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Prairie Hall Area Council president contests removal

By Neal Gough
Alestle Reporter

The president of Prairie Hall Area Council was removed from office on Thursday due to alleged violations of the Prairie Hall Area Council's constitution, but he said he is not guilty of the violations.

According to a statement from Prairie Hall Director Cathy Passananti, freshman political science major Sam Perks of Springfield was removed because of violations of article six, which deals with absences from meetings, and article four, which deals with ineligibility due to a disciplinary status, of the PHAC

constitution.

Passananti's statement said Perks was in violation of article four, which states that any resident on disciplinary status is ineligible to hold office. The constitution also states that "if s/he is found to be on disciplinary status while in office, s/he will be removed from his/her post."

Perks said the violation he is accused of involves passing out campaign literature in Prairie Hall in support of former Edwardsville mayoral candidate Wesley Tippit. Perks said while he did work on Tippit's campaign, he did not pass out any literature.

Passananti said she could not confirm or deny if this was Perks' violation.

"I cannot comment any further than what I gave you in the statement," Passananti said.

In the statement, Passananti said due to confidentiality purposes, she would not state what the violation was, and that he would be followed up with as an individual.

Perks said Passananti requested a meeting, and when they met, she asked for his resignation.

"She asked me to resign in response to students telling her that I was handing out campaign literature," Perks said. "The idea of me resigning in the last 26 days of my term ... is a delusional idea."

Perks said the night Passananti told

him the incident occurred, he was working on campaigning at Tippit's home and that he had also received a piece of campaign material slid under his dorm room door.

Tippit said Perks was at his house that evening helping with phone calls and signs, but he was unsure of the exact times.

Article six says a representative who received two unexcused absences or three total absences during a semester may be removed without impeachment proceedings.

According to Passananti's statement, Perks had two unexcused absences.

To be excused, the article states that "... a representative must inform the PHC president (or adviser if president is the

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CAB sponsors 'Sin City' theme for Springfest

By Rosie Githinji
Alestle Reporter

Campus Activities Board's annual Springfest will take a Vegas twist this year with its theme of "Welcome to Sin City" — in Edwardsville, that is.

This year CAB is co-sponsoring a Texas Hold 'Em poker tournament, which will take place at 7 p.m. in the Student Fitness Center. According to Assistant Director of Student Life Michelle Welter, students who want to play can register at the event.

Senior speech communications major Tiffany Leschke of Edwardsville is the student chair for Springfest.

"It is definitely off a Vegas

theme," Leschke said. "We will have activities like building a house of cards and a poker tournament."

Welter said Springfest is one of the longest running traditions at SIUE.

"It is a great way to celebrate the end of the semester for all students, faculty and staff," Welter said.

One of the traditional activities is the giant banana split, so large it takes an unusual container to hold it all.

"For this event, we get a full-sized canoe that we cover with plastic and then fill with all the traditional banana split ingredients," Welter said.

The last event of Springfest

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Sydney Elliot/Alestle

Grounds Manager for the SIUE Gardens Dan Mueller finishes staking three cherry trees Monday. The trees are three of 17 purchased from Crain Tree Farm where the trees were grown. All of the trees are in The Gardens and are staked and cabled until the roots can grow into the ground three or four feet.

Earth Day Town Hall forum to discuss global warming, alternative energy

By Allan Lewis
Alestle Opinion Editor

For geology professor Mark Hildebrandt, having one Earth Day is nice, but the eco-friendly holiday should be celebrated throughout the year.

"People need to really start paying more attention to these environmental concerns and issues beyond Earth Day," Hildebrandt said. "Our mindsets are going to have to change in order to take a proactive approach to environmental issues."

Hildebrandt, a climate change specialist, along with the SIUE Peace Studies Program and Gamma Theta Upsilon will participate in a town hall forum conducted by the Illinois Environmental Council Wednesday in the Morris University Center.

The causes and controversies surrounding global warming and alternative energy will highlight the professor's Earth Day presentation, which opens the IEC's statewide series on "Global

Warming and Local Solutions."

"I am going to speak about where we stand right now, the forecasts look like for us in Illinois, the nation and the world," Hildebrandt said.

Hildebrandt said maintaining the climate of the earth is vital and to expect a two to 12 degree climate increase to be seen globally within 100 years.

"That is likely going to be attributed to the rise in greenhouse gases, methane and water vapors that work to trap heat into the Earth's atmosphere," Hildebrandt said. "Putting more gases into the atmosphere throws more blankets in the Earth, so coincidentally we get warmer."

Information on climate change is going to be a primary focus for the forum, but warning students of its effects and preventative steps will be at the forefront.

"In order to get serious as a society and as

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Springfest 2009 Events

Tuesday St. Louis Cardinals vs. New York Mets 7:15 p.m. Busch Stadium	Slides and Slots 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle
Wednesday Student Organization Fair 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle	Frisbee Art 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle
Welcome to the Strip! 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle	Giant Banana Split 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle
Cougar Karaoke 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle	David Campbell 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle
House of Cards 2 p.m. MUC Goshen Lounge	Survivor on the Quad 3 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle
Sin City Search 5 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle	Gold Coin Eating Contest 6 p.m. MUC Cougar Den
Thursday Student Organization Fair 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stratton Quadrangle	Texas Hold 'Em Tournament 7 to 9 p.m. Student Fitness Center
Friday Party in the Park 6 p.m. to 12 a.m. Edwardsville City Park	

Police Reports

4-14

Police issued Marlon J. Hilmes a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Tracy A. Humphreys a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Erica C. Robinson a citation for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued Amanda G. McEwen a citation for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued Christene H. Cho a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

4-15

Police took a report from a resident of Cougar Village Apartment 407 about her stolen financial identity.

