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## Freshman class largest in SIUE history

**Overall enrollment continues three-year decline**

by **Holly Meyer**  
 Alestle Managing Editor

Even though the fall semester marks the largest new freshman class SIUE has ever seen, enrollment for the university is down 51 students from the previous year.

Last year's enrollment totaled 13,449; this year, enrollment came in at 13,398.

In fact, the total headcount on campus has been decreasing

over the past three years.

In 2004, the total enrollment was at 13,493 – a jump of 198 students from the previous year. In 2005, the headcount dropped 33 students, and in 2006, the enrollment decreased again by 11 students.

In 2007, the total is down another 51 students, according to Scott Belobrajdic, assistant vice chancellor for Enrollment Management and the SIUE Fact Book.

"There are 100 fewer students taking just three (credit) hours," Belobrajdic said.

Belobrajdic said the decrease in total headcount could be partially attributed to the three-year-old management enrollment plan in the School of Business.

"The business program made an intentional decision to be more selective," Belobrajdic said. "The business program has planned a decline in their enrollment."

The plan requires students to apply for the School of Business. Prior to the plan, all that was required to be a business major was to pass five classes and meet a minimum grade point average, according to Timothy Schoenecker, interim dean for the School of Business.

William Hendey, director of Academic Counseling and Advising, said business is among

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Queens Across America rock Dunham stage

## Dude looks like a lady



The lights fade in the Dunham Hall Theater, and the audience of the packed theater turns its attention toward the stage, where a star-spangled blue backdrop comes into view as the opening notes of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" blare. A blond woman in a short, green military miniskirt and matching top strides onto the stage in high heels, lip-synching the song as she dances her way into the audience, flipping her hair and teasing people she passes. photo by Derrick Manuat – story in A&E

## Eight break-ins reported in Woodland lot in one day

by **Megan McClure**  
 Alestle Editor in Chief

Eight separate vehicle burglaries in one parking lot were recently reported in a single day.

The break-ins occurred in the Woodland Hall parking lot on the night of Friday, Aug. 31, or the early morning hours of Saturday, Sept. 1.

"We think they happened after midnight," Lt. Kevin Schmoll of the SIUE Police said.

Among the items reported missing after the incidents were a laptop computer, stereo equipment, a flashlight, cash, a purse and a Social Security card.

According to Schmoll, a male resident of Woodland Hall apparently told a desk worker at the residence hall that he had witnessed a break-in. The resident then proceeded to his room and did not report the occurrence to the police.

"We're trying to find who this witness is so we can get some more information," Schmoll said.

In a separate incident, a person was arrested in the Woodland Hall parking lot. According to Schmoll, an officer questioned the individual after seeing him looking into vehicle windows at approximately 11:35 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28.

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## Poshard accused of master's thesis plagiarism

**SIUC committee to review doctoral dissertation**

by **Catherine Klene**  
 Alestle A&E Editor

The Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees announced Monday afternoon that Southern Illinois University Carbondale Chancellor Fernando Treviño will appoint members of the SIUC academic community

to review SIU President Glenn Poshard's 1984 doctoral dissertation for evidence of plagiarism.

"The most appropriate course of action for this matter is a review process, led by the senior leadership of our academy, consistent with our campus policy on academic integrity,"

Treviño said in a statement.

Treviño is expected to announce the members of the review committee before the end of the week.

"I am fully confident that this committee will make any necessary recommendations consistent with the highest academic standards of this

institution," Treviño said in the statement.

Additionally, the Chronicle of Higher Education released a story Monday morning accusing Poshard of plagiarizing parts of his 1975 master's thesis. The article said the Chronicle found

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## Police Reports

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Police issued George J. Fust a citation for disobeying a stop sign at North Circle Drive.

Police issued Tenisha L. Townsend a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police issued Mallory C. May a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Stephanie M. Thomas a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police responded to a traffic accident on South University Drive. There were no injuries and no road blockage. Dominique C. Crochrell was issued a citation for an improper turn.

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Police took a report of a fraudulent cashier's check being used to purchase a staff member's vehicle. The case is under investigation.

Police took a report of a hit and run traffic accident in Lot A.

A hangtag was stolen while parked in Lot F.

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

Police issued Kevin D. Latempt a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

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Police were requested to take an accident report that occurred on University Drive.

Police responded to a fire alarm in the Science Building. The police advised the alarm was activated due to humidity in the system. The Edwardsville Fire Department was dispatched. There was no fire, no smoke and no damage.

Police responded to Bluff Hall Lot for criminal damage to a vehicle

Police issued Bryan J. Kruep a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police issued a warrant to Kevin M. Coppinger for failure to appear. He was arrested by the Edwardsville Police Department and released on a \$100 bond.

Police issued Andrew J. Bridges a citation for disobeying a stop sign and for driving under the influence of alcohol on New Poag Road. Bridges posted \$100 bond and his Illinois driver's license.

Police responded to a two-vehicle accident on South University Drive. Elise G. Valdes was issued a citation for failure to yield.

Police issued Kaitlin C. Hart a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police took a report of a wallet and items from a purse being stolen in the Science Building.

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"There was no reason to be on campus, particularly in that parking lot," Schmoll said.

When questioned by the officer, Schmoll said the subject provided a false name. He was later identified as Kenneth Wayne Brown, 23, of St. Louis.

The license plates on Brown's vehicle, a silver 2006 Chevrolet Impala, were not registered in his name. The plates, from Missouri, were later reported as stolen.

Brown was brought to the station

for questioning. Because charges could not be filed at the time, he was released. He was later charged by the Madison County State's Attorney with felony misrepresentation of vehicle identification and misdemeanor obstructing a peace officer, for providing a false name. His bond was set at \$50,000.

"He is not in custody at this time," Schmoll said Thursday.

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**Dominique Majors, the sole candidate for the vice presidency of Student Government, speaks Friday at the Student Senate meeting in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.**

## Third time's a charm

### Majors installed as vice president after SG loses two others

by Sean J. Jordan  
 Alestle Correspondent

The role of student body vice president has been filled.

Dominique Majors, formerly a student senator, assumed the position Friday after an 8-4 vote. She ran unopposed after a surprise withdrawal from the race by Rob Schmittling.

