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Meeting of the minds

SIUC, SIUE faculty to discuss call for Poshard's resignation

by Catherine Klene
Alestle A&E Editor

Today is a Southern Illinois University family reunion as the SIUE Faculty Senate Executive Committee and two Senators travel to the SIUC campus to join in their fall faculty meeting at 11:45 a.m. Thursday.

Additionally, other members of the SIUE community will have the opportunity to watch the meeting via videoconference in Lovejoy Library, Room 3201.

SIUC Faculty Senate Vice President Peggy Stockdale said the SIUE Faculty Senate members were invited after hearing of the resolution to call for SIU President Glenn Poshard's resignation.

The resolution came after the review committee charged with investigating Poshard's 1984 dissertation found instances of "inadvertent plagiarism." The SIU Board of Trustees, following the group's recommendations, said Poshard must fix the plagiarism instances in his dissertation and master's thesis and there would be no further action taken.

After hearing of SIUE's call for Poshard's resignation, Stockdale said the fall faculty meeting agenda was changed to devote discussion to the plagiarism issue.

"We felt that what is missing is effective dialogue from this issue," Stockdale said.

The SIUE Faculty Senate was invited, Stockdale said, to gather as many opinions as possible. The video conference was also a part of this plan.

"It's important that we have a venue where we can actually ask questions and respond," Stockdale said. "We're here to talk, and we hope people take advantage of our gesture of openness."

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Steve Berry/Alestle

Cleo's Bar and Grill, at 1013 North Main St. in Edwardsville, is the subject of a lawsuit filed earlier this month by senior Jenna Gordillo.

Student files lawsuit against local tavern

by Matthew Schroyer
Alestle Reporter

An SIUE student has filed a \$100,000 lawsuit against a local tavern, claiming that it intoxicated a woman who had assaulted her.

Jenna Gordillo, a senior in mass communications, filed suit Oct. 2 against Cleo's Bar and Grill, at 1013 North Main St. in Edwardsville.

The suit claims Gordillo suffered injuries preventing her from working her job, which caused lost wages. The suit also says Tara Dee Jennings assaulted her, causing "extensive

injuries to her mouth, lips and teeth."

Gordillo is also seeking \$50,000 in damages from Jennings. Gordillo's attorney would not comment on the lawsuit.

Arlene Stevenson, Cleo's manager, said she had seen the fight between Gordillo and Jennings erupt in the bar. Stevenson said she does not serve patrons who have too much to drink, and evicts patrons who become unruly.

"I don't put a gun to your head to drink here," Stevenson said. "If someone is smashed, I will cut them off."

That's precisely what Stevenson

said she had to do on the night of June 12, when Russell Sanders, Jr. of Edwardsville came to the bar. Stevenson said she threw Sanders, 25, out of the bar that evening after he had become irate.

Nearly six hours later, at 6:34 a.m. on June 13, Sanders' car smashed into the pickup of David Shimunek, of Edwardsville, at the speed of 100 mph on Route 140. Sanders was charged with a DUI and an aggravated DUI.

Shimunek is also suing Cleo's in excess of \$50,000.

LAWSUIT/pg.5

Students turn plagiarism into learning opportunity

by Steve Berry
Alestle Photo Editor

Students in Keith Edwards' English 101 class are combining the traditional power of the pen with contemporary technology.

The students recently started an online blog to voice their opinions about Southern Illinois University President Glenn Poshard and plagiarism.

Near the beginning of the semester, Poshard was accused of plagiarizing portions of his 1984 doctoral dissertation. A faculty review committee was formed to investigate the allegations. The

committee found instances of inadvertent, or unintentional, plagiarism in the dissertation and recommended Poshard fix the errors.

This conclusion, endorsed by the SIU Board of Trustees, troubled students in Edwards' class. A class discussion about the plagiarism allegations against Poshard quickly evolved into a blog called "Plagiarism Scandal at SIU."

"We were discussing the Poshard issue in the classroom and what the students felt about it," Edwards said. "We had like an open debate and students really responded emotionally to the

issue."

Edwards said the weekend after the initial discussion five or six students e-mailed him about it and were considering writing letters to the Alestle. Edwards suggested the students start a blog.

Freshman Jill Lowery immediately began setting it up using a classroom computer.

Lowery posted first entry on the blog, titled "What Defines Plagiarism?" Oct. 15.

In this writing she examines various definitions of plagiarism, including the SIU system's.

BLOG/pg.5

Steve Berry/Alestle
Freshmen Jill Lowery and Colby Gower listen during their English 101 class Wednesday morning. Lowery, Gower and other classmates recently started a blog to post their thoughts about plagiarism.



Police Reports

10-18

Davaughn Y. Jackson was issued a citation for speeding on Stadium Drive.

Police responded to Lot C for a report of a two-vehicle accident.

Police responded to Lot 6 for a two-vehicle accident report.

Kimberly F. Collin was issued a citation for speeding on East University Drive.

Police issued Lamont J. Haymond II a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on University Drive.

10-19

Brooke Noble was issued citations for suspended registration, no insurance, expired registration and the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police responded to a vehicle parked illegally in a handicap parking spot in Lot 5D.

Amanda J. Davis was issued a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police took a report of vandalism, including broken chairs and graffiti on a desk at Lovejoy Library.

Police checked Lot A after receiving a report of a solicitor handing out pamphlets. Police were unable to locate the described subject.

Ashley B. Wallace was issued a citation for improper backing after police responded to Prairie Hall for report of a two vehicle accident.

Police met with a man at Union Station for a report of a stolen cell phone. An employee said the phone was turned in at the lost and found and claimed by someone else.

Police took a report of a hangtag stolen from a vehicle in Lot 4C.

Dennis J. Doddigarla was issued a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

10-20

Police received a call about a vehicle being hit while parked in Lot B. No note was left on the vehicle.

10-21

Police issued a citation to Daniel N. Karateew for speeding on North University Drive.

Police responded to Bluff Hall regarding a female student receiving harassing phone calls.

10-22

Police responded to Peck Hall to meet with a student for a report of a stolen purse. The student reported her purse stolen and she found it in the restroom with contents missing.

Police issued Tanisha L. Moore a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Sarah A. Goins was issued a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

Dental students remain under investigation

by Katie Gregowicz
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE School of Dental Medicine Year II class is still under investigation after information regarding the students' academic honesty was brought to the university in May.

The student's spring semester grades from their first year have been suspended awaiting an investigation into the allegations.

An anonymous letter was sent to several media outlets, including the Alestle, this summer declaring the innocence of the class. The letter states that all 52 Year I students received a letter informing them of the eight charges that were being brought against them. Some of the charges include, "the commission of academic cheating, misuse of university documents with an intent to deceive, discussions of confidential or privileged information and cheating by any method or means."

The letter said that the charges are unfounded and represent a "witch hunt" against the class. According to the letter, the accusations are because of a file sharing system among the dental students.

Each student in the class was notified that they must meet with the Student Conduct Committee. After

the meetings, the SCC will make recommendations to the Dean of SDM, Ann Boyle. Boyle will then decide what happens to each student based on that recommendation. The punishments could range from a disciplinary warning to removal from the school.

A legal representative is not allowed in the room with the student during his or her meeting with the SCC. However, the students have access to their files and are able to discuss them with an attorney. While the attorney is not allowed in the room with the student during the meeting with the SCC, a faculty member is allowed to act as an adviser to the student during the meeting.

University spokesman Greg Conroy said the investigation is taking awhile because of the large number of students involved in the situation. He said that there is no time limit being put on when this investigation will close because it must be thorough.

He also said that while this investigation continues, the students are enrolled in and attending classes.

Officials from the SDM said they could not comment on this issue, citing an obligation to protect the students.