4-17

Police issued Jameson J. Ramirez a citation for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued Carole A. Willmott a citation for speeding on University Drive.

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Lauren Meyer, Kalyn McMillin, Kerilynn Thierer, Erin Faley and Jennifer Young were arrested in connection with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor at Woodland Hall after a resident assistant requested police to deal with several intoxicated subjects. All were processed, given notices to appear

and released.

Steven Ragle was arrested in connection with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor after a resident assistant requested police to deal with an intoxicated, uncooperative male resident. Ragle was processed, taken to Madison County Jail and later released.

Jada S. Kosmides was arrested in connection with domestic battery after police responded to a 911 hang up call at the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity House. Kosmides was processed, transported to Madison County Jail and was later released.

Police issued Sarah M. Duvall a citation for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued Linda L. Forbringer a citation for speeding on Stadium Drive.

Police took a report about items stolen from the Student Fitness Center, including cash, a credit card and a student ID.

Nicholas J. Czapinski was arrested in connection with driving with a suspended license. Czapinski was processed, posted bond and was released.

Police issued Michael T. Malone a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle at Lot 5.

Tyler J. Biekert, David J. Crockett, Michael J. McLaughlin, Jamie L. Arentsen and Kristy N. Neadendecker were arrested in connection with illegal

consumption of alcohol by a minor after housing staff requested assistance with a party at Cougar Village Apartment 527. All were processed, given notices to appear and released.

4-19

Amanda D. Dabulskis and Chelsea C. Foran were arrested in connection with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor after housing staff requested assistance with residents who refused to break up a party at Cougar Village Apartment 504. Both were processed, given notices to appear and released.

John S. Curio was arrested in connection with resisting a peace officer and unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor at Cougar Village Apartment 525. Curio was processed and taken to Madison County Jail.

Police responded to a call from housing, reporting that a gate to the inner roadway of 4D Cougar Village was damaged.

Police met with a resident of Bluff Hall about laundry taken from a dryer.

Police issued Daniel N. Martinez a citation for the operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South Circle Drive.

Cole A. Carpenter was arrested in connection with an active warrant out of Glen Carbon for failure to appear after housing requested assistance with a party at Cougar Village Apartment 527. Carpenter was transported to the Glen Carbon Police Station.

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is Party at the Park, which is another ongoing tradition at SIUE sponsored by CAB.

There are two bands that will be playing live music, one band from Chicago, and the other is a local band from Edwardsville. The event will run from 6 p.m. to midnight on Friday in Edwardsville City Park at the Edwardsville Public Library. Welter said this event is the largest event of the week.

There is extra incentive for student organizations to take part in Springfest this year. One organization will win \$500 from CAB. Each organization involved will earn points throughout the week, and at the end of the week the group with the most points wins, according to Leschke.

Sophomore Brittany Luehmann of Alpha Sigma Tau is part of CAB and will also help set up a table that will hand out snow cones as part of the Student Organization Activities Fair on Thursday.


Other activities include a chocolate eating contest, where the chocolate wrappers look like poker chips, and there is also a Vegas themed costume contest.

"Springfest brings everyone on campus onto the Quad," Luehmann said. "It's just a way to promote our organization."

Luehmann said all of the Greek organizations on campus are doing different activities during Springfest as well.

Springfest will take place Monday through Friday. For more information on Springfest, visit CAB's Web site at siue.edu/cab/springfest.

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Sin City 2009

monday
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 costume contest
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 MUC Conference Center

wednesday
april 22
 student
 organization
 fair
 10 am - 2 pm
 Stratton Quad

cougar karaoke
 11 am - 1 pm
 Stratton Quad

house of cards
 2 pm - 3 pm
 Goshen Lounge

thursday
april 23
 student
 organization
 fair
 10 am - 2 pm
 Stratton Quad

giant banana split
 11:30 am - 1 pm
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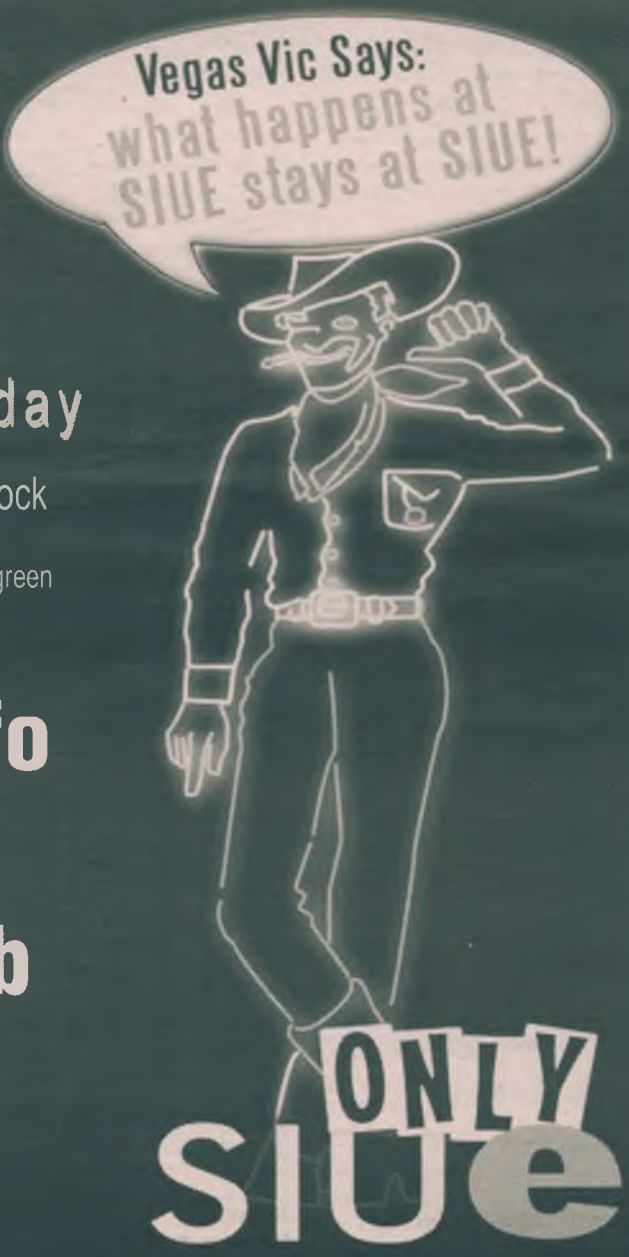
texas hold'em
 tournament
 7 pm - 9 pm
 Student Fitness Center

