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Sisters' deaths ruled reckless homicide

Investigator: Trooper traveling at 126 mph before fatal crash

by Matthew Schroyer
Alestle Reporter

Investigators told a coroner's jury Wednesday that Illinois State Police Trooper Matt Mitchell was traveling nearly twice the speed limit before he lost control and crashed into Jessica and Kelli Uhl, who were killed instantly in a November accident.

After hearing testimony from Illinois State Police investigators, the jury ruled the Uhl's deaths an "accidental homicide."

Jessica, an 18-year-old SIUE freshman, and her sister, Kelli, 13, died immediately when their car was struck by Mitchell's ISP cruiser on I-64 near Scott Air Force Base.



Jessica Uhl

Three other motorists were injured in the accident. Mitchell was driving to the scene of a non-fatal crash when he was cut off by a white car, lost control of his vehicle and crossed the I-64 median into oncoming traffic.



Kelli Uhl

According to testimony from an ISP accident reconstructionist before the

coroner's jury, Mitchell's 2006 Impala struck the Uhl's Mazda sedan at a speed of 102 mph. The reconstructionist, Chris Gebke, said Mitchell was traveling at 126 mph, a speed which caused him to lose control of the car. According to Gebke's testimony, the Uhls were traveling the speed limit.

Previously, ISP would neither make the accident report public nor indicate the rate of speed Mitchell was traveling. Tom Keefe, representing the Uhl family, accused the ISP of "stonewalling," and decried the ISP for withholding information about the crash from the family.

"All (the Uhls) have asked for is truth and information, and here we are, two months in, and we find out this for the first time," Keefe said. "God equips people to do anything except bury their kids."

St. Clair County State's Attorney Bob Haida said he will review the information in deciding whether to charge Mitchell or not. Keefe said he trusts Haida with reviewing the case impartially.

"Bob Haida is a good and decent public servant," Keefe said. "I'm sure he will make an appropriate judgment."

A representative for the St. Clair County Coroner's Office said the coroner's jury only decides how a person has died, and does not work to charge individuals with crimes.

"All the inquest is for (is) cause and manner of death," the spokesperson said.

Haida was not immediately available for comment Wednesday afternoon.

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The End

Patrons take in one last showing at Glen Carbon movie theater

by Catherine Klene
Alestle Managing Editor

Grace Pizzini waited outside the movie theater, wiggling impatiently. The seven-year-old shifted anxiously from one small foot to the other, watching the mob of theatergoers eagerly.

Her father, Paul Pizzini, held a large bag of popcorn and leaned against the doorframe, one eye on his daughter, the other on the vast crowd of parents, grandparents, babysitters and children in the winding line for tickets to the matinees.

Then, through the sea of winter coats and scarves, Grace saw her friend Julie Vitoff, 7, rush up, ticket in hand. The two girls spent their day off from school like many kids, catching a movie at the Cottonwood Theater, but this screening of "Enchanted" would be one of the theater's last.

Monday was the three-screen Kerasotes theater's final day of operation, and Pizzini, his daughter and her friend were three of many who turned out to

see one last movie at the theater.

Pizzini said he enjoyed bringing his children to the theater because even though it was not as big as the Kerasotes Showplace 12, the other Edwardsville movie theater, it was less expensive.

A ticket for a night show at the Cottonwood Theater cost \$2, compared to \$8 at the Showplace

"I was sad because I go here a lot, and I like it."

-Julie Vitoff, age 7

12. The significant price difference attracted many local residents.

Pizzini said he's seen many movies at the Cottonwood, and even Grace remembered catching one of her favorite flicks while spending time with her older sister.

"I saw 'Cars' with my sister who's in college now," Grace said.

Tim Johnson, director of operations for Kerasotes, said the theater closed for financial reasons. The cost of running the theater, Johnson said, including

insurance, utilities and labor, was no longer practical.

"The theater, over the last several years, had some declining attendance, and with the Illinois minimum wage going up two years in a row, we were getting to a point where it was economically not feasible," Johnson said.

Johnson said the closure was not a surprise.

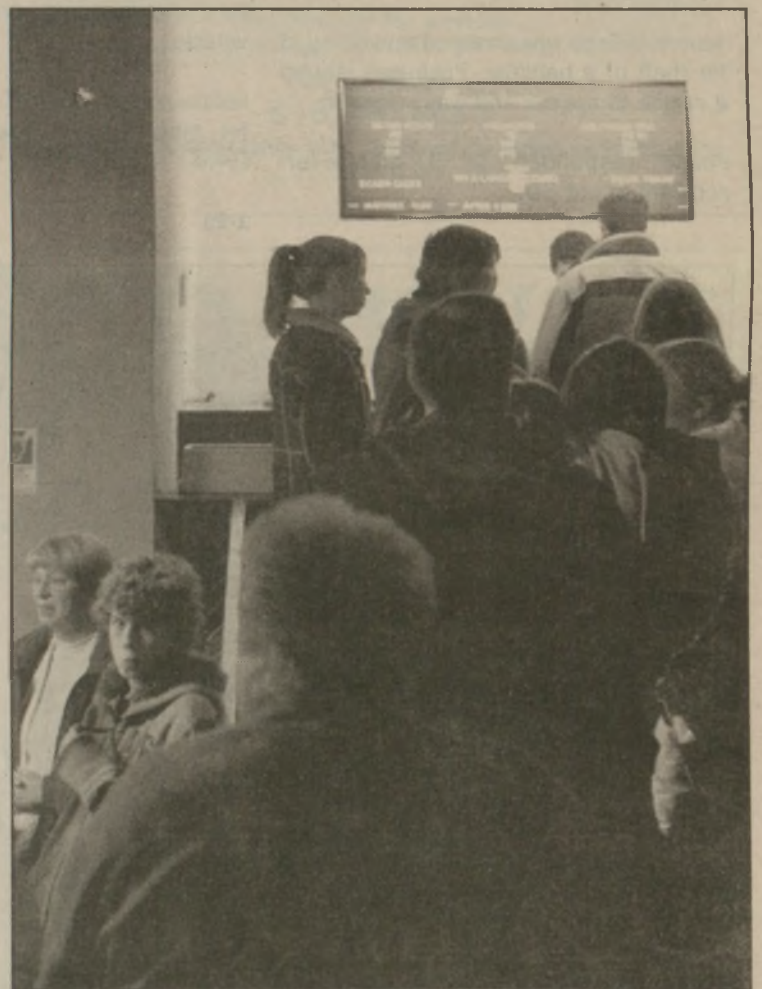
"We didn't have any long term plans (for the Cottonwood) since the Showplace 12 opened," Johnson said.

Johnson said he did not know when the Cottonwood employees learned of the closure, but positions are available for them at the Showplace 12.

"(Cottonwood employees) can all transfer over," Johnson said. "Given the limited operation of the Cottonwood, none of their hours will be affected at all."

Because the Showplace 12 is completely computerized, some training will be required for the employees who choose to transfer.

Crista Tucker, Cottonwood



Robert Muller/Alestle

Moviegoers wait in line for the last time Monday at the Cottonwood Theater in Glen Carbon. Because attendance has been declining and minimum wage increased, Kerasotes opted to shut down the venue, known for its discounted ticket prices.

Theater's manager, said employees were not allowed to speak to the press.

Glen Carbon resident Ruthie Morris said she came to see a movie Monday to show her support for the Cottonwood and was angry Kerasotes closed the theater.

"It's terrible they're doing this because it's not like there's 15 other (businesses) vying for this spot," Morris said.

THF Reality owns the Cottonwood Plaza, where the theater is located. THF did not return requests for comment.

For ten years, Collinsville resident Grace Barbee saw movies at the Cottonwood Theater, and the holiday weekend was no exception. Barbee said she and her grandchildren saw "Enchanted" Sunday and

Police Reports

1-17

Police issued Jill D. Whitworth a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Dustin B. Kehrer was charged with theft by deception for possession of a fraudulent hangtag. Kehrer was given notice to appear and released.