The meeting started with an address from Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift, who apologized to students for problems concerning this year's registration and financial aid process, and who also explained the story behind the university's decision to shift its athletics programs into Division I.

Professor John B. Meisel, Chair of the Division I Reclassification Work Group, who expounded on Vandegrift's overview and offered additional details about the shift, followed the chancellor.

One question raised by Senator Stephanie Medhurst involved the extra money required to move university athletics into Division I. Meisel said the move will cost the university an additional \$2 million, which will equate to around \$150 per student in fees. Medhurst asked if that number might go up, but Meisel said that it was a "good ballpark number."

The next item of business was to resume the previous meeting's discussion of filling the role of the vice president. When Majors and Schmittling were presented with time to offer a brief speech, Schmittling announced that he was withdrawing from the race.

With only one candidate, the senators were presented with the choice of either voting for Majors or abstaining from the vote by secret ballot. As per the Student Government constitution, Majors needed two-third of the total votes – eight of 12 – to be elected to the position of vice president. When the results were announced, the ballots showed eight in favor of Majors, with four abstaining, and she was narrowly elected into office.

"I feel very privileged. I want to thank all my senators and everyone else who came out and supported me," Majors said.

She also said she was surprised she ran unopposed since Schmittling did not reveal his intention to withdraw from the race in the senate's closed-door pilot meeting immediately before the public forum.

"I felt strongly that she would be elected," Student Body President Laurie Estilette said. "I'm very, very grateful to the senate that they could finally come to an agreement on someone."

She added that she felt Majors would fill the role well.

"I hope that this is the last seat that becomes available, both on the senate and on the executive board," Estilette said.

Majors immediately assumed the position of vice president and began fulfilling her responsibility to chair the meeting.

The senate continued its meeting, approving the constitutions for two new student organizations, Pi Alpha Alpha and SIUE Cougar Baja. The executive board made several appointments, including Sandy Nicholas to the now-empty senate seat formerly occupied by Majors. The senate also approved a brief statement declaring the senate's desire to serve the student body ethically and honestly.

The senate moved on to consider a travel request from the Public Relations Student Society of America for \$425. It was approved unanimously, as was a travel request for \$360.24 and a program request for \$4,802.90 from Wagner's Potter's Association. Another program request, from Delta Sigma Pi for \$3,200, was also approved, though three senators abstained from the vote. In all, the senate approved \$8,788.14 in requests.

The senate rejected two program funding requests from Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

Ronald Watson, a new appointee to the Finance Board and Student Organization Advisory Board, asked the senate what they planned to do in the wake of the controversy surrounding University President Glenn Poshard's alleged plagiarism.

Senator Darrell Lillard said that the senate had already discussed crafting a statement about the issue during their pilot meeting. Estilette clarified that such a statement would only be a recommendation to the Board of Trustees representing the feelings of the student body. Student Trustee Christine Williams invited students with concerns to attend the next BOT meeting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 20, in the multipurpose room of Evergreen Hall.

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## Senate rejects two Kappa Alpha Psi program requests

by Sean J. Jordan  
 Alestle Correspondent

The SIUE Student Senate rejected two program requests for Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at Friday's meeting.

The first program, the Gentlemen's Quarterly, sought \$1,150 to "benefit both the community and the campus because we will honor men on and off campus by giving awards for their outstanding achievement," according to the request.

This issue of "awards" led to stern questions from the senators, since the student government rules for funding events explicitly prohibited the student government from contributing student funds to an award show. Kappa Alpha Psi President Bobby Dale repeatedly insisted that the event was not an awards show, and Kappa Alpha Psi member Milton Kidd attempted to clarify the distinction at one point.

"I wouldn't think of it as an awards ceremony, because there won't be awards per se," Kidd said. "It's basically just encouraging males who have gone above and beyond the call of duty."

Another issue involved Dale's projections for attendance of the event. Dale originally submitted the request claiming that the event would draw 100 students, 25 faculty and staff, and 475 members of the general public. He explained to the that this was a typo, and that he had meant that the event would draw 475 students and 100 members of the general public.

Several senators questioned these numbers, asking Dale how he expected to attract 475 students to this event. Dale said that it would be promoted like a party, and that the last event his fraternity held was promoted like a party and attracted 600 people, at least half of whom were students.

Senator Darrell Lillard called for a vote, and the request was denied.

The senate moved on to consider Kappa Alpha Psi's second request, \$1,000 to fund a fashion show. Dale explained that the event would feature the work of a local fashion designer from Culottes de' Art in St. Louis. The fashion show would have five student models and five professional models, with estimated attendance and a promotion plan identical to Dale's proposal for the previous event.

The five student models, explained Dale, would be given the dresses that they modeled in the show in exchange for their

service.

Senator Stephanie Medhurst asked Dale if the show was to promote the fashion designer or to benefit the students. Dale indicated that the show would certainly be promoting the fashion designer, since he was co-sponsoring the event.

"The only thing we're asking for funding for is for the entertainment that night," Dale said.

But Medhurst saw things differently.

"If we're paying him to come here and promote himself, it doesn't seem right that students should have to pay for that," she said.

Dale explained that the money would be going directly to the models and the musical entertainment.

Student Organization Advisory Board Chair Ankur Patel asked Dale why costs couldn't be cut by using students to fill those roles. Dale said that there were not enough students interested.

President Estilette said that she found it hard to believe that on a campus of over 13,000 students, Kappa Alpha Psi could not find five more volunteers.

"I would be one of them," she quipped. "I don't have the body for it, but hey, it's free."

Senator Quentin Harris called for a vote, and the request was denied.

Before the meeting closed, Kidd offered a statement expressing his displeasure about the denial of funds for the Gentlemen's Quarterly event.

"It deeply saddens me that under this administration at an educational institution would not approve a program such as this," he said, indicating that he felt that a university concerned with graduating more males should be more supportive of an event designed to encourage men.

He was also concerned that the senate would turn down this program, but not "a program like a party or a social event that is a gross misuse of college funds, such as a pig roast."

Medhurst immediately responded, saying that the senate turned down the request because the rules prohibited funding an awards ceremony; she also offered recommendations on how to improve the event. President Estilette added that the senators had just passed a proclamation dedicating themselves to ethical behavior.

