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The board of trustees informally approved in-state tuition rates for SIUC students from Missouri, Kentucky and Indiana on Monday.

Bordering states may have lower tuition rate

by Erika Helmerichs
Alestle Opinion Editor

Tuition changes at Southern Illinois University Carbondale have spurred discussion of similar plans for SIUE.

The Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees informally approved tuition changes for SIUC Monday, allowing students from Missouri, Kentucky and Indiana to pay in-state student rates.

One of the predominant reasons SIUC originally proposed to allow this

in-state tuition for out-of-state students was due to low enrollment during the last several years, according to BOT Chair Roger Tedrick.

"Carbondale has been struggling," Tedrick said. "They're looking for ways to open doors and become affordable to more students."

For SIUC, this proposed plan would begin by providing lowered tuition to students from Missouri, Kentucky and Indiana, according to Rod Seivers, spokesperson for SIUC.

"Carbondale is close to Missouri,

Kentucky is about an hour away and Indiana isn't much farther," Seivers said. "Universities in these states have already been offering this type of incentive to students."

Seivers said both SIU campuses will be "leveling the playing field" by enacting changes in admissions.

"Out-of-state students have been paying 2.5 times the tuition rates of in-state students for a while now," Seivers said. "For an out-of-state student at SIUC taking 15 hours of classes, the cost

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New member joins board of trustees

Former SIU student takes 18-month vacancy on the board

by Allan Lewis
Alestle Reporter

The Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees has a new member with the addition of Bill Bonan Friday, after approval by the governor's office and an 18-month vacancy on the board.

Bonan takes over for Samuel Goldman, who left the board in April 2007 to serve as interim chancellor for the Southern Illinois University Carbondale campus. The board of trustees serves the entire SIU system, including SIUE.

"I appreciate the governor's confidence in me and look forward to making whatever contribution I can to ensure that this university continues to thrive," Bonan said in a press release issued by the BOT Monday.

The 29-year-old Bonan is an alumnus of the system, with a bachelor's degree from SIUC, and is the president of the Southern region of Peoples National Bank.

Brian Williams, spokesperson for the office of Gov. Rod Blagojevich, said Bonan has been actively involved in the region and has won numerous awards from his involvement.

"In 2006, he was the Southern Business Advocate of the Year and Saline County Citizen of the Year and was voted the Southern Illinois Leader Among Us in 2007," Williams said.

According to David Gross, spokesman for the office of the SIU president, Bonan's appointment is effective

immediately and is pending Illinois State Senate approval.

"It is pending confirmation by the Senate, but he will be at the December meeting," Gross said.

Williams said the BOT slot is a non-salaried position, and Bonan's credentials qualify him for the job.

"After getting the approval of the governor and looking at his resume, I can say he is well qualified for the position," Williams said.

During his career, Bonan has served on several business and community boards, including the Friends of Society Advisory Board, United Way Board and the Board of the Guardian Center. Bonan has also been active in the Rotary Club, Lions Club, Elks Club and Kiwanis, as well as the Southern Illinois Community Foundation.

Bonan is currently the director for Market Street Bancshares, Inc., the holding company for Peoples National Bank, alongside his presidential position.

Continuing success within the university system is a goal Bonan hopes to accomplish during his tenure on the BOT.

"Southern Illinois University's continued success is important, not only to the faculty, staff and students that keep this university strong, but also the overall economic prospects of the region," Bonan said in the press release.

The SIU Board of Trustees will next meet in Carbondale on Dec. 11.

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Top: Fall grounds manager Dan Mueller works on The Gardens at SIUE, which is a Missouri Botanical Signature Garden established to connect people with plants. Right: Wind chimes at The Gardens.



Photo courtesy of SIUE photo services

Celebrate the season

The Friends of The Gardens to host a day of activities for the SIUE community to engage with nature

by Soni Kumar
Alestle Reporter

It's the time of year when the wind blows, the leaves fall and change from green to orange, and the colors of autumn are on display in The Gardens at SIUE.

The Friends of The Gardens at SIUE are hosting a day of activities Sunday to give people of the SIUE and Edwardsville communities an opportunity to enjoy the colors of the season during this fall semester.

The event will take place at The Gardens at SIUE from 1 to 4 p.m.

Director of The Gardens Doug Conley said The Friends of The Gardens is a membership group to connect people around SIUE and the

surrounding communities to the variety of opportunities and resources The Gardens has to offer.

"This is their first big event The Friends of the Gardens are hosting," Conley said. "Their job is to raise awareness in the community."

The event will provide an array of activities ranging from live performances by the SIUE Suzuki Strings and the Metro-East brass quintet, a leaf hunt, birdhouse building and caramel apple making.

"We are focusing on family friendly hands-on activity opportunities for all ages," Conley said.

Award-winning author Jennifer Ward will also be at the event engaging in dirt-filled activities and

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Police Reports

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Police issued Catherine L. Ellsworth a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

Police issued Michael H. Koniak a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on North University Drive.

Police issued Janet C. Sutter a citation for speeding on North University Drive.

10-14
Police issued Sally E. Dorries a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

10-16
Michele Y. Beemon was arrested in connection with failing to appear in court on a previous offense. Beemon was processed, posted bond and was released.

Police issued Christopher L. Densmore a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor

vehicle on Cougar Lake Drive.

Police issued Tamara Rae McMullen a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on University Park Drive.

10-17
Police issued Jameka E. Echols a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

10-21
Amber M. Cornwell was arrested in connection with illegal possession of cannabis and illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor, and Tyran K. Ludy was arrested in connection with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor. The two were found in a car with open doors parked next to the Cougar Village Commons building. Both were processed and Cornwell posted bond. Both were given notices to appear and both were released.

Police issued Andrew D. Morrow a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

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showcasing her popular children's book, "I Love Dirt," featuring a variety of outdoor crafts and activities to discover nature.

People will have a chance to become a member of The Friends of The Gardens during the day.