Police and the East St. Louis Fire Department responded to Building D of the East St. Louis Center after receiving a call from custodial staff regarding a burning smell. The fire department found the source to be a malfunctioning computer fan and unplugged the computer.

1-18

Police took a report from a custodian of graffiti written in a women's bathroom in Building A of the East St. Louis Center.

Police responded to an automobile accident on North University Drive that involved a deer. No injuries or blockages were reported and the deer fled the scene.

Police responded to a two-vehicle accident in Lot 4.

Police issued John R. Putz a citation for speeding on Circle Drive.

James J. Pugh was arrested and charged for theft of a hangtag. Pugh was issued a notice to appear and was released.

Police responded to a hit-and-run accident in Lot 5D.

Demeritus A. Watson was arrested while rollerblading between Alumni and Founders Hall on a Troy Police Department warrant for failure to appear, operation of an uninsured motor vehicle, front and side windshield obstruction and failure to wear a seatbelt. Watson was fingerprinted, photographed, processed and released after posting \$350 bond.

Police responded to Bluff Hall regarding the theft of a birth certificate and two payroll checks. The case is under investigation.

Police issued Xiang Zheng a citation for disobeying a stop sign on South Circle Drive.

1-19

Police issued Daniel E. Sullivan a citation for driving too fast for conditions on Lot 10.

Police issued Brittney L. Sturm a citation for disobeying a stop sign at Evergreen Parking Lot.

1-20

Police issued Jennifer E. Fortin a citation for disobeying a stop sign on P3.

Police issued Nikita Anderson a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle.

Police issued Adam T. Gurski a citation for disobeying a stop sign on Circle Drive.

1-21

Police issued Josh Schutte a citation for speeding on Stadium Drive.

Police and Edwardsville Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at the Science Building. The building was evacuated. A cold-water coil bursting on the second floor set off the alarm.

Police issued Rachel L. Sackmann a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

Police issued Ruth Bonnell a citation for disobeying a stop sign at East University crossover. Bonnell was arrested on a Bethalto Police Department warrant for failure to appear, operation of an uninsured motor vehicle and speeding. Bonnell was unable to post a \$6,000 bond and was picked up by Bethalto Police.

Police responded to a license plate stolen in the Prairie Hall parking lot. The plate was a replacement for one previously stolen.

Police took a report of Cougar Village resident receiving a number of harassing text messages on his cell phone from an unknown person.

Police arrested Jessica Cotton on a Montgomery County Sheriff's Office warrant for deceptive practice, after responding to her Cougar Village apartment for a fire alarm set off by burnt food. Cotton was taken to the police department where she was processed and released after posting a \$100 bond.

Senate to discuss travel and program requests

Alestle Staff Report

After a lengthy break, the Student Senate is prepared to get back to work with their first meeting of the year Friday.

The agenda for Friday will include six travel requests for organizations and four program requests.

The travel requests include University Dance Organization – American College Dance Festival, Chemistry Club – American Chemistry Society National Meeting and Exposition, National Art and Education Association – NAEA Annual Convention, Chi Epsilon – Chi Epsilon National Conclave and American Pharmacists Association – Annual Meeting and Exposition.

Program requests being approved by the senate will be Chemistry Club – Probst Lecture, Indian Student Association – India Night 2008 and two for the English Language and Literature Association in their speaker series for Naomi Shihab Nye on Feb. 19 and Dana Roeser and Donald Platt on April 3.

Vice Chancellor for Administration Narbeth Emmanuel is scheduled to be the guest speaker.

The Senate will convene at 2 p.m. Friday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.

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Campus Activities Board

Create a community

Students living in Cougar Village will be able to create 'Themed Communities'

by Sydney Elliot
Alestle Correspondent

Students looking to live in Cougar Village next year will have the option to not only choose their roommates, but their neighbors as well.

Themed Communities, as University Housing calls them, will be coming to Cougar Village for the fall 2008 school year.

Living Learning Communities already exist in the residence halls, but themed living communities for Cougar Village is a new step for University Housing.

"It's a chance for upperclassmen to create their own community," Associate Director of University Housing Lisa Israel said.

The residence halls on campus already engage in learning communities such as Focus Interest Communities, Quest and Horizons in Bluff Hall and Second Year Experience programs in Evergreen Hall.

These programs are primarily designed to group students together by their major, whereas the Themed Communities in Cougar Village will be completely made up by students to be focused around any specific topic or interest, according to the University Housing Web site.

"Sometimes getting (students) together, being similar and similar in age just makes

sense," Director of University Housing Michael Schultz said.

One of the theme communities' major goals is to "provide Cougar Village residents with an opportunity to create a unique living learning community specific to their interests," according to the University Housing Web site.

"We are hoping people will be very excited, and we can provide the support they will need to be engaged in the community," Cougar Village Community Director Sarah Wyatt Kirkpatrick said.

Students will be required to create their community complete with student leader and faculty adviser. All themed communities will be asked to do a minimum of three programs per semester, and students must outline how the participants, Cougar Village and the larger community will benefit from their created community, according to the University Housing Web site.

Sophomore nursing student Shari Barber thinks the themed housing sounds like a good idea, although she is not sure if she agrees with all the work students have to do with programs for the community.

"It would be a good (thing) because we would be taking the same kinds of courses so there's opportunities for study groups," Barber said, "but the added stress for me of coming up with programs throughout the year is

a hassle. I don't like that part."

Another sophomore nursing student, Jillian Sanicki, feels the same way as Barber.

"I would want to live with people in the nursing program so that we could study together," she said. "But you aren't a (resident assistant), so you shouldn't have the responsibility of organizing such events."

Some concerns have risen about the amount of work students would have to put into creating their own Themed Community, but junior Chris Babany thinks it would be a possibility to create his own community with friends.

"I would want some kind of athletic, anything like basketball or tennis," he said.

Babany said he has many friends whom he plays basketball and tennis with who he would consider living with.

Along with Themed Community living in Cougar Village, University Housing is introducing two other new programs for next school year.

"Students Improving Society is a program for freshmen tied to a class that will be looking at all aspects of sustainability and giving back to the community," Schultz said. "And The Transfer Transition is to deal with the issues of transitioning and to help support (transfer students) in the proper ways."

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Participants to experience taste of New Orleans Friday at Parti Gras

by Erika Helmerichs
Alestle Correspondent

Students will not have to venture all the way to New Orleans for Mardi Gras this year, as Campus Recreation is sponsoring Parti Gras Friday night in the Student Fitness Center.

"Parti Gras is designed to provide students with a Mardi Gras themed event on campus," Keith Becherer, assistant director of Campus Recreation, said.

This is the 6th annual Parti Gras hosted by Campus Recreation and this well-loved event will continue to serve its attendees with local Fat Tuesday fun. The event premiered in 2003 with around 300 attendees.

The annual event has only grown in popularity and excitement since then, Becherer added.

"In past years we've had anywhere from 450 to 800 students," Becherer said. "We definitely have the support of Student Government, the Kimmel Leadership Center and everyone involved. It's received some pretty outstanding recognition."

This year's Parti Gras will undoubtedly be a "fun event for all students to come out to," senior physical education major Alison Stach said. Stach will also work at Friday's event.

All aspects of Parti Gras are free to students

with presentation of a valid Cougar Card. Along with complimentary beaded necklaces, Cajun food, arts and crafts, fortunetellers, henna tattoos, palm- readers and caricaturists will be available to any student wanting a taste of Bourbon Street.

There will also be a large casino area featuring Texas Hold'em, Blackjack and slot machines.

"My favorite part is the arts and crafts," Malory Emmerich, a junior and business major who has attended this event in past years, said.

Emmerich is now president of the student organization that co-sponsors Parti Gras, and this is her first year of involvement with the event.