"Where it sits right now, you have to follow the rules that are written," she said.

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the most popular majors for students at SIUE along with pharmacy, biology, nursing, art and engineering.

"In the school of business, they have something over 1,100 students," Hendey said.

The School of Business opted for selective enrollment to ensure students were able to enroll into the classes they needed to graduate and professors would not have overcrowded classes.

"We had a lot of students on waitlists," Schoenecker said.

Belobrajdic said the retention rate for 2007 will not be released until December, but past retention rates from freshmen to sophomore year were about 75 percent.

Despite the decrease in total enrollment, SIUE has increased enrollment in two areas: the new freshman class and the number of students in graduate school.

The new freshman class totals 1,829 and is the largest yet in the history of SIUE. The freshman enrollment is up 65 students from the previous years

total of 1,764.

"Word of mouth is our biggest recruitment tool," Todd Burrell, director of admissions, said.

Burrell said schools outside of the areas where most of SIUE's students come from are showing more interest in the university.

"We have a lot of counselors calling and asking if we can send a representative to their school," Burrell said.

With the increasing interest in SIUE, the university is receiving more applications than in the past.

Burrell said in 2003, the university received 4,383 applications, and as of August 12, the university had a total of 7,033 applications.

"We are not denying any more students percentage wise," Todd Burrell said. "We are just having to be more selective."

In addition to the increase in freshman, the graduate program has increased its enrollment by 179 students.

Stephen Hansen, dean of graduate studies and research, said the enrollment increase could be attributed to the national reputation SIUE is attaining.

"It is becoming more widely known and recognized," Hansen said.

In addition, project Strategic Advancement of Graduate Education was formed to help the graduate program vamp its curriculum, Hansen said.

"The impact of project SAGE is being felt," Hansen said.

Hansen said steps are being made to help graduate programs not only advertise, but attract more working professionals by offering classes off campus.

Belobrajdic said the focus for the future of SIUE is not to keep increasing enrollment, but to manage enrollment.

"Growth will be well planned and strategic," Belobrajdic said.

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several examples where text was allegedly lifted verbatim from various sources, without quote or citations.

"The examples are considerably more minor than those found in his dissertation but suggest a similar cut-and-paste methodology," the article said.

In the same press release Monday afternoon, David Gross, SIUC executive assistant for government and media relations, said Poshard acknowledged the differences in his thesis and will look at them during his dissertation review.

"We have not seen the latest accusation, but the single press account of it confirms again that Dr. Poshard's underlying scholarship is not in question — that these are technical and stylistic differences of opinion that date back decades," Gross said in the statement.

The most recent plagiarism accusations come after the Daily Egyptian, SIUC's student newspaper, released a story Aug. 30 announcing they found up to 30 separate instances of alleged plagiarism in Poshard's 1984 doctoral dissertation.

Board of Trustees Chair Roger Tedrick said in the statement that the board remains supportive of Poshard as the review process begins.

"We support the campus process Chancellor Treviño has begun and fully expect that the appointment of experienced and committed members of our academy to serve on his review committee will result in an objective and thorough process that respects this institution, its faculty and President Poshard,"

Tedrick said in the statement. "Dr. Poshard was selected by this board two years ago to head the second largest public university in this state. He has met and exceeded our every expectation and has this board's full confidence."

The SIUE Faculty Senate discussed the issue Friday afternoon at the first meeting of the fall semester. The senate is expected to release an official statement concerning the matter Wednesday.

History professor Alison Thomason said she was most concerned with the message these plagiarism allegations sent to students.

Thomason said some students could think the Board of Trustees and the office of the president could be placing less importance on the allegations because it occurred 23 years ago.

"The idea that this happened a long time ago, and therefore it doesn't have importance today strikes me as something I'm concerned about, as far as expressing consistent messages to our students," Thomason said.

Thomason said she will use this experience as a teaching opportunity and instruct her students in how to avoid plagiarism.

"I think that's what makes the history department ... even more concerned because we constantly deal with this issue of citation and writing papers," Thomason said.

University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian Steve Kerber said he felt Carbondale should handle the situation as Poshard completed his thesis as one of their students.

"The initial issue, as I understand it, involves a grad student receiving a degree from SIU Carbondale," Kerber said.

Speech Communication Professor Duff Wroble said he thought a review of the dissertation by a committee outside the university could help Poshard rather than an internal review.

"Even if we all would come to the same conclusion, it would be much less question the validity of a conclusion from an external," Wroble said.

Wroble said he hoped the SIUE community would not jump to conclusions before hearing the results of the review.

"Everybody is innocent until proven guilty, and our president is no different," Wroble said.

Kerber said information in the media is not enough to base an opinion on until all the facts are gathered.

"Until there is an impartial investigation of that initial allegation, everything else is really irrelevant," Kerber said. "Otherwise, it's simply people expressing their opinion without knowing the facts."

Wroble said he was confident in the Board of Trustees' ability to investigate the plagiarism allegations.

"I do trust the process, and I do believe that it is unwise to rush to either judgments or actions," Wroble said. "I think that we need to allow this process to play itself out appropriately."

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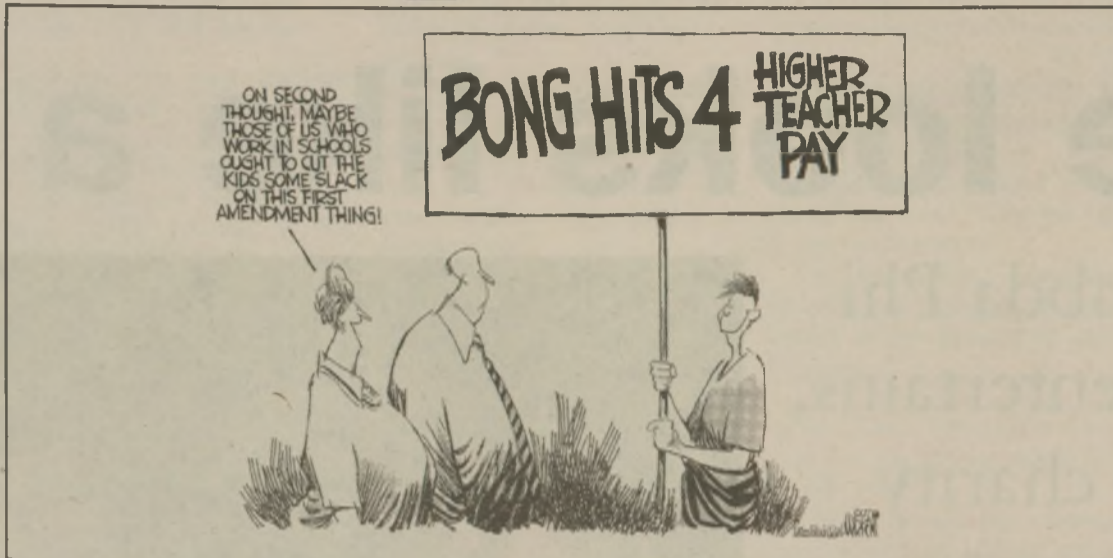
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## Metcalf rules a hassle for students