The first 50 people who sign up to become a member will receive a free copy of Jennifer's book, "I Love Dirt."

Conley said The Gardens are used for a variety of different activities and events.

"We are providing a place of relaxation and enjoyment," Conley said. "We have hosted two weddings here."

Conley said The Gardens are bigger than they may seem.

"It's a 35-acre botanical garden under development on campus," Conley said. "It's a positive garden with a lot of public involvement."

Conley said The Gardens are constantly developing new grounds and coming up with new ideas to keep it moving forward in beauty and pleasure.

The Gardens are a Missouri Botanical Signature Garden established to connect people with plants.

The Gardens recently had their annual review by the Missouri Botanical Gardens. Conley said the Missouri Botanical Gardens were very impressed with the property maintenance.

"The Gardens are signature because we are constantly improving horticultural display, the education

components and the community involvement," Conley said.

Dan Mueller, the fall grounds manager at The Gardens, said the foliage in the area is diverse.

"The landscape differs from wetlands, prairies and field grounds," Mueller said.

Mueller said he likes working at The Gardens because he always sees something different or new in his job.

"I like working outdoors," Mueller said. "There is something different going on every week. There are botany projects, construction, special projects, not just mowing, trimming or planting."

According to Suzanne Kutterer-Sibert, the assistant director of leadership volunteer services, the SIUE community enjoys helping out with The Gardens' events and activities.

"Students love volunteering out there and doing more environmental programs. They really enjoy it," Sibert said. "They assist in planting flowers, removing things that don't belong there, developing bulb gardens, a variety of things."

Conley said last year more than 300 students volunteered at The Gardens.

"One thousand volunteer hours were put in by SIUE students," Conley said.

For more information about The Gardens, go to <http://www.siu.edu/gardens/>.

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Groups seek acceptance from Senate

Alestle Staff Report

Two tabled student organization constitution matters will be discussed when Student Government meets Friday, along with two additional reviews and two travel requests.

The Powerlifting Club of SIUE will put their constitution before the Senate in order to become recognized by Kimmel Leadership Center. The club failed to have a representative present when the Senate met Oct. 10. Revisions to the Psychology Club constitution were tabled until the organization met with the Student Organization Advisory Board.

Other groups vying for constitutional acceptance include the SIUE chapter of the Aerospace Club and Ducks Unlimited SIUE.

The Kinesiology Student Association and Christian Student Fellowship are set to present the Senate with \$550 requests to attend annual conventions.

Students wishing to address the Senate through an open forum can do so during the meeting.

Student Government is scheduled at 2 p.m. in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge.

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Discover different cultures during International Week

Booths and performances included in the showcase

by **Brittany Zehr**
Alestle Correspondent

Students from around the world travel to SIUE to study each year, and beginning Tuesday, the International Student Council will showcase the diverse cultures as part of International Week.

International Week will take place Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Morris University Center. Students will have the opportunity to view multicultural booths set up in the Goshen Lounge and watch live performances of professional international groups.

The theme for this year's International Week and International Night is "A Coming Together of Nations," continuing a tradition of bringing together countries since 1997.

According to the International Student Council Mission

Statement, ISC provides cultural, educational and recreational ideas of students of various ethnic origins in an educational, cultural and social atmosphere to SIUE and the community. SIUE is home to students from around 50 nations.

Sophomore pre-med major Reena Limbachia and junior history major Ben Sheets, both members of International Student Council, will host International Night.

"We have been working hard, have raised money and are fully prepared to be ready for the upcoming week," Limbachia said.

The countries and student organizations that will be

represented at International Week this year include: the Indian Student Association, African Student Association, Chinese Student Association, Nepal Student Association, Ethiopia, Turkey, Benin, Denmark, Spain, Germany, France, Latin America, Japan, Iranian Student Association, International Student Council, SIUE Cricket Club and SPEAC.

This year's performers for International Week include

"International Week, as always, provides an opportunity ... to get acquainted with many cultures that are represented at the university."

-Ksenia Petrova,
business major, president of
International Student Council

musicians Farshid & Friends, who will play Persian, Latin, Gypsy and Fusion music Tuesday. On Wednesday, Dubtronix Reggae Band, which performs Caribbean style music, will play from 11 a.m. to noon. Wednesday will also feature an African dance group from noon to 1 p.m.

Limbachia said this year is different from other years in a variety of ways. She said there has been a lot more involvement, which has helped to keep things on track in being prepared for the event.

"It isn't chaotic, so that's a good thing," Limbachia said.

There are new bands this year, as well as the participation

of students from other schools that will come to visit and experience different cultures from around the world.

Also this year, ISC has invited three fifth grade classes to go around to the different booths and enjoy the African dance group on Wednesday. They will have 'passports' that will be stamped at each booth to make it look like they visited the different countries.

International Night will take place from 6 until 9 p.m. Nov. 1 in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom. Junior business major Ksenia Petrova is president of International Student Association, and said visitors will get a chance to enjoy cuisine prepared from real recipes brought by SIUE international students, as well as watch performances of many international students.

Limbachia said Petrova was a key player in bringing these students together for International Week. "International Week, as always, provides an opportunity for students, faculty, staff and visitors of SIUE to get acquainted with many cultures that are represented at the university," Petrova said.

Junior political science major Brittany Meyer of East Peoria said she is intrigued by International Night.

"I've never been to International Night, but I have seen a bunch of signs, and it looks cool, so I might go this year," Meyer said.


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Junior speech communication major Casey Cunningham from Okawville reads information about The League of Women Voters of Edwardsville Wednesday in the Stratton Quadrangle.

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is \$17,437.50 every year, not including housing or any fees."

Here at SIUE, out-of-state students pay \$14,625 each semester for 15 credit hours, while in-state students pay only \$5,850.

"SIUE has asked for out-of-state tuition to be changed to be 1.2 times the in-state rate, as opposed to the more than double rate it is now," BOT Chair Roger Tedrick said. "We also plan on targeting this plan towards a specific type of student."

