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Student Government disconnection Students give their perspectives on Student Government as elections approach

By Jeff Mason Alestle Reporter

When it comes to Student Government, students don't seem to pay as much attention as they'd like to.

Student Government elections begin from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, and students' reactions ranged from apathetic to cynical to optimistic.

Senior sociology major Craig

Shamhart of Newton said he doesn't communications major Rebecca Blevins of follow Student Government because he hasn't felt a need to do so after moving off campus.

"I'm kind of disconnected from what's going on," Shamhart said. "Nothing against the school or anything, but I don't live on campus anymore... It matters because it still affects me, but 'out of sight, out of mind'."

senior The problem speech Fort Polk, La., said she had with Student Government was the fallout of activity after elections.

"You hear a lot about Student Government whenever there's elections and people are like, 'Vote for me, vote for me, this is what I'll do for campus'," Blevins said. "But after elections, all right, great, they're in a position, but what do they really do? I think if they're out there

more ... then maybe people would want to get more involved."

Communication between Student Government and the student body seems to be the biggest problem, but junior psychology major Martin Okosi of Chicago said the problem isn't only in the hands of Student Government.

"People just don't follow it enough that they really pay attention to what's

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Student body president candidate drops out of elections

By Rosie Githinji **Alestle Reporter**

Sophomore business major Dometi Pongo has dropped out of the student body presidential race Wednesday just days before the Student Government elections, sophomore leaving business major Brandon Rahn as the lone presidential candidate on the ballot.



Dometi Pongo

Pongo officially informed the Kimmel Leadership Center of his decision through e-mail.

Pongo said in the e-mail he decided to drop out of the upcoming election because he decided to take a career opportunity for the summer. Pongo said he received an internship opportunity in Chicago over the summer.

"According to the Student Government constitution, the president is to fulfill duties over the summer, and this is a requirement I will be unable to meet," Pongo said in the e-mail.

Pongo had no further comment as of Wednesday afternoon.

Pongo's decision leaves Rahn as the only

As the economy falls down...

...graduate school applications climb up

Graduate school reports application increase as job market flounders

presidential candidate in the Student Government election.

"It is unfortunate he had to drop out," Rahn said. "It does not really change anything. My goals remain the same."

According to Rahn, both candidates had similar goals for the position during the 2009-2010 school year.

Student Government elections will take place Monday and Tuesday.

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For more information on Student Government candidates and the election, see pg. 3.

By Rachel Carlson Alestle Reporter

May 9 is coming soon and, for SIUE seniors, so is real life in the job market

With the current recession still going and jobs becoming fewer and far between, graduates may need to seek alternate post-graduation options.

Associate Dean of Graduate Studies Ron Schaefer said SIUE's graduate enrollment numbers are up compared to previous years. Since 2000 the enrollment numbers in the graduate school have fluctuated from 2,478 students in 2007 to 2,732 students in 2003. In fall 2008, 2,625 graduate students were enrolled in the program.

Schaefer said students usually apply for graduate school to gain familiarity with a specific academic discipline, but the current state of the economy is a general contributor to the increased graduate school enrollment numbers.

"When the economy seems to be not functioning as we expect it to function, individuals have trouble looking for

jobs," Schaefer said.

Schaefer said students who earn a graduate degree end up helping the job market during an economic downturn. The low economy results in layoffs and fewer jobs and sends some people back to school in search of ways to "make themselves more marketable," Schaefer said. The end result is more qualified employees.

Senior Spanish major Jessamyn White from Argenta is applying for graduate school at the Monterey Institute of International Studies in California after she studies abroad for six months. White is looking to not only improve her resume, but also to advance her translation and interpretation skills.

"(Translation and interpretation) are really specialized and you need more advanced study," White said. "It'll be even harder without a master's degree because it's very competitive."

Schaefer said graduate school can still be affordable in a low economy through opportunities like graduate

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Police Reports

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Police issued Roberta L. Vojas a citation for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued John Manicni a citation for speeding on University Drive.

3-27

Kristopher D. Smith was arrested in connection with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor. Smith was processed, given a notice to appear and released.

3-30

Police took a report about a resident of Cougar Village 410 who was receiving harassing phone calls from bill collectors trying to find the previous resident.

Police issued Tasia T. Watts a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

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

Police issued Daniel Musick a citation for speeding on South Circle Drive.

3-31

Police issued Megan A. Buckley a citation for speeding on Northwest Entrance Road.

Police issued Jill N. Vahey a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police took a report about a wallet stolen from Peck Hall.

Police took a report about a theft of a cell phone and other items from the Vadalabene Center lobby.

4-1

Lewis D. Patterson was arrested in connection with domestic battery after a Prairie Hall front desk worker requested assistance with a fight in the lobby. Patterson was processed and transported to Madison County Jail.

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going on so they don't do anything," Okosi said. "People are too passive. Student Government does get stuff done ... and from what is shown on campus, I think they're doing pretty well."

One thing Okosi and Shamhart both said Student Government could improve on is the amount and types of activities they sponsor.

"When I see the Student Government activities in the Goshen (Lounge), it's really not integrated

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around \$1,000.

assistantships or scholarships like the Competitive Graduate · Award. Graduate assistants help professors during class or with research projects and receive an academic year's tuition waiver and monthly stipends

The Competitive Graduate Award also provides a tuition waiver and yearly stipend. Schaefer said the applications for the scholarship are up 33 percent compared to last year. The increase in applicants, Schaefer said, is "an indicator that people are looking into graduate school," and the Graduate Assistant Program and Competitive Graduate Award are the most competitive aspect of the graduate school.

White said she has tried to improve her chances of graduate school acceptance by attending interview etiquette workshops and getting experience outside her classes.

"I feel like after I do the extra study abroad I should have no

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much," Okosi said. "It's mainly Caucasian kids and a few blacks and maybe some Indians, but I think they should have an event ... everybody would like."

Senior chemistry major Elise Mullins of Waterloo said another way Student Government could increase communications would be for the Student Senate to move their meetings to a more convenient time.

"There might be more involvement if they moved it to a

different time," Mullins said. "Some day when more students are around."

Regardless of their issues, Okosi said Student Government still has a good reputation on campus.

"(One thing) that's always been good since I've been here is their accreditation," Okosi said. "They're well respected."

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mean I won't ever."

assistant programs.

forward."

information,

employers," Doerfler said. "Just

because I don't get it now doesn't

graduate school takes more than an

excellent GPA. It is also about

experience and planning. Schaefer

said students should not wait until

the last minute to apply, especially if

they are interested in support

through scholarships and graduate

world it's easy to sit on a fence,"

Schaefer said. "This is the time to

make that decision and move

Studies applications will be accepted

until June 1 for international

students and July 1 for U.S.

students. To apply or for more

www.siue.edu/graduate/index.shtml.