When I say Metcalf, what's the first thing that pops into your mind? I bet it's not the SET (Student Experimental Theater) located by the Vadalabene Center. Now that, to me, is quite the tragedy.

So... to help alleviate my current frustration with the apathy on this campus - related

to the theater department and their current

issues - I have decided to do something about it. I've decided to educate and (hopefully) get the students on campus to understand what was put here for them.

In the '70s, the Department of Theater and Dance realized that the Quonset Hut (a small metal building, recently demolished) was not enough for the students to fully develop their talent. In response to this, a budget was created from student funds to help create a space for student rehearsals, productions, etc. Thus, the Metcalf Theater came into existence. Named after James F. Metcalf, the primary component in the budgeting for

the building who died shortly before the theater's opening, it was officially opened in the spring of 1984. Libby Metcalf, the wife of James, and Laurie Metcalf, his daughter (who plays Jackie on "Roseanne"), were at the dedication ceremony. It was a big deal.

I could give you a history lesson, but that is not necessarily the point of this information.

Currently some of the students in the theater department have displayed a certain frustration. You see, the current policy for this space is that it is available for classes during the day, and - under adult supervision - available for student use at night. Now, this seems like a serious contradiction of terms.

Let's look at some facts:

- The SIUE Student Welfare and Recreation Fund funded it.

- It is known as the Student Experimental Theater.

- The Student Experimental Theater Organization (aptly nicknamed SETO), uses the space for student-directed shows and meetings.

- The Student Government

(at the time) would not dish out a monthly stipend for the utilities, so the department stepped in and created the daytime/nighttime policy.

Now, here's where the stink is being raised: Why is that the students, for whom the building was created, are not able to use the building without "adult" supervision? Why is it that the space is being rented out by the department, unbeknownst to the students?

Yes, there is a "history" that precedes the current student body that prevents the department from trusting them. Yes, there might have been damages done to the theater. Yes, the department is acting out of, what they feel, is the best interest of the students.

But is it really?

Is it better for the students to be punished for the sins of their predecessors, or should they be able to deem themselves responsible for their own actions?

David Whitacre  
Sophomore

## Celebrate the 50 years of SIUE

As one of the "Founding Faculty" of SIUE, only slightly less frazzled than the papers that came out of the time capsule last Thursday, our 50th anniversary celebration has given me cause

to remember the year 1957 (no, that's AD, not BCE; I'm not THAT old!) I doubt that many of you reading this have any direct memory of that year, but, for me, it is like yesterday. (Actually it is yesterday I have trouble remembering!) As a new Ph.D., starting with SIUE at a place called "The Alton Residence Center" was very big. It was clear from the start that Southwestern Illinois needed us. Evidently it still does.

But the start of SIUE wasn't recognized nationwide as the educational event of that year. President Eisenhower had to

send US Army troops to enforce a federal court order to racially integrate Central High School in Little Rock Arkansas. That was the beginning of the end for legal segregation. Of course SIUE was never segregated, but this was still a boost for minority enrollment.

Later in that year the Russians launched an aluminum basketball called Sputnik I into earth's orbit, while the U.S. failed to do the same with a metal grapefruit. This frightened a lot of people at first, but it increased our interest in math and science education - at least for a while.

Even SIUE made a few in its infancy, but most of the important things were done right. President Delyte Morris should get most of the credit, of course, because he was determined to not perpetuate anything he didn't like about the campus he inherited at

Carbondale.

One of the greatest things was getting 2,600 acres and putting the buildings in the middle. (Some state legislators condemned this as sheer extravagance.)

I hope everyone here appreciates our terrific campus. I toured Harvard a few weeks ago. I know that university has a larger endowment than SIUE (only by a paltry several billions), and has a few other things going for it, but it doesn't have a campus worthy of the name. If you are new to SIUE, or even if you are not, pick out some nice days to tour the bike paths, and especially the Donal G. Myer Arboretum.

Enjoy!

Laurence McAneny  
Physics Professor Emeritus

## Column on offensive T-shirts is correct

Tony Patrico's editorial "Graphic T-shirts not always appropriate" is on point. However, T-shirts are NOT the exclusive domain for such expression. Caps, tattoos, gestures, dance, lyrics, spoken words, etc. contribute significantly to the proliferation of obscenity in American life.

Patrico's question, "... what is going to happen in 20 years when these shirts become more offensive ..." would seem to me to be a moot point. Our society is already desensitized to such vulgarity. I have gotten stares

from common folks who observed me as I confronted those who have publicly displayed, even flaunted their off-color persona. It was my response that attracted the attention, not the offensive act itself.

In 20 years, T-shirts and other repositories of "potty mouthing" will not, as Patrico suggests, become more offensive. On the contrary, more of this and even more extreme expression will become the standard as we continue to permit, tolerate and otherwise excuse its demonstration in everyday life.

The FCC has a forgiving posture on broadcasting the F-word when used as an adjective. A member of the news staff at WSIE asked me if he could make such reference on air. My reply was simply, "Once." He got the message.

The Lone Ranger can't do it all. It takes the general populace acting as vice squad to clean things up and determine the standard of decency in polite society.