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MODULES

Student Leadership
Development Program &
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Modules

10/30/07

Module 19, 2:00 p.m.
Understanding the Organizational Climate
Matthew Feldmann Ph.D. Director Institutional Research
Blackburn College
Board Room, MUC

10/30/07

Module 9, 6:30 p.m.
Cross Cultural Awareness
Vanessa Brown, Chair
Social Work Department, SIUE
Board Room, MUC

11/06/07

Module 20, 2:00 p.m.
Analyzing Public Perception
Andrea Franklin, Student Coordinator
Spring Break 2007
Board Room, MUC

11/06/07

Module 10, 6:30 p.m.
Values & Ethics
Jim McDermott, Accountant IV
Morris University Center, SIUE
Board Room, MUC

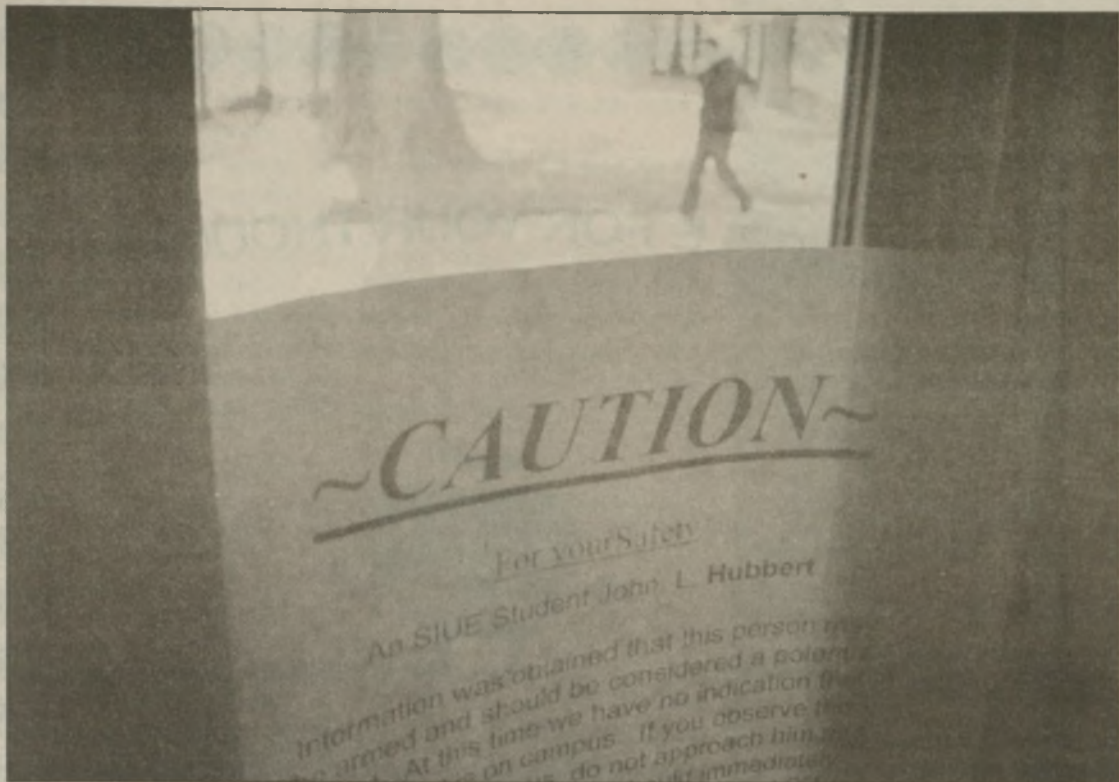
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November 17 - Boy Scout Food Drive, Granite City, IL
November 22 - Thanksgiving Dinner, Belleville - E. St. Louis, IL
December 1 - St. Vincent de Paul, E. St. Louis, IL
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December 15 - Share Food, Granite City, IL
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Steve Berry/Alestle

A safety bulletin posted in a Cougar Village apartment building warned students of a potential security threat. The student listed in the alert was later found and deemed to not have been a safety risk.

Apathy or alarm?

Discussion of emergency procedures arises after last week's emergency alerts

by Holly Meyer
Alestle Managing Editor

A potential threat on campus generated a variety of reactions from the university community, causing reactions from apathy to alarm.

"There were some concerned people," Director of Public Affairs Greg Conroy said.

On Thursday, Oct. 18, SIUE Police released a safety alert to university members via e-mail to be on alert and cautious for potentially armed senior John L. Hubbert. Another safety alert issued later said Hubbert was more of a danger to himself than the campus. He was located off campus at 4:30 p.m.

"I think we were very quick to react by gathering information in order to ascertain the location of the individual," SIUE Police Chief Regina Hays said.

Conroy said he received eight phone calls from parents on Thursday.

"Two of which were distraught," Conroy said. "They were demanding that we lock down the campus. One woman threatened to call Channel 2."

Conroy said the two upset parents had just heard bad information. Many people thought the student was armed and on campus.

"The other parents were very calm," Conroy said. "They wanted to know the facts."

Conroy said the chancellor's office also received a few phone calls from concerned people.

Not all of Conroy's calls came from parents. He said he received a phone call from the Art & Design Building. A teacher with her class said they were not going to go anywhere until Conroy told them everything was okay.

Marcia Maurer, dean of the School of Nursing, said the School of Nursing locked the outer door that gives access to offices, conferences and labs. Notes were left on the doors with directions for students to go to the main office if they wanted to access the locked rooms.

"I could have ignored it," Maurer said.

Maurer's main concern was the School of Nursing is close to the School of Business and Hubbert is an economics major.

"Let's make this area as secure as it can be in case he does show up," Maurer said.

Junior Tracy Clark said she learned about the potential threat from Channel 4 news. She was not on campus the day of the alert but was still concerned by the situation.

"I think the university handled it to the best of their ability," Clark said.

The recent threat called into light the quality of security on campus.

"I think we need a multi-layered system of some type to make sure we are reaching those people that don't check their e-mail," Hays said.

Currently, the university is working on implementing an emergency notification system, according to Conroy. The system would include text messaging that would be sent to members of the university community that subscribe to the service in the event of a security situation.

Conroy said he expects the system to be ready by Jan. 1, 2008.

However, kinesiology instructor Maureen Johnson said the university needs some sort of

alarm system that could immediately alert the campus during a threat.

"I was teaching a class when the e-mail and faculty went out to faculty and staff," Johnson said.


Johnson said the e-mail system is not immediately effective and text messaging would not be, either.

"As an instructor, I don't permit the ringer to be on in class," Johnson said. "I don't permit students to look at cell phones at all during an exam."

Conroy said the university currently has a loud speaker and a siren on top of Rendleman Hall, but he did not feel Thursday's threat warranted using it.

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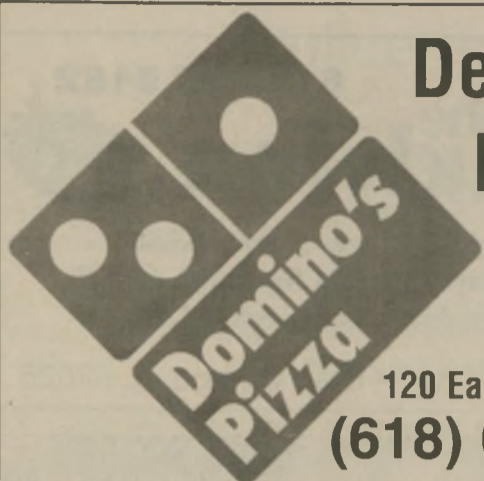
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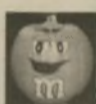
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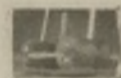
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LAWSUIT
from pg. 1

Some local bar owners say they constantly have to be on the lookout for customers who have consumed too much alcohol, and the looming threat of lawsuits is something dealt with regularly.

"This is nothing new," Laurie Chavez, owner of Laurie's Place in Edwardsville, said.

Rob Kotsybar, manager of the Jury Room in Edwardsville, said he has to cut off drinks to two or three patrons each Friday and Saturday.

"You have to always be aware of how much everyone has had to drink," Kotsybar said.

"You have to observe everybody. Some people don't know their limits, you have to watch out for that."

For Cleo's, the lawsuits are new territory. Stevenson said in the establishment's 25-year history, there has never been a lawsuit. Despite the three lawsuits, Stevenson said the bar will continue to operate.

"I'm sure we'll survive," Stevenson said.

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MEETING
from pg. 1

SIUE Faculty Senate President Kay Covington said the executive committee members and the senators will meet with the plagiarism review committee before the faculty meeting.

"They probably want to explain the reasoning behind their report," Covington said, saying the executive committee would ask questions if needed.

Covington said beyond dialogue, she was not sure what would take place at the meeting.