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"Sometimes in the academic

SIUE's Department of Graduate

Schaefer said acceptance to a

problem getting into graduate school," White said.

According to Schaefer, SIUE's Department of Graduate Studies is primarily made up of students returning from two to five years in the workplace, not just recent graduates.

"It'll be interesting how many seniors this year will elect to go to graduate school," Schaefer said.

Senior mass communications major Nathan Doerfler from Jacksonville said he will not be attending graduate school next fall because he feels, at the moment, his advertising specialization does not need a master's degree.

"Advertising is a cutthroat kind of field," Doerfler said. "If you're not good at it you'll be bagging groceries the next day."

Doerfler said he has not ruled out getting a master's degree in the future.

"An MBA will pop out more than a master's degree to

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Student Government Candidates 2009-2010



Brandon Rahn, President

Passion, dedication, experience! From increasing respect among the administration to amplifying the voice of students, as student body president I will use my experience and all the resources at my disposal to ensure that every student has the opportunity to be heard and will gain an appreciation for the university.



Kevin D. Starks, Vice President

Having served on SG for three consecutive years, I've learned a great deal about the inner workings of SG and the university as a whole. I'm willing to take on the many issues of the student body and bear the weight of them all as if they were my own.



Sandy Nicholas, Vice President

As your Student Government vice president, I will fight for students to be heard. Student Government is becoming more and more a rubber stamp organization because we are excluded from the decisions being made on campus until the final decision has been announced. Vote for me and our voices WILL be heard



Abbey Fritz, **Vice President**

My current year's experience as a senator will guide me in the position of vice president to focus on comprehensive education on internal issues for senators, be proactive in policy making and maintain positive communication with the executive board. I also will promote senatorial engagement across all academic disciplines.

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Amber Suggs, Trustee

As an SIUC graduate, I have firsthand knowledge of the structure and resources of both campuses. I have solid relationships with the Dental School and East St. Louis campuses that enable me to be a REAL servant for the SIUE system. I seek to continue to effectively progress, empower and serve the SIUE system.



Margaret Sherer, Senator

As a Student Government senator, I plan to focus on sustainability on campus and bring fresh and innovative ideas to Student Government and SIUE. I want to focus on open communication between faculty and students, allowing for students' desires and needs to be met in cooperation with the administration.



Corv Bosco, Senator

If I were elected as senator for Student Government, I would like to address a few key issues including campus safety, campus and community image and student fees. I feel that each of these issues are important to our campus and encourage students to voice their opinions



Andrew Biggs, Senator

If elected, I will bring my conservative values to the table. I refuse to vote for any frivolous spending items. Your money is not the Student Government's personal piggy bank. It needs to be spent wisely. Conflict of interest items should not be considered at meetings. Think BIG, vote Biggs.



Tiffany Leschke, Senator

I have a passion for being involved and I would love to express that passion as a senator on Student Government and with students of SIUE. While in office I would like to increase resources to all student organizations including special interest, academic, professional, service, Greek and many more!



Michael T. Malone, Senator

I will try to push for a resolution toward equal opportunity of appointing Student Government officers. I will try to help get new organizations started on campus. I will try to focus on getting my started. The organization I'm trying to start is



Molly Miller, Senator

As a student senator, I hope to accomplish an understanding of how SIUE functions. I feel that this experience would be beneficial for developing my leadership skills and will do my best to help the student body.



As Student Government senator, I want to be able to have a strong voice for different student organizations on campus. I want students to be more involved, and I feel as a Student Government senator, I can reach out to more and different individuals.



Holman, Senator

My overall goal as Student Government senator is to better SIUE and to give students a voice to the best of my abilities. I want to make Student Government leaders visible and accessible on campus. I also would love to improve on the previous progress made by Student Government



Dharmesh Balar, Senator

While in office, I pledge to play an important role in improving student life and campus community. As a student at SIUE for two years, I have noticed that the Science Building needs some improvement. I plan to increase events and activities on campus.





Joshua Harrell, Senator

If I was elected into office, my main focus would be bringing together the student body. I believe the overall culture of this school has a promising future. However, due to cultural division, currently this school is not reaching its full potential. "Maximum effort equals maximum results.²



Liz Wall, Senator

Jatin N. Patel, Senator

If given the opportunity to serve as a student senator, I would increase awareness of Student Government, its activities and try to get students more involved in them. Being an outspoken individual, I would like to make sure that students' voices are heard and their concerns addressed.

My name is Liz Heckman. I have a wealth of leadership experience, including service as Pennsylvania HOSA secretary. As a student senator, I hope to work with students and other groups to improve the SIUE community and help students and student groups to express their concerns to Student Government.

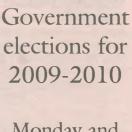
Liz Heckman, Senator

Nikirra P. Peoples, Senator

If elected student senator of the student body, I hope to help keep students involved and informed. I believe that students know best what students want. Vote for experience and a student voice. Nikirra Peoples for Student Senator.

Chase Newson-Jones, Senator

I want to encourage SIUE's students to push their limits and become the building blocks of an incredible institution. My goals for the 2009-2010 school year is to promote: positive Leaders, Educating others, Administering a helping hand, Dedicating to a greater cause, Exhibiting exemplary behavior, Responsibility, Sincerity, Higher scholastics, Improvement and Precedence.



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SIUE Dining Services hosts its Annual Food Show in Morris University Center's Center Court. Students gave feedback on a variety of food options from turkey burgers to sweet potato fries to energy drinks to desserts. This feedback helps Dining Services make their decisions regarding which new food items to serve in the coming years.

New commercial center could provide 11,000 jobs

By Neal Gough Alestle Reporter

A proposed 900-acre development in Glen Garbon could change the face of the area and provide thousands of jobs for future SIUE students.

The proposed University Town Center by Holland Construction would be a \$1 billion project located on the stretch of land between Illinois Route 157 and Illinois Route 162 bordered by Interstate 270 and Interstate 255.

According to Bruce Holland, chief executive officer for Holland Construction in Swansea "It would be a real and managing partner of the University Town Center boost to the economy. development, the project would provide 11,000 jobs during the construction

contains several restaurants, retail stores and even includes a baseball stadium and Kansas City Speedway.

However, University Town Center is dependent on the general assembly approving the use of state tax and revenue bonds, or STAR bonds, to build the development.

According to Kansas' Legislature Web site, klegislature.org, STAR bonds "let local governments use future sales tax revenues to pay current redevelopment costs. STAR bonds are repaid with sales, use and transient guest taxes within generated

redevelopment district."

Village West in Kansas City was built using STAR bonds, and Holland is using There is nothing of this the success of that project as a reference point in his argument for their use in University Town Center. Department of Economics and Finance Chair Rik Hafer sees the project as something that could be beneficial to the

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phase and 3,100 jobs upon its completion, which he estimates to be roughly five years away if the project is approved.