Other new activities for this year's Parti Gras include a stilt walker, juggler, Guitar Hero and Dance Dance Revolution.

"We are always trying to do something a little bit different," Becherer said.

Parti Gras will start at 8 p.m. Friday, and will last until 12:30 a.m. on Saturday in the Student Fitness Center.

The first 200 students who come through the door Friday night will receive free Parti Gras T-shirts. There will also be door prizes and giveaways to those attending.

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Module 12, 6:30 p.m.

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Anitra Nevels, Dream Developer & Coach

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Module 3, 2:00 p.m.

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Module 13, 6:30 p.m.

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A rough ride



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Freshman Stephon Price rides the mechanical bull Wednesday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.

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returned Monday to see "The Water Horse."

"The kids seem to like the smaller theater," Barbee said. "They can see better."

With the Cottonwood closing, Barbee said she would not be able to afford the larger movies theaters as often.

"I'm really disappointed it's closing," Barbee said. "(My husband and I) are both retired, so we have more opportunity to bring the kids here. We won't be able to bring them to the bigger theaters as often."

As the lights in the theater dimmed, patrons grabbed a last bag of buttery popcorn and a giant soda and scurried in to find a seat for their last movie at the Cottonwood. Even Julie and Grace could not escape the day's nostalgia, and Julie summed up the feelings of many as the preview reel began to run.

"I was sad because I go here a lot, and I like it," Julie said.

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COUGAR VILLAGE
from pg. 3

This is the first year transfer students will be housed on campus in resident halls, according to Schultz.

University Housing has set aside 16 apartments in Cougar Village and each Themed Community must have either six, nine or 12 participants who will occupy from two to four apartments in the buildings on the 400-side of Cougar Village, according to the University Housing Web site.

"The housing staff has done a very good job of developing outcomes and learning

curriculums based on the groups we have, so there is education going on outside the classroom," Schultz said.

Applications for Themed Communities will be due by Feb. 5 to the Central Housing Office. For more information regarding the application process and general information about Themed Communities, visit siue.edu/housing.

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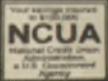
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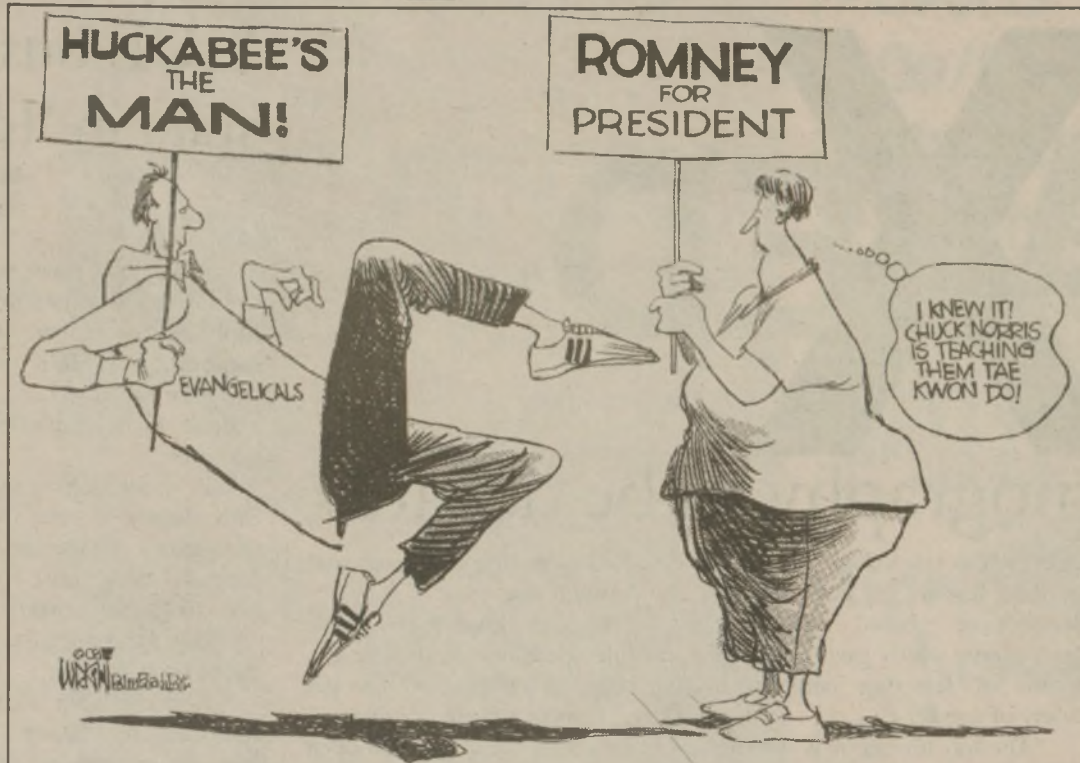
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Alestle Presidential Debate in '08

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Nixed upgrade good news for area

"Monopoly" is a classic game, but to see one company actually take over just about everything in a single location is downright sickening.

In last Tuesday's Alestle, the report was that world consumer power Wal-Mart would at least hold off on expanding its Glen Carbon location into a Super Wal-Mart, which essentially meant the end of several stores and establishments, including Cottonwood Theater.

When companies like Starbucks and McDonald's snuff out Mom and Pop joints and replace good, quality food or products with processed junk, I cannot help but shake my head in disgust.

Granted, I occasionally do eat at McDonald's and shop at Wal-Mart because, like many college students, I owe more money on bills than I make. However, our

country is transforming from a place with original businesses and personal appeal, to a cliché of moneymakers without a real face.

Besides, it is not like the Metro East needed another Super Wal-Mart.

Collinsville has one off Illinois Route 157. Wood River has one. And if one were willing to drive a few extra minutes, O'Fallon has one off Illinois Highway 50, and Highland hosts one as well. What is the point in opening another one when these are all within driving distance?

It is bad enough major cities like Chicago have streets where Starbucks has one store across from another one. If democracy is all about choice, then why the heck are we forced to now choose between the same companies?

Speaking of which, I hear Starbucks is opening another store in Edwardsville. How convenient.

Additionally, the Super Wal-Mart would not have the lowest prices on groceries nor would it be the only grocery store with

quality food. At one grocer next door, Aldi, you can get food that tastes just as great for a lot less. For those who want more quality, plenty of other supermarkets are just down the road.

Edwardsville needs to slow down its business growth and listen to the many groups that have picketed the Wal-Mart expansion. The city needs to consider the little people, rather than throw in tons of stores in a town that is just minutes from the same stores in other towns, just because they think they will benefit the consumers.

The corporate junkies plowing over the smaller companies, mercilessly and unnecessarily, is just as bad as watching the New England Patriots play football. Maybe Wal-Mart CEO Lee Scott and Patriots Coach Bill Belichick should go into business together.

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Anti-smoking law violates our rights

I am 22 years old. I can vote for the next president of this country. I can enlist in the military and fight for my country. I can buy a beer. I can operate a motor vehicle. I can gamble at a casino. I cannot however, smoke a cigarette indoors while I'm in Illinois.

The statewide ban on smoking indoors at bars and restaurants in Illinois is affecting many people in different ways. It affects the non-smokers because now they are free to breathe in the fresh air of the restaurant. It affects the smokers because they aren't able to smoke in the comfort of the indoors. But, the actual smoking ban isn't affecting people as much as it is stripping us of our rights.

Before the uprising starts, this is not meant to be about how ridiculously crazy it is that a person isn't able to smoke a cigarette indoors. It is about the government taking away my rights as a U.S. citizen.

Imagine this. You are driving in the car while singing along to your favorite song. You may not be on key, but you are dead on with the lyrics. You should be able to sing every word. However, there was a law passed making singing and driving illegal. A cop pulls you over, and you are fined \$250.

Of course this is an over the top example, but it's basically the same thing. Something was legal, now it isn't. Now, it's expected for someone to come back with, "singing doesn't kill people, second hand smoke does."