"We're really somewhat unsure as to what will happen tomorrow," Covington said.

Covington said she was glad to see the two campuses communicating with each other about the plagiarism issue for the first time.

"I hope that this is just a beginning of communication between the two campuses," Covington said. "I would like to see Carbondale join us in our request for President Poshard's

resignation."

Stockdale said if SIUC chose to call for resignation, she and other members of the SIUC Faculty Senate who were part of the plagiarism review committee, including SIUC Faculty Senate President Ramanarayanan Viswanathan, would excuse themselves to prevent a conflict of interest.

Upon returning to SIUE, the executive committee will release a summary of the meeting to the faculty.

Stockdale said she hoped SIUE and SIUC students would keep an open mind as the two campuses discussed the highly debated issue.

"(I hope students) know that they can talk to us ... and that we work together to strengthen our university as opposed weakening it," Stockdale said.

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BLOG
from pg. 1

Lowery's blog entry raises as many questions as it answers.

She asked, "What kind of university are we running?" and "Are we promoting plagiarism by letting Poshard have a second chance to revise his papers?"

Lowery also voiced her opinion at the recent SIUE Faculty Senate meeting.

"Jill has really kind of been the face of this," Edwards said.

Freshman Colby Gower also posts on his class' blog. In an entry called, "My Thoughts," Gower writes he is considering leaving SIUE because the integrity of the university has been compromised.

Colby said a group of students including Lowery will attend the BOT meeting Nov. 8 at SIU Carbondale.

Another student who posts on the blog, Sara Hribik, is organizing sidewalk chalk advertisements for the blog. Classmate Nicee Pounds is creating a flyer to post on the kiosks around campus.

Edwards said his students are not required to be involved with the blog. He assigned a writing centered on the topic of

plagiarism. Students do not have to write about Poshard or post their writing on the blog. Edwards said about half of the class has chosen to post their writing on the blog. All the students in the class know the password to log into their blog so they can post their thoughts anytime. The blog, "Plagiarism at SIU," is hosted online by Blogger, which is free.

"All semester I have been telling them they have an academic voice and they can use this voice to affect change," Edwards said.

Edwards' student Lowery is optimistic about change.

"I am hoping the blog takes off where we can get a bunch of comments and responses from other people like SIUC members," Lowery said.

Comments have already started to build on the site, some supportive of the class' stance and some in disagreement.

The blog is located online at <http://plagiarismscandalatsiu.blogspot.com/>

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cartoon by Matthew Schroyer

Football dance displays ignorance

The SIUE Club Football team needs to stop focusing on its dance moves and start representing the university and the people that are a part of it with more respect and class.

On youtube.com, after typing in SIUE Football, a video titled "SIUE Football Soulja Boy Crank That" pops up. The video is of the SIUE Club Football team dancing in their SIUE uniforms to "Crank That" by Soulja Boy after they won the 2007

Homecoming game against Marquette University. Uploaded on Oct. 11, the video displays teamwork, pride and collective ignorance.

As the football team copies 17-year-old rapper Soulja Boy's dance moves, they ignore the degrading message their collective spirit is sending.

The message is not in the

catchy beat of the song, or the fancy dance moves, but in the lyrics, namely "super man dat ho." The words may not sound like much, but after a quick online search, the general consensus of what super man-ing a ho means is disgusting, insulting and offensive.

"Super man dat hoe" refers to a male ejaculating on a female's back with or without her permission. Her back is then covered with a sheet. In the morning, the dry ejaculate has sealed the sheet to the females back creating the illusion of a cape.

The argument has been made that no one listens to lyrics; it is just about the dance. However, this song's lyrics not only tell how to do the dance, but they also guide the dancer through the moves. Besides, if lyrics were not important, why are they a part of almost every mainstream song?

Soulja Boy's lyrics promote the degradation of women through sexual abuse and violence. According to the Rape,



Holly Meyer

Overreacting to "threat" a problem

The recent "threatening student" on campus brought out many complaints around campus. Students complained about the inefficiency of the warning e-mails, parents complained students were put in danger when classes weren't canceled, professors complained about the disorganization of the situation - did anyone think to complain about how the student involved was treated?

His name was essentially attached to a description of crazy gunman and e-mailed to 14,000 students. His name has been plastered all over the news, tossed all around campus and for what?

Because he was "a danger to himself"... and that obviously means he was going to go psycho

and murder a bunch of students.

I don't know the whole circumstance surrounding what happened with this student, and guess what? No one needs to. It's none of our business.

And it's definitely not the business of the students who received e-mails telling them to avoid him because he might blow their brains out.

C'mon, people. Almost everyone is a danger to themselves at some point during their lives, and they don't go around shooting people over it.

Not every person with a backpack is carrying bombs. Not every person with an accent is a terrorist. Not every person with a gun is going to go on a murdering rampage.

Please don't misunderstand me - this is not advising a complete lack of caution or safety precautions. People just need to quit jumping at their shadows and start thinking things through.



Maggie Willis

Abuse & Incest Nation Network's Web site, somewhere in America a person is sexually assaulted every two and a half minutes. Not only do we not need music artists promoting sexual abuse, we definitely do not need the SIUE Club Football team sharing in the belittlement of women. They are the ones that chose this song to celebrate an SIUE victory.

The football team needs to take responsibility for the negative messages they are promoting. Even if they do not care what the words mean, when they are in their SIUE uniforms it reflects back on every member of the university. In this case, it makes everyone appear as supporters of super man-ing hos.

The SIUE Club Football team should follow a common athletic conduct code. Don't do anything stupid while in uniform because everyone will know who you are, where you are from and whom you represent.

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Things are touchy lately, but only because people are letting their fear push them into overreacting. Ever heard the saying, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself?" Well, good ol' FDR hit it right on the nail.

My plea to everyone who reads this is two-part.

First, give this guy a clean slate.

Quit talking about him and move on. This column doesn't mention his name for a reason; we need to stop making this situation worse for this guy.

Second, learn from this. Twice now we've had a scare at SIUE, and twice they were false alarms. The third time may be the real deal, but it could also be another adrenaline-ridden overreaction.

We need to find a balance between blind fear and utter apathy.

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School of Nursing stayed open

I would like to take this opportunity to correct a bit of misinformation cited in Allan Lewis' column, "Threat situation mishandled" in the October 23rd Alestle.

Mr. Lewis states: "With a situation like the one we went through last Thursday where we know something could be up, but are not sure, following suit with the School of Nursing and suspending classes for the day could be the best option."

I am not sure where Mr. Lewis received the information that the School of Nursing had suspended classes but that information is absolutely erroneous.

The action taken in the School of Nursing was to simply lock any outer doors that gave access to offices or conference rooms or student labs such as our simulated learning center. Signs were posted advising the students to come to our main desk to gain entry to any of the locked areas.

The reason for doing this was based on the information received at the time that indicated the individual in question may be on campus.

The School of Nursing complex is located on the second floor of Alumni Hall. The atrium area has tables and chairs up and down the entire corridor. Many nursing and business students use these tables to study. At the end of this corridor is the main classroom for the School of Business. Since this individual was a business student who might have been on the second floor, the action taken was simply to insure the safety of any student in that corridor. All students seated at tables were advised to check the announcement and perhaps move to a more secure area.

Classes in the School of Nursing were NOT suspended. Indeed most of the students were actually in clinical taking care of patients.

Marcia Maurer, PhD, RN
Dean, Nursing

Correction:

The column "Threat' situation mishandled" in Tuesday's edition of the Alestle incorrectly stated that the School of Nursing cancelled classes Thursday, Oct. 18. This did not happen. The Alestle regrets this error.

Letter to the Editor

Decorated general to speak on campus

by Maggie Willis
Alestle Reporter

Retired four-star general Barry McCaffrey's resume is enough to make any Tom Clancy buff blush.

McCaffrey graduated from West Point in 1964 and later went on to study at the American University and in the Harvard University National Security Program. He also served in Vietnam and took part in four combat tours, coming back with two Silver Stars and three Purple Heart medals.

During his 32 years of service to the military, McCaffrey commanded the 24th Infantry Division through Desert Storm in 1990 as a two-star general. McCaffrey retired a four-star general, and is currently an adjunct professor at West Point.