Tedrick said the proposed changes for out-of-state tuition at SIUE would allow "high achieving and talented students" to enjoy a less expensive university education.

"We've got two good schools that we want to bring students into," he said. "It will create greater diversity and a wider range of students at the universities."

Tedrick said the implementation of the new tuition rate at SIUE would "enhance the academic quality of the Edwardsville campus."

"This financial incentive gives these universities the ability to go after better students and gives them a tool to use to recruit these students," Tedrick said.

Senior mass communications major Kelly Cato of St. Louis pays out-of-state tuition and said it is currently "too high" for her

relative nearness to the campus. Cato said she chose SIUE, despite the hefty tuition, because of its standing as "one of the best" schools for mass communications students.

"I always get asked why I go to SIUE, and I tell them it is a great school," Cato said. "You use equipment here that you will see in your field, whereas in lot of schools in St. Louis, you don't have that equipment."

Cato said she thinks lowering tuition for out-of-state students will definitely facilitate SIUE's growth with the addition of many students who would have previously opted not to pay the higher rates.

Greg Conroy, director of public affairs, said SIUE will have a plan of action for the tuition changes ready by the next board of trustees meeting in December.

"Everything is still in the detail stages," Conroy said. "It's too early to discuss the details."

As of Wednesday afternoon, Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift could not be reached for comment on the proposal for tuition change at SIUE.

No final or official decisions regarding tuition changes at both SIUE and SIUC will be made until the next BOT meeting on Dec. 11.

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To Parking Services: a motorist's proposal

I have to admit, I've never been the best at avoiding tickets on campus.

First, I forgot to get a hangtag and was ticketed. The next day, when I went inside to get my hangtag, I found my car had once again been ticketed within that short amount of time. I have also, on occasion, been ticketed when using other's cars during oil changes, and in this past week for putting an insufficient amount of change in a parking meter.

I had never seen the parking administrators before this semester, but now it seems as if I see them everywhere from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on most days enforcing parking law. It doesn't matter if I'm turning in a camera for one of my video production classes at 9 a.m. or heading into the Morris University Center to record a night of poetry at 7:30 p.m. because they are always there, watching the meters and eyeing the hangtags.



**Jeff
Mason**

When I received my latest ticket I was admittedly frustrated, but then I thought of the possibilities the university could have if it simply embraced its parking authority to the fullest extent. Why have only the eight people patrol the SIUE parking lots when you could double it?

There are infinite possibilities for the program if it would be welcomed on campus. More violators of parking law would be caught, which results in more tickets and more money for the university. Just imagine the ground that could be covered by a full force of parking administrators. Then the campus authority could keep order in the parking lots of SIUE during business hours with incredible might.

A smart administration would also use this extra staff to charge money for event parking such as sports games, job fairs and shows performed on campus. The added staff would break records for tickets handed out and would help out the university during the current financial crisis. Prices for parking passes could also be raised for an even bigger

boom in revenue.

The extra funds made by the tickets, event parking and parking passes could be used to buy better, more efficient vehicles such as Segways, more advanced ticketing technology or, perhaps, even go toward helping the SIUE Police by hiring more night time security so students don't get beaten and robbed at gunpoint or have their vehicles broken into in the parking lots.

With all the ground covered during the day time, surely more can be covered during the night to protect the students at SIUE, especially with Halloween just around the corner. SIUE has plenty of parking officials roaming around during the day. Why not up the staff, and not just the patrols, at night time too, even if it isn't as profitable as tickets? After all, it's not the ones who violate parking meter law who are the problem.

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McCain's cult following turns the political "Kool-Aid" sour

I distinctly remember last semester when primaries were the biggest thing in politics and there was a concern about the increasing numbers of supporters for Obama.

As many usually consider such fervor and excitement, many were accused of being a part of the "Cult of Obama." With most trying to keep a cautious eye and stay away from the implication of following a cult, many soon wised up and became educated about their candidate. The crazed "fandom" was brought to an end without a drop in supporters.

As I'm looking at the state of the race, McCain's numbers have dropped considerably after three straight ties or losses in the debates. The uber-right are either upset about how McCain desires to win at all costs or even blindly following him. The rest may have been scared into believing in McCain. No one's said it yet, but it needs to be said: I

smell a cult forming.

Have you seen CNN or MSNBC play the infamous video, "Obama's an Arab" every hour or even attended a rally where words like Terrorist or "LLLiberal" (with extra emphasis on the L) are heard the most? Most of the people I see on TV or around this county who say they will vote for McCain are becoming a little more fervent and aggressive for their side, and it's getting uglier by the day.

Now, this may be natural when the election is getting closer, right? No, it isn't. When people get to the point where they spout awful things that are untrue (about Obama being a terrorist or hating America) and act childish when told the truth ("Na Na Na, I'm not listening" someone once told me), then it's time to step back and see if a part of the population is growing more like a "cult." However, I don't see anyone trying to truly educate themselves on the subject.

Now, having drunk the Kool-Aid last year, I realize I spun everything in favor of my choice for president, Obama. It was rather light, but very noticeable. I didn't really care

about evidence, as long as Obama said it or supported it.

Then I got to the point where I noticed I was farther from my beliefs than ever. Being cultish limits your ability to think clearly and come up with your own positions. In a "cult," you are more likely to blindly follow the party lines than to stand up for your own beliefs.

Yet, this is exactly what is happening with the McCain campaign and his followers. Everyone jumps on the bandwagon, thus losing common sense and American unity (not only for "Pro-Americans").

I'm not saying Obama is without faults. Obama and McCain both make negative campaign ads and do jab each other rather hard with preposterous accusations, but on McCain's side, the negativity is spilling over into the supporters.

The Kool-Aid's gone to the other hand, folks, and it's growing sourer than ever.

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Famous trumpeter strikes a chord

Crispian Steele-Perkins performs with wind symphony

by **Jeremy Clinton**
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE Concert Band and Wind Symphony played host to world-renowned trumpeter Crispian Steele-Perkins Tuesday in the Dunham Hall Theater.