Holland also said the development would have

other benefits to the area, such as sales and real estate tax revenue. According to Holland, the project would generate \$2.3 million in income tax for the state, as well as \$9.5 million in real estate and property taxes some of which would go to the school district.

"It would be a real boost to the economy," Holland said. "There is nothing of this magnitude anywhere around here."

Holland said the company fashioned this project after Village West in Kansas City. According to its Web site, Village West is a 400-acre site also located at the intersection of two highways. It

magnitude anywhere around here."

-Bruce Holland, **CEO Holland Construction**

> university as well as the surrounding area. He said the construction dollars that would be spent on a project of this magnitude would be a boost to the economy and that it could also open up jobs for students at SIUE.

> "Its proximity would be beneficial to the university," Hafer said. "Anything that brings people to this area increases the visibility of the university."

> Hafer referenced two other projects in Charleston, S.C., and northwestern Arkansas that are similar to the one proposed in Glen Carbon. He

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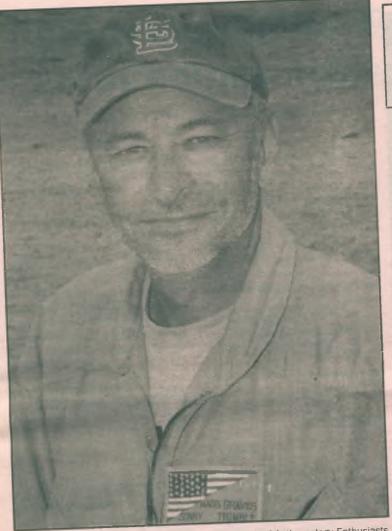


Photo courtesy of Anthropology Enthusiasts Michael Trimble worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as a forensic anthropologist in Iraq. The findings he and his team discovered led to crucial pieces of evidence in the former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein's 2006 criminal trial.

CSI: Iraq Professional anthropologist to give presentation on work on Saddam Hussein's trial

By Rosie Githinji Alestle Reporter

Michael "Sonny" Trimble can't help but laugh at the forensic anthropologists on hit TV shows such as "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation."

"Having done this a large part of my adult life, the TV shows are kind of silly," Trimble said. "You hot topic because of all the CSI can't do what they

key evidence against former Iraqi

dictator, Saddam Hussein, during

Army," Trimble said. "Officers are

in charge and civilians are workers,

experiences in Iraq at "CSI: Iraq" from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday in the

"It's an unusual part of the

Trimble will discuss his

are doing on television, scientifically."

Trimble is a real life forensic anthropologist who spent three years in Iraq, examining and excavating mass graves as civilian for part of a project for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering. These excavations ultimately led to

his trial in 2006.

like myself."

Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge. The event is sponsored by Anthropology Enthusiasts.

Elise Valdez, vice president of the Anthropology Enthusiasts, said Trimble is the real world example of forensic anthropology in action.

"We basically chose him because of the war going on right now and also because forensics is a shows going on

> now," right Valdez said.

Trimble helped in the technical assistance of three former regime members, on working approximately nine or 10 mass graves of the Kurdish ethnic group. "They really "here."

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I have dedicated my service to the implementation of many programs and projects throughout the community. Building and maintaining long standing relationships with SIUE students, faculty, and staff remains a priority to the City of Edwardsville, and to me personally.

What I enjoy most is the interaction that I experience with the SIUE community. Participating in the annual orientation, being asked to speak in classes, and encouraging local businesses to employ students are all experiences I appreciate.

Our community is very fortunate to have access to the weath of knowledge provided by University faculty and staff - a tremendous resource. Many have become personally involved in our local government through memberships on boards, committees, commissions, and even elected offices. The contributions and positive impact SIUE makes on the community as a whole is immeasurable.

Our administration has done much to foster a strong relationship with SIUE. For example, we proudly display SIUE banners each fall, as well as holding an annual "Welcome Back" street party downtown and SIUE Springtime Party in the Park. While these are simple indicators, they are important evidence that we have built a strong relationship with enduring benefits for the entire Edwardsville community. As a candidate for re-election, I encourage you to vote, and would sincerely appreciate your support. On Tuesday, April 7, 2009, municipal elections will be held with Early Voting beginning March 16 and continuing through April 2. The SIUE campus is a designated polling place for voting on Election Day.

doing on television, scientifically." -Michael Trimble, professional anthropologist

"You can't do

what they're

don't have forensics over there," Trimble said. "They don't have anything."

According to Trimble, the Iraqi courts have not had a fair judicial process for the past 25 years. Trimble said the U.S. Army is in the process of training 90 to 100 judges and prosecutors to work better in the Iraqi judicial system

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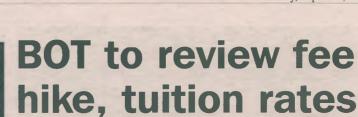
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Alestle Staff Report

The Southern Illinois University board of trustees will look at a 7.8 percent fee hike and new tuition rates for SIUE students when it meet Thursday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom.

The fees were approved by Student Government in November, and will be reviewed Thursday before being voted on at the May 7 meeting.

All of the proposed fees are set to go into effect in Fall 2009.

The largest increase students will see under the proposal is in Intercollegiate Athletics, where a 24.4 percent increase will result in a

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Working from the Nayfan Province to the Muthanna Province to Hatra and Karbala, Trimble was part of a team that dug up thousands of bodies killed in the desert by Hussein and his regime. The team found millions of archive pieces and plenty of forensic evidence indicating Hussein's guilt.

"Two lines of evidence told the story," Trimble said.

Trimble compared Hussein to Adolf Hitler, killing approximately 200,000 people for their ethnic origins. Trimble said Hussein killed as many enemies or potential enemies as he could as a message of \$292.40 fee, up \$57.40 from a year ago.

Other escalating fees include the Student Fitness Center, (10.1 percent) Textbook Services (8.3 percent) and Student Success Center (7.9 percent).

In all, the board will look at 12 different fees.

Other items related to the Edwardsville campus include the approval of contracts for roof replacements to a number of campus buildings, including Founders, Alumni and Dunham Halls and the Vadalabene Center.

The meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday.

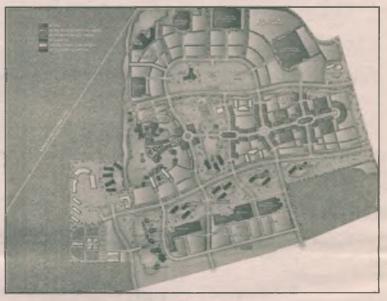
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fear to others.

Trimble said Hussein hated the Kurds for helping Iran during a war in the 1980s, disobeying Hussein's orders. Trimble said the dictator also killed many Shiites, a different sect of Islam compared to Hussein's own Sunni sect, because he did not want Shiites to dominate religious politics.

