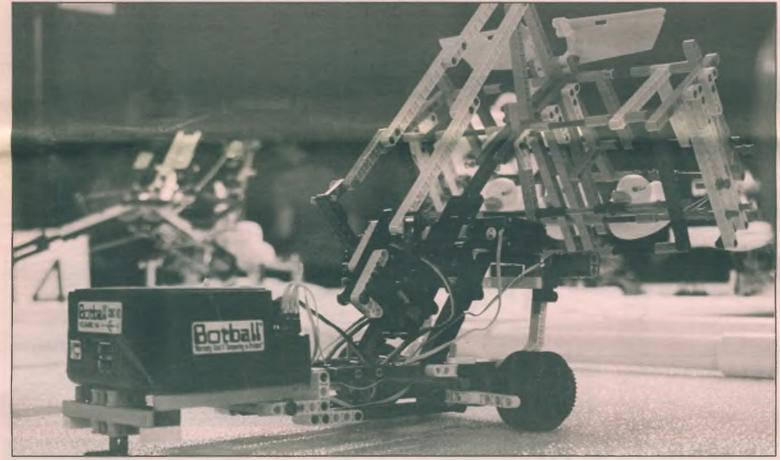


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Transforming the campus



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A robot carries three rubber ducks to safety from a simulated oil spill in the Meridian Ballroom on Saturday. The Global Conference on Educational Robotics took place from July 7-11 in the Goshen Lounge as well, with over 500 students attending.

SIUE, area benefit from conference

by Jason Frazier Alestle Reporter

The Global Conference on Educational Robotics has generated much buzz because of its scientific value, but the economic ripple it has caused through SIUE and neighboring communities can be noted as well.

The conference kept Dining Services busy this past week. Department of Computer Science Chair Jerry Weinberg

"We sold somewhere between 300 to 400 meal cards to those staying here on campus," Weinberg said. "When we sold those meal cards, they could put as much money as they wanted on the cards. Majorities of the people were putting \$100 worth of meals on there.

While SIUE received immediate impact from the conference, Weinberg said kids who attended the conference can provide an economic boost in the

Bringing an international flair

by Justin Wingerter Alestle Reporter

This weekend's International Botball Tournament in SIUE's Meridian Ballroom featured a number of storylines as teams filed in from around the nation. Three of the tournament's 64 teams stood out and truly made the tournament international.

Robo 3D Vision and Byzony both made the trip to SIUE from Gdansk, Poland while the team representing Al Ru'ya Bilingual School arrived from Kuwait City, Kuwait. Despite the culture change and long flights - it takes roughly 10 hours to get from Gdansk to St. Louis and 15 hours to get from Kuwait City to St. Louis - the teams seemed to enjoy their time in the U.S. "The States are a great country," Rafal Klat, from Byzony, said. "We like it quite a bit here." "It's pretty nice here in the States," Al Ru'ya's Waleed Omar said. "The weather was awesome two days ago when it rained. It's a bit humid right now."

and eighth respectively. Byzony was seeded 41st headed into Saturday's double-elimination action.

"We lost two matches and won just one," Klat, of Byzony, said.

"We're quite unlucky. We don't know why but on our robot the arm doesn't lift," Michal Ratowski, Klat's teammate, said.

Despite good starts from two of the three international teams, Saturday's double-elimination forced each of the three out of the tournament. As a result, the teams moved to the alliance rounds which were played Sunday. "Two of the loser teams are chosen to put their robots together and it's like a losers bracket. The guys with the most points are then the winners of the losers," Omar, of Al Ru'ya, said. The International Botball Tournament was open to middle and high school students, pitting students of various ages against one another. Klat and Ratowski from Byzony will each be attending their senior year of high school in the fall of this year while Omar and teammate

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Art Building expansion approved

by Rosie Githinji Alestle A&E Editor

The SIU Board of Trustees approved the budget for window replacements in Peck Hall and for the renovation and expansion for the Art and Design Building at its July 8 meeting.

The window replacements will cost \$2.8 million and the renovation and expansion for the Art and Design Building will cost \$14.3 million, which will come out of facilities and university operation funds, according to SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift.

BOT member Keith Sanders said there are good and bad points to the approval of the money.

Sanders said since the university is using operating budgets to pay for the Art and Design Building, then it will not go into debt. However, Sanders said he the university's cash-flow issue may affect the plans for expansion.

"We are using a lot of operating funds to build this facility," Sanders said. "I have a nagging doubt we should be using operating dollars that should be brought out of the state capitol budget."