Students filled the theater to capacity to hear the legendary trumpeter perform some earlier versions of classic songs with what Steele-Perkins called "historic trumpets."

"I would consider myself more of a music archeologist," Steele-Perkins said. "Most of what I do is take old, busted instruments and restore them to how they naturally were. Then I play them as how they were in the early years when the original owner had them."

Some of the trumpets Steele-Perkins has restored and performs with are more than 500 years old.

During the concert, Steele-Perkins described and demonstrated some of the classic trumpets he uses, along with a bit of British humor.

Steele-Perkins is best known for his trumpet solos with early, valve-less trumpets. In his early career, he played with the English National Opera and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. He has helped in the development of scores for productions from Handel to themes and popular classics such as James Bond, according to Steele-Perkins' Web site.

Music professor John Korak, who performed with Steele-Perkins Tuesday, said he was impressed not only by Steele-Perkins' talent, but also by his personality.

"It was just a joy to play along the side of a man of Steele-Perkins' caliber," Korak

said. "His music transcends national boundaries, but what type of musician he is really stands out. He is a fabulous performer that is easy to work with and is really down to earth."

SIUE music students spent time learning from Steele-Perkins on Monday as he taught them more about the classic trumpet and music history behind them.

Junior history secondary education major Nathan Hill of Springfield, a trumpeter for the SIUE Concert Band, said it was an honoring experience to spend time with Steele-Perkins.

"I was excited to play with a man of his caliber and skills," Hill said. "He's an inspirational musician."

Sophomore psychology major and trumpet player Jason Skelton from Bethalto said performing with Steele-Perkins was a once in a lifetime opportunity.

"I've never had a chance like this to play with a legendary musician as Steele-Perkins," Skelton said. "We played with him (Monday) and it was a great opportunity that I will never forget."

In his years of playing, Steele-Perkins has traveled to many countries and performed countless times for various crowd sizes, and said when he creates music, he tries to teach and play it as it would have been in the past.

"Back in the Victorian era, the musicians really slowed down the songs. Everybody thinks of British music as grand organs and deep music, but this isn't the case," Steele-Perkins said. "Rather, the bands and musicians would be in smaller bands."

Korak said Steele-Perkins' understanding of music's history was evident at his



Sean Roberts/Alestle

Crispian Steele-Perkins, a world renowned trumpet player, performed with the SIUE Concert Band and Wind Symphony Tuesday night.

performance and in his teaching.

"The performance that (Steele-Perkins) gave tonight was outstanding, but the history and life he brought to the stage was something you don't see every day," Korak said.

SIUE was one stop for Steele-Perkins on his tour, and he said soon he will return to Britain for a few days of relaxation.

Steele-Perkins said after years of performing, he will continue because of his love for the trumpet.

"I still enjoy doing it, and I don't see myself doing anything else," Steele-Perkins said. "I've been in and out of music styles

in my youth, but my drive for the classic trumpet led me to where I am today."

Steele-Perkins said his best advice for those pursuing a career in music is to find "a motif that you feel you are comfortable and well suited for and you'll make it, but you have to have the drive."

Steele-Perkins' appearance was made possible by the Excellence in Undergraduate Education Program. For more information about Steele-Perkins, go to <http://www.crispiansteele-perkins.co.uk/>.

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Coffee Concert provides casual atmosphere for audience

by **Soni Kumar**
Alestle Reporter

The Department of Music is stepping away from the traditional orchestra setting to provide a different listening environment for classical music with their first Coffee Concert of the year Monday.

The Coffee Concert will begin 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom.

According to music professor Linda Perry, the Meridian Ballroom is a more casual setting for the audience.

"It's away from the typical setting of orchestra, not so formal," Perry said. "(A) more relaxed setting than most classical concerts."

There will also be an intermission during the concert, at which time coffee and desserts will be provided to the people who attend.

Perry said Music Department faculty will play sonatas from the classical music era and sounds from famous composers such as George Fredrick Handel, Ludwig von Beethoven and Johannes Brahms.

There will also be music by other composers and some featuring faculty music, Perry said.

Perry said the faculty will play chamber music from around the 17th century to present day. Classical chamber music is made up of groups of two to five players.

The Music Department has put on the Coffee Concert for the past 30 years.

According to Perry, the only differences from last

year's concert are new pieces of music.

The orchestra presented in the concert will consist of one tenor voice, a pianist, a trumpet player, a violinist and a cellist.

Perry will play the piano, and music professor John Korak will play the trumpet.

"For our portion of the program, we are going to do some transcriptions of Handel, and excerpts from opera replacing the orchestra with one singer and one pianist," Korak said. "They are very enjoyable, very tuneful and a nice show of voice in competition of music."

The tenor will be professor Marc Schapman, who is the director of the opera theater program at SIUE.

"These pieces are quite difficult for the soloist. The singer must emulate the virtuosic trumpet playing of the Baroque era and manage difficult runs and high vocal range," Schapman said.

Schapman said typically he is cast in romantic tenor roles, but in this piece he has the opportunity to portray the villains.

Korak said the imagery of the music shows this.

"The music evokes an image of friendly rivalry between the tune and the tenor," Korak said.

The pieces will be played in chronological order of when they were composed.

Perry said students are welcomed to the event to learn and enjoy this type of music.

"Students come because they enjoy music. If they like (the) classical idiom they would like these pieces very much," Perry said.



The next Coffee Concert will take place on Jan. 26 and another on March 30.

Tickets are free for students at the Box Office in Dunham Hall. Tickets are \$10 for general admission.

For more information, call the SIUE Department of Music at 650-3900.

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Greek Goddess competition raises AIDS awareness

by Ben McDonald
Alestle Reporter

Sigma Phi Epsilon will offer a different form of fall entertainment than haunted houses this Saturday as they host their 4th Annual Greek Goddess pageant.