But so do accidents, strokes, heart attacks, liver disease, suicide, cancer, pneumonia and numerous other illnesses. Does it sound right to make eating a fast-food sandwich illegal?

Sure, walking into a bar and being able to breathe in fresh air and smell the food from the kitchen is very pleasant. However, a bar is not the same if it doesn't have that hazy, unpleasant bliss of a smokey room. That's why it's a bar.

I remember a time when I used to belly up to the local bar, sit down, order a drink and take a look around at the regulars.

Probably about 80 percent of them would reach into their pockets, light up a cigarette and we would talk for hours about work, life and whatever is on our minds.

Now, I walk in, belly up to the same bar, look around and see the same regulars, only now they are standing outside, huddled around a heater. Sure, once it gets nice outside people won't mind stepping outside to smoke a cigarette.

However, what about the nonsmokers that want to sit on the patio during that nice weather? Are they going to file a complaint to our governor and make these smokers go a hundred feet away from the restaurant?

I'm 22 years old. I will legally drive my vehicle to the voting polls and vote for our next president. After I vote, I will drive to my favorite bar, and take my chances at gambling, hoping, the person I vote for might see how crazy and restrictive this law really is.

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X RATED

Merits of pornography to be debated

by Allan Lewis
Alestle Reporter

Former porn star and actor Ron Jeremy, who has starred in over 1,800 adult films, will come to SIUE Tuesday to defend his profession.

Jeremy will be at SIUE debating the pros and cons of pornography with recovered porn addict Michael Leahy. Leahy lost his marriage and job to his obsession.

Campus Activities Board Director Michelle King said the student based group decided to bring this event to campus based on the success of the "Heads vs. Feds" marijuana legalization debate last year, as well as the controversial subject matter and Jeremy's notoriety.

"We decided to bring this debate on campus because the debate we held last year was wildly popular and caused controversy on campus," King said. "The same company that reps the (Steven Hager and Robert Stutman) debate reps the porn debate and suggested

we bring this one in."

The event is put on by Connecticut based Wolfman Productions, which gave CAB the option of selecting between a variety of speakers.

"The way it is set up is you can have Jeremy or Nina Hartley, who is kind of like the female Ron Jeremy," CAB graduate assistant Kevin Coppinger said. "The goal of CAB is to get people out, so we wanted to do something fun, but a little bit controversial, and we feel this does the trick."

The debate, which has toured colleges across the country, including the University of Missouri-St. Louis in November, has some students interested.

"I am interested to see an insider perspective on pornography," freshman psychology major Ahmar Ursani said. "It will be interesting to see their opinions and if it empowers or degrades individuals."

Coppinger is confident that Jeremy will bring in a crowd, and notes that the Meridian Ballroom is being set up to seat 700. Seating is

on a first come-first serve basis, and the debate is free.

"We are hoping to have standing room only, and there is a big buzz, so we think we can get there," Coppinger said. "We'll see."

Doors for the debate will open at 6:30 p.m. and Coppinger advises coming early.

Along with Coppinger, King hopes the students attend the debate.

"Ron is a fairly large name," King said. "We know students will come out to see him and even have the opportunity to meet him."

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SIUE business major stars in 'Idol' auditions

by Megan McClure
Alestle Editor-in-Chief

When local viewers tuned in last Wednesday to watch another round of auditions on hit television show "American Idol," they were met with a surprise: among the crooning contestants was SIUE junior Kyle Reinneck.

"It was pretty crazy," he said. "At first it was very surreal. I don't know if it's kicked in yet that it was national television."

Reinneck, accompanied by a friend, traveled to Dallas in early August for the audition. Of the 15,000 prospective contestants, 500 were selected to audition with producers and judges. Among those chosen were Reinneck, who did not know his audition would be shown on national TV.

"I had a really good chance I would be," he said, "but I didn't know for sure."

Reinneck sang Kelly Clarkson's "Never Again" and Matchbox 20's "Disease" during his auditions. During the televised portion of the audition, judge Simon Cowell referred to the performance as "slightly disturbing, slightly demonic." However, Reinneck was unfazed by the judges.

"It wasn't anything different than going in front of any normal person," he said.

To help Reinneck create a specific image for himself, a friend suggested he wear eyeliner. Producers took a cue from the move, specifically mentioning the prospective contestant's "guyliner" during the episode.

"I had never heard of it, actually," Reinneck said.

A business marketing major, Reinneck's musical experience includes singing with a church choir, but his main goal was to gain exposure in the entertainment industry. In fact, the audition was his second television attempt, the first being a tryout for MTV's "The Real World."

"I always have been trying to get into the entertainment business," he said, "and I'm definitely a fan of reality television."

Since the show aired, Reinneck has gained publicity through radio interviews and received offers from various agencies.

"Locally, a lot of people have been like, 'Hey, you're the guy who was on American Idol!'" he said.

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SUPER FUN Yeah Yeah Rocketship

Alum, frequent MUC performer takes his show on the road

by Zach Groves
Alestle Reporter

Corey Goodman, aka "Superfun Yeah Yeah Rocketship," took his energetic antics, digitized music and cardboard standups to the Goshen Lounge in the Morris University Center for a double dose of music in the first week back for students.

Like his previous performances, Goodman ran around the lounge, touched people's hair and even wiped his sweat on a student's pant leg as a growing crowd surrounded him.

Unlike his previous performances, though, he is now a former student performing for former classmates. Goodman

graduated from SIUE with a bachelor's degree in mass communications in August 2007.

"I felt really weird about it," Goodman said. "I'm not going here anymore, but at the same time I still have tons of friends here. (SIUE's) paying me and stuff, it's not like I'm coming in here and hanging out all the time or something."

Goodman not only has a degree to go with his act, but several memories from a tour he made around the country last summer. With his signature gas can/water bottle in hand, he drove to places as far west as Texas and Arizona, feasting on nothing but McDonald's and Wendy's food while braving the hot conditions in a car that had no air conditioner.

"Arizona is crazy and hot the whole time," Goodman said. "It was rough."

Goodman's destinations ranged from coffee houses in Indianapolis to "dingy" bars



Recent graduate Corey Goodman, also known as, "Super Fun Yeah Yeah Rocketship" performs in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge last week.

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in Chicago. In fact, Goodman traveled as far south as Houston, which he said was more than an eight-hour drive from his previous stop in Little Rock, Ark.

Goodman performed at a place called Super Happy Fun Land, where he described the venue as "weird," but he enjoyed seeing the crowd the night he was there.

Owner Brian Arthur said he booked Goodman after previously meeting him as a member of his band "Organ Failure."

"It was a great show," Arthur said. "My band actually performed with him in St. Louis... about six months before he played. Everyone loved the show, (with) neat props and dancing music. He got everybody up dancing."

Arthur also said his style of music, which according to Goodman's Web site is a mix between electro, experimental and fusion, is part of "an up and coming genre" in American music.

"Our venue specializes in underground and eclectic music, so we have seen several performances similar to him," Arthur said.

Goodman also traveled as far north as Westland, Mich., where he competed in a one-man band festival. He said the concert "was kind of intimidating" because he was one among at least 13 acts.

"We were all kind of doing something a little different," Goodman said. "There (were) a few guys that had a keytar and played almost like heavy metal music."

"(Keytar artist Mose Giganticus) was really good and covered 'Mr. Roboto' and it was crazy," Goodman said. "It was so good. He was my favorite of the night."

Skateland West, the venue that booked him for the festival, hopes to have him back in the near future. Special Events Coordinator Colleen Schmerheim said she was contacted by one of Goodman's fans about including him.

"She (the fan) sent me his MySpace link," Schmerheim said. "I really liked him so I brought him in."

Schmerheim also said Goodman's act reminded her of a "young Steve Martin."

"He was a hoot," Schmerheim said. "(His act) is a funny, ha-ha kind of music show. A parody, if you will. We do events here all the time. I've never had a comic act in before."