At 8 p.m. Saturday, McCaffrey will bring his experiences to the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom, where he will discuss strategies in the War on Terror and related issues dominating the nation's headlines. McCaffrey will speak as part of the Arts and Issues calendar.

Grant Andree, director of Arts and Issues, said McCaffrey was an important and timely figure to bring to SIUE.

"(Terrorism) is one of the biggest problems in the world, and will be for some time," Andree said.

Andree said regardless of positions people may take on the war in Iraq, McCaffrey is an important voice to listen to.

"He's been right in the middle of it," Andree said. "Whether you're for the war (in Iraq) or against it, you've got a right to be informed."

McCaffrey initially was optimistic about Iraq's condition in a testimony he gave before the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. After a visit to Iraq in June 2005, McCaffrey predicted the violence from the Iraqi insurgency to peak between January and September 2006, and said the "Iraqi elections... have fostered a supportive political base."

His tone changed in April 2006, after he returned to Iraq and wrote a report

calling the Iraqi government "astonishingly corrupt and incompetent." The same report called the outlook for Iraq "perilous, uncertain and extreme, but far from hopeless."

Outside the White House in May 2006, shortly after briefing President George Bush about his trip to Iraq, McCaffrey said to the press, "Iraq is abject misery."

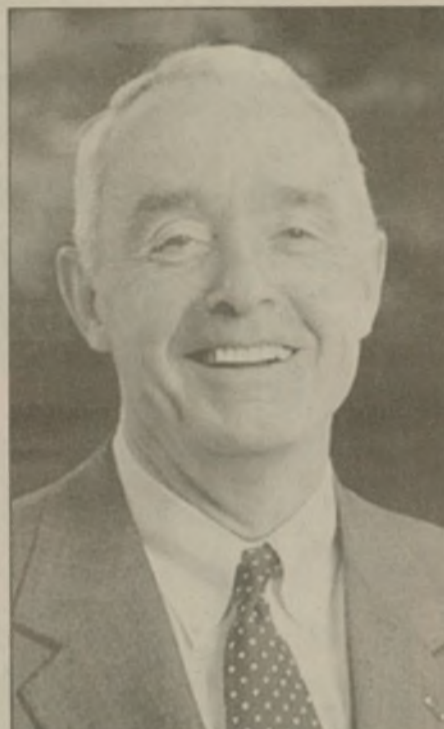
The retired four-star general is an advocate of reconstruction of Iraq, and urged for an increase in funding to rebuild Iraq's infrastructure.

"It would be misguided policy to fail to achieve our political objective after a \$400 billion war because we refused to sustain the requirement to build a viable economic state," McCaffrey wrote in the April 2006 report. "Unemployment is a bigger enemy than the AIF (Anti-Iraqi Forces)."

McCaffrey's most recent visit to Iraq took place in early March, after which he wrote, "the majority of the Iraqi population support armed attacks on American forces." McCaffrey also painted a dismal picture of the situation, writing that the "sophistication, numbers and lethality" of the Iraqi insurgency was on the rise. He also wrote that U.S. readiness was starting to "unravel" and that domestic support "has evaporated and will not return."

In his March report, however, McCaffrey also found a new source of optimism. McCaffrey wrote in the report that there is an increase in the opposition to al-Qaeda in Iraq, coming from Sunni tribes, as well as support from Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to attack members of the Mahdi Army, a deadly element of the insurgency.

McCaffrey will talk about his experiences of his trips to the audience in the Meridian Ballroom, but he will also engage a small group of students in a closed-door discussion that evening as well. Selected members of the SIUE Reserve Officers Training Corps will have an opportunity to meet and talk with the general one-on-one.



courtesy of Arts & Issues

Gen. Barry McCaffrey will speak at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Meridian Ballroom as part of the Arts & Issues series.

"We're glad he is coming," Maj. Ronald Tucker, professor of Military Science, said. "Obviously, ROTC schools don't get too many opportunities to meet four-star generals. That's a great opportunity."

Some of the cadets in the ROTC program may go on to serve in Iraq. Tucker said the opportunity to speak with McCaffrey may provide them with valuable insight.

"At least 20 people have been to Iraq, but it's probably a lot more," Tucker said.

Tickets are \$24 for general admission and \$12 for students and can be purchased at the Fine Arts Box Office in Dunham Hall. For more information about Arts and Issues, call 650-2774 or visit the Arts and Issues Web site at siue.edu/artsandissues.
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Academic adviser releases gospel CD

by Lindsay Stuart
Alestle Reporter

A new CD. An upcoming concert. Registering students for classes. A busy life is nothing new to SIUE academic advisor Danita Mumphard.

Mumphard will be releasing her new gospel CD entitled "Watch God Work" as well as performing at the Missouri History Museum's Lee Auditorium.

The concert, called "An Evening of Gospel and Jazz," is celebrating the release of her new CD. Mumphard will perform gospel as well as jazz music.

"Both gospel and jazz move people in indescribable ways," Mumphard said in a press release. "All my songs speak of love - God's love for us and our love for our fellow man."

SIUE academic advisor Dawn Reed is a close friend as well as a fan of Mumphard. Reed said her favorite song of Mumphard's is "I Can Do All Things."

"I think (her music) is absolutely wonderful," Reed said. "Danita is one of my closest friends. I have her two other CDs and was at her CD release party for her second CD. It's very soothing, and it's very inspiring."

Mumphard has done many performances in the area including the Whitaker Jazz Festival, the Arts Festival and St. Louis Divas Show. Mumphard also performs in the Goshen Showcase.

"God has blessed me with a voice to reach others for Christ Jesus," Mumphard said.

Reed said she thought Mumphard will be famous one day.

"I think she's going places," Reed said. "It just worries me that one day she isn't going to be my colleague and co-worker. She's going to be famous. That would be a good thing for her. This is just me being selfish. We are very, very proud."

Mumphard's new CD features 15 jazz gospel songs such as "Keeps on Blessing Me" and "Worthy is The Lamb."

"I always say that God is in the blessing business," Mumphard said. "I'm excited to see God work and give blessings to His children."

Mumphard also has a jazz CD titled "With Love" which boasts both live and studio performances of jazz music.

Mumphard is an SIUE alumna and has worked in the Special Services office, as well as helping to start FAME, a mentoring support group for African

American females.

"One of my greatest passions is working with students and assisting them in their journeys toward graduation," Mumphard said in a press release.

Also appearing with Mumphard in concert are saxophonist Rod Tate, pianist Gwendolyn Thompson and special guests Trio Tres Bien.

The concert will be at 7 p.m. Saturday. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 and are available at metrotix.com.

Mumphard said she hopes everyone at SIUE will come and hear her sing for her Lord.

"I just want my colleagues to come and enjoy themselves."

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Indian students celebrate old traditions in new home

by Maggie Willis
Alestle Reporter

It's not just getting over jet lag or homesickness. It's not just withstanding stereotypes. It's not even just adapting to the culture. No, for Indian students at SIUE, it's all this combined, and more.

For graduate student Harsha Thota, president of the Indian Student Association, originally from the metropolitan city of Hyderabad, India, culture shock has been one of the hardest parts of coming to SIUE.

"The most difficult thing would be to adjust to the cultural differences," Thota said. "And the food is one of the most difficult parts. We are used to spices, and food here is plain and mostly smooth."

Another obstacle for him to overcome was the differences between school systems.

"In India, the classroom mostly is different," Thota said. "Here we get to choose our classes, but there the syllabus is fixed. Indian classes also require students to stay in a classroom for nine mandatory classes."

On the other hand, sophomore Reena Limbachia, a medical science major, said the biggest challenge has been leaving her friends and extended family behind.

"I miss a lot of my friends, my cousins – oh, I miss them so much," Limbachia said. "They're growing up, getting married, and I'm missing it. And family is so important to me."

Almost all of the Indian students left behind more than their home. They left their friends, their family, their very way of life and it's a great challenge adjusting to all of the changes at once – but the Indian Student Association is there to help.

Senior Dennis Dodigarla, ISA vice president and electrical and computer engineering major, said he joined ISA because he wanted to help new Indian students through the culture shock of leaving India behind to come to SIUE.