"(Hussein) was a meticulous killer," Trimble said. "The victims tell how they were killed."

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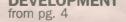
Provided by Holland Construction Plans for the \$1 billion, 900-acre commercial center to be located in Glen Carbon between Illinois Route 157 and Illinois Route 162.

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said they have both been very successful.

"If they planned it well, it is something that the east side of the metro area could use," Hafer said.

Senior business major Matt Mundy of Fairview Heights said he sees the good and bad points to a project like this one.

Mundy said the development would be a great addition to a college town, and it would also open up a variety of jobs for students as well as residents in surrounding areas. In addition to the jobs, there would also be an increased need for law enforcement and other supporting jobs.

However, he also worries that all of this comes at a cost.

"I remember when Fairview Heights consisted of the mall, the bowling alley, several restaurants, several neighborhoods that no longer exist and farmland," Mundy said. "Today it can take as long as 20 minutes to drive from one end to the other depending on the time of year. During Christmas, forget about it. Is this the future of Glen Carbon?"

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Elliot

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different departments to decide how many

sections of a class are needed. Sometimes,

statistics are not the best option, and a few

more sections of a class will not hurt, especially

when you can cancel them if spots do not fill

up. It is difficult to understand why some

students are being punished academically

because there are not enough classes available.

choosing to stay in school longer so they can

standout in the job market when they

graduate, but they should not be forced to stay

in school longer because they cannot sign up

for classes they need. Higher education is

expensive enough without spending an extra

year at college because only two sections of a

Economic times are tough. Students are

Limited offerings create registration problems

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CougarNet seem endless, but more often than comes time to signing up for the next school not, students are locked out of their preferred schedules and left in the dark when it comes to the future of their academic

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career Instead of being able to sign up for classes that will allow you to graduate on schedule, students are faced with the dilemma of not being able to get into the ones you need. Because of this, some students cannot graduate on time, and delay

their move into the real world because there simply are not enough

With 13,000 students, it should not be a problem finding classes that will move students into the next year of their

class sections.

academic careers, but that is the case.

I have heard some students express

The possible class schedules available on problems with signing up for classes when it year.

> The mass communications department seems to be a problem area, and I have heard numerous complaints that classes in that department fill up at an alarming speed. A student in nursing school said she would not be able to graduate on time because some of the classes they are required to take are only offered one semester each school year.

> After talking with these students who have been at SIUE for a few years, it appears this problem has been going on for a while.

SIUE administration needs to sit down and figure out a way to make sure that students are able to sign up for their required classes, different from what they do

now. The process currently uses data from

certain class are offered in one semester. Rosie Githinji is a senior mass communications

development Glen Carbon needs to embrace

You walk out of your residence hall, take a short walk and moments later you are on SIUE's Main Street, strolling past a familiar bookstore, coffee shop or bar.

Then you wake up in that same residence hall, actually go outside and are surrounded by deer, trees and geese.

It's that dream campus environment students want, and we are not there yet, but if everything goes as planned, something similar could be coming a few miles down the road.

General Assembly comes in, as they have to authorize sales tax and revenue bonds. The process, which has been used exclusively in Kansas, has had a positive effect on multiple projects in the state, according to the Kansas Legislature's Web site.

STAR bonds are a way for new developments to be partially funded by the taxes they bring in, and if the bill passes, Glen Carbon must hold a hearing to approve the development and define its district. Then it has to be ratified by the Illinois Department of Commerce major from Farina. She can be reached at rgithinji@alestlelive.com or 650-3527.

"college town" spending their money? If the bill passes in the Senate and STAR bonds are considered to be a legitimate way of funding projects in Illinois, will the people in

sleepy Glen Carbon want this? Citizens will inevitably speak out, complaining of traffic issues, raising questions over where the money is going, the economy and talk nonsense about choosing to live in Glen Carbon because it is not a Fairview Heights or St. Louis.

The same problem occurred when Place Properties started planning a student-geared housing complex in Edwardsville a year ago. The residents of a neighboring community recently took the Atlanta-based developer to court, according to the Edwardsville Intelligencer, because college kids are supposedly loud, commit crimes and clog traffic. Local government wants to help make SIUE a part of the community, but some oldfashioned thinking citizens just don't buy into



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Holland Construction announced at a press conference hosted by SIUE a \$1 billion entertainment and retail development to be known as "University Town Center." The complex would be located two miles off campus in Glen Carbon, granted it passes all the necessary legislative hurdles.

Bruce Holland, the chief executive officer for Holland Construction, said there is "nothing of this magnitude in the area" and the project mirrors Village West in Kansas City, which features a number of restaurants, retail stores and even a speedway. Even more, the 400-acre Village West pales in comparison to the proposed 900-acre University Town Center.

Not all is complete until the Illinois

and Economic Opportunity.

Here's the second catch outlined in the bill: the development has to have a capital investment of \$300 million, produce \$300 million in annual gross sales revenue and produce a minimum of 1,000 new jobs to be considered for a STAR bond.

This project fits the bill. One glance at the blueprints will tell the city that.

The problem remains, is Glen Carbon willing to become an integral part of life at SIUE? While the proposed mega-center is geared toward creating more revenue within the city and spreading the wealth between the Edwardsville and Granite City school districts, SIUE is the reason this exciting project is on the drawing board.

Where else are 13,000 plus students in a

Hopefully this complex becomes more than a pipe dream because it would greatly benefit the economy, the village of Glen Carbon and the university. The residents of Glen Carbon should realize this and get behind the project.

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Married with an Indian flair Professor to marry wife again in Indian mock wedding Thursday

by Aren Dow Alestle Reporter

Although electrical and mechanical engineering professor Bradley Noble has been married for 23 years, he is going to tie the knot again.

This time, the ceremony will be in the style of Indian culture.

The mock wedding ceremony, also called "Vivah," is part of India Week 2009, where the Indian Student Association celebrates Indian culture at SIUE. Noble and his wife, Penny, will be the focus of the mock wedding.

"I'm really honored and flattered by (their asking)," Noble said.

Nobel said he was asked to participate in the wedding by several students in his classes, many who are members of the Indian Student Association.

The mock wedding is at 10 a.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge

This is not the first time Noble is experiencing Indian culture. He was first introduced to it while working as an undergraduate student. Noble said many of his teaching assistants and fellow students were Indian and invited him to eat with them. Noble said he found the culture interesting and has continued to learn about it throughout his college career and beyond.

"(The Indian students) are surprised to find out I know some of their culture," Noble said. "My wife and I cook Indian food at home at least once a month from scratch."

Noble has been a faculty member at SIUE since 1996 and throughout the years, he has gone to various India Night and Diwali Night events.

"It's a way to let our students know they're not just another student here," Noble said. "We appreciate that it's very difficult to come from a different country and a different culture."

Graduate student Deepthi Tanamala, an Indian Student Association member, explained the differences between an American and an Indian wedding. One of those differences explains the phrase "tying the knot."