friday
april 24
 party in the park
 6 pm - 12 am
 Edwardsville City Park

saturday
april 25
 rock the dock
 2 pm
 Dock @ Evergreen

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(Top) Students attempted to "KISS Cancer Goodbye" at the Relay For Life Thursday by walking laps throughout the night, sleeping in tents and selling goods to raise money. (Left) Seth Suansen prepares his tent. (Above) Allison Moenster, sophomore nursing major, reflects with others during the luminary ceremony.

Relaying for life with an '80s flair

By Aren Dow
Alestle Reporter

Nursing students Lacey Walder and Kelly Turner stepped out Friday night in full KISS make-up, along with hundreds of other SIUE students in spandex tights and headbands to raise money for an '80s-themed Relay for Life.

Relay for Life, a national fundraiser started by the American Cancer Society, raises money and awareness for cancer research. Participants raise money by running or walking around a track for an entire night. SIUE had its Relay for Life on a makeshift track behind the Rec Plex.

Walder and Turner were part of a team including fellow nursing students. Their team came prepared for the '80s music theme with KISS costumes and face paint, but also recognized the seriousness of the event they walked for.

"I've been involved before in my hometown, but this last year my mom was diagnosed with cancer, so I've been more involved," Walder said.

Turner said cancer has also affected her life and her career choice would continue to expose her to it.

"My grandma and some other people I know died of cancer," Turner said. "Ever since we started nursing school, we've seen it a lot more."

This was SIUE's second annual year holding the event, according to event chair senior Kaycee Collins.

"It is a celebration, a remembrance and a fight back for the hope and for those we have lost," Collins said.

People attending Relay for Life events register in groups or teams, and teams must have at least one team member on the track at all times. The event lasted from 6 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Saturday.

Collins said 53 groups and around 550 people attended this year. The theme for this year's Relay

was '80s music, and plenty of participants donned appropriate apparel to add to the atmosphere.

Ten cancer survivors, carrying a banner that read, "I'm a survivor," took the first lap and were greeted at the finish with a round of applause.

Collins said their total financial goal was \$45,000, which was an increase from last year's goal. She said Relay was successful in 2008, and she hoped to build upon it.

"Last year we made almost \$39,000, (and) our goal was definitely not that much," Collins said. "To do that well our first year is amazing."

Alisa Josias, Income Development manager of the local American Cancer Society, said the total was not confirmed yet, but it was roughly \$33,000 this year, falling short of the \$45,000 goal.

While the purpose is serious, this year's organizers for SIUE's Relay for Life added several activities to keep participants energized through the night. During one of the laps, there was a competition for best '80s hair, as well as a poker lap, in which walkers tried to collect the best hand for five laps while Journey's "Don't Stop Believing" blared through loudspeakers.

Teams also brought items to sell to raise more money, including grilled cheese, s'mores and even an HDTV.

During a more serious part of the night, luminaries were lit in remembrance of each of those who have fought and continue to fight cancer, as well as a lap in honor of those who had died.

Collins said she considered this part the most important part of the night.

"My ultimate favorite part would be the luminary ceremony, where we remember all those who we have lost," Collins said.

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Dancing in the Quad



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Students danced in the Stratton Quadrangle Wednesday to advertise for their Student Dance Concert, which took place April 15 through April 19. University Dance Organization members choreograph Student Dance Concert in the spring to raise money for their organization.

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individuals it requires civic engagement," Wes King, an organizer with the IEC, said. "The main focus of the town hall meeting is to push citizens to get involved with their legislature and let their voices be known to those elected to represent them."

King said climate change is not the only detrimental Earth condition that deserves consideration on Earth Day.

Producing alternative clean fuels, clean water, reducing sources of mercury and conserving land are all environmental issues the IEC aims to work towards, King said.

"As global warming has become a big environmental issue, conserving green space has fallen by the wayside," King said.

"You shouldn't think of the two as separate issues, because global warming can have a negative effect on open space and land conservation as well."

For a university, Hildebrandt said green issues should be a concern.

"SIUE and all other universities are going to have to become more environmentally conscious conserving energy in the future," Hildebrandt said. "It is all about the little things that add up."

The Earth Day Town Hall forum will take place Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Oak and Redbud Room in the Morris University Center.

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office missing the engagement) verbally or in writing at least 24 hours in advance of the absence."

However, Perks said he told a fellow council member he would not be present at both meetings because of work. For this reason, Perks said the absences should be excused.

Freshman economics and finance major Jeff Harrison from Red Bud, who is now the acting president of the Prairie Hall Area Council, said the absences were "partially excused."