"I feel culture shock and I want to help those who feel it, too – like the



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Members of the Indian Student Association practice for the Dandia Night festivities to take place 8 p.m. Friday night in the Meridian Ballroom. Dandia is a Hindu folk dance celebrating the nine days the Hindu goddess Durga fought and killed a demon. The dance will be performed nonstop throughout the night.

freshman who come here," Dodigarla said. "We are all like family here because we miss our family at home."

Thota said he joined the organization for similar reasons.

"I always had this intention of helping people," Thota said. "Sandeep, the vice president last year, was kind of an inspiration to me in helping people through ISA, so I joined."

While Thota has been helping Indian students as ISA president for the past five months, his job is not as easy as it might seem.

"ISA is a big responsibility, keeping up the name of our students," Thota said

"We are representing our students in the school. We have to see that as a big responsibility."

Under Thota's reign as president, that responsibility is expanding to embrace more than just Indian students.

"This year, we want to include more cultures, so we started the Indian International Friends," Dodigarla said, referring to a branch of ISA which limits membership to non-English students. In its first year, the Indian International Friends has approximately 50 new members.

ISA also puts on several events year-round, such as Diwali Night on Nov. 3, a Thanksgiving break trip called "Exploring America" and Republic Day, a celebration of the announcement of Indian freedom, which ISA will celebrate on Jan. 26.

The next upcoming event, Dandia Night, will be celebrated from 8 p.m. until midnight Friday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom.

The night will begin with a pooja, a type of prayer to the Hindu goddess, during the Navaratri Festival, the largest folk dance festival in the world. Two different types of dance will be performed: garba and dandia.

Although the Hindu goddess ultimately has nine different incarnations with different names and characteristics, her main incarnation is called Durga.

Dandia is a dance celebrating the nine days the Hindu goddess fought a demon, ultimately killing it.

"That's the reason the celebration is for nine days," Thota said. "We cannot dance for nine days here, so we just do the one night."

The dance, however, will be continuously performed for four hours on Dandia Night.

"It's not mandatory for everyone to be dancing the whole time, but the dance will be going on the whole four hours," Thota said.

The Dandia dance is performed with dance partners hitting each other's sticks in a choreographed pattern while dancing in a circle.

"If you come into the dancing circle, you must bring someone with you, although it is not necessarily one circle," Thota said. "It can be done in individual pairs or smaller circles."

For students interested in participating in the dance, the next Dandia practice session will be at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.

"Everyone is always welcome, and it's always open to anyone," Thota said. "We will be putting up some volunteers for people who don't know how to do it."

For more information about the Indian Student Association or any of its events, contact Harsha Thota at (618) 420-6128 or at hthota@siue.edu.



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Anyone is welcome to participate in the Dandia dance and can attend the next rehearsal in the 6 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.

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MLB postseason a little "over-Cooked"

There is one thing about Major League Baseball playoffs that everyone can be a fan of. October baseball is one of the most exciting and intense competitions that can be shown on television. There is only one October.

That seems like it's pretty obvious. Yes, there is only one October, and yes there is only a certain amount of times a person can say that, but TBS and FOX has made sure that actor/comedian Dane Cook can say it hundreds and hundreds of times.

He's said it so much that even Saturday Night Live, a program he once hosted, has began poking fun at him with a very similar parody. NBC's Saturday Night Live cast member, Jason Sudeikis, impersonates Cook by saying, "There's only one October, and there's only 300 of these promos."

Think about this. What actor represents baseball better than a Boston-raised comic three years past his prime? Cook, who looks awkward when he performs on stage, looks even more awkward as he tries to promote baseball.

People affiliated with sports and the fans of the games are not holding back about this commercial either. ESPN's Bill Simmons, who contributes a sports column to ESPN the magazine recently wrote that Cook probably couldn't even pick out Albert Pujols from a police lineup.

What is it about Cook that would make the MLB think this would sell baseball? In all honesty, when the commercials come on I get sick to my stomach. It usually ends with something being thrown, and almost a slight case of vomiting. I'm not joking, these commercials make me sick.

If Cook is what the public wants to see, they can buy tickets to his show coming up if they want to pay the price. Three years ago someone could go and see Cook live for under \$30. Good luck my friend, tickets are running anywhere from \$40 to more than \$100.

But really, Dane Cook to promote MLB playoffs? It would probably make more sense to use the players. Really, I think it would make more sense to use past players that have made big impacts in the playoffs.

Example. Use someone like Tommy Lasorda, who is a face in baseball and the media, who people can relate to. Use someone like Kirk Gibson, who played for the Los Angeles Dodgers and in the 1988 World Series was injured, came up to bat and still hit a homerun.

Use someone with significance to the game. Use someone who can actually benefit to the game in a positive manner instead of reaching into the 'bin o' celebrities,' and see who you can pull out. To the MLB, shame on you.

If it was entertainment you were looking for, why not let the game speak for itself? The game is the entertainment that people tune in for. Let Joe Buck voice over on some highlights. Have Tony Gwynn talk about how important the game is to him and how the postseason is what it's all about.

These are the people that you need to be showing. Not Dane Cook. Dane Cook knows about playing with slip-n-slides, operation and girl's "finding the handle."

Since Dane Cook is going to represent the MLB in the playoffs for the remainder of the year, I'm looking forward to a couple of things. I can't wait for October to be over, and I'm really excited to see Jim Gaffigan promoting the NBA Finals.

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Not over 'til it's over

Volleyball comes back to gain victory over No. 6 Truman State

by Jacob Boone
Alestle Reporter

Trailing 2-1 to the 6th ranked team in the nation, the No. 17 SIUE Volleyball team won two games in a row to defeat Truman State University 3-2 Tuesday at the Vadalabene Center.

The Cougars won the first game of the night 30-20, gaining the early advantage over the Bulldogs, but dropped the second and third games 30-19 and 30-21.

"If you watched the game, in game three it looked like we were dead," said SIUE Head Coach Todd Gober.

But Gober said that when the team got a look in their eyes when they huddled up and they showed they could come back.

SIUE started the come back by getting a lead after a 1-1 tie and never looking back, winning the fourth game 30-23.

"They (the team) were as loose as I've ever seen them," Gober said.

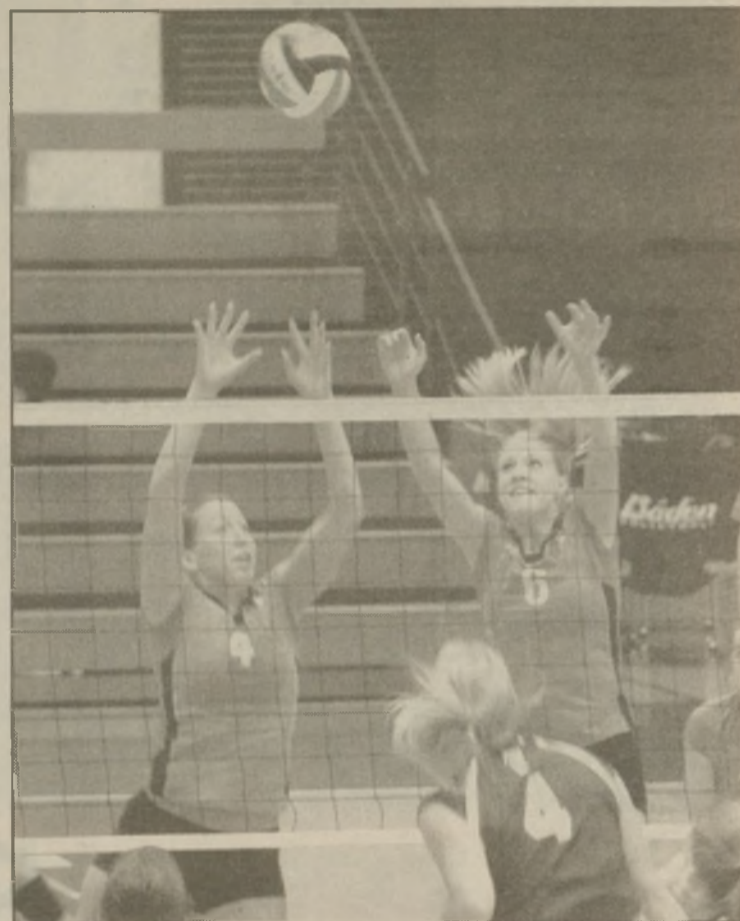
The Cougars were down 7-4 at one point in the fifth game before making a run to take the lead and to eventually win 15-11 to take the match 3-2.