"How (Americans) have rings to exchange, we have 'mangalsutra'," Tanamala said. "When the boy ties three knots to the girl, it means you are married."

Mangalsutra is a necklace worn by the wife until the husband passes away. It is adorned with various ornaments and pendants.

Tanamala said the local "pujari," or Hindu priest, would perform the ceremony. The pujari will explain to the attendants the proceedings of the mock wedding and what they mean.

President of the Indian Student Association Praveen Dodda said the length and the number of guests attending weddings are much greater in India than in the United States. "In India, a wedding is such an

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Junior biomedical sciences major Tyler Miller and senior English major Mallory Winter look at the native artifacts at one of many booths set up in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge Wednesday. The booths were displayed as part of India Week 2009 leading up to the mock wedding on Thursday and India Night on Saturday.



SETO show pays tribute to Sept. 11

by Rosie Githinji Alestle Reporter

Senior theater performance major Jay Harvey of Alton was inspired to direct the new Student Experimental Theater Organization's production of "Recent Tragic Events" based on the events of Sept. 11 because the stories of individuals were lost.

Harvey said the play was a dark comedy, and he wanted to make one of those

Organization, run entirely by the students, produces the play. SETO has been around for about 31 years. Faculty advisers are available to help students with questions or problems such as technical aspects and costumes.

Harvery said although "Recent Tragic Events," has comedic aspects, it is foremost a tragic plot.

"The play has tones of comedy, and the story that evolves is something tragic. What the play really asks is, 'Are we really in

stories more personal and "What the play really control of our lives, or is there a greater deity?" Harvey said.

Rehearsals have gone on for about five and a half weeks, but Harvey has worked on the play for about two years. After Sept. 11, there was so much going on because of what happened and many stories have been lost over the years, Harvey said. The play is centered on five people who are affected by the events of Sept. 11, according to Wendy Renee alumna Greenwood. Greenwood is

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Gabriel Cranston (left) as Andrew, Wendy Greenword (center) as Waverly and Ramsey Galvan (right) as Ron rehearse for the Student **Experimental Theater Organization's production "Recent Tragic** Events," that tells the story of Waverly waiting to hear from her sister in New York after the events of Sept. 11.

good. It's a great story and really makes you think," "That's Harvey said. interesting to me. Are the decisions that we make for naught?"

In light of the tragedy of Sept. 11, Waverly is waiting with her date, Andrew, to hear from her twin sister who was going to school in New York when the planes hit the World Trade Center.

Though these events were real in 2001, this is the story of "Recent Tragic Events."

"The story is captivating ... because she doesn't know if her sister is dead or alive," Harvey said.

"Recent Tragic Events" was written by Craig Wright. The Student Experimental Theater

"The concept is really asks is, Are we really in control of our lives, or is there a greater deity?""

- Jay Harvey,

senior theater

performance major

playing the lead female character, Waverly, and also works on prop design.

"I read the script and fell in love with the character," Greenwood said. "It's a very well written piece."

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Wendy Greenword (left) as Waverly, Ramsey Galvan (center) as Ron, Jesse Askew (center) as Nancy and Gabriel Cranston (right) as Andrew prepare for "Recent Tragic Events" during Tuesday night's rehearsal. The Student Experimental Theater Organization's production opened Wednesday and runs through Saturday.

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Greenwood described the play as "dramety," her own word for a dramatic comedy, which she said was filled with fear, passion and sadness.

"The play is a subtle set up of determinism versus existentialism, or fate versus choosing one's own destiny," Greenwood said.

Senior theater performance major Ramsey Galvan of Pachuca, Mexico, plays Ron, Waverly's crazy neighbor, who believes in determinism, the philosophical belief that anything in the past influences the future so there is no room for free will.

"It is ironic Ron is not religious because he believes everything in life is already determined," Galvan said.

Galvan said the show is eccentric, a combination of technical aspects of the play and the content. "It is like a ball of power," Galvan said.

The play will be on stage at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday to Friday and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Metcalf Theater. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 and are available at the door or at the SIUE Box Office. For more information, call the Fine Arts Box Office at 650-2774.

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occasion, where people come in big numbers," Dodda said. "The average attendance for an Indian wedding would be 3,000."

Noble said Indian wedding celebrations can last up to four days; however, this ceremony would not be as lengthy.

The finale for India Week 2009 is "Yatra, A Journey to Remember." The event will have Indian food, music, dances and a fashion show for entertainment.

Tanamala is in charge of decorating for the events and said they have been planning for a month. One of the more impressive decorations of the week will be at "A Journey to Remember."

"Before the main entrance, we have a Taj Mahal that stretches from floor to roof," Tanamala said. "Inside we are decorating pillars that have designs of girls dancing and other various pictures."

Dodda said the event showcases many of the major landmarks, such as the world famous Taj Mahal. He said the other parts of "Yatra" will be just as impressive.

"The depictions of the epic Ramayan, by renowned Indian classical dancer in St. Louis Smitha Rajan, should be a treat to watch," Dodda said.

The performance of Ramayan is an interpretive dance of a traditional Indian story.

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Last year's India Night included a fashion show and traditional Indian dances. This year's India Night, though with a different theme, will offer the same kind of entertainment.

Now Rating: "FAST & FURIOUS"

by Jeff Mason Alestle Reporter

Universal must have had a lot of trouble finding the name for its fourth installment of its successful motorhead franchise, "The Fast and the Furious," because all they did was take out the word "the." But when your star has a name like Vin Diesel, you can get away with the small



This would be a nice gesture if it weren't for the fact that the action in "Fast and Furious" isn't always easy to follow. More often than not the movie relies on its audience to react to individual shots of cars rolling or flying in the air instead of building the chase from start to finish by telling a story.

Photo courtesy of Universal Studios The aptly named Diesel does all right at age 42 and can play the hard-up bad boy with ease. If anything is successful in this movie, it is the faithful recreation of what made the first movie successful. The dialogue is only cheesy when Diesel gets questions that result in long, dramatic pauses and more often than not, is actually decent. It won't be winning any awards, but it will more than satisfy fans of the franchise while creating a few new ones "Fast and Furious" is neither ridiculous nor entertaining nor well enough directed to be a lasting chase movie, but it does pack enough of a punch to pass the time between now and the start of the summer blockbusters. For those looking to save a few dollars, check out Quentin Tarantino's "Death Proof," a movie that will give you a newfound respect for stunt performers.

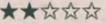
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"Fast and Furious" starts where "The Fast and the Furious" left off. Dominic Toretto (Diesel), facing criminal charges in the U.S., flees to the Dominican Republic, but is compelled to come back following a suspicious death in the states. Also on the case is FBI agent Brian O'Connor (Paul Walker), who is looking to take the same group down for their border-hopping, drug smuggling ways.