BOT member Ed Hightower said he believes the money should be spent. He said Vandegrift would not bring the recommendation to the board without doing his homework first.

"As trustees we have to have faith and confidence in the leadership we put in place," Hightower said. "The worst thing that we can do is to set the university back because we don't

said many SIUE meal cards were future by enrolling at SIUE. through purchased the conference.

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The Meridian Ballroom housed more than 50 work stations for Botball competitors on Saturday.

The high in Kuwait City was 120 degrees Sunday.

Robo 3D Vision and Al Ru'ya looked impressive after the seeding rounds, placing seventh want to be risk takers.

SIU system president Glenn Poshard gave his report to the BOT from Washington, D.C. Poshard is working with the White House to get a \$5 million grant to help stabilize funds for the university.

The SIU system is lacking 36 percent of appropriations from the state of Illinois, which equates to \$85 million still owed for fiscal year 2010.

"We will need to have a borrowing plan in place by the first week of September," Poshard

Poshard said the university will need to keep an eye on the

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Police responded to the Birger Hall parking lot regarding criminal damage to a vehicle.

Police issued a citation to Cameron Lauchner for speeding on New Poag Road.

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Police took a report of a stolen computer memory drive from the Engineering Building.

7-8-10 _

Police issued a citation to Kenneth Harris for Unauthorized Handicapped Parking outside the Alpha House.

Police issued a citation to Keondra Walker for Unauthorized Handicapped Parking outside the Alpha House.

7-9-10_

Police responded to the Morris University Center regarding theft of a laptop.

7-11-10_

Police took a call reporting a driver backing into a pole, then hitting the accelerator and hitting two parking cars in parking lot 12. Police issued Nicole Burg a citation for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

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Police issued a state citation to Lawrence Pierson for speeding on Circle Drive.



officer. There will soon be more ways to pay your university bill when the fall semester starts, according to Catherine Foland, associate director for the office of the bursar.

by Rosie Githinji

Alestle A&E Editor

The payment method is called e-check and can be accessed through CougarNet. Money will be taken directly out of the individuals' bank account after the account and routing numbers have been typed in. The information can be saved for future use and students or parents can schedule payments in advance, Foland said.

About 15 percent of students pay their bills online and there is a 2 percent fee added. The new payment method will eliminate that fee and students will be able to see their payment posted immediately instead of having to wait for the processing period that is used now.

"We've heard from the students and parents," Foland said. "They want this."

Student Government also discussed its annual report and voted to bring back the

Kappa Alpha Psi program request that was voted down at the prior meeting. SG tabled the vote on approval of the request until the next meeting so a representative from the organization can be present.

SG approved a travel request for Phi Kappa Psi in the amount of \$675. It also approved program requests for the following organizations: SIUE Club Football – Homecoming Football game in the amount of \$6,760, Phi Kappa Psi – Cory Gunz performance in the amount of \$6,272.50, Gay-Straight Alliance – Coming Out Week in the amount of \$3,376.95 and Sculptures at Wagner – Sculpture on Campus Walk and Banquet in the amount of \$5,487.45.

Student Government also approved the constitutions of two organizations, pending changes, for COMMraderie, which is a group for graduate students in the Speech Communication Department and SIUE National Science Teachers Association Student Chapter.

The budget for the student discount program was also approved as well as the sponsorship for the annual block party.

The next meeting will be held at 2 p.m. Aug. 6 in room 1203 of the Student Success Center.

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"Certainly one of the main reasons I wanted to bring this event here was to provide exposure to the campus," Weinberg said. "It is a recruiting tool. I honestly believe some of the kids who came will attend SIUE in the future. I heard lots of compliments about the layout of the campus. We are much more known now that all of these people were on campus. The students who participate in these conferences are some of the best. It's important we put our best foot forward to continue to get really good students."

As middle school and high school students from all over the globe invaded the campus for the Botball Tournament, SIUE Public Affairs Director Greg Conroy said the students' time on campus might influence their academic future.

"There are 500 middle school kids here, even some international students. They may look around and think this may not be a bad place to go to school," Conroy said.

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Ahmed Hassann are just 15 years old. Hassann said as students of a bilingual school, he and his teammates consider themselves well in tune with American culture.

"We're a little different than the other Kuwaiti kids in that regard," said Hassann.

Al Ru'ya faced a major hurdle prior to even competing in the competition this weekend following some confusion concerning transportation from the team's hotel. Fortunately, two teachers from Edwardsville High School volunteered to shuttle the team.