"You've got to elevate your game and they did that tonight," Gober said. "We gained some character tonight."

Junior Samantha Schulte, who had 13 kills on the night, credited her team for battling back from the 2-1 deficit.

"People stepped up and made key plays when we needed it the most," Schulte said.

According to Schulte, the Cougars have the ability to come from behind.



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Junior Kelsey Hubert, left, and junior Emily Rahn, attempt to block a spike from a Truman State hitter. The Cougars will next head to Quincy to play a team which they already beat earlier this year.

"I think that our team is just a really good battling team," Schulte said.

With Truman State coming into the game ranked as high as it was, Gober said the Cougars were the underdogs.

"We were relaxed tonight," Gober said. "For once, we were in the underdog role."

Junior Mallory Clements who leads the team in assists with 59 said she couldn't remember a bigger home win.

"This is probably the

greatest home win since I got here," Clements said.

The win, according to Gober, was against the highest ranked team that's come into the Vadalabene Center that the Cougars were able to beat.

"We really needed this win because it gives us another win over a top 10 team," Gober said, adding that the win should refresh people's memories that SIUE has a pretty good team.

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Students excelling on and off the field

by Tony Patrico
Alestle Sports Editor

For students at SIUE, the stress of work, school and making time for other activities can be very stressful. For students who also participate in sports, the pressure is doubled-up.

Each month the Student Athletic Advising Committee selects two athletes for student-athlete of the month. This student must excel in both the athletic and academic fields.

For these students it's all about balancing the schoolwork, with the hard work. Practicing the mind and the body in the classroom, as well as on the field.

"Each month, athletes nominate players from their team in whatever sport is in session," sophomore, Elizabeth Valenti, member of the SAAC said. "Then, out of those athletes, two students are picked for student-athlete of the month."

The previous athletes of the month, for the month of September, were senior cross-country

runner Erik Steffens, and junior volleyball player, Mallory Clements.

Steffens, who placed first overall in the college division at the Bradley open, also was named Great Lakes Valley Conference Runner of the Week earlier in September.

Clements, who has also earned GLVC player of the week honors, has 12 career triple-doubles, which in itself is a school record, one which included a 11 kill, 40 assist and 15 dig triple-double, tying a school record. In the classroom, Clements holds a 4.0 and is a Deans Scholar.

"The biggest honor about receiving student athlete of the month is knowing that any honor I receive is an honor for the entire volleyball team," Clements said. "Being able to represent all of them and the work they put in (is an honor)."

For the month of October the SAAC recognizes, junior cross-country runner Kyle Cameron, and Women's soccer player Elizabeth Valenti both received recognition as the students of the month.

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Club Football drops first road game to Xavier

by Zach Groves
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE Club Football team dropped its first-ever road game to the Xavier University club squad, 13-6, on Norwood High School's field in Norwood, Ohio.

The Cougars intercepted three passes from interim Musketeer quarterback Tim Fagel, who is usually a safety, but allowed two big passing plays in the first half to fall to 1-1 for the season.

Junior quarterback Kevin Nesselhauf threw a touchdown pass to junior wide receiver Ben Jacob late in the first quarter for the Cougars' only points.

Xavier entered the second half up 13-6, but several penalties and turnovers between the two kept the second half scoreless.

Junior defensive back Jay Verstreter, who had one of the interceptions, said the Musketeers' game-winning pass from Fagel to running back Jimmy Castrigano might have come on a draw play.

"When they do a draw play they open up the (offensive) line," Verstreter said. "So, our line just comes in at (Fagel) in a blitz like we're rushing, but they open up and they let them in and they pass it over."

Verstreter also said he should have tackled Castrigano.

"I could have had the tackle, I missed the tackle and nobody else was behind me," Verstreter said.

Xavier Head Coach Tom Powers said his team won the game on a quarterback gamble.

The Musketeers starting quarterback, Chris Greenwood, was out with the flu and backup Jimmy Byrnes sat out with an injury to force Powers to put in the defender to take snaps.

"We got lucky (Saturday)," Powers said. "We just played within our game and good things happened."

SIUE came close to another comeback late in the fourth quarter as Nesselhauf threw a pass for more than 20 yards to Jacob, but the Cougars could not move the ball far enough to get the touchdown.

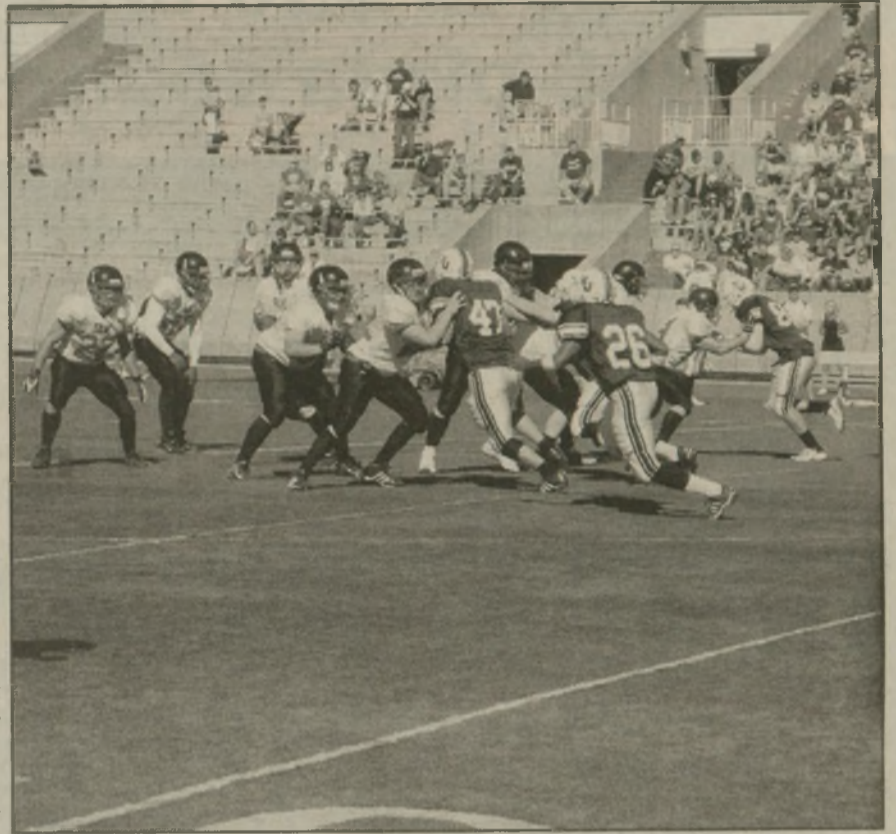
"We have great receivers and I thought that any of our receivers that's given an opportunity could have made a play," SIUE Head Coach Tom King said. "It just didn't work out (Saturday) that we didn't actually take it all the way to the end zone."

Preparation was not as simple for Xavier as it was for Marquette, according to King. Neither team swapped game films in time for the game.

"We came into this game (Saturday) not knowing what they did either offensively or defensively," King said. "And I think that was a little bit of a setback for us."

King added, however, that lacking game film is no excuse for a loss, and the players should have tackled better.