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Letter  
to the  
Editor

# Dude looks like a lady

## Delta Lambda Phi drag show entertains, supports charity

by Sean J. Jordan

Alestle Correspondent

The lights fade in the Dunham Hall theater, and the audience of the packed auditorium turns its attention towards the stage, where a star-spangled blue backdrop comes into focus as the opening notes of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" blare. A blond woman in a short, green military miniskirt and matching top strides onto the stage in high heels, lip-synching the song as she dances her way into the audience, flipping her hair and teasing people she passes.

The spotlight follows her as she makes her way back up to the front, and she is followed by a man in a white fraternity shirt and camouflaged pants, who offers her a folded dollar bill as she slowly steps up the stairs. She takes the bill and resumes her dance on the stage, flirting with the people in the front row as she completes her number and vanishes behind the curtains.

The audience applauds loudly, but not simply because they appreciate her dancing. The real act tonight involves four men who impersonate women, and one woman who impersonates a man.

The Delta Lambda Phi's "Queens Across America" professional drag show has just opened to an enthusiastic audience.

DLP President Morgan Morris said this is the first time the fraternity has ever sponsored a drag show. DLP planned the event as a fundraiser kickoff to their annual pledge week, but they also decided to offer students \$1 off the price of admission if they brought a canned good, which would be given to a children's charity in East St. Louis.

"We decided to do this to get our name out there, and the performers' names out there," Morris said before the show.

Morris and his fraternity brothers were easy to pick out of a crowd that night. They all wore white T-shirts with their fraternity's Greek letters emblazoned across their chests and camouflaged pants.

"Our theme is kind of a USO theme, so some of the songs are going to be USO. That's why we're all dressed in camo," Morris said. "Plus, this kind of leads into our rush, because rush is next week for us, and this is part of our rush event." The theme this year: "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Just Rush."

Morris said events like the drag show are necessary to reach out to students who are not aware of the fraternity's purpose.

"We are going strong. Our membership's strong," he said. "We are gay, and we are bisexual progressive. It's hard for us to get our numbers up sometimes."

Morris said he was not counting on regular drag show fans for the night's performances.

"I would say 80 percent have probably never seen a drag show before," he said. "Drag queens are forward, they don't hold back, and if you're in their sights, they'll get you... I think they'll come away with something they've never seen before."

In the dressing room just minutes before the show began, the performers slipped into their opening costumes and applied last-minute makeup.

Performer Deana Hilton sat at the table, applying heavy amounts of makeup to her eyes. Madison was by the mirror, touching up her face, and another performer, Jaida Kiss Valentino, squirmed into her golden dress.

Another performer, Siren, stood in the back corner of the room, applying padding around her body as she prepared to slip in to her tights and jacket. "This coat doesn't fit on my boobs," she said, adjusting the padded bra on her chest.

"You can have mine," Madison said. Her padded bra was a little smaller, barely filling her top. Siren grinned and declined the trade.

Off in another corner of the room, a slim young man with a thin black beard sat in a chair, dressed in a white naval officer's uniform. Upon closer inspection, it was obvious the beard was drawn on, and this man was actually Rydyr, the show's drag king.



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Top: Deana Hilton performs one of her numbers at the Delta Lambda Phi drag show.

Bottom: Drag queen Siren sings and dances one of her routines at the Delta Lambda Phi drag show.

For more on Queens Across America, visit [www.alestlelive.com](http://www.alestlelive.com)

# Funny alumna makes network appearance

**Alestle Staff Report**

Be sure to tune into NBC Wednesday at 9 p.m. on KSDK 5 to see SIUE alumna and nationally-renowned comedian Kathleen Madigan help decide the fate of the remaining aspiring comics on the show "Last Comic Standing."

Madigan graduated from SIUE in 1988 with a bachelors degree in Mass Communications. While working as a waitress and a journalist in St. Louis, Madigan decided that her future was in comedy.

With no intentions of becoming a comedian, Madigan edited corporate publications and wrote freelance feature stories in St. Louis until one night she made an amateur night appearance at the Funny Bone Comedy Club.

The then 24-year-old Madigan quit her jobs and decided to go book comedy shows across the Midwest. By the age of 30, she started to receive national recognition for her

work. The Las Vegas National Review praised her, saying "she's focused and more importantly, a very talented young woman who, at the age of 30 is poised for big time success as one of the brightest new light on the contemporary comedy scene. She's got instantly likeable stage demeanor, strong road-honed timing and excellent and original material."

Madigan has an extensive resume in comedy and is a veteran on the "Tonight Show with Jay Leno," which she has appeared on 10 times, and on "The Late Show with David Letterman," a show where she has made five appearances on.

Comedy Central has also been good to Madigan, as she has her own half hour comedy special, has appeared on "World Comedy Tour" and appeared on "USO Tour."

Numerous other television appearances have been made by Madigan on VH-1, E!, ESPN and even on the syndicated "Hollywood Squares."

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Though Rydyr has only performed for two years, he's one of the best-known drag kings in St. Louis.

"Most people are familiar with drag queens," Rydyr said. "Most people have never seen a drag king, though. We do the same thing, we lip synch to a popular song."

One of the fraternity members knocked on the door and said the show would start soon. As he left, the performers complimented the men of DLP for their hospitality.

"They've been great," Madison said. "We'd definitely do this again."

With the show just moments away, the performers joked about how much the show would frighten the audience.

"I'll be almost naked in my second number," Rydyr said. "It's going to be a lot of fun. It's going to be crazy stuff."

"You just have to have an open mind about things," Siren said. "Don't expect everything to be exactly how you'd want it to be."

Kassie Jones was smiling at the conclusion of the show.

"It was awesome, and they all had bangin' bodies," she said. "It was amazing what they could do."

Though reluctant to pick a favorite performer, Jones said she enjoyed Rydyr's act.

"I liked when they did 'Love Shack,'" Jones said. "That was my favorite performance."

In the lobby, Meaghan Kennedy and Rachel Foltz were thrilled to talk about their first drag show.

"I really did enjoy it," Kennedy said. "I thought it was a really fun way to raise money for a good cause."

Kennedy said she enjoyed Siren, while Foltz said she was a fan of Rydyr.

"I don't think I had a favorite number," Kennedy said. "I loved them all."

Foltz said she felt sorry for students who did not attend the show.

"They definitely missed out," Foltz said. "It was a blast."

After the show, Madison said she enjoyed performing in a university theater.