"They remarked about the kindness they have received while here. Also, one of the students approached our dean about coming to SIUE," Department of Computer Science Chair Jerry Weinberg said of Al Ru'ya.

Despite the fun and excitement each of the Weinberg said the Morris University Center is the part of campus that benefitted most from the conference.

"The Morris University Center is actually self-sufficient," Weinberg said. "It doesn't receive very much state money. The money is earned through Dining Services, these sorts of events and the things that come along with them. Funds from the conference impact the MUC, providing funds for staff during the summer session, otherwise they don't have the funds to do so."

Weinberg said the economic boom spread from the campus into Edwardsville and other neighboring cities.

"We booked many of the hotels around here. I know the Country Hearth Inn was completely booked. Holiday Inn of Troy had many of participants staying there. There were also people staying in some of the hotels in Glen Carbon," Weinberg said. "In addition to staying at the hotels, many people also visited some of the local restaurants as well."

Botball may not be a onetime thing at SIUE. Weinberg said there are hopes to expand on the conference if they are able to bring it back.

"We hope to bring it back in 2012 or 2013," Weinberg said. "If we are able to do this again, one thing we like to try to set up is a co-located conference. We could have one robotics conference going on while another is going on about the same time; this could allow for [communication] between the two."

Economics locally is just a small part of the big picture. Weinberg said the sharing of scientific ideas during this type of event could benefit the nation.

"A key thing about these robotics conferences is connections will be made and there will be research into doing certain applications," Weinberg said.

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Sean Roberts/Alestle A Botball judge looks over the robot from the team Al Ru'ya. Al Ru'ya finished eighth overall.

international teams experienced during their time at SIUE, Byzony's Klat had at least one minor complaint. "We miss our Polish food a

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cash flow situation.

There will be a delay of 2011 funds until January, according to Poshard. He suggested the chancellors of both SIUE and SIU Carbondale have plans for furloughs and layoffs if the money does not come through.

Poshard also said there will be Monetary Award Program funding for students this fall.

"MAP funds were not reduced," Poshard said. "8,000 students in the SIU system will get money in the fall."

Poshard said for every

student who received MAP funds, there was one who did not get them.

Vandegrift said summer enrollment this year is about the same as last summer. He also said fall enrollment is on track to meet projected numbers, which include around a 2 percent increase from last year.

SIUE raised \$9.3 million for the 2009-2010 school year in fundraising, according to Vandegrift.

The contract bids for the new science building should be awarded by the end of July, the rebuilding of Cougar Village apartment 529 should be done in August, Vandegrift said, and there will be renovations on the locker rooms so they are in compliance with NCAA Division I standards.

Jeff Harrison was also in attendance for the first time as SIUE Student Trustee and was appointed to the Architecture and Design committee.

The next meeting will be held Sept. 16 on the campus of SIUE.

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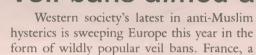
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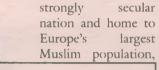
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will likely have a veil ban in place by September while Belgium's lower house has passed a ban citing security reasons. A recent Pew poll found 82 percent of respondents in France approved the ban, 71 percent in Germany and 62 percent in Britain. Members of the Spanish ruling party have strongly suggested banning veils, calling them an "affront to human dignity."

But the affront occurring in Western Europe is aimed at human liberty, not human dignity. The idea that veils such as niqabs or burqas present a security risk is simply an argument born out of ignorance via typecasting and fear. Stores are robbed every day by men in Europe who shield their faces with ski masks or similar guises yet no legislator would consider banning protective masks and scarves during the Belgian winter. Considering the threat of armed robbery is far more realistic than female Islamic martyrdom in Europe, we can concur with a recent columnist in the "New York Times" that "what inspires fear and mistrust in Europe, clearly, is not covering per se, but Muslim covering."

Undoubtedly the most oft-used argument in favor of restricting this basic religious freedom implies that veils are symbols of an archaic past. A CBS article recently said of France, "The government has insisted that the bill is not about religion but has called it a way to promote equality between the sexes, to protect oppressed women or to ensure security in public places." A legislator in Spain meanwhile called the burqa a "degrading prison" as he campaigned for its ban.

What are we to make of this argument, pushed forward by Catholic and Protestant men with little or no knowledge of Islam? I would begin by agreeing with their assessment of burqas. They are a primitive and horrendous symbol of the degradation Muslim women have traditionally faced – and still face – under Islamic law. To wear one within a Western society is much the equivalent of an African American dragging the chains that Questions or comments regarding this section? Contact Opinion Editor Kenneth Long at 650-3524 or opinion@alestlelive.com.