SIUE may not need to rely on game film so much for its next road game this weekend against Marquette University's club team. The Cougars beat the Eagles earlier this month, 22-18, at the SIUE Rec Plex in their

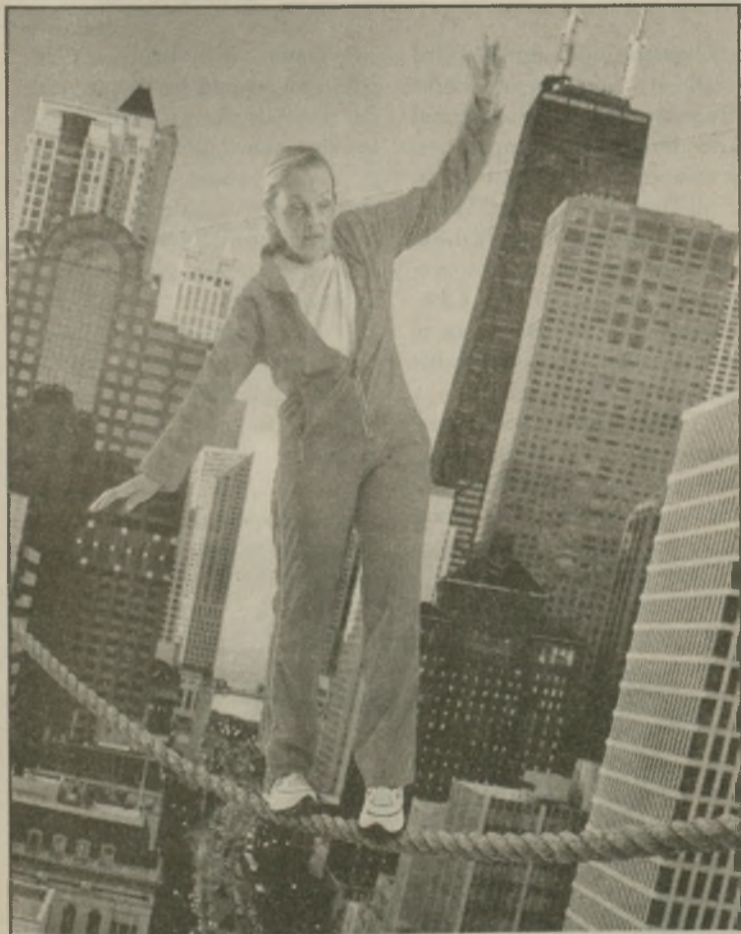


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Club football goes head to head against Xavier University club team Oct. 20 in Ohio. The football team will travel north to face Marquette University. SIUE defeated Marquette earlier in the year during their homecoming game 22-18.

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Schulte and Clements said the win gives the team more confidence heading into the last games of the season and the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament.

"We can reflect on this and think, hey, we can play like this," Clements said. "It's a good stepping stone."

"I think this gives us a lot of confidence," Schulte said.

Gober was happy with not only the win, but also the team's showing in front of the home crowd.

"I'm happy we were able to play at a high level in front of our fans," Gober said.

Along with Schulte, the Cougars had four other players in double digits for kills. Junior Kelsey Hubert led the team with 14, while freshman Sydney

Winslow and junior Emily Rahn had 13 kills. Junior Kate Hofeldt had 11 kills on the night. Clements had six kills and sophomore Jenny Gilman had two.

Gober said the team will now continue to put pressure on the teams ahead of the Cougars, particularly the University of Indianapolis.

"Now the challenge is to build on this," Gober said.

SIUE improved to 21-5 on the season while Truman State dropped to 26-5.

The Cougars now switch their focus to the University of Southern Indiana at 3 p.m., Saturday in the Vadalabene Center.

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homecoming game.

However, while the team stayed overnight in Norwood, a suburb of Cincinnati, it will travel to Milwaukee, where Marquette is located, play a two-and-a-half hour game and return home in the same day Saturday.

Jacob said the mindset will not be as relaxed, but he thinks

the Cougars will play just as hard.

"I think we'll make the drive no problem," Jacob said. "We might be a little sluggish when we come up, but we just got to get the intensity right off the bus."

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Cameron, also finished 3rd overall in the Eastern Illinois University open, which included many Division-I competitors. His time of 25:17 ranks 10th on the All-Time SIUE 8k list. While also gaining honors of GLVC Runner of the Week, Cameron currently holds a 3.746 GPA. Cameron said that this honor is something that stands out in his accomplishments.

"These aren't coaches or administrators who do the voting or nominations," Cameron said. "It is a huge honor to be named one of the better student athletes we have."

Valenti, who holds a 3.28 GPA, has scored seven goals in the last four Cougar games. She has also gained GLVC athlete of the week honors. In a game earlier this year, Valenti, who is a co-captain of the team, scored three goals while playing on a sprained ankle.

"It's a really big honor being recognized by your peers," Valenti said. "It's probably the biggest honor that one can receive."

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Rockies can play Fenway

by Dave Van Dyck
Chicago Tribune (MCT)

Wednesday night's pitching matchup for Game 1 of the World Series Jeff Francis vs. Josh Beckett is a rematch, although the first came back in June.

Francis won that game, 7-1, on June 14 at Fenway Park, which turned into Beckett's first loss after nine straight victories.

The Rockies also won that interleague series 2-1, so they may not have the "Fenway awe" that some National League teams face.

"When we left here the last time we were in a pretty good frame of mind," first baseman Todd Helton said. "We won the last two games. That helps a little bit. I don't think guys will be as in awe of coming to Fenway Park."

"I think we have a comfort level playing in this park and having some at-bats against these pitchers," left fielder Matt Holliday said.

What about that Green Monster left-field wall
"It's a wall and if the ball hits it, it's going to bounce back," Holliday said. "There are not a whole lot of tricks to it (unless) the ball hits the numbers where they put up scores and (creates) a tricky carom."

The Red Sox announced Tuesday that veteran knuckleballer Tim Wakefield will not be on the World Series roster because of continued shoulder problems. He lasted only 42/3 innings and allowed five runs in Game 4 of the ALCS against Cleveland.

"I just don't think it's fair for the other 24 guys on this team that I go out there and maybe I pitch well and maybe I don't, and then I'm not available for the rest of the Series," Wakefield said.

Manager Terry Francona would not announce his rotation past Beckett, Curt Schilling and Daisuke Matsusaka, although lefty Jon Lester threw a simulated game Tuesday.

Meanwhile, it appears the Rockies will use Aaron Cook as their fourth starter.

While Colorado would not announce who would be the designated hitter for the first two games of the Series in Fenway, Francona was moaning about having to sit someone without the DH in Colorado.

Normally, No. 3 hitter David Ortiz is the DH, with Kevin Youkilis playing first base and Mike Lowell playing third.

"It is difficult," Francona said. "It puts us at a disadvantage. The team that we set up to play 154 of our games we don't get to send out there."

"Youkilis, Lowell, Ortiz; two out of the three will play."

Boston media wanted to ask Helton about the spring trade that would have sent him to the Red Sox, one that was much discussed but eventually fell through.

"I'm not going to talk about that," he said. "You can talk to somebody else. We're in the World Series. I'm not going to talk about a trade that didn't happen. Obviously, everything worked out for the best."

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Colorado Rockies Kaz Matsui connects with bases loaded in the fourth inning against Philadelphia Phillies in the early action.

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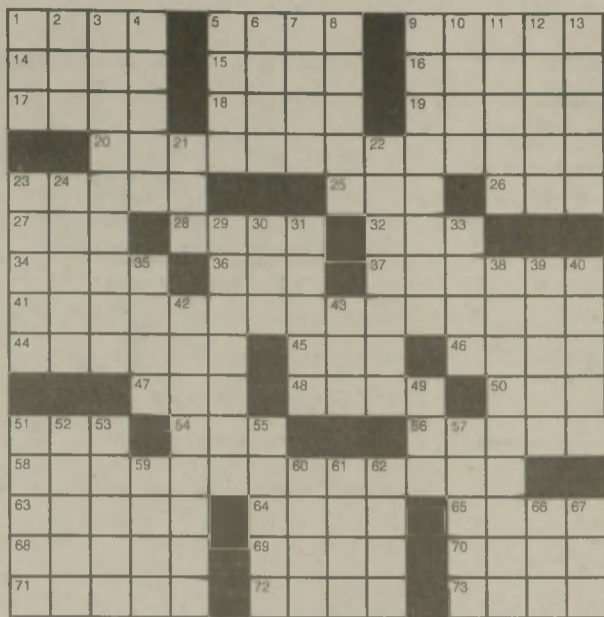
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- 5 Deli orders
- 9 False witnesses
- 14 Blow off steam
- 15 Gator's cousin
- 16 Bert's Muppet pal
- 17 Luigi's bye-bye
- 18 India's continent
- 19 Bullwinkle, e.g.
- 20 Bit of a miracle
- 23 Say cheese!
- 25 Golf flagpole
- 26 Trauma centers, for short
- 27 -o'-shanter
- 28 '60s hairdo
- 32 Pat daintily
- 34 Black cuckoos
- 36 Geologic period
- 37 Abhorrences
- 41 Who would have guessed?
- 44 Knocked senseless
- 45 Hydrogen's number
- 46 Land of shamrocks
- 47 Good buddy
- 48 Drug agent
- 50 Actor Beatty
- 51 Election winners
- 54 Donnybrook
- 56 Outmoded
- 58 Hardly!
- 63 Jalopy
- 64 Diva's moment
- 65 King David's predecessor
- 68 Fall bloom
- 69 Edges
- 70 Option word
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- 73 Snow racer