Doors to the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom open at 7 p.m. and the pageant starts at 8 p.m.

The pageant is Sigma Phi Epsilon's largest fundraiser of the year, according to senior business major Chris Blanchard, coordinator of the pageant.

All proceeds from the event go to Sigma Phi Epsilon's national philanthropy, Youth AIDS.

Blanchard said last year the fundraiser brought in more than \$4,000, and Sigma Phi Epsilon expects this year's Greek Goddess pageant to be bigger yet.

"Attendance has increased quite a bit each year, probably due to the increasing number of students attending SIUE," Blanchard said.

Since the popularity of the event has grown, so has the number of contestants. Blanchard said this year there will be about nine contestants.

Sophomore mechanical engineering major Bryan Jones will be a pageant escort for the event. Jones said the fraternity enjoys hosting the pageant because it is a competitive and fun way to raise money.

Jones said students should come out to participate for several reasons.

"Students should come out because number one, it's for a good cause, number two, it's alcohol free, and number three, it's something to do on campus on a Saturday night," Jones said. "It's a good time, and

"Students should come out because it's something to do ... on a Saturday night ... It's a good time, and you're missing out if you don't go."

- Bryan Jones,
sophomore mechanical engineering student

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Early childhood education major and pageant contestant from Alpha Sigma Tau Samantha Schafer said there are three events the contestants will be judged on: the native wear (clothes from their respective fraternities/sororities), formal wear and sleep wear. Schafer said the contestants do not have to be Greek to participate.

"Contestants don't have to be in

a sorority," Schafer said. "Any student involved in a student organization can be nominated to be in the pageant. They are then assigned to represent one of the fraternities if they aren't in a sorority ... but since it is a fraternity that puts it on, most of the contestants are Greek."

The popularity of the contest is due in part to the set up of the pageant.

"Frats and sororities get to battle other frats and sororities," Jones said.

The competitive nature of the pageant is one of its strongest attributes, and no contest is complete without a prize.

"The winner wins a handmade paddle from (Sigma Phi Epsilon) and, of course, bragging rights," Jones said.

Schafer said the winner of the competition isn't the only one who goes home with a prize.

"There are runner-up prizes as well, like best dressed, most spirit and more. Everyone goes home a winner," Schafer said.

While colors and decorations may have changed, the pageant format has not since its beginning four years ago.

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it," Jones said.

Tickets for the event are \$5, which counts for four free votes. Each additional vote is \$1. For more information, contact Chris Blanchard at cblanch@siue.edu.

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The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity has been hosting the Greek Goddess pageant for the past three years. It is a fundraiser to bring awareness of Youth AIDS.



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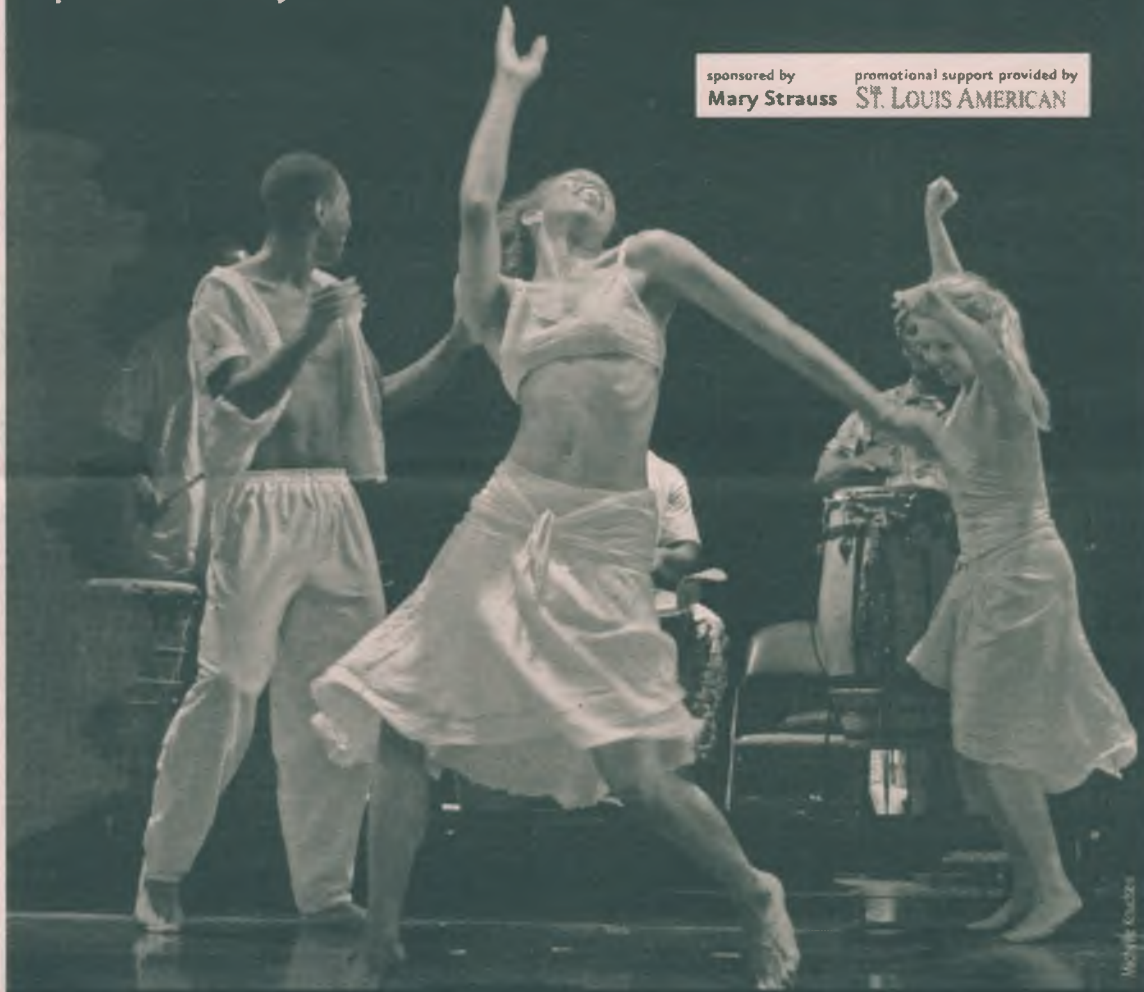
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Volleyball team nets Redhawks Tuesday