Goodman said he used the social networking site to find the venues as they all had Web pages that promoted their services.

"I would send them e-mails and stuff," Goodman said. "It took a while. I spent a lot of time on it. That was one of the worst parts about (the tour)."

Goodman's journey involved several getaways with new friends, stops in coffee shops so he could update his fans on the tour, several nights in "scary" hotels and even a little love in Springfield, Mo.

"One of those girls actually became my girlfriend a couple months later," Goodman said about a girl he met while hanging out with people in the town. "But we just broke up."

However, if one asks Goodman if he had any speed bumps, so to speak, during his trip he would say he had several without hesitation. Early in Goodman's tour someone broke into his car while he performed.

"They ripped a hole in the car door underneath the lock and unlocked it," Goodman said.

"They stole my P.A. system and stole some shoes I bought and my bag of (shampoo and other

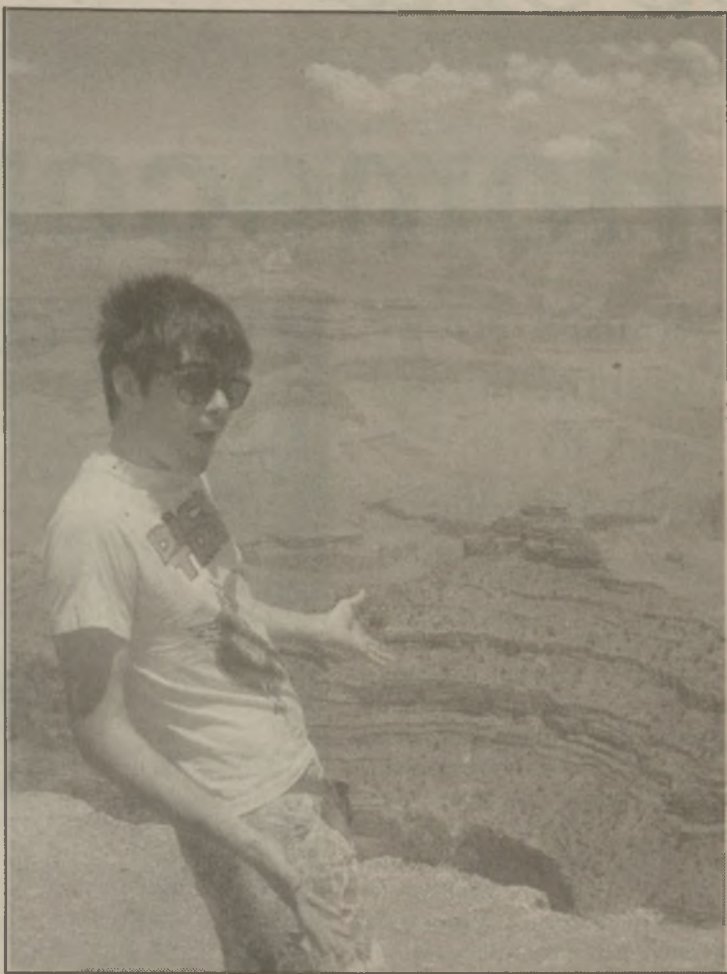


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Goodman in Arizona during his tour around the United States.

toiletries)."

Goodman said thankfully the thieves did not spot a wad of cash he stored in a Tupperware case in his trunk.

"It was sitting in the middle after everything else was gone," Goodman said. "I was like, wow, I can't believe they missed that."

Regardless, a shaken-up Goodman canceled his tour dates in Georgia, Florida and Tennessee as he returned to his hometown of St. Elmo, Ill. to fix his car and take a break before the final leg of his trip.

The last part included Houston, where he also experienced a "disgusting" situation with his gas can. Goodman was performing when he tasted water that might have had unwelcome guests.

"After the show the taste was still in my mouth ... and I went and I poured it out," Goodman said. "Some brown glob fell out of it. This place had roaches really bad. I think this big honking roach crawled in my gas can or something in the night and died or something and hung out in there."

Goodman's best memory, he said, was when he met World Wrestling Entertainment Commentator Jim Ross in his restaurant in Tulsa, Okla.

"He came over and talked to me for 20 minutes," Goodman said.

Fast forward several months to Monday in Edwardsville, where Goodman works at Target to make ends meet and continues to perform with a cardboard cutout of his hero, professional wrestler Shawn Michaels. Goodman said he is unsure of his touring future, but he ultimately wants to work for WWE.

"That's my plan, but you need experience and stuff like that," Goodman said. "(So I need to) get my resume built up so I can start applying there."

Goodman also tried publishing the now-defunct magazine "So Good!" but lost money, so advertising, for now, is out of the question.

Meanwhile, Arthur and Schmerheim both want Goodman to play for them again.

"I'm interested in seeing what he's doing now," Arthur said. "We haven't heard anything from him for about a year or so."

"As he was talking to me about it, I could tell he was a little tired and a little lonely because he was doing it by himself," Schmerheim said. "I hope he doesn't stop because I liked it and so did the crowd."

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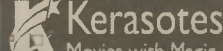
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One last practice

This past weekend, I had the opportunity to see the effect that athletics have on a community. It was the action on the field that became the reason for the event off the field, and regardless, the impact was shown in such great masses, that even the beer ran out.

On this previous Saturday, I was lucky enough to be one of the attendees of the Men's 2007-2008 Soccer Banquet. During this banquet, awards were given to the players and most importantly, the illustrious career of men's Head Soccer coach Ed Huneke was celebrated.

While the event was mainly held to give praise to the accomplishments on and off the field by the players in the Cougar uniforms, it seemed as if the truly overshadowing event was the support poured out by alumni, friends, families and fans of SIUE soccer.

Filling the Meridan Ballroom is one thing, but to have the Meridan Ballroom filled with current, previous and future supporters of SIUE soccer, all reminiscing about the past and hoping for the future, truly showed how deep this system rolls.

Soccer, in general, is more of a brotherhood than anything. I look at my father, who played with some of the greats currently in the St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame, and I look at the connection he has to his former teammates. It seems as though even if his career died, his friendship and bonds with his teammates will last forever.

During the banquet, which included a roast of Huneke, everyone got the chance to listen to former coaches, players and even family members of the coach. The testimonials from his players and family were enough to have grown men rubbing their eyes and saying to their wives, "This chicken has a lot of onions on it."

There was a moment when I knew I was attending something that truly showed how special this program and the overall SIUE athletic program is. I took

a moment and looked around the room. In attendance was the chancellor of the university, the athletic director, the vice chancellor, coaches from the other teams, players from other sports and most importantly, Ed Huneke's mother was in attendance.

It was then, as I sat at the back table, wondering how a sport where men kick a ball into a net has brought all of these people together. One sport has brought together so many different aspects of a campus. Writers to athletes. Teachers to students. Friends to family.

Sitting in the stands during the warm days of SIUE soccer and cuddling to stay warm while getting soaking wet during the cold and rainy ones, I have not only gotten to support the Cougars, but I have also built friendships that I will never forget. This is why I say that soccer is more than just men kicking a ball into a net. This sport is all about teamwork.

And that teamwork was truly exemplified last Saturday when the team, the coach, and in reality, all of their supporters, were honored. While everything on the field is the reason we were celebrating off the field, it seems that the true teamwork came together at the banquet.

This banquet was just one of the examples on why SIUE soccer is one of the driving forces behind this university.

Don't get me wrong, I am not saying that the other sports are not as important, but I do know that SIUE has been extremely high in the ranking of Division II in men's soccer attendance in the past couple of years.

While SIUE never won a national championship under the reign of Huneke, it seems that the friendship, the memories and the family bond that he instilled in all of the fans and supporters is the best thing that a coach can teach his players.

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Homecoming

Transfer brings freshman guard back to Edwardsville

by Zach Groves
Alestle Reporter

Kara Frandsen stepped on a basketball court Jan. 3 in a game situation as part of the team for the first time since she graduated from Edwardsville High School less than a year ago.