"He had told one of the (other members), but she did not relay it to any of the other council members at the meeting," Harrison said.

Perks said he refused to resign and addressed the issue at the April 13 PHAC meeting. Passananti's statement said Perks made a statement at the meeting and the council members expressed their opinions on the matter.

The decision to remove Perks came from Passananti.

"Due to situations and conversations that Executive

Board members and General Assembly members are not privy to, in accordance with University Policy, it is my final decision that Sam Perks be removed from the office of Prairie Area Council President," Passananti said in her statement.

Harrison said Perks removal from office came as a surprise. Harrison said because of his absences he did not think Perks had fulfilled his duties completely, but did not think he should have been removed from office.

"He gave a statement, and everyone seemed to accept it," Harrison said. "I don't agree with him being removed at this time period."

Perks said his chief argument against his removal was that the council did not vote on it, and he felt as though the democratic process had been foregone.

"It came as a big shock to me today to hear that the opinions of democratically-elected officials didn't matter," Perks said.

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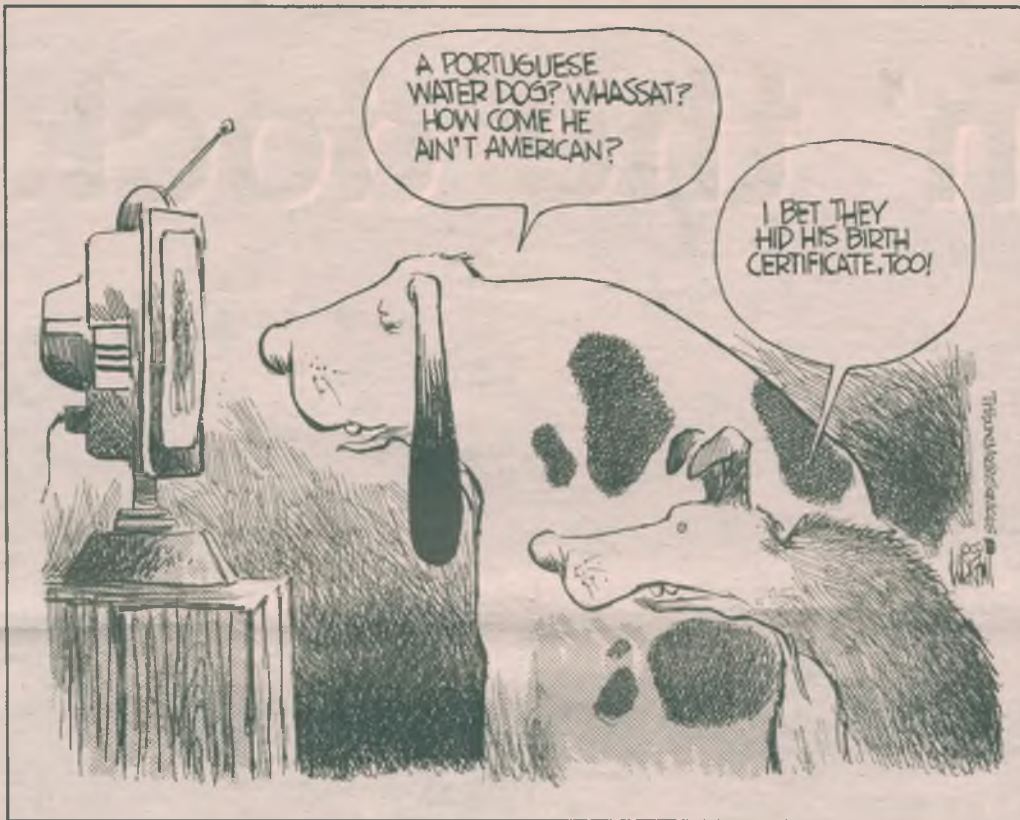
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In light of Washington University smoking ban, be considerate

The tobacco-free movement is making its way to college campuses, and while Washington University in St. Louis plans to make smoking on its premises illegal, college administrators should be reminded that lighting up is not a crime.

It may be a dirty habit, or calming fixation, but by no means is smoking either illegal or something that should be controlled outdoors. All across the SIUE campus, students and faculty alike are seen with cigarette in hand, taking some time out of their day to calm the rigors of daily life in their own special way. That right should continue to be extended to them despite calls to make tobacco use illegal on college campuses.

We are not talking about marijuana or alcohol here, we are talking about cigarettes. While nicotine can be considered a drug, it certainly does not halt the educational process.

Secondhand smoke outdoors 15 feet from buildings is not going to kill anyone. People should not be allowed to smoke indoors on a college campus. Secondhand smoke in a bowling alley or bar is much more harmful to the health of those around you because there is

much more of it. People who smoke outside should still take the clean lung wishes of others to heart.



Allan
Lewis

Non-smokers do not like walking into a lung-full of carbon monoxide, tobacco and all the other goodies that go into cigarettes, so college smokers need to stay in their zone and be considerate of others to keep the rules from changing. I'm sure Washington University, who also banned bottled water because it is the "green thing" to do, has plenty of nooks and crannies, as SIUE does for smokers to take advantage of.

If you want to ban smoking entirely, it is going to be an epic fail, resulting in piles of paperwork for the administration. Maybe curtailing it to designated areas is a better call to action than banning it altogether.

According to the press release from Washington University "smoking and tobacco use will be prohibited on university-owned and -managed properties." The press release cites "an effort to provide a healthy, comfortable and productive work and learning environment for students, faculty and staff" as the reasons for making this change.

There is nothing "comfortable" out of this

proposition for those who smoke because for some people smoking makes them "comfortable" for one reason or another.