In other words, fans of the original 2001 movie finally get a true sequel after two detours. The movie spells out most of the plot points from the original, but the only real advantage of seeing the first movie comes from recurring jokes.

But lets be honest, the "Fast and Furious" franchise is all about the cars. Cars packed so full of alterations even Xzibit would be speechless. Luckily for everyone who's not a gearhead, they keep the mods and injectors under the hood and stick to the whole "fast cars, hot women" philosophy. The movie does give an effort on this front, but director Justin Lin (who also directed the "Tokyo Drift" installment of the franchise) doesn't seem to understand how to build the chase and instead shows shaky close-up after shaky close-up.

Still, the worst chase comes about halfway through the movie when one scene is done entirely in CG. The claustrophobic nature of the chase only worsens Lin's approach and the obvious CG environment should be enough to keep the audience ever so slightly out of the chase and away from the edge of their seat. There's also a chase scene that will make you want to destroy every GPS in existence after its directional chimes play over and over during the scene.



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Upcoming Cougar Events: Friday, April 3 - Baseball at Austin Peay - 6 p.m. Saturday, April 4 - Softball vs. Eastern Illinois (DH) - 1 p.m. Saturday, April 4 - (W) Tennis vs. McKendree - 4 p.m. 10



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Home stretch to end season



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Left: Sophomore Michael Chamberlain returns the ball against Saint Louis University on Monday. Center: Sophomore Jordan Faulkenberg serves in an exhibition match against Lake Land College on March 16. Right: Junior Rob Young (left) guards the net and senior Cole Garrison (right) serves in a doubles match in the loss on Monday against Saint Louis University.

Men's tennis loses, only two matches remain

by T.J. Cowell Alestle Sports Reporter

Things looked promising in the early going for the Cougars on the tennis courts Monday, but visiting Saint Louis University rallied to a 6-1 victory.

The duo of sophomores Paulo Gonzalez and Michael Chamberlain started off on the right foot for the hosts, defeating juniors James McArthur and Ken Nordhiem in No.1 doubles. The close 9-8 victory evened Gonzalez and Chamberlain's season record to 9-9.

SLU carried its success into singles competition, winning five of six matches. Young proved to be the only Cougar who could mount a victory with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Hendrie in No. 2 singles. Young's win placed him at 9-7 on the year.

"You have to play well to beat us on our home court. I think that is the message that was received." -Rob Young, junior tennis player

knocked off sophomore Jordan Faulkenberg 6-3, 6-2 in No. 4 singles. Billiken No. 6 Matt Gordon disposed of freshman Devan Faulkenberg 6-0, 6-4.

The No. 5 singles battle between Chamberlain and SLU sophomore Bryan Beasley saw neither player backing down. Beasley edged his way to victory in the first set, 7-6. Chamberlain answered and kept the game alive with a 4-6 win one set later. After a back and forth third set, Beasley came out on top 15-13, providing the sixth team point for SLU.

"Our coach has been helping us, sharing his experience, and he thinks we are making progress," Gonzalez said. "In this transition, in this period, the most important aspect that I have seen and consider the most and only difference between these teams to ours, it is the belief that we can do just as well as they can."

The Billikens claimed victory in the No. 2 and No. 3 doubles matches to earn the team doubles point. Reigning Atlantic 10 Conference Rookie of the Week Jake Hendrie and senior Sean McManus held off SIUE junior Rob Young and senior Cole Garrsion 8-6 in No. 2 doubles.

SLU senior Adam Reeb and junior P.J. Hendrie extinguished the momentum gained by freshman Morten Christensen in SIUE's last match against Austin Peay University. Reeb and Hendrie knocked off Christensen and freshman Pete Wilson in No. 3 doubles, 8-5.

"Once I got off to a good start I had control of the match," Young said.

In No.1 singles sets, SLU's Nordhiem defeated Gonzalez after three matches, 6-3, 3-6 and 10-7. Garrison proved to be no match for freshman Jake Hendrie in No. 3 singles. Jake Hendrie defeated Garrison 6-0 in consecutive sets, improving his singles record to 16-6.

The Faulkenberg duo of Jordan and Devan both dropped their respective singles matches. McManus

"It was a good outing for us," SIUE tennis Head Coach Kyler Updyke said. "Depth separates us with a lot of these schools."

The loss dropped the Cougars to 4-11 on the year. SLU has now won three straight matches and its last five of six sets.

"Everyone responded well to the adversary," Young said. "You have to play well to beat us on our home court. I think that is the message that was received."

The Cougars close out the remainder of their season at home at 4 p.m. Wednesday, hosting McKendree University. See Tuesday's edition of the Alestle for results.

SIUE will host Lewis and Clark Community College in an exhibition match at 2 p.m. April 10 and will conclude its season facing Washington University at 4 p.m. on April 15.

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Slow start, high expectations Women's golf faces tough Club Baseball team begins new season

by Levi Kirby Alestle Sports Editor

After ranking as high as fifth in the nation last season in the Division II National Club **Baseball Association and making** the college World Series, SIUE Club Baseball has begun a new spring season with a roster full of new faces.

SIUE started their season during spring break in Tampa, Fla., but now have their sights on a three-game series against Cougar rival Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

In their first game of the 2009 spring season, the Cougars started off with a 6-10 loss to Robert Morris College. In the loss, SIUE had three hits as a team. Despite the hitting troubles, the Cougars managed to stay on top through the fifth inning, until RMC stepped it up offensively and scored seven on the Cougars in the final two innings, giving them the fourpoint victory.

SIUE rallied back in their next game with 11 runs, beating Northern Illinois University 11-5 two and a half hours later on the same day. On their last day in Tampa, SIUE struggled against Technological Michigan University and lost in an 11-19

"All three teams we played were pretty solid," sophomore infielder Corey Becker said. "We only had half of our normal roster there, and a lot of people were playing out of position."

Club co-captain and senior first baseman Mike Strok said the team took a broken down

"We have a good chance to be a contender for a very long time for the (NCBA) World Series because of the competition and talent we have been

> getting." -Mike Strok.

senior first baseman

roster to Tampa, which makes it pretty tough.

"We had five pitchers for four games," Strok said. "When your shortstop is pitching in your third game, you know you're in bad shape.'

After the season-opening spring break trip, the Cougars launched a three-game series

against the University of Illinois with a 10-0 sweep at Sauget Field. However, in games two and three the Illini took over, recording a 15-2 victory followed by a 5-0 win on the next day.

Strok said Illinois is SIUE's main rival, and the Cougars took them down last season three out of four times. The rivalry is due to the intense competition and the fact both teams are in the same conference, Strok said.

"There is a descent rivalry between the two schools," Strok said. "The NCBA officially listed them as being our rival."