by Allan Lewis
Alestle Reporter

The volleyball team used a total team effort in dispatching Southeast Missouri State University Tuesday, 20-25, 25-16, 25-22 and 25-21 to improve to 9-10 on the season and 3-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Sophomore outside hitter Noelle Franke of Ballwin, Mo., had a breakout game for SIUE, knocking down 12 kills while hitting over .400 and committing just one error. Franke was one of four Cougars to contribute with double digit kills, as sophomore outside hitter Sydney Winslow of Farmington, Mo., led the team with 14. Senior middle hitters Kelsey Hubert of Freeburg and Samantha Schulte of Kenosha, Wis., each tallied 10.

As a team, the Cougars hit .292 for the match with 64 kills, while senior setter Mallory Clements once again set the tone for the Cougar offense, compiling eight kills to go along with 45 assists and nine digs.

"Mallory did a great job spreading the ball around, and our blocking and back row defense played well," volleyball Head Coach Todd Gober said. "(Clements and Schulte) played a very aggressive match, and when you have players like that it is contagious."

Net play and defense were deciding factors in the victory, as the Cougars racked up 11 blocks, compared to five from SEMO, while senior middle hitter Emily Rahn of Waukesha, Wis., paced the team with 15 digs and junior libero Tiffany Turner of Mt. Pulaski came out with 13. Freshman setter Kelly Farrell of Crystal Lake added five digs and provided a spark on the defensive end for SIUE.

"Kelly came in and really

"I think we got into their heads a bit."

- Todd Gober,
Head coach

made some great saves the rest of the team fed off of," Gober said. "Our block really started to dominate and control them quite a bit. We were able to control the tempo and flow of the game and run our offense very efficiently."

The match did not start well for the Cougars. SEMO came out firing in the first set with an attack percentage over .400 to offset five early kills from

Clements. Three Redhawks hit better than .500. Turner turned in four digs for SIUE in the opening set loss.

"I've got to give SEMO credit because they played a flawless first game," Gober said. "We were hoping they couldn't keep that pace up, or we would be in trouble."

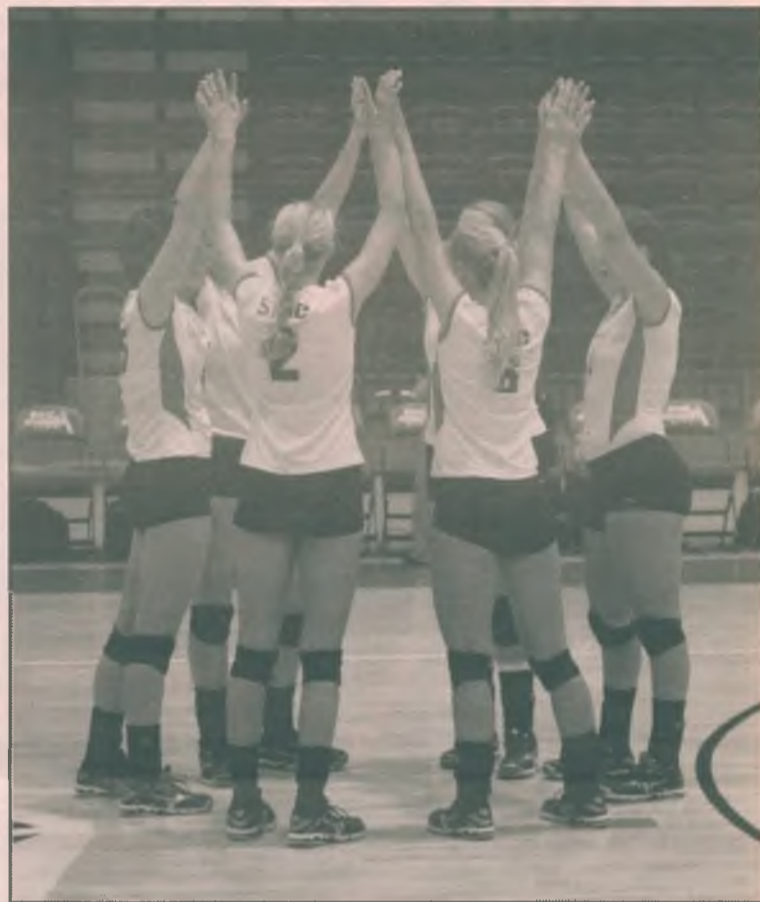
The Cougars bounced back against the suddenly potent 7-11 Redhawks in the second game, posting a 25-16 victory to even the match.

SIUE jumped out on the Redhawks quickly and led 7-2, with Winslow and Franke each contributing for two kills as SEMO committed two attack errors during the early run. The Cougars' advantage ballooned to 18-10 on the strength of two 4-0 runs and led throughout. Franke notched a game high of six kills, with Winslow adding four.

"We really kept our composure after losing the first set," Gober said. "I felt like we got into their heads a bit."

SIUE jumped out 5-3 in the third set before a 7-3 run gave the Redhawks the lead at 10-6. Momentum stayed with SEMO, and the Cougars found themselves battling out of a 16-11 hole, which they accomplished with Rahn at the service line.

Schulte contributed two kills, capping a 4-0 run by the



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The volleyball team huddles up at the game Saturday. They then won their game against Southeast Missouri State on Tuesday.

Cougars to get back in the set at 16-15.

"We kept the energy level up, and everything fell into place," Schulte said.

From that point, the tide turned against SIUE until Clements' kill capped the comeback, giving the Cougars their first lead of the set at 21-20. With the lead in hand for SIUE, SEMO floundered down the stretch, committing four errors, including the clincher, a block by Schulte.