Washington University will also provide smoking cessation courses to help make the transition to a smoke-free campus. It will help some students and make others feel as if they are being bullied around by a high school administration.

In the back of their minds, some smokers wants to quit either long-term or short-term because of the health risks associated with the habit, and for Washington University students the calendars are circled for next school year because ready or not, some long days or a quit date is coming in the near future.

In the meantime, SIUE is working on continuing to enforce the Illinois 15-foot rule, which should not be a problem for anyone. If you smoke, be respectful of others and throw your cigarette butts in their conveniently located depositaries for the well-being of those around you, for the good of the campus and for yourself if you want to keep your smoking rights on campus.

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Meridian Scholars' meal plans swallowed whole

Students who receive a Meridian Scholarship to SIUE seemingly have everything paid for. Tuition, housing and the \$2,850 Meal Plan A option.

Unfortunately, those with the scholarship don't receive a refund on unspent meal plan money.

Traditionally, any student with a campus meal plan, whether it's on the Residence Hall, Cougar or Debit plans are refunded their leftover money.

It only makes sense to give students back any unused money.

Last year, scholars received a refund on the unused money. Shortly after this, it was found to be a "mistake" to give the refund and this was corrected.

While it may seem insignificant to give

back this money to students who technically aren't paying for it, it's unfair to take away part of the incentives given to attend SIUE.



Kenneth
Long

"Sometimes I can't even find the time to grab something to eat on campus while dining areas are open, due to work, class and extra-curricular activities. As I'm sure most other scholars that live in Cougar Village do, I go to the grocery store.

If only Shop 'N Save did 60/40.

The actual eating habits of a busy college student just don't coincide with Dining Services' hours. Not that there's anything wrong with the hours. You just can't make schedules match up sometimes.

By refunding money back for the unused meal plans, it offsets the cost of eating. For

scholars who might not have anyone to fall back on for extra cash, the meal plan would still help support these students. Going to the grocery store can be even more expensive than eating on campus with a 60/40 plan.

Essentially, by not refunding the meal plan, part of the benefits promised to scholars is taken away by fine print policies. And for scholars trying to make it on little monetary support from anyone, having to pay for the basic amenities to live gets tight like any other college student. When it comes to making it on your own in the summer without the scholarship, money is even tighter. Getting the meal plan refund at the end of the spring semester would be a godsend

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Rockin' the dock



Derrick Hawkins/Alestle

Five bands to take stage at dock behind Evergreen Hall Saturday

by Rosie Githinji
Alestle Reporter

Joe Bassa and his band, Surtsey, will rock the stage Saturday night for the second annual Rock the Dock concert.

The concert is co-sponsored by the Resident Housing Association and Evergreen Area Council. There are five bands performing at Rock the Dock.

Bassa performed at last year's Rock the Dock as a solo acoustic act. Bassa said he started writing songs while he was still in high school and he considers himself more of a songwriter than a guitarist.

"I have always enjoyed expressing myself, and music has definitely been a primary vessel for self-expression," Bassa

said. "I received a guitar for Christmas when I was 15 and have been addicted since."

There are three band members: Bassa will play the guitar, Aaron Essner plays drums and performs vocals and Drew Koepfel plays the bass, percussion and performs vocals. They started Surtsey in January 2009.

Surtsey will release its first CD in May. Bassa said they hope playing at SIUE will help them get more exposure.

Adrian Day is the lead singer for the band Silent Sirens. Day and lead guitarist Jesse Christenson started the band, and the other members are guitarist George Coutretsis, bassist Joe Chouinard and drummer Adam Machalek.

"All of the songs, with the exception of one, Jesse and I wrote," Day said.

Silent Sirens, who have toured with Hawthorne Heights and played at Warp Tour Day, said their music is a mix of everything, including electronic aspects, some mellow sounds and dance music influences.

"It's like if the Wallflowers and Justin Timberlake got together," Day said. "When people ask us, it is so much more simple to say we are a rock band."

Mark Rose from Chicago, formerly of the band Spitalfield, will headline Rock the Dock. Owen Pye and Our First Summer from Highland will also perform, according to Emalie Whan, vice president of programming and special events.

Whan chose each of the bands and said she was excited to get Rose as the headliner because she is a big fan of his former band Spitalfield.

All the bands will play their own original music. Whan wanted to have no more than five bands playing and said she had to reject four when she was picking bands for the concert.

"Every year the university gives area councils \$2,000 to spend each year," Whan said.

Rock the Dock will take place behind Evergreen Hall by the dock and is from 2 to 8 p.m.

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Arts & Issues Series ends year with jazz performance

T.S. Monk expected to bring new level of energetic music to university community



Photo courtesy of the artist

Jazz performer T.S. Monk will perform Saturday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom. Monk's performance marks the end of the year's events for the Arts & Issues Series of concerts and lectures.

by Neal Gough
Alestle Reporter

T.S. Monk followed the beats of his father, legendary jazz musician Thelonious Sphere Monk, but stepped away from the traditional sounds of jazz and created his own style.

According to Director of Arts & Issues Grant Andree, Monk is a "top-notch artist" who has toured the world performing music.

"(Monk) is a nice blend of contemporary and traditional jazz," Andree said. "He kind of bridges both worlds."

Monk will perform as the last act of the 2008-2009 Arts & Issues Series at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom.

Andree said Monk jumped out to him because of his style and the fact that he has studied with legendary musicians such as Max Roach and his father, Thelonious Monk.

Andree said he wanted to end the year with a jazz performance, and Monk was a great choice to headline the concert.