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Veil bans aimed at Muslims in Europe add to ignorance

forced his ancestors into bondage. As a symbol they are a powerful and repugnant reminder of the occasional backwardness of religion.

Regardless, the decision to wear a veil is one's own. The suggestion that men must ban an article of clothing so that women will not uphold a sexist past is sexist in itself. It takes the decision out of their hands, seemingly because these (mostly) male legislators feel Muslim women cannot decide for themselves. Long ago Turkey banned the veil, citing its inability to protect women who were harassed by Islamists. Using my prior example of American slavery, perhaps the Turkish government felt slaves should not have been freed due to the government's inability to protect them from White Terror during Reconstruction.

Regardless, no such fear exists in Western Europe. The largest threat to the security and liberty of European Muslim women are the governments that vow to save them from themselves while in reality are upholding their own prejudicial ignorance and discrimination.

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Original intentions of Founding Fathers blurred by religion

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting any free exercise therefore." This establishment clause in the first amendment of the United States Constitution has been the basis for hundreds of past and current arguments worldwide. The concepts behind separation of church and state were touchy subjects before this great nation was even colonized. Just recently Kenneth Howell, a professor at University of Illinois, did not have his contract renewed after he allegedly gave a "hate speech" towards homosexuality to select students in his Introduction to Catholicism and Modern Catholic Thought class. Those quotations around hate speech give insight to the close of the Civil War and President Lincoln's death. "One Nation Under God" was not added to the Pledge of Allegiance until the communist scare of the 1950s. This phrase distinguished Americans from our "godless" communist rivals.

Every day we hear complaints from the far right and their media that America is departing from the original intentions of our Founding Fathers. In reality, our founding fathers lived during the Enlightenment Era in which religion and the Church were scrutinized and not trusted. The motto of the Enlightenment Era was reason over religion. In our current time, many people are now fighting for just the opposite: religion over reason or, at least, religion over the separation of church and state. I am a religious individual and I do believe that the Bible offers powerful insight into truth, but, like our Founding Fathers, I realize religion can blind a state from doing what is best for its people.

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Our parents, schools, and nation have taught us to idolize individuals like the Puritans who came to the New World looking for religious freedom, but, in actuality, set up a society that was more dependent on religion then their former homeland. This was especially true in the New England colonies where the basic society was structured on an ultimatum. Visitors could either follow their form of ecclesiastical law, or risk being socially ostracized or even executed. my opinion about the subject, that is not the point of making this reference.

Instances like this issue show that religious factions and the government are at war everyday in America. Our Founding Fathers knew this was going to be an issue for centuries to come and that is why they set up our Constitution the way they did. Statements such as "our creator" and "Nature's God" appear several times in our Declaration of Independence, but they are left very ambiguous to leave interpretation to any god.

Critics of this historical data may argue that certain American traditions were established by our Founding Fathers, such as "In God We Trust" imprinted on our currency or "one nation under God" in our Pledge of Allegiance. But these critics are mistaken; "In God We Trust" was not added to our currencies until a religious rally happened with

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Summer Showbiz ends with 'Seussical the Musical'

by Justin Wingerter Alestle Reporter

SIUE's Summer Showbiz wraps up with "Seussical the Musical" beginning this evening and running through Sunday. The popular Broadway musical is the third and final play of SIUE's summer series and is certain to bring the young and old together to experience the world of Dr. Seuss.

Peter Cocuzza, chair of the Theater and Dance Department said all people can relate to "Seussical."

"We all can identify with Dr. Seuss in some way, and in this regard the show has universal appeal," Cocuzza said. "I can't even begin to guess the breakdown of the audience."

Director of "Seussical" Joy Powell, also director of theater at Missouri Baptist University, said the musical bridges the generation gap.

"Dr. Seuss' work resonates with everyone," Powell said. "The truths are there regardless of how old you are. There is definitely a multigenerational pull to these characters."

"Seussical" features characters from a number of Dr. Seuss classics including JoJo, Horton, Cindy Lou Who, the Grinch, Yertle the Turtle and the unmistakable Cat in the Hat. The plot is based around "Horton Hears a Who" with characters and settings from other works intertwined. The wide range of settings, each complete with Seuss' vibrant color schemes, made "Seussical" a challenge on many levels.

"We're creating a whole world. We're creating Whoville because some of the characters are in Whoville and we're creating the Jungle of Nool. There are a lot of worlds to create," Powell said.