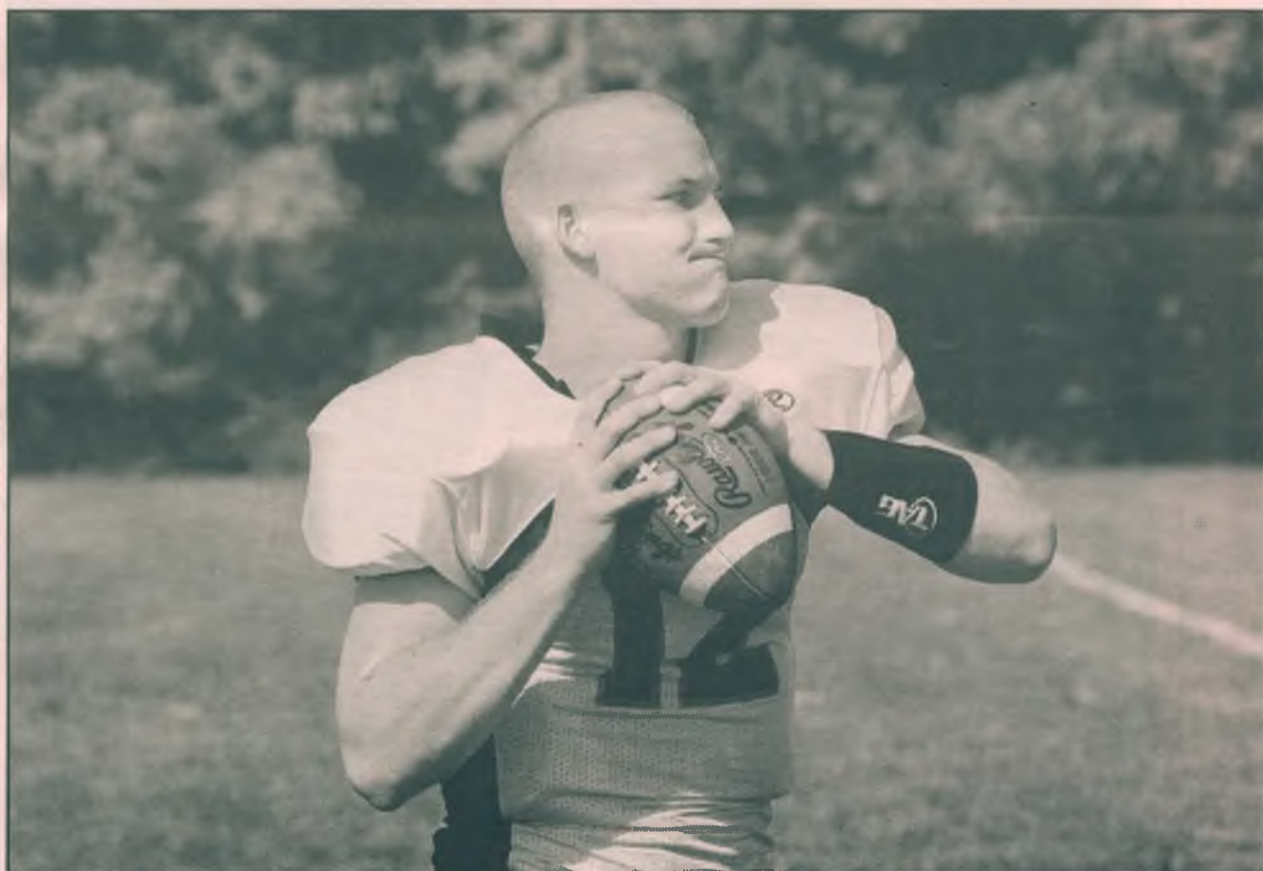
"(SEMO) clearly had the momentum, and we put together a few nice runs," Gober said. "We were on the ropes and from there we showed composure, executed our plays and made them commit errors."

The Redhawks fought the Cougars in the fourth set to force a tiebreaker to no avail. SIUE came out on top in the game and match.

In an even final set consisting of 14 ties and five lead

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Last home game for club football this Saturday



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Senior quarterback Kevin Nesselhauf prepares for a pass at the homecoming game. The team won this game against Miami University of Ohio. The last home game of the season against Xavier University is on Saturday.

by Levi Kirby
Alestle Reporter

After a narrow victory against Miami University of Ohio during Homecoming Week, SIUE Club Football will take on Xavier University Saturday at 1 p.m.

The game will be the football team's last home game of the season at the SIUE Rec Plex.

The homecoming game against Miami-Ohio drew a variety of fans from students and parents to alumni who watched an intense match as the Cougars won by a single point, 33-32.

SIUE senior quarterback Kevin Nesselhauf is hoping for another big crowd along with another win on Saturday.

"(The homecoming game) was great. It was by far the biggest game we've ever had here," Nesselhauf said. "Hopefully that will continue."

SIUE senior center Tony Ballard said the whole team was excited about the home crowd turnout against Miami-Ohio and said it helped them get the victory.

"We feed off the energy of the crowd, and it was outstanding at the homecoming game," Ballard said. "If we can repeat that attendance or get even close it will be great."

Xavier beat the Cougars last year on their home turf in Cincinnati, Ohio, 3-6.

Senior running back Ben Jacob said SIUE is looking to get revenge this year at home, but it will not be easy against a solid Xavier team.

FOOTBALL/pg.10

Women's soccer to wrap up season at Eastern Kentucky University

by T.J. Cowell
Alestle Reporter

The SIUE women's soccer team will travel to Richmond, Ky., to take on Ohio Valley Conference rival Eastern Kentucky on Friday.

The Cougars will be looking to snap a recent three game losing skid and set the tone for next year as they wrap up the season at EKU.

"We are 4-1 against OVC opponents this year," senior Kaci Backs said. "We are proving that we belong in this conference."