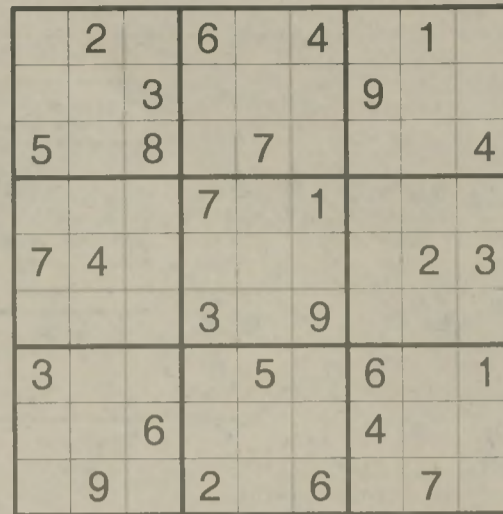
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- 1 Letters for pipes
- 2 Hilo gift

- 3 Full agreement
- 4 Seat at the bar
- 5 Grifter's ploy
- 6 Heavenly bear
- 7 One way to cook eggs
- 8 Resell tickets
- 9 Citrus drink
- 10 Age after Bronze
- 11 Battery terminal
- 12 Stair piece
- 13 Crystal gazers
- 21 Kind of horse or cow
- 22 Grass (divorced man)
- 23 Follow menacingly
- 24 Frenzy
- 29 Cattle holding area
- 30 Gangster's gun
- 31 Burger topping
- 33 Ten-speed
- 35 Red flag command
- 38 Computer operation
- 39 Fundamental values
- 40 Stockholm man
- 42 Apprentices
- 43 Genetic stuff
- 49 Audit taker
- 51 Peruvian natives
- 52 Scandinavian
- 53 Hawaii or Alaska
- 55 Ship tie-up spot
- 57 Nincompoops
- 59 Account entry
- 60 Toledo's lake
- 61 Soil sweetener
- 62 Right on the map
- 66 Wear and tear
- 67 Spearheaded

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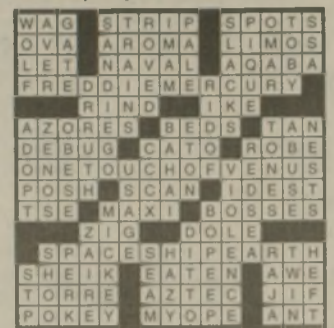
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Mystic Stars: weekly horoscope

By Lasha Seniuk

Week of Oct. 29 - Nov. 4, 2007

ARIES (March 20-April 18)
Difficult property decisions and financial limitations will now ease. Early this week, watch for loved ones or older relatives to provide unique options for shared duties. Revised family plans may be involved. If so, don't under estimate the creativity of friends or relatives: loved ones may now need a higher degree of control over planned home events. After Thursday, an old friend or colleague may ask for delicate advice. Complex home or romantic changes are accented: remain neutral.

TAURUS (April 19-May 19)
Postponed or missed opportunities will now reappear. Late Monday, watch for employers or potential business partners to revitalize past policies or forgotten ideas. Use this time to reaffirm long-term goals and begin fresh projects: much can be gained in the coming months. Tuesday through Friday, romantic relationships may experience a brief but intense phase of negotiations. Home obligations versus daily routines may be a key source of concern: don't avoid new ideas.

GEMINI (May 20-June 20)
Past social doubts or failed invitations will be easily resolved this week. Over the next four days, expect confident proposals and rekindled passions. Some Geminis, especially those born late in May, will also end almost 11 months of family stress or strained love relationships. Expect slow but deliberate progress and watch for loved ones to finally reveal their private thoughts and long-term goals. After Saturday, physical energy returns: if possible, plan enjoyable outdoor activities.

CANCER (June 21-July 21)
For many Cancerians, this week will offer an excellent chance to improve key relationships: after Monday, expect loved ones to openly discuss past events, outdated obligations and future plans. Romantic understandings reached over the next few days will set new emotional rules into action: be

assertive. Wednesday through Saturday, listen closely to the advice or comments of younger friends, relatives or colleagues. A bold new era of social involvement needs to begin: stay open.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 22)
Monday marks the end of four months of career preparations and business planning. For many Leos, quick workplace options and revised job roles will arrive over the next few weeks: expect new information systems or media concerns to be a strong influence. Don't hold back: it's time for decisive action. After mid-week, watch also for a rare social triangle involving older friends or past relationships. Yesterday's emotional obligations need to fade: pace yourself and wait for change.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 21)
Before mid-week, loved ones may finally address past issues of security or long-term family plans. Cheerfully discuss all options: renewed promises and fast property decisions will now bring the desired results. After Thursday, social triangles may be unavoidable. If so, don't press for details and expect friends or colleagues to resist new ideas or be firmly set in their opinions. Areas affected are ethical questions, romantic proposals and complex home decisions. Don't confront.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 22)
Deep feelings of love, attraction and commitment are accented over the next eight days: after Monday, expect emerging intimacy in love relationships and strong emotional bonds between loved ones. Leave doubts behind: for many Librans, a complex period of inner conflict and lost trust now needs to fade. Thursday through Saturday accents controversial financial announcements and business discussions. Stay focused: family planning and revised home renovations may be at issue.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Competing interests between loved

ones will shift early this week: after Tuesday, expect social harmony, romantic attraction and a return to shared priorities. Long-term friends and lovers will soon appreciate your intense style: remain expressive and refuse to change your outlook. After Wednesday, workplace relations may be strained. If so, watch for colleagues and officials to carefully research past records or events. Be patient: documents will soon prove responsibility.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 20)
Both business and romantic partnerships will this week experience a sudden increase in optimism, confidence and shared understanding. Several months of stagnation or career restlessness are now ending. Use this time to build trust and create powerful alliances: you won't be disappointed. After Thursday, some Sagittarians may encounter an unexpected flirtation or social proposal. Ask for clarity: new friends and potential lovers are ready for difficult discussions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 21-Jan. 19)
Over the next six days, romantic intimacy is a prime theme. After Monday, watch for loved ones or potential mates to subtly communicate their love, affection and sensuality. Enjoy private flirtation and seductive invitations: emotional attractions will be genuine and deeply felt. Thursday through Saturday, home and financial negotiations may require careful diplomacy. Relatives or roommates will ask for written documents or revised promises. Opt for extra time and added discussion.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Emotional doubt and strained family relations will soon end. Early Tuesday, expect loved ones to introduce creative home improvements or fast social changes. Areas strongly affected are group events, celebrations or unique announcements. Don't avoid controversy: this is the right time to discuss bold ideas or ask loved ones to leave outdated expectations in the past. Later this week, a

powerful wave of insight and nostalgia arrives. Study dream images carefully for valuable clues.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 19)
Loved ones may now wish to discuss yesterday's ideas or promises. Let the past fade: this is not the right time to revisit old habits, patterns or motives. Encourage friends and lovers to develop new interests or activities: social diversion will be helpful. After Tuesday, many Pisceans may be offered a chance to restart a work project or clarify a strained business relationship. Key issues may involve power struggles and leadership skills. Take your time: your suggestions are valid.

If your birthday is this week: Workplace opportunities may be difficult to find over the coming four to five months. Remain patient, however: planetary alignments suggest that much of 2008 will prove to be one of the most successful years of the past decade. Watch for new assignments in distant locations or concerning foreign agencies. After March 27, job change will be fast and complete: stay open to unexpected career options and rare business promises. Early in April, family duties will also increase: expect someone close to propose an expanded lifestyle or large property contract. Ownership, both in the sense of material possessions and self-confidence, will be a continuing theme for the coming year: expect permanent improvements.

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