Powell, who does not teach at the

university but has been putting on summer performances at SIUE for about nine years, said more than 60 people have been involved with the show including the stage shop, costume shop, and a stage crew of roughly 40 people.

"The preparation has been going on for months," Powell said. "I was hired in the fall, production meetings began in February and rehearsals were June 1."

Rehearsals for "Seussical" were unique in that they were open to the public, not just SIUE students. The musical demands a number of both younger and older performers to fit its wide array of characters. The crew features children as young as 10, a number of high school and college students, along with older adults.

"There's certainly a wide age range involved in the show," Powell said.

One of the non-students taking part in "Seussical" is SIUE's own choral music instructor Chris Eubank who will play the key role of Horton the Elephant.

"He is a kind-hearted, almost child-like character who cares about the world and people around him although, by trying to help someone in need (the Whos), he doesn't notice someone who is there to help him (Gertrude McFuzz)," Eubank said. "I like that Horton is driven to help anyone who needs him and is faithful to those he calls friends."

While certainly excited to perform a musical featuring music he describes as "truly amazing," Eubank said a certain challenge accompanies the performance of such a beloved Broadway hit. "When a show is as popular as 'Seussical' there is always a small amount of pressure to try to be different from all of the other productions."

"Seussical" will play at 7:30 nightly







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Top: The Whos introduce themselves, including the Grinch (Richard Ladd). Bottom left: The Cat in the Hat, played by Roger Speidel. Bottom right: Katie Weise, who plays Mayzie La Bird, introduces herself and the other birds to the audience.

through Saturday along with matinees Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$12 for senior citizens, unregistered students, faculty and staff. Students registered for the summer session receive free entry into the play with valid ID. Certain to attract a wide and varied audience, Eubank said "Seussical" is sure to please.

"Audiences will not be disappointed in any way," Eubank said.

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Now Rating: the iPhone 4

by Sean Roberts Alestle Photographer

If you talked to me last year and told me I would be preordering an Apple product this year, I would have told you to hit me. I have never been a huge fan of Apple, but their mobile phones/iPods have been right on the mark. With the introduction of the iPhone 4, Apple went two steps forward in the mobile phone market. The iPhone is impressive, and probably one of the best phones on the market right now. I ordered it on day two of preordering, but did not get it until a week later. According to Apple, sales have already reached 1.7 million and counting. The iPhone 4 came along with a new software update - iOS 4. The update is impressive and it came out for more than just the iPhone 4. The 3GS has full functionality from the update as well. The biggest changes made to the software were the addition of multitasking support and folders. Multitasking has been a big thing with mobile phones and it always has been annoying to be unable to do any multitasking on the iPhone. While Apple did not implement full multitasking support, they found an option that used as little processing power as possible while still allowing

some multitasking support. They will allow "fast app switching," which allows you to switch applications quickly. It also allows minor tasks such as music, task completion and GPS to go on in the background. While this is not the perfect option, it prevents issues with speed and battery life while preserving multitasking.

The design of the iPhone is nice really nice. It is not exactly what you would expect from Apple; it is a very industrial design, which is great. The antenna is on the outside of the unit, and actually a part of the structure of the phone. However, this leads to one big problem involving reception. When you hold the phone in a certain spot to where your fingers allow two separate antennas to connect, there will be a drastic drop in reception. Apple claims this is primarily a software issue; signal "bars" are not represented correctly. While this is somewhat true, the issue exists regardless of how the bars are interpreted. While in practice you do not see this problem very often, but it does occur and it is annoying. This was a major blunder on Apple's part. The new screen, while remaining the same dimensions, drastically increased the resolution to around 300 dpi. This is about the same resolution you would see on a high quality piece of paper. This is impressive, and you can really notice a difference, especially while reading text.

There are now two cameras. One is front facing which works as a great mirror and avoids that awkward holding-the phone-backwardthing when you want to take a self-portrait. But, the real news is the 5-megapixel camera at the rear, which works much better in low light, looks a lot nicer and records in 720p. A new feature for the iPhone 4 is FaceTime. It brings video calling to the masses, or so it says. So far, I have only used this once, and at the moment, the best way to use FaceTime is with another iPhone user. I think this has potential to be great, but at the moment there is not much use to it for most people. I did see it used during the Botball competition on campus last week. A judge was showing an non-attending friend the competition - live.