SIUE boasts a 5-7 record on the season. The Cougars are led by sophomore forward Kiara Akpora, who leads SIUE with three goals and six points on the season.

There have been some ups and downs on SIUE's first season in Division I.

"We have lost some games that we should have won, but overall this season has been pretty positive," senior forward Jennifer Kates said.

Senior forward and midfielder Amy Million has scored two goals and recorded five points while seeing action in 10 games for the Cougars. Five other players have also scored a goal for SIUE this season.

"This is our last game of our first season being in D-I," Senior forward Jennifer Kratzer said. "We want to go out with a bang."

Backs and freshman Claire Lovercheck have both seen action as goalkeeper this fall. Backs has 31 saves while in goal, and Lovercheck has recorded 11 saves.

SIUE has out shot their opposition 151-139 this season, averaging 12.6 shots per game. The Cougars have 10 team goals and 10 assists as a team this year.

"For being the underdog in mostly every game, we have done a great job of staying with every team we have played," Kratzer said.

For first year women's soccer Head Coach Derek Burton, this season has been a new experience all around.

"Overall this season has been a challenge for both me and the players," Burton said. "As a team, this has been our first year playing all Division I opponents."



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Senior goalkeeper Kaci Backs fights for the ball against alumni Oct. 4. The women will have their final game Friday in Richmond, Ky.

Friday's game will mark the last time eight seniors will compete in a Cougar uniform: Million, Backs, Kratzer, Kates, back fielder Kelly Limpert, forward and midfielder Michele Martin, midfielder Elizabeth Valenti and midfielder Alison Stambaugh.

Eastern Kentucky has an overall record of 6-8-2 on the season and are 2-3-1 at home this season. Senior forward Kayla Swearingen leads the Colonels with four goals and eight points on the season.

The Colonels have a combined 101 saves on the

season. Sophomore Stephanie Lynch has recorded for 94 of those saves.

"We have a good idea of what they like to do and how they like to play," Burton said. "We have had a great week of practice, and we are motivated to get a win."

The game begins at 4 p.m.

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changes, the Cougars pulled away late, going on a 9-5 run with the game tied at 15.

Hubert, Schulte and Winslow each tallied four kills in the decisive set.

"It was back and forth the whole way," Gober said. "You have to play for a three to five point run to make the difference."

Schulte said communication on the court proved to be a key component of the Cougar attack Tuesday.

"We were definitely talking more on the court," Schulte said. "I feel like the trust we have on this team has really improved."

The win gives the Cougars a 3-1 record against teams from the OVC, with another chance at a victory against the team's future conference Friday, when the University of Tennessee-Martin comes to the Vadalabene Center.

"SEMO was the defending regular season champion of the conference last year," Gober said. "I think we are sending a nice message to the OVC that there is a team here that can compete for the conference championship right away."

The Cougars and UTM will battle at 7 p.m. Friday at the Vadalabene Center. SIUE took their previous matchup with the Skyhawks 21-25, 25-11, 25-21 and 25-20 on Aug. 30 at the Lady Gov's Classic in Clarksville, Tenn.

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FOOTBALL

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"Miami ran the ball a lot against us, and Xavier is going to throw the ball more," Jacob said. "Xavier is going to come out with a high-powered offense and try to put a lot of points on the board."

Jacob said the defense is going to have to step up, especially in the secondary, and the offense is going to have to produce.

"It will be exciting to see how our defense can match up to their offense," Jacob said. "Our offense just needs to do what they've been doing, but eliminate turnovers and score when we're in the red zone. That has been a problem this year."

For the SIUE seniors, Saturday will be their final game at home followed by only two more games on the road.

"It will be my last home game ever at SIUE," Nesselhauf said. "I want to go out a winner."

Ballard said he is excited to get to play in front of the home crowd one last time.

"It sucks that it's the last

time, and I will definitely miss it, but it's one of those things that has been three years in the making," Ballard said. "All I can do now is look back to what it was, and hopefully Saturday I can go out a winner instead of a loser."

The Cougars are back in action the following Saturday against Marquette University at 1 p.m. in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Club Football team closes their 2008 season in New Orleans, La., on Nov. 8 against the University of New Orleans, but Ballard said the Cougars are only looking ahead to Saturday in hopes of getting one more win for the home crowd.

"(Xavier) beat us last year in a close game. Hopefully we'll build on that, and I think it will be another close game this year," Ballard said. "Hopefully we come out on top this time because we play better at home."

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HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 3: SENIOR YEAR (G)
12:40 1:00 1:20 3:20 3:50 4:10 6:10 6:40 7:10 9:10
9:30 9:50
SAW V (R)
1:15 1:50 3:45 4:50 6:20 7:40 8:50 10:00 11:10*
*THE 11:10PM SHOWING RUNS FRI/SAT ONLY

PRIDE & GLORY (R)
12:30 3:30 7:00 10:10
W. (PG-13)
12:50 4:00 7:20 10:15
THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES (PG-13)
1:40 4:40 7:50 10:30
MAX PAYNE (PG-13)
2:10 5:00 8:00 10:40
SEX DRIVE (R)
9:00
QUARANTINE (R)
1:10 3:40 6:30
BEVERLY HILLS CHIHUAHUA (PG)
2:00 4:30 6:50 9:20
EAGLE EYE (PG-13)
1:30 4:20 7:30 10:20

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MATINEE MOVIE MAGIC for Moms & Dads
TUESDAYS - 1ST MATINEE OF EACH FEATURE

HALLOWEEN COSTUME BASH
METRO EASTS LARGEST COSTUME CONTEST
FRIDAY OCTOBER 31ST
"DANGER"
DO NOT ENTER WITHOUT COSTUME
At the stroke of midnight; the Witching Hour!
Top 3 COSTUMES WIN CASH
DRINK SPECIALS
IRISH WAKE WITH 5 SHOTS OF PLEASURE \$6.75
\$1.25 Stag & Old Style \$3.00 SOCO Lime \$3.00 Well Drinks
Shenanigans Bar & Grill