"We hadn't had a (jazz performance) in awhile so I just thought it was something we could do this year," Andree said. "And we've got a strong jazz department so I just wanted to highlight that."

Andree said he met Monk's agent at a booking conference and chose him out of a roster of jazz musicians for two main reasons.

"(Monk) jumped right out, number one by being the son of Thelonious and (because T.S. Monk's) a drummer," Andree said. "T.S. just kind of popped out."

According to his Web site, T.S. Monk won an award for his album, "Monk on Monk," which was a tribute to his father.

T.S. Monk's musical interest began at the age of 10 when jazz legend, Roach, gave him his first drum set. Monk honed his skills and eventually began touring with his father as part of his quartet while still in his early twenties.

When his father retired from touring in 1975, Monk moved in the direction of R&B and continued to tour, eventually forming his own band with his sister Barbara, according to Monk's Web site.

Music professor and Jazz Band Director Brett Stamps said he is always excited to see jazz musicians performing on campus.

"Students will hear a unique musical performance that blends different styles of music and that is performed at a high artistic level," Stamps said. "The music will be challenging and energetic."

According to Stamps, Monk's music is an "eclectic blend" of elements of jazz and R&B with world and contemporary influences. Stamps said he was "proud that SIUE is presenting such a quality cultural series."

Jazz drum set professor Miles Vandiver said he enjoys seeing performances such as these at SIUE. He said these performances are vital for "keeping the music alive," especially on college campuses.

"Being a musician, I think it is important culturally for students to hear any type of music," Vandiver said.

Andree said he thought Monk's performance would be interesting because of his unique style of music.

"I think it will be an opportunity to see some excellent musicianship," Andree said. "If you love drums and music in general you will love this concert."

There are 50 free tickets set aside for SIUE students on a first come, first serve basis. After that, tickets are \$12 for students, \$25 for alumni and \$27 for general admission.

For more information call the Fine Arts Box Office at 650-2774 or visit Arts & Issues at siue.edu/artsandissues/.

To learn more about T.S. Monk, visit <http://www.monkzone.com/TSM1.html>.

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Espresso yourself



Sean Roberts/Alestle

Freshman business major Ryan McCullough from Galesburg sang "My Stupid Mouth" by John Mayer Thursday during the weekly "Late Night Espresso." Each week people are invited to perform in the Morris University Center Starbucks.



Upcoming Cougar Events:

Tuesday, April 21 - Softball vs. Western Illinois HOME - 3 p.m.
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Tuesday, April 21, 2009

SIUE baseball strikes out in SEMO series

by T.J. Cowell
Alestle Sports Reporter

Cougar baseball saw a season high three-game winning streak snap last weekend with a trip to Cape Girardeau, Mo., where SIUE dropped three straight decisions to Southeast Missouri State University between Friday and Saturday.

Friday's game saw SIUE slip away from the Redhawks late in the game, 9-5. Freshman pitcher Dustin Quattrocchi threw seven innings while not giving up an earned run for SIUE.

The Cougars led early, paced by a three-run homer in the second inning from freshman catcher Brett Keeler. SEMO answered with three runs in the bottom of the second.

Junior left fielder Dustin Brooks and junior first baseman Michael Hopkins helped the visitors regain the advantage, recording RBI's in the fifth inning.

Things turned around in the eighth when SEMO rallied for six runs, highlighted by a grand slam from senior left fielder Justin Wheeler. The Cougar bats failed to produce any more runs late in the game off of SEMO junior reliever John Salazar.

"We pitched well the first game, but then we had trouble with our bullpen," Quattrocchi said.

Saturday's doubleheader saw SIUE drop two more games to the Ohio Valley Conference members. The Cougars left 10 runners stranded in game one dropping the 9-2 decision. SEMO followed up with another strong offensive performance in game two, defeating SIUE 9-4.

Junior shortstop Mike Hurt was the only one who produced runs for SIUE in game one with a solo home run in the third frame. SIUE junior starter Spencer Patton was removed from the game after feeling tightness in his shoulder early on.

Senior Todd Stahlendorf was the winning pitcher in game one improving his record to 2-1. The Redhawk offense backed up Stahlendorf with 12 hits as a team.

In game two, the Cougars had more trouble putting away SEMO. The Redhawks rallied again for three runs in the fifth and sixth innings en route to improving to a 22-14

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Sophomore Michael Chamberlain returns a serve during their last home game against Western Illinois University.

No W's over WashU, WIU Tennis falls twice in home-court weekend

by T.J. Cowell
Alestle Sports Reporter

SIUE tennis dropped two home decisions last week, falling to defending Division III national champion Washington University and Western Illinois University.

On Wednesday, Washington University showed why they are nationally ranked in D-III with a 6-1 road win over SIUE. Sophomore Michael Chamberlain was the only Cougar who produced a singles win in No. 5 singles action. The victory improved Chamberlain's record to 6-13 on the season.

"I think our main area to improve on is our mentality," Chamberlain said. "Skill-wise and talent-wise, we're right

there with many of the teams we've played this year. We just need to have that confidence as a team and once we start believing, I think this team can really turn some heads."

Chamberlain knocked off WashU junior Slavi Fildish in three sets, 6-7 (5-7), 6-1, 9-7 to earn SIUE's only point of the match.

Washington claimed the doubles point with victories in No. 1 and 3 double match sets. The duo of senior Cole Garrison and junior Rob Young earned the victory for SIUE in No. 2 doubles. The win brought Garrison and Young's record to 10-7 overall this year.

"I was glad to play a great team like (Washington University) because it is a measuring stick of where we are as a team," Young said. "They are defending

D-III national champions, and we took a couple matches off them. I think that is a testament to our hard work and improvement."

