo homer to get things started and junior Mallory Ruggles belted a one-run double two batters later. Price drove in the third run on a base hit.

SIUE went up 4-2 in the sixth, but the Screaming Eagles retaliated with a pair of runs in the top of the seventh to tie the score. USI used four base hits to get back in the game, sending it into extra innings.

Ohlau came up with the big hit in the ninth, cracking a double to drive in Zembruski, the game-winning run, with one out. Ohlau went 2-for-4 in the game with a double and a home run for two RBIs.

"Jodie Ohlau is playing very well for us," Montgomery said. "She got a key home run in the second game, we were losing.

"She's just been clutch for us," Montgomery said. "She's having a great year and I'm proud of her."

Colosimo picked up the win, rendering seven hits and two runs in four-and-two-third innings to move to 17-2 on the year.

SIUE jumped to 30-7 overall with the wins and 12-4 in the GLVC. The Screaming Eagles

fell to 19-17 and 6-8. It was SIUE's sixth win in row after suffering three of four losses to University of Wisconsin-Parkside and Lewis University in March.

"We hit a rough spot against Lewis. That UW-Parkside weekend was kind of tough," Montgomery said. "You just have to step back and keep your confidence and just keep swinging the bat. We hit the ball much better (Tuesday) than we had been. So that was a nice thing to see.

"They were just two big wins for us," Montgomery said. "They swept us last year at their place, so we wanted a little revenge. For the conference standings right now, every one is important."

Next up for the Cougars is the Northwest Missouri Tournament Saturday in Maryville, Mo. SIUE plays three games, beginning with a battle against Washburn University at 9 a.m.

"This is a big tournament," Montgomery said. "This will give us a good test. We're a little banged up, but hopefully we can keep it going."

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DalPozzo said. "Coach tells everyone that we have to come to the park every day with a full effort. I think that's why we have been so successful."

Out of the 29 seasons that Collins has led the Cougars, he has brought in winning records 24 years. As of Wednesday afternoon, his overall coaching record was 900 victories, 605 losses and seven games ending in ties.

To his players, Collins is not only their coach, but also a mentor that they could look to if they need help on things. Collins' help can be useful on and off the field.

"He pushes us to do our best throughout the whole game," Tallman said. "He motivates us

each time we play."

"This is a great group of guys," DalPozzo said. "We are hoping that this milestone will help us turn the corner and get over the hump to really start playing well."

Though the milestone is a huge feat, Collins has still not lost his sights on his number one goal as the SIUE head coach.

"I never came here with any numbers goals in my mind," Collins said. "I came here with one goal, and it's still my number one goal, and that is to win a National Championship."

Collins and the Cougars will travel to Indianapolis for games at noon Saturday and Sunday.

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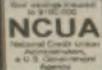
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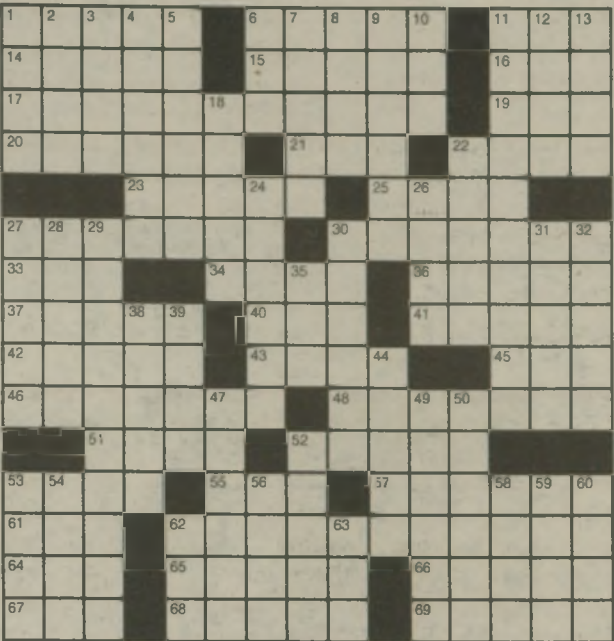
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 - 27 Ballet performer
 - 30 Part 2 of quote
 - 33 "Telephone Line" band
 - 34 Merit
 - 36 Large-scale
 - 37 Modify
 - 40 Part 3 of quote
 - 41 Birthplace of Robespierre
 - 42 Starbucks order
 - 43 Border (on)
 - 45 Goddess of folly
 - 46 Part 4 of quote
 - 48 Drugged to sleep
 - 51 Sage
 - 52 German river
 - 53 Adam's grandson
 - 55 College cheer
 - 57 Bridge holding
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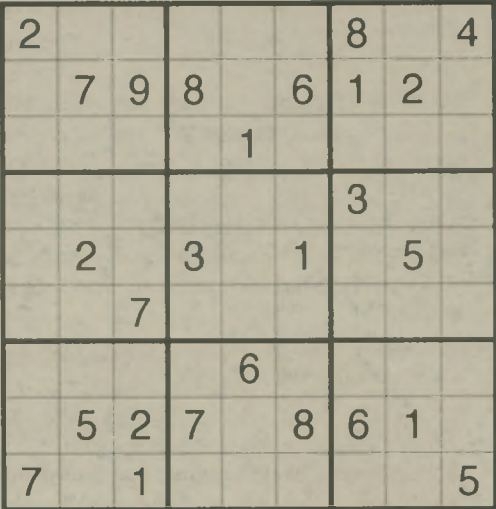
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By Michael Mepham



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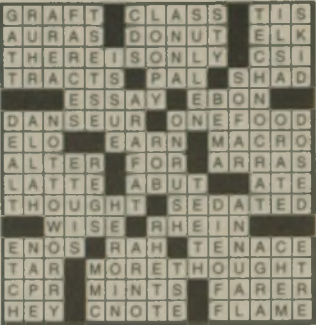
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