The 2-4 record is as far as the club team's season has gone so far. The Cougars next get a three-game series against SIUC. The first game is at 7 p.m. Friday, and the following two games are scheduled for a doubleheader Saturday with the first game beginning at noon at SIUC

Becker said the rivalry with SIUC is not quite as intense as the competition with Illinois.

"We did well against (SIUC) in the fall," Becker said. "It is more of a friendly rivalry and we just have a lot of fun with it."

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Division I competition

"I couldn't hit

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-Courtney

Lovergreen,

freshman golfer

by Ashlee Brockenbrough Alestle Sports Reporter

The women's golf team finished 12th out of 15 teams at the Saluki Invitational on Sunday and Monday against Division I schools such as Drake University, Ball State University and Bradley University.

Drake won the event with a team score of 630, followed by Ball State

with 634 and Bradley with 636. SIUE's 12th place final team score was 681.

"The competition this week was more difficult than last week's at the Gateway Invitational," SIUE women's golf Head Coach

Jennifer Jakel said.

91 golfers.

Illinois University Carbondale

finished first with an individual

score of 152. Shooting at 167,

SIUE junior Sheena Collins led

the Cougars, placing 36th out of

one were SIUE senior Megan

Tied with Collins in round

Hood and SIUE freshman Courtney Lovegreen, all with scores of 84. Other first round scores included junior Sarah Gereaux with 87, senior Kirstin Fischer with 93 and junior Kelsey Atteberry with 96.

Finishing day two with a 172, Hood placed third on the Cougar team, and Lovegreen placed behind her with a 178.

Collins attributed her second day breakaway

better to weather and improved putting.

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knew after the first day that putting was what I needed to work on," Collins said.

Other SIUE finishers both after rounds were Gereaux with 168, Fischer

Atteberry with

with 185 and 186. Kate Laegeler of Southern

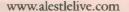
Lovegreen said the second day was frustrating for her.

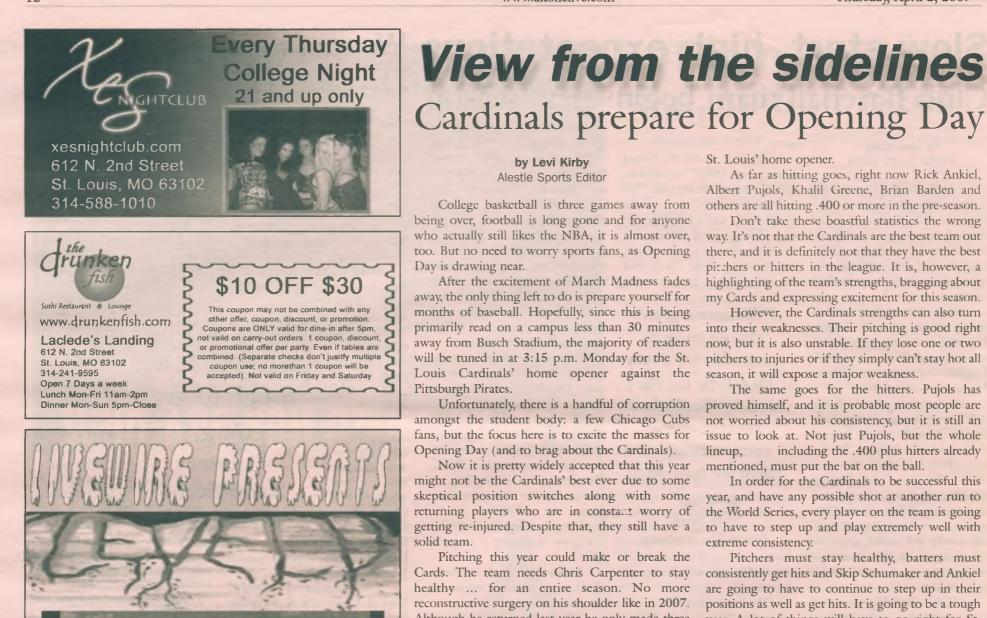
"I couldn't hit the green," Lovegreen said. "It was tough to get going."

Lovegreen said the different competition and harder courses

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Cardinals prepare for Opening Day

Although he returned last year he only made three starts before hitting the disabled list again. Now he is back and pitching hot, but it has to stay that way. He needs to bring the heat and be the Cards' ace all season. Carpenter needs to keep his ERA right around 1.52 like it was in spring training or lower all year. Then there is Joel Pineiro with a 1.44 ERA and a 3-0 pre-season record, and Adam Wainwright (2-2) who was just announced to be the starter for

Albert Pujols, Khalil Greene, Brian Barden and others are all hitting .400 or more in the pre-season.

way. It's not that the Cardinals are the best team out there, and it is definitely not that they have the best pitchers or hitters in the league. It is, however, a highlighting of the team's strengths, bragging about my Cards and expressing excitement for this season.

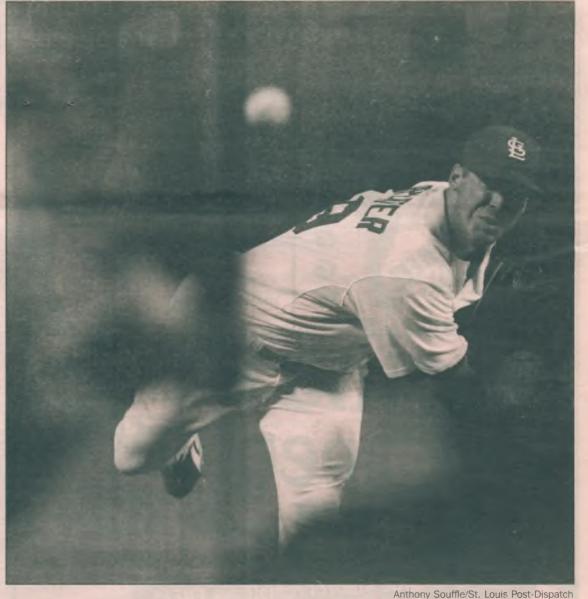
into their weaknesses. Their pitching is good right now, but it is also unstable. If they lose one or two pitchers to injuries or if they simply can't stay hot all

The same goes for the hitters. Pujols has proved himself, and it is probable most people are not worried about his consistency, but it is still an issue to look at. Not just Pujols, but the whole including the .400 plus hitters already

year, and have any possible shot at another run to the World Series, every player on the team is going to have to step up and play extremely well with

Pitchers must stay healthy, batters must consistently get hits and Skip Schumaker and Ankiel are going to have to continue to step up in their positions as well as get hits. It is going to be a tough year. A lot of things will have to go right for St. Louis for them to have a shot, but just as they proved in 2006, it is a definite possibility. So, if you are a Cardinals fan like myself and you take anything away from this column, be on the couch at 3:15 p.m. on Monday and cheer on Wainwright and the Cards

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St. Louis Cardinals starting pitcher Chris Carpenter works in the fourth inning against the Los Angeles Dodgers at Busch Stadium in St. Louis, Missouri, Tuesday, August 5, 2008.