The freshman guard had just finished all her transfer paperwork the day before as she puts behind a semester of missed action on the Ball State University hardwood, where she planned to play her four years.

Instead, she played 14 minutes in the SIUE women's basketball team's 104-68 pounding of Missouri Baptist University at the Vadalabene Center. For now, she appears to be ready to wear SIUE's red and white for years to come.

"She's a little out of shape, that's why we kind of left her in there at the end and try to get her in shape the best that we can," SIUE Assistant Coach Lee Green said. "She's only practiced with us for about two weeks."

Frandsen recorded six points and three steals in her long-awaited college debut. She said she could feel the layoff catch up to her in her first competitive action since starting college.

"It's different because I worked out and ran and everything, but going from doing your own running to game situations is a ton different conditioning wise," Frandsen said. "So, it was tough the first week or two of practice, but I'm getting there."

The Alhambra native looks to be another 3-point shooting threat off the bench. SIUE Head Coach Wendy Hedberg and the coaching staff expects her to be one of the more knowledgeable players on the court.

"She's just going to make us better," Green said. "She understands the game, (she's) been well-coached in high



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Freshman Kara Frandsen drives to the lane in a game against the University of Indianapolis earlier this year. Frandsen transferred to SIUE from Ball State.

school."

Not only will Frandsen play in a familiar area as she played at Edwardsville High School, but she will also be reunited with fellow Tiger alumna Lindsey Rujawitz, a Cougars freshman forward. Together, the two helped lead Edwardsville to a 30-3 record their senior season and the Elite Eight of the Illinois High School Association state tournament.

According to the Ball State Athletics Web site, Frandsen is EHS' third all-time leading scorer with 1,327 points, third in steals with 219 and fourth with 255 assists in her high school career. Additionally, she holds the career record for highest free-throw percentage at 83.3, which complements an already strong group of free-throw shooters.

In fact, the Cougars shot more than 82 percent against MBU and are in third place in

the Great Lakes Valley Conference at 74 percent from the charity stripe. As a Cougar, Frandsen has made three of five free throws.

Frandsen also earned numerous accolades from IHSA's Southwestern Conference, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, the Belleville News-Democrat, the Alton Telegraph and the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association.

Green said he tried aggressively to recruit Frandsen out of high school, but as a Division II coach he competed with Division I offers, and she decided to head to Indiana and play for the Cardinals.

"Hopefully here, in another year or two, we'll start getting those kids," Green said of the Division I move's possible impact on recruiting star high school players.

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"She looked awesome, she's going to be a great addition to the team."

-Jessie Stapleton, junior

TRACK PREVIEW '08

Men's track looks to experience for success

by Zach Groves
Alestle Reporter

When junior Scott Block finds his name at the top of a list at a track meet result, he cannot help but be a little excited that he is in good company.

"I just think it's cool, looking at the list online and seeing your name on both of them," Block said, referring to his achievements in the shot put and weight throw events. "It's pretty neat."

Block, for the second straight meet in the SIUE men's track and field indoor season, dominated both areas by finishing first in the Eastern Illinois University Mega Meet last weekend.

Block threw for 18.91 meters in the weight throw, which was higher than his distance in the Missouri Invite and slightly outdid his 17.42-meter effort in the shot put with a 17.46-meter throw in the same event.

"I feel like I'm starting to come into where I want to be," Block said. "All the hard work is starting to pay off from so many years of drilling. I'm starting to get the drilling distances I want."

Block has already qualified for the NCAA Division II indoor national championship meet in Mankato, Minn. in shot put. Meanwhile, he is just inches in the weight throw from competing nationally in both of his specialties.

Block was not alone in his top finishes as junior Chris Wright took first in the 400-meter dash and junior

Chris Littleton placed third.

For a team that featured a group of runners who competed nationally last year in the relay with three of them returning, SIUE Head Coach David Astrauskas can expect another dominant season from an experienced core of men.

"We have a lot of guys that have experience," Astrauskas said. "I think that's a huge advantage, they know what to expect."

Additionally, Block and Littleton each recently earned Great Lakes Valley Conference honors for their achievements so far this season.

Astrauskas is also looking for a fourth runner in hopes of reaching the national pinnacle again.

"You train your athletes to peak in certain meets...in the conference championships," Astrauskas said.

Block expects promise from the rest of the field team, including junior Nick Schaecher in the high jump and triple jump as well as sophomore Eric Mammoser in the pole vault.

"I'm pretty sure that they're going to be a force," Block said.

The Cougars next compete in the Snowbird Classic Saturday in Jacksonville. SIUE will not compete outside until Saturday, March 29, in Columbia, Mo., for the Missouri Relays.

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Women's track filled with young talent

by Zach Groves
Alestle Reporter

Perhaps the SIUE women's track team is taking note from the University of Michigan's formerly famous "Fab Five" when looking at what appears to be a youthful roster.

According to SIUE Head Coach David Astrauskas and junior Deserea Brown, a group with eight freshmen and seven sophomores can still help the Cougars contend for the NCAA Division II national championship in California. Winslow is also an outside hitter for the SIUE volleyball team.

"We have some good jumpers that we brought in this year," Astrauskas said. "Coach (Ben) Beyers is working with them on some techniques. We don't know what we're going to expect right now (but) we're happy with what we've seen so far."

"Add these two in the mix ... that would make our conference really strong this year," Astrauskas said of Palovcsik and Winslow. "It could really help us team points wise."

"We're honestly looking better than we were last year, even with the freshmen and sophomores," Brown said. "I think the freshmen are pretty confident. They trust their training. It's very encouraging."

SIUE hopes to find dedicated athletes to fill the spots left open by All-Americans Tairisha Sawyer, Valerie Simmons and Callie Glover, as well as Lindsey DeFevers, who like the other

three, competed in the national championship last year. So far, Brown and senior Christine Butler are leading the way with Great Lakes Valley Conference honors, and the women's team included several members in the top five of last weekend's Eastern Illinois University Mega Meet.

The women fared better than the men, as not only did the women's relay team win the 400-meter dash, but Brown took first in the 600 and fifth in the 60-meter hurdles.

Also placing were junior Coreen Ellis who picked up first place in the 800, sophomore Juliet Alrich who claimed third in the 600-meter dash and sophomore Megan Dennis who finished third in the triple jump. Meanwhile, senior Kelly Flounders finished fourth in the 3,000-meter and Palovcsik took fourth in the long jump. Junior Angel Royston finished fifth in the 400.

"At any moment, anyone can take that spot," Brown said. "Right now, we're looking at (Ellis). She stepped up from day one."

The Cougars will compete in the Snowbird Classic Saturday in Jacksonville, Ill.

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SIUE takes two in Iowa

by Jacob Boone
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE Club Hockey team had a successful weekend in Iowa City, Iowa, taking two games from the University of Iowa 7-5 Friday 4-0, Saturday.

Iowa is ranked eighth in the Central Region, four spots ahead of SIUE.

"To beat them twice is really going to help our ranking; maybe it'll just get us to regionals," said interim Head Coach Scott Cloin.

Cloin said the team showed a lot of discipline in Iowa and that the Hawkeyes took more penalties than the Cougars did in both games, but especially in Friday's game.

"Our overall team game was better than theirs," Cloin said. "They had some pretty skilled players, but they couldn't take us on by themselves."

Cloin also said it was good for the team to go on the road and get a pair of wins, but getting these wins was a new experience for the Cougars because according to Cloin, the Hawkeyes play in a mall.

"We had to play pretty good because their ice surface isn't the best, and we had to make some adjustments due to the fact that the puck was bouncing around a lot," Cloin said. "I think we did that in between the first and second period in the first game and were pretty strong throughout."

Sophomore Michael Dolan led the Cougars with a hat trick

in Friday's win. Senior Matthew Steward and freshman Cory Beck each had a goal. Sophomores Ryan McTigue and Bill Shacklady also each had a goal.