"I thought it was absolutely fantastic," Madison said. "It was

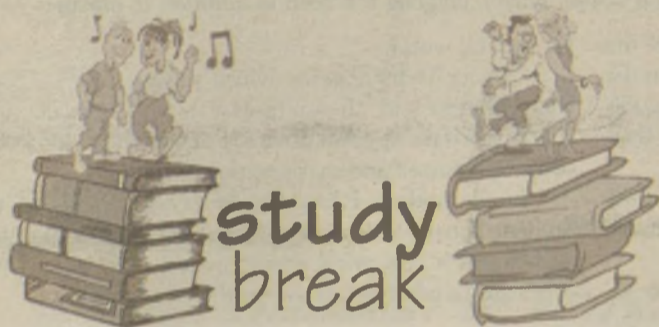
much more set up like a real theater performance than I'm used to. People were so attentive, and so nice and respectful to everyone in the show. It's one of the best college shows that I have done."

The other three drag queens left at the end of the performance - on to other bookings. Madison had two hours until her next gig and plenty of time to prepare herself.

Madison said she has enjoyed herself at this show, and hoped to be able to return the following year.

"I think it's a great awareness and I think it's fun, and it exposes people that aren't necessarily going to go out to a gay bar or a drag pageant," Madison said. "This is a very good way to reach out and show them what we do. Yes, we're a bunch of dudes in drag, but it's still fun, and it's just an expression - just a form of artistic expression."

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# Pulling double duty

by Tony Patrico  
Alestle Sports Editor

On Friday, senior Pat Brazill sat as a member of SIUE's Student Government at their student senate meeting. Shortly after that, Brazill sat with another number of his peers, this time, on a different bench.

Brazill took off the tie and laced up the cleats as the men's soccer team faced Kentucky Wesleyan on Friday night at Ralph Korte Stadium. Pulling double duty for Brazill is something that he has come to be accustomed to.

"Well, the most relatable thing about playing soccer and working on the Student Government is that both endeavors require a unified team effort," Brazill said. "In both, we have set our goals and objectives for the year and we strive to work our hardest to accomplish those goals."

As Student Senator Pat Brazill, which is his official title in Student Government, he is required to participate in three hours per week in the Kimmel Leadership Center. While in the office, he answers students' calls regarding concerns.

Brazill also is required to be involved with two committees. The two committees Brazill participates in are the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee and the Student Legal Services Advisory Committee. But, to Brazill, the committee work is not the most vital part of his job.

"I think, however, the most important task is just getting out with the students and finding out how they feel about what is going on around campus," Brazill said. "Because, we really work for them."

On field, Brazill is in his second year of play with SIUE. Before transferring from St. Louis Community College at Meramec, Brazill also played for East Carolina. While attending Christian Brothers College High School, Brazill played with the likes of other future Cougars such as sophomores Kevin Bielicki, Tim Lindsay and Randy Roy.



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Senior Pat Brazill shows strength as a senator and a soccer player, juggling the both in addition to classes.

After playing in all 22 games in 2006 for the Cougars, and starting in 11, Brazill earned his spot on the roster. After one assist with six shots on goal, Brazill's quick to initiate style of play is something that Head Coach Ed Huneke is always looking for.

"I like it when people initiate," Huneke said of Brazill's run for Student Senate. "He saw an opportunity and ran with it."

Brazill's on and off the field mental strength is something that is shown during both of the activities. Huneke also spoke of how soccer can help build a person

for the real world.

"Soccer is hard work which always serves people well," Huneke said. "It also takes teamwork for success. In sports you have ups and downs, but you learn not to feel sorry for yourself and make excuses."

Junior Andrew Pike, who serves with Brazill on the Student Senate and Student Legal Services Committee, said Brazill is very vocal about the ideas while he works very hard to get those ideas out there.

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SIUE junior Jenny Kates (in white) goes hard into a play on Friday. Kates and the Cougars won both games this weekend.

## Team wins two; assistant coaches fill in

by Tony Patrico  
Alestle Sports Editor

Katie Yearian may want to change her title from "Team Captain" to "Captain Clutch" after her game-winning goal Sunday.

The SIUE women's soccer midfielder netted her third of the season with less than two minutes to play in regulation, breaking a scoreless tie to pluck the University of Southern Indiana Screaming Eagles 1-0 in front of the home crowd.

It was a battle of persistence for the Cougars as they fired 14 shots that either landed in USI goalie Meagan Homolla's hands or were too wide to hit the net. Yearian said her goal was a result of good playmaking and constant pressure on Homolla.

"We all worked hard, we knew it was coming (and) we just had to keep going until it came," Yearian said.

SIUE assistant coach Kelly Dill said the coaching staff decided to send Yearian and fellow leading scorer and midfielder junior Michele Martin to lead a late offensive attack and the play paid dividends.

"We did that because we knew those two are great finishers and we knew one of them was going to pull through," Dill said. "Katie happened to be (that player)."

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# Home, sweet home

## Volleyball opens home season after long road trip

by Zach Groves  
Alestle Reporter

SIUE volleyball players can look forward to playing in front of their home crowd for the first time this season on Friday.

The Cougars have wrapped up a three-week road trip and play their first home match of the season Tuesday against Quincy University. SIUE picked up four wins out of seven matches after opening the 2007 season with a 4-0 record.

Junior setter Mallory Clements, who earned All-Tournament honors at the Colorado Premier Challenge in early September, said her teammates are excited about playing on their own court for the first time.

"I think we really miss our own gym, our own fans," Clements said. "I think we miss our atmosphere."

The Cougars atmosphere may give them an extra winning jolt. During the 2006 season, they won five in a row at home after their first home match-up against Drury University and finished 10-2 overall at the Vadalabene Center.

SIUE also continues its conference season after beating University of Southern Indiana 3-1 Saturday in Evansville, Ind. Junior middle hitter Kelsey Hubert led the team with 17 kills, who was one of four Cougars to hit double figures in kills.

SIUE Head Coach Todd Gober said the team burst out of the gates in the first game of the match against USI, but barely held on in the final three because it could not be consistent.

"We come out very focused and execute very well in the first match," Gober said. "We need to find a way to do that every game. We started making errors and they started gaining confidence."

Gober said, however, that the players are keeping their heads high and playing hard day in and day out.