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The Cougar's schedule does not get easier during the rest of the season with competition against other club teams from schools like the University of Missouri, the University of Illinois-Springfield and Missouri State University. SIUE will also have rematches against Illinois and SIUC later in the year.

"Once we get everybody together we will be a pretty solid team," Becker said. "We'll easily be an over .500 team."

The other half of the co-captain duo, senior third baseman Heath Hargan, who is the longeststanding member of the team, said this year's team is one of the most dedicated the club has seen.

"This year everybody on the team is more meshed together. There is more team unity," Hagar said. "When I started five years ago as a freshman, we struggled to get nine guys to show up on a weekend. This year we have 20 guys on our roster, a big improvement."

Becker, Strok and Hagar all agree that this year's team is good and has a shot at the conference championship, but they also agree next year's team promises potential to be even better.

"I think we have a shot this year (to win the conference), but next year I think we have a very legitimate shot," Strok said. "We have a good chance to be a contender for a very long time for the (NCBA) World Series because of the competition and talent we have been getting. The last two years we have contended, and I don't see anything going any different."

Strok said there is a possibility that Illinois will play on the Cougar varsity fields April 10 to 11, an exciting opportunity for SIUE Club Baseball and its fans.

"Since the varsity baseball team only has three games (at home) this year, it is a possibility," he said. "Hopefully, we will get home field. That would be pretty nice."

Nothing is guaranteed right now, Strok said, but the Cougars will play Illinois somewhere that weekend regardless. However, if things go their way, they will be playing at the SIUE campus to give fans the opportunity to come watch.

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have been a factor for her, as she is in her first season playing with the Cougars.

Despite Lovegreen's freshman status, Jakel said she has confidence in Lovegreen's ability.

"(Lovegreen) has adjusted well this year," Jakel said. "You will definitely see more good things from her in the future."

familiar foe in Peoria at the Bradley Invitational. The event begins Sunday and goes through Monday at Weaver Ridge Golf Course.

The Cougars' next competition takes them to a Sports can be reached at sports@alestlelive.com or 650-3524.

Game Cancellations SIUE's softball game at Missouri State on Thursday has been postponed until April 13 at 4 p.m.

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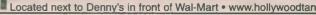
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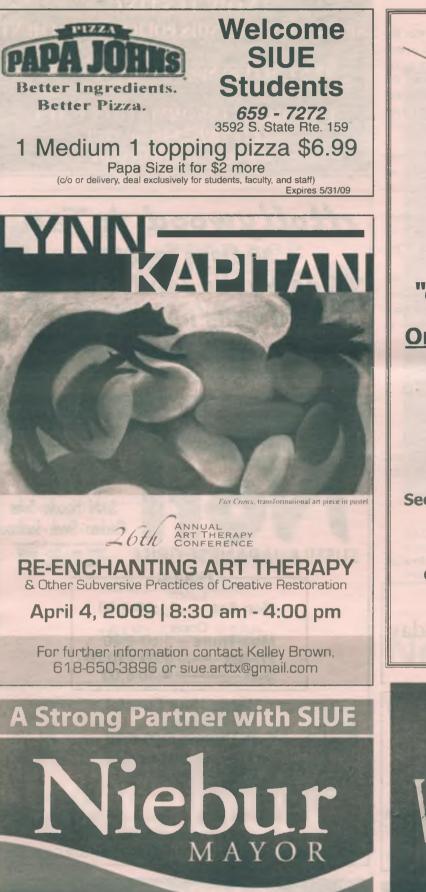


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- 30 John Hersey book
- 32 Absorbed in thought
- 34 Go in search of
- 35 Old draft org.
- **38 Tentacled mollusk**
- **40 Opposite of NNW**
- 41 Makes a decision
- 43 Spanish island
- **45 Anterior flappers**
- 47 Safe
- **51 Refrain sounds**
- 52 Canter or trot
- 54 Novelist Kingsley
- 55 Some wading birds
- 57 Zubenelgenubi or Dubhe
- 59 Menlo Park initials
- 60 Bat stickum
- 62 Repeating
- 64 Rest upon
- 65 Electra's brother
- 66 Succinctly
- 67 Ilie of tennis
- DOWN
- 1 Odors
- 2 Eye for an eye
- 3 Vague threat
- 4 O.T. book
- 5 Novelist Ernest
- 6 Lotion ingredients 7 Jumping from a plane
- 8 Theology sch.
- 9 Junk
- **10 British greetings**
- **11 Rider and Bowman**
- 12 Certainties
- 13 Some Roman galleys
- 14 Marine predator 21 Chemical warfare agent
- 24 Bill
- 26 Part of speech
- 29 ____ volente (God willing)
- 31 Olfactory stimulant
- 33 1901
- 35 Tender regard
- 36 Playful
- 37 Sieve
- 39 605

56 Spinnaker or spanker 58 Jed of "The Chris Isaak Show"

61 Actor Aleiandro

63 Alphabet tri

42 Peter of "Being There"

- 44 Drivers' org.
- 46 Turkey feature
- 48 Capital of Transkei
- **49 Tropical creepers**
- 50 Pestilent fly
- 53 Part of the Carpathians

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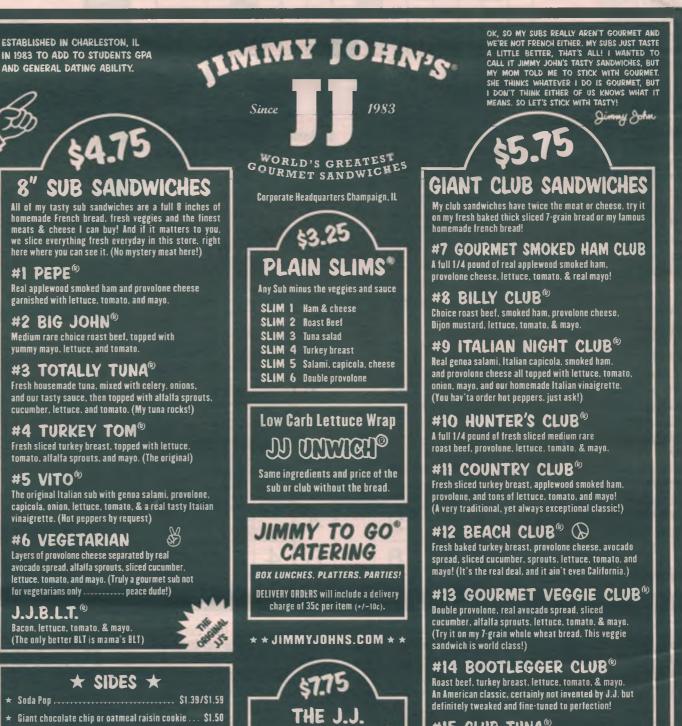
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