"I think most of our young players are already good leaders," sophomore captain Ryan Salmon said. "I am excited to see how much they improve in that aspect of their games in the next couple of years."

In Saturday's 4-0 win, sophomore Daniel Guarino, freshman Ryan Thomas, Steward and Dolan all had one goal.

"It is important for the leaders to continue scoring," Dolan said. "But just like in Iowa, we need goals to come from every line."

The Cougars now prepare for Missouri State at 7 p.m. Saturday in Springfield, Mo. Missouri State is ranked fourth in the Central Region.

"It's one of the hardest places to play because they'll have a thousand fans down there going nuts, and it's one of the loudest rinks we'll probably play in," Cloin said. "But we'll use that to our advantage because there's nothing more fun than quieting a crowd of a thousand in somebody else's rink. If we can pull of a win down there, then we're in really great shape rolling into the playoffs."

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SIUE ended up gaining Frandsen's services, though a few months late. Frandsen said she did not "practice or anything," nor did she "even start playing with (the Cardinals)." She did not specify a reason for transferring from the Muncie, Ind. school to Edwardsville.

"Ball State wasn't for me," Frandsen said.

Frandsen said she feels at home with the Cougars. Simultaneously, her teammates appreciate her as much as she enjoys playing with them.

"She looked awesome, she's going to be a great addition to the team," junior forward Jessie Stapleton said of Frandsen's debut. "She's another offensive threat. She's a ball handler. She's got a very good court sense, so I think that will help us out a lot".

While Frandsen is allowed to play this season because she did not participate with Ball State, she is in a unique situation with her new team's move to Division

I athletics next season, which could make her sit out a year. Jaci DeClue, Assistant Athletic Director of Compliance and Student Services, said Frandsen transferred from a Division I school and with SIUE turning into a Division I program next year, she may have to serve a year of residency as part of NCAA guidelines and not suit up for the Cougars.

According to DeClue, had she transferred to a Division II school not in transition, she could automatically play out her four years of eligibility assuming it is a first-time transfer and she is academically eligible.

"(We need) to play our game and keep (other opponents) from shooting their threes and keep them lower than their average and just keep playing how we played in the second half," Frandsen said.

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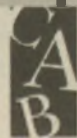
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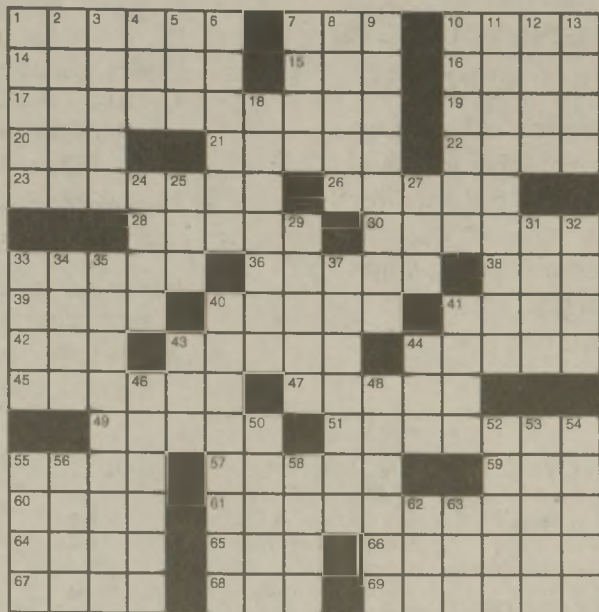
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ACROSS

- 1 Episodic TV show
- 7 Discontinuity
- 10 Gillette razor
- 14 Ultimatum words
- 15 Hitter's stat
- 16 Windfall
- 17 Buck
- 19 Turned around
- 20 Fruit concoction
- 21 Yeas and nays
- 22 Pindar's poems
- 23 Comes to rest
- 26 Publishable copy
- 28 Wiesbaden's state
- 30 More regal
- 33 Hunter of stars?
- 36 Picture in picture
- 38 Deposit
- 39 List of options
- 40 Aromatic wood
- 41 Astronauts' grp.
- 42 Rural stopover
- 43 Edible mushroom
- 44 Actress Black
- 45 Adopted
- 47 Finger or toe
- 49 Foolish old fogies
- 51 Welty and others
- 55 Jazz singer Laine
- 57 Make amends
- 59 Writer Burrows
- 60 Sound a horn
- 61 \$ relative
- 64 Naysayer's position
- 65 Hanoi holiday
- 66 Censorious address
- 37 Get up
- 68 Full-house letters
- 69 Injures maliciously



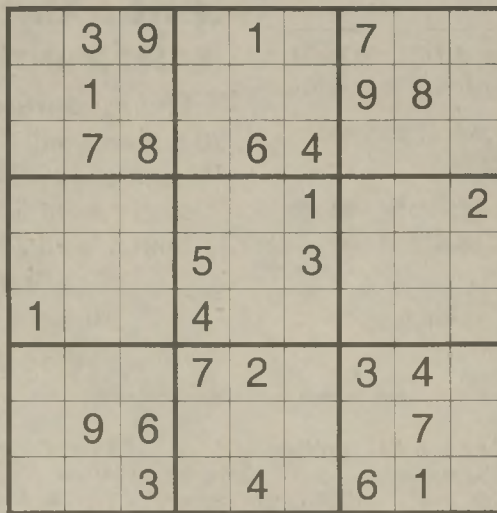
- 3 Sublease a flat
- 4 Off one's feed
- 5 NASA's ISS partner
- 6 Waits on
- 7 Indomitable spirit
- 8 More competent
- 9 Bohemian lager
- 10 Engross wholly
- 11 Highest price
- 12 Reprobate
- 13 Sheridan and Miller
- 18 More domineering
- 24 Quaker pronoun
- 25 Actor Cariou
- 27 Betting pool
- 29 Cut off
- 31 Let up
- 32 Pitcher Nolan
- 33 Fail to mention
- 34 Gambling mecca
- 35 Guileless ones
- 37 Noticeable
- 40 Gets in touch with
- 41 European defense assn.
- 43 Bossy's bellow
- 44 Little nipper
- 46 Wild and crazy
- 48 Invitees
- 50 Longhorn
- 52 Capital near Casablanca
- 53 Domicile
- 54 Monica of tennis
- 55 Burn slightly
- 56 Actress Anderson
- 58 Not fooled by
- 62 Puppy bark
- 63 Med. scan

DOWN

- 1 Nehi and Pepsi
- 2 Crumble away

SUDOKU

By Michael Mepham



Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

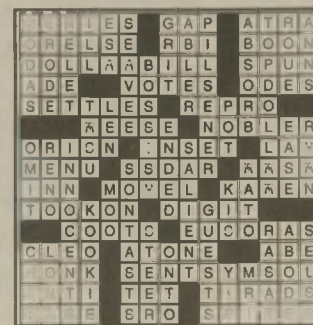
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Mystic Stars: weekly horoscope

By Lasha Seniuk

Week of Jan. 28 - Feb. 3, 2007

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Loved ones will this week require affirmation concerning family identity or their role in the group. Schedule extra activities, if possible, and offer creative ideas. Don't hold back: social involvement needs to increase. After mid-week clarify outstanding debts or financial restrictions. Accuracy is vital: over the next few weeks expect increased paperwork and newly defined documents. For friends and relatives money management is now a key concern: stay focused.