The Cougars finished the Colorado Premier Challenge with two wins against Metro State and Grand Valley State. They would also drop two matches to West Texas A&M and Central Missouri State University.

SIUE fell to CMSU again in Warrensburg, Mo., four days later before topping Oakland City University Friday in Indiana.

Clements said being on the road can have an impact on a team's performance, but the Cougars still need to keep the ball rolling, figuratively, all game long.

"We just really need to work on playing steady," Clements said. "We're a really rollercoaster team."

SIUE entertains a Quincy squad that is on a turnaround campaign. The Lady Hawks have already matched last season's win total with nine entering Tuesday's contest, possibly adding a double pressure to the Cougars.

"I think with it being our first home match, we have to come in ready to play," Hubert said. "We have to come in with our game faces on."

With a lengthy road trip behind them, the healthy Cougars look to continue a conference trek that spans 14 matches for more than a month. Gober said the team's best volleyball is yet to come.

"I feel confident to start the conference season," Gober said. "I think our team is just as ready as we can be."

The Cougars will face Quincy at 7 p.m., Sept 11, at the Vadalabene Center.

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USI managed just three shots in the first period against senior goalie Kim Roady, but would explode for seven in the second period. Junior Kaci Backs played between the pipes for SIUE and kept busy with six saves.

The Cougars ended the weekend with a 2-0 record in the Great Lakes Valley Conference after beating USI, but not before they shut out fellow GLVC rival Kentucky Wesleyan College 2-0 Friday night.

SIUE attacked the KWC net in the first period and scored both of its goals within 10 shots. Martin nailed her third goal of the season on a pass from junior forward Jenny Kates nearly seven minutes into the game.

Yearian picked up her second goal late in the first on an assist from Martin after it bounced off the post and landed in the net. Martin nearly made the game a 3-0 affair in the closing seconds of the first half, but her goal was waived due to the buzzer.

"What she did at the end of the game and hitting the post, coming to get the rebound when there's three or four seconds left and still getting a shot off," McMillian said. "That's what you like to see as a coach."

KWC picked up the game in the second half with seven shots, as opposed to attempting five in the first.

"I think Edwardsville deserved to win, but it was very, very close," KWC Head Coach

Larry Simpson said. "(In the) second half, I was very, very pleased with our squad."

KWC's freshman goalkeeping tandem of Natalie McCaslin and Alanna Miller struggled throughout the game after finishing with three saves between the two. However, Simpson said he agreed when both of them took a few licks to get those saves.

"They found out what college soccer was all about," Simpson said.

The Cougars played the entire weekend without Head Coach Lynda Bowers, who sat out the contests due to personal reasons. McMillian and Dill ran the show during her absence, which according to Dill could last into the team's road trip this weekend against GLVC squads Drury and Rockhurst University in the Kansas City area.

"It's something that's going to be her decision at that time, so that's all I really know about that," Dill said. "Hopefully she'll be around. If not, she's always watching."

The Cougars may still have some work to do to catch Northern Kentucky University, Rockhurst and Quincy University, who are each at least two games up on them.

"I think we'll come out with a lot of fire, 2-0 on the GLVC," Dill said. "I think the girls are feeling really good."

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### BRAZILL

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"He will probably come up with a big idea and push it through the senate," Pike said. "We planned out our goals of the year, and he had quite a bit of input for that."

Within both of his activities, Brazill finds that there are moments that stand out in his mind. In a Senate retreat to Potosi, Mo., the group was really able to break down some barriers and get close, leading Brazill to believe that it will "serve as the key component for our success this year."

On the soccer field, Brazill recalls a win in an overtime game last year and the celebration was something that he will always remember.

"My favorite moment from soccer was when Victor Pacheco

hit a 30-yard bomb in the conference tournament final last year in golden goal to end the game," Brazill said. "It was great because we were at home and we were able to celebrate a big win with the Eastsiderz at Korte Stadium."

The future may hold different things for Brazill. After getting his political science degree from SIUE, Brazill has many options.

"As a kid, I always had the dream of becoming a professional soccer player," Brazill said. "Right now, I plan on going to law school, so I could see myself getting back into politics."

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## Cougars strike back

by Kyle Wiese  
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE men's soccer team was able to bounce back from a tough 1-0 loss at the hand of Christian Brothers University by notching two wins this past weekend against GLVC foes.

First, the Cougars played host to the Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers Friday night and dominated from start to finish with a 5-0 victory.

SIUE scored its first goal just 40 seconds into the game on the first of two goals by Dustin Attarian. The Cougars added another goal in minute 37 by Randy Roy, which gave the Cougars a 2-0 lead going into halftime.

Kentucky Wesleyan was unable to generate much offense and finished the first half with just one shot on goal. "We controlled the ball and finished our chances," Attarian said.

After halftime, SIUE continued right where they left off by adding three more goals, one of them coming within 26 seconds of the start of the second half from Benny Jeffery. "After the tough loss to Christian Brothers, we had to reinforce our style of play, and we rose to the occasion," SIUE Head Coach Ed Huneke said.

The other SIUE goals came in the 65th minute and the 69th minute from Kevin Bielicki and the second goal from Dustin Attarian, respectively.

Kentucky Wesleyan was held to just two shots on goal in the second half and only three shots total for the entire game. "We knew it was going to be a tough game coming in, but this was a pretty big loss," Kentucky Wesleyan Head Coach Scott Pulliam said. "SIUE was just too dominant."

SIUE moved to 1-1 on the season and 1-0 in the GLVC.

On Sunday, SIUE continued the dominating weekend by

defeating the Southern Indiana Screamin' Eagles 4-2 to get their second win in the GLVC.

The Cougars scored three of the four goals in the first nine and a half minutes on two goals by Bob Ridder and a goal from Kevin Bielicki.

Ridder's goal came in the 17th minute of the first half, but Southern Indiana answered right back in the eighth minute on a controversial penalty kick that was awarded to the Eagles after a penalty inside the SIUE goalie box.

"I need to see the tape again, but I didn't see a threatening play," Huneke said. Michael Simcock scored on the penalty kick for the Eagles to even the score at 1-1.

SIUE added two quick goals by Bielicki and Ridder in 28 seconds to give the Cougars a 3-1 lead that was taken into halftime.