Wednesday's victory improved WashU to 15-2 on the season.

The Cougars found some life in senior Paulo Gonzalez and Young on Friday's home contest against Western Illinois University, but still dropped a 5-2 decision to the visitors.

The Leathernecks started off sweeping all three doubles matches.

Gonzalez provided the Cougars with momentum with a 7-6 and 6-1 win over WIU No. 1 senior Zach Frisch. Young followed, making quick work of WIU No. 2 Francisco Ortiz, 6-0, 6-1.

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Softball ends road schedule with split series

by Ashlee Brockenbrough
Alestle Sports Reporter

SIUE softball split a doubleheader against the University of Tennessee at Martin Saturday, bringing the team's record to 34-9 with the final road game of the season.

The UTM Skyhawks, a future OVC opponent, stands at 26-19, with 8-8 in the OVC.

SIUE fell to UTM in the first game, 5-2, after the Skyhawks homered three in the first four innings, making the score 5-0.

Despite the five runs that SIUE's sophomore pitcher Erika Taylor allowed, Head Coach Sandy Montgomery said she was pleased with Taylor's performance.

"She threw a good game," Montgomery said. "We went into it knowing we didn't match up very well. Taylor

is a pitcher who does a great job getting (the ball) into the strike zone. (UTM) was just a team that hit homeruns."

The Cougars' first run came in the sixth inning when junior outfielder Chaleen Rumpf had an RBI with a single to center field. Their second was in the top of the seventh after UTM pitcher Kara Harper walked two and allowed an RBI when senior outfielder Nicole Beecher hit a single down the middle.

"They were a very aggressive team," senior outfielder Courtney Mall said. "We knew going into it that it would be a competitive game."

Montgomery said the Cougars struggled to come up with runs in the first game, but managed to get it together in the second, taking a shutout victory, 3-0.

"We just didn't have timely hitting, (in game one),

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Senior second baseman Lindsay Longfellow runs to first during the softball team's game on March 19.

Two tracksters hit regional mark

Alestle Sports Staff Report

The duo of junior sprinter Marcus Evans and junior pole vaulter Eric Mammoser both set NCAA Regional qualifying marks on Saturday when the SIUE track team traveled to the Memphis Invitational.

On the women's side junior distance runner Kayla Brown set a new personal best by 20 seconds in the women's 3,000-meter run. Brown crossed the line at 10 minutes, 1.74 seconds winning the event.

Junior sprinter Juliet Alrich claimed another SIUE first place finish in the women's 400-meter dash at 56.14 seconds.

The SIUE men also had impressive showings at Memphis.

Mammoser continued his strong season setting a personal best, clearing 16 feet, 6.75

inches. The Cougars got another top finish from sophomore thrower Ben Bishop in the men's hammer throw. The mark was a new personal record by four feet.

Evans collected a pair of top three finishes for the Cougars. Evans placed second in the men's 400-meter hurdles and third in the 110-meter hurdles.

Sophomore thrower Karl Smith continued the Cougar momentum with a toss of 161 feet, 8 inches in the men's discus throw. Smith finished third in the event.

Freshman distance runner Marc Amarillas broke the school record in the men's 3,000-meter by nearly 15 seconds. Amarillas' time helped him to a sixth place finish.

The Cougars continue their 2009 season with the SIUE Twilight meet on Saturday.

	Name	Event	Results
1st	Eric Mammoser	Pole vault	16 feet, 6.75 in. * ***
	Kayla Brown	3,000-meter run	10:01.74 *
	Juliet Alrich	400-meter dash	56.14 seconds
	Ben Bishop	Hammer throw	183 feet, 4 inches *
2nd	Marcus Evans	400-meter hurdles	52.20 seconds * ***
3rd	Karl Smith	Discus	161 feet, 8 inches *
	Marcus Evans	110-meter hurdles	15.08 seconds *
6th	Marc Amarillas	3,000-meter run	8:42.96 **

*Personal record, **School record, ***NCAA regional qualifying mark

BASEBALL

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Freshmen center fielder Mitch Matecki and third baseman Zach Hawkins each connected on three hits for SIUE in game two. Josh Street showed why he is one of SIUE's key offensive players with a pair of RBI's.

SIUE baseball Head Coach Gary Collins said he was impressed with the performances against SEMO.

"I was pleased with some of our freshmen," Collins said. "I like the way Matecki, Hawkins and (Brett) Keeler swung the bats."

Collins said his team still has several areas to improve on.

"We throw too many pitches," Collins said. "(SEMO) is second in the OVC, and I can see why now."

SEMO red-shirt senior reliever Ryan Poole earned the victory for the hosts in 2 1/3 innings of action. Poole did not allow a run while he was on the mound.

Hawkins said he saw noticeable difference in the Cougar effort in SIUE's recent three-game winning streak.

"Against SEMO we did not come out with a win, but we hit the ball pretty good," Hawkins said.

Hawkins said the Cougars



Ashley Hinkle/Alestle
Junior catcher Dustin Brooks hits a run in with bases loaded on April 9 against Saint Louis University.

put together a better team effort during the winning streak.

"We had fun and went up to the plate hacking," Hawkins said.

With Sunday's game being canceled because of rain, the Cougars now face Central Missouri University at the SimmonsCooper Baseball Complex Tuesday. Game time is set for 6 p.m.

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Sophomore Ali Wulfers serves during their last match against Washington University on Thursday.

TENNIS

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"The season was tough," Gonzalez said. "It was a season where we played most of the time on the road against really good teams. That is the future for our team, good teams and good players. All we have to do is work so we get up there with them."