TAURUS (April 21-May 20)

Over the next 8 days social relations may be emotionally complex and draining. If so, watch for friends or work mates to publicly review past events, challenge established ideas or cancel last minute invitations. Refuse to be derailed and expect others to be moody and self-involved. After Thursday some Taureans will encounter a unique invitation from an older colleague or official. Long-term study or special training may be on the agenda. Remain flexible: much is changing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

Financial increase, new investments or large purchases are now a key theme. Some Geminis will this week evaluate long-term career potential or plan revised budgets. Shared ideas will now bring positive results: discuss all small improvements with loved ones and be sure to ask for valuable hints. Late this week a powerful wave of nostalgia and emotional sensitivity arrives. Study past patterns and outdated relationships for obvious clues: vital wisdom is available.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Romantic overtures are difficult to resist this week. New friends or potential lovers will soon challenge your views, ask for special attention or disrupt daily habits. Carefully consider all invitations and proposals. By mid-February key decisions may be required in all long-term relationships. Friday through Sunday watch for loved ones to reveal their private

observations or social opinions. Remain attentive: hidden information now needs to be confidently discussed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Yesterday's romantic promises now need to be clarified. After Tuesday expect loved ones and long-term friend to question your past obligations or social choices. For friends and lovers misinformation may be an underlying influence: provide honest and detailed explanations. Late this weekend watch for a steady increase in physical and emotional vitality. Many Leos are now ending a fairly intense phase of inward thought. Go slowly and respond honestly to new ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Group politics are this week dramatic and unpredictable. Pay special attention to the social needs of younger friends or colleagues and watch for bothersome disputes. Over the next 6 days private resentments may rise quickly to the surface. Consistency will bring the desired results: respond with empathy and expect others to follow your lead. Late Saturday a surprising financial or business proposal may prove unreliable. Pace yourself and wait for detailed information.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Home discussions will work to your advantage this week. Over the next few days watch for long-term friends or close relatives to gently probe for your opinion. Areas affected are planned events, group relations or repeated family patterns. Don't hesitate to become involved: your experience is valid. After Friday business decisions and new employment options require careful study. Check facts, calculations or estimates before taking risks: numbers may be unreliable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

A sudden flash of wisdom may now clarify a recently strained relationship. After Monday expect complex triangles, family decisions or rare romantic differences to be a central theme. Social timing is important: study

all observations or insights before revealing your concerns. Thursday through Saturday accents repeated romantic patterns and outdated home obligations. Minor tensions may temporarily escalate: wait for obvious signals before asking for final answers.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Sensuality and romantic trust will now demand extra dedication. Early this week some Sagittarians will be presented with a unique choice between short-term attraction and long-term commitment. New flirtations may quickly fade: opt for emotional consistency and predictable ethics. After Thursday a friend or relative may demand added loyalty or a bold display of public affection. Don't hesitate: loved ones need to witness clear statements and obvious emotions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

Long-term relationships will this week move to a new level of intimacy. Home commitments and family trust are a key source of support. Ask loved ones for extra time or dedication: you won't be disappointed. Over the next few days group awareness and emotional stability are on the rise. Respond quickly to invitations and expect friends or colleagues to help plan large events. Stay open: confidence and inclusive discussions will now bring resolution to minor power struggles.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)

Business negotiations are this week delicate but worthwhile. After Monday expect key officials to offer unique workplace improvements or long-term financial solutions. Later this week search out fresh social outlets. New friendships and creative activities will help build confidence and, for many Aquarians, end a brief but intense phase of self-doubt. Yesterday's disappointments or romantic regrets are no longer valid: use every opportunity possible to nurture new social outlets.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Close relationships may now

experience a subtle phase of isolation or disagreement. Freedom versus restriction in the home, and social boredom are strong themes. Clearly outline all expectations: before next week loved ones will respond positively to an honest discussion of your intentions. After Friday some Pisceans may be asked to repair the recent mistakes of a colleague or work official. Offer bold suggestions: your ideas will be welcomed and respected.

If your birthday is this week: Friends, lovers and close relatives may temporarily avoid difficult decisions or personal questions over the next few weeks. Areas affected are long-term commitments, schedules or family obligations. After Feb. 22, isolation or doubt will fade. Remain patient and expect steady progress throughout March. Long-term relationships that are intended to remain in your life will become clearly defined before the end of April. After June 14 watch also for a sudden career proposal. New partnerships and divided workplace duties are highlighted. Much of 2008 will bring complex and meaningful social, romantic and employment decisions. Stay alert: it's time to boldly state your needs, expectations and demands.

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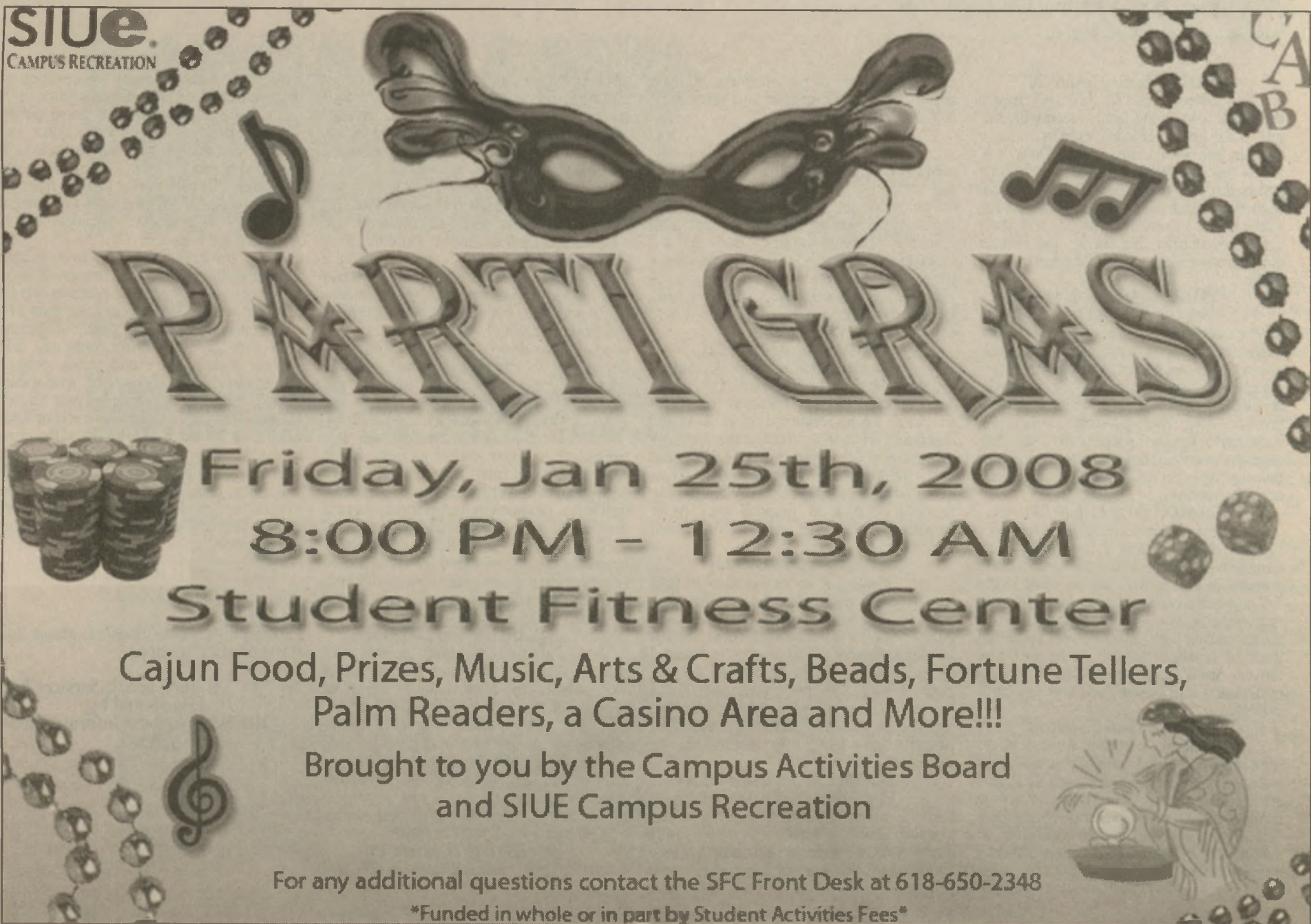
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