Bielicki added his second goal in the 78th minute to give the Cougars a 4-1 lead.

The Eagles were able to cut into the lead in the 85th minute on a goal scored by Evan Stoll to cut the lead to 4-2. "We made some changes at half and were able to slow SIUE down," Southern Indiana Head Coach Dan Hogan said. "We started to run out of gas, but the energy came back."

"Our game plan was to score a few goals early and we were able to do that," Ridder said. "We didn't think that penalty kick was fair, so we wanted to get after them and stay tough."

"We got some confidence back heading into next week against Drury and Rockhurst," Ridder said.

The Cougars will travel to Drury to take on the Panthers Friday and then head to Rockhurst to play the Hawks on Sunday.

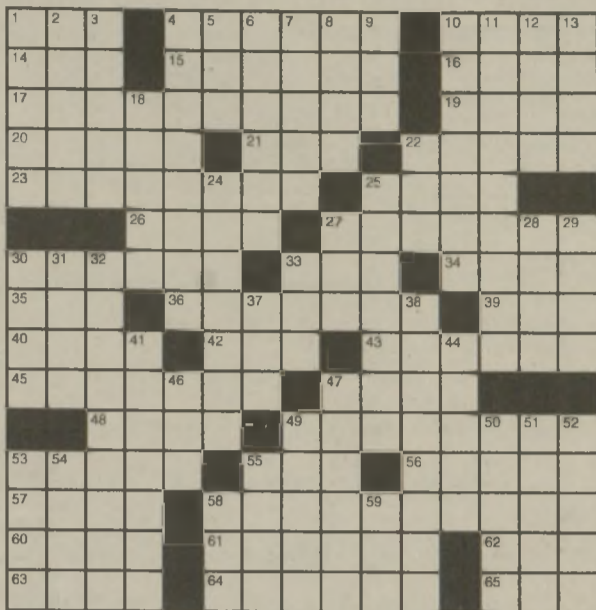
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- 57 PC operator
- 58 House red
- 60 Author of "Death in Venice"
- 61 Portuguese port
- 62 Math letters
- 63 Places
- 64 Capital of Poland
- 65 Notes of scales



## DOWN

- 1 Sustain
- 2 Rear
- 3 "\_\_\_ Dei"
- 4 Injury from an abrupt jerk
- 5 Golfer Woosnam
- 6 "Crocodile \_\_\_"
- 7 African antelope
- 8 Stiff hair
- 9 Corn or pod opener?
- 10 Orator
- 11 Red politically
- 12 Luyendyk of Indy fame
- 13 Shea Stadium pros
- 18 Shanks of legs
- 22 Guy's sweetheart
- 24 Check grabber
- 25 Sky-dive over Skye
- 27 Pipe joint
- 28 Booze it up
- 29 "A \_\_\_ Is Born"
- 30 Legumes
- 31 Fit as a fiddle
- 32 Tinged with red
- 33 ISS partner
- 37 Count me in!
- 38 Pantomime
- 41 Thomas \_\_\_ Eliot
- 44 Old Pac. pact
- 46 You there!
- 47 Bigots
- 49 Pay homage to Sam of "Jurassic Park"
- 51 Capital of Bangladesh
- 52 Idirad vehicles
- 53 Landfill
- 54 Genesis twin
- 55 Palm thatch
- 58 Golly!
- 59 "L" regulators

# SUDOKU

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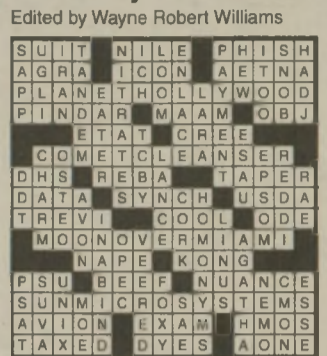


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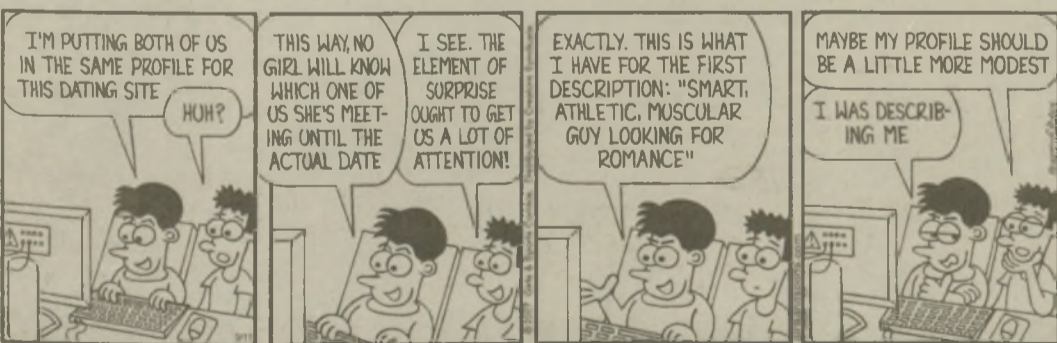
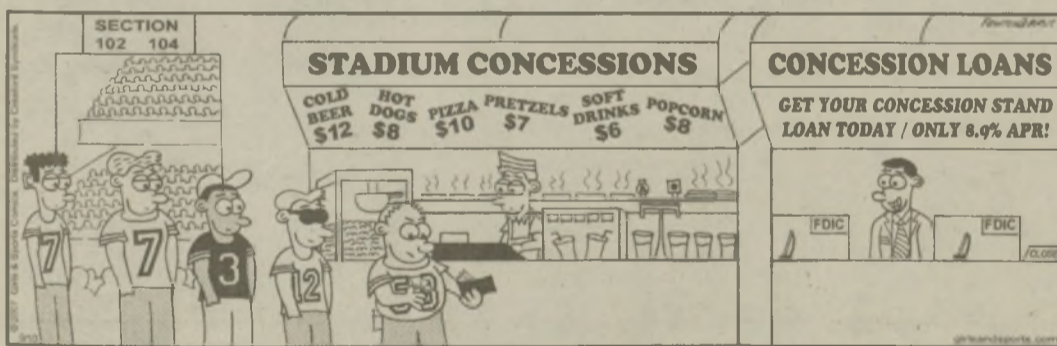
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