WIU rebounded with four consecutive key victories from seniors Neil Lesinki and Sean Ragee-Nelson along with freshmen Mandela Shepard and James Capalbo. The four straight wins aided the Leathernecks in improving their record to 10-15 on the year.

"I think some of the guys, including myself, were frustrated a bit throughout the season, but we've learned from those experiences, and I think we will be a better team next year because of it," Chamberlain said.

The Cougars wrap up their season with a home exhibition match at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday against Lewis and Clark Community College. SIUE completed their regular season with a 5-12 mark.

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SOFTBALL

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"We just didn't have timely hitting, (in game one), but we had it in the second game," Montgomery said.

The Cougars stole the second game with senior pitcher Kaitlin Colosimo earning her eighth shutout this season.

"Because we knew they were such a good homerun team, coach told me to keep the ball low to the plate and inside so they couldn't get a good hand on (the ball)," Colosimo said.

Giving up only three hits the entire game, Colosimo's tough pitching gave SIUE's offense a chance to shine through.

"All the hitters did a really good job at coming back determined and ready to bat," Colosimo said.

In the top of the fourth inning, Beecher had a double down the left field line, giving junior third baseman Lauren Zembruski the run. Beecher scored one sacrifice bunt and a wild pitch later.

The Cougars made the score 3-0 against the Skyhawks in the top of the sixth when Beecher got her second RBI of the game with a double to right center.

SIUE had another chance to score in the seventh inning with two outs after Rumpf singled to right field then stole second base. She advanced to third off of Mall's single, but got out at home to complete their chance at bat.

Mall said the difference between the two games was the team's amount of confidence.

"We were much more loose the second game," Mall said. "We went out to have fun and determined to do well."

The Cougars have seven more games of their season, all of them at home. The team will host a doubleheader at 3 p.m. Tuesday against Western Illinois at Cougar Field.

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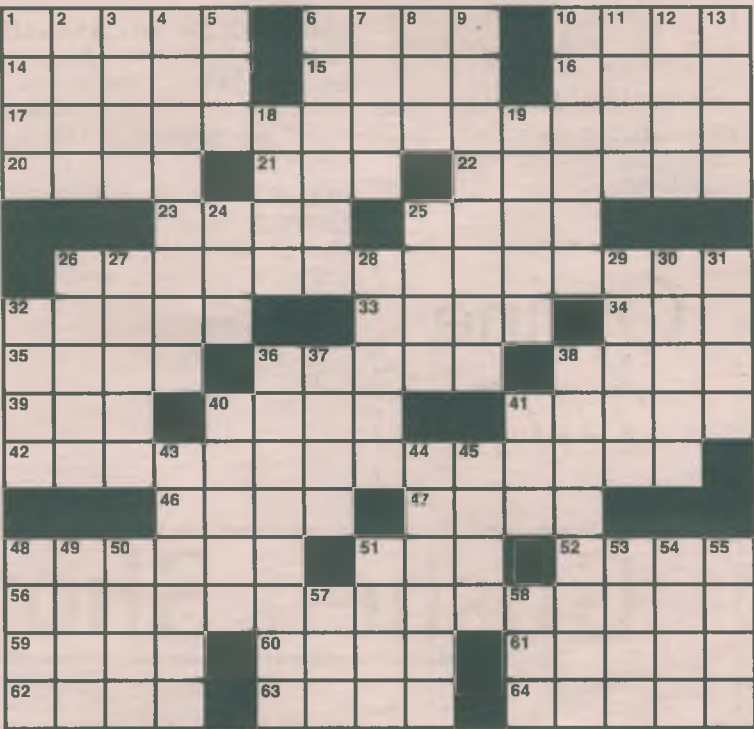


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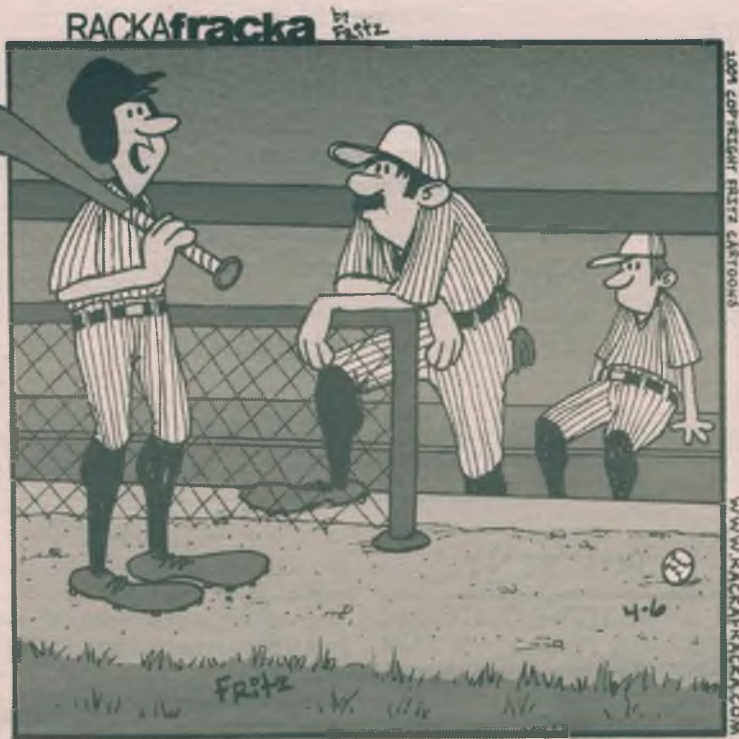


By Donna S. Levin

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