The iPhone 4 is one of the best phones on the market right now and if you have AT&T, and can afford it, this is by far the phone of choice. While it Photo courtesy of Apple

still has some competition, like the HTC Evo, not everybody can just switch a network to change their phone. So, if you are with AT&T, you should love the new iPhone.

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Looking back at a championship Part II: The quiet assassin and the path to victory

Editor's note: This is the second in a three-part series on SIUE's 1979 Division I national championship team leading up to the 2010 season, the first SIUE will be eligible to return to the postseason since 1995.

> by Allan Lewis Alestle Sports Editor

The day had finally come for SIUE to play for its national championship.

The crowd at Tampa Stadium was rather light, as 4,500 gathered in the cavernous "Sombrero," the stadium's affectionate nickname on a December afternoon with temperatures peaking in the 80s. On one side was 18-2-3 SIUE, the team with a St. Louis born cast and season long aspirations for a championship. Clemson opposed with the same dreams, a 16-1-2 record and a roster full of Nigerian imports, including Obed Ariri, a striker who returned to the team after moving his scholarship to American football.

SIUE's team was experiencing all of the emotions one would expect heading into such a game, but they had been through enough big games to know what was at stake.

"We were excited, nervous, confident and anxious," then Assistant Coach Rick Benben said. "Our approach was not to diminish it, but we had played in big games from the opening day of the year, and coach [Bob Guelker] said 'Hey, we are ready to do this.' He reminded us of our strengths, and why we are successful. There was no secret formula."

It was the first time SIUE played in an NFL stadium, but they had played in larger venues before, something today the team downplays.

"We had been fortunate to have played at Busch Memorial Stadium and other big stadiums," Benben said. "It was a pretty new venue, and just to walk out there and think, 'This is the same place as the NFL,' is pretty neat, but the other part goes, 'We are an experienced team here to win a championship,' and 99.9 percent of athletes don't even know the crowd is there."

Striker Don Ebert said he was confident despite SIUE's underdog status heading into the biggest game of his college career.

"It was Tampa Stadium, there weren't that many people there and we were going to win the thing," Ebert said. "Clemson was about to get crushed, there were no Hoosier moments and it wasn't our first dance."

The starting lineup for SIUE consisted of Tim Clark, Terry Trushel, Dave Hundelt and Pat Malloy in the backfield, with Joe Howe, Bob Bozada, Tim Guelker, Jeff Cacciatore, Ebert and Matt Malloy at forward. Freshman Ed Gettemeier got the start in goal, and had been sharing duties there with Mark Downar throughout the season.

Ebert recalled Guelker's scouting report on Clemson, and what the Cougars had to do in order to be successful.



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Striker Don Ebert reacts as his shot goes into the net during a 1979 Bronze Boot game against Saint Louis University at Korte Stadium.

minutes later had a second one. Once again, it was the surprising Malloy, who worked his way straight up the middle of the field through defenders, striking the ball past a diving Bruens.

After scoring the goal, Malloy maintained the same cool demeanor he typically possessed, despite his reputation for not being a prolific goal scorer.

"He was the quiet assassin; that is what we always called him," Ebert said.

The score remained 2-0 SIUE heading into the halftime break, with both locker rooms exhibiting completely opposite attitudes.

"We were excited, but it was like, 'Hey, we need to keep playing," Benben said. "The message from coach was pretty consistent, but-we had no feeling we had won. We had a half to go to finish it off."

Cacciatore did admit there was some premature celebrating at the break, but SIUE understood the team still had 45 minutes to play.

"Everyone was excited going in, we thought if we kept up that effort that we would win," Cacciatore said. "Once we got back out there everyone knew what we had to do."

SIUE had backed off of its attack slightly in the second half, something Benben attributed to human nature. This mindset allowed Clemson to take advantage and give its fans a glimmer of hope. "When you are up, especially in our sport you really don't need another goal," Benben said. "Psychologically, especially against good competition, you are going to be more cautious in your attack. If Clemson went ahead 2-0 we would have been the aggressor." make their next move, evening the score 2-2 with seven minutes remaining in regulation. It was Nnamdi Nwokocha, another Nigerian player who had been pressing forward most of the contest with the tally.

"After they tied it up we really had to stick together to overcome it," Cacciatore said. "I still don't know how it happened."

In the event of a tie, the teams would play suddendeath overtime, consisting of four 15-minute sessions and then shorter five-minute periods. Penalty kicks were not going to decide the contest.

'We were going to win the thing. Clemson was about to get crushed, there were no Hoosier moments and it wasn't our first dance'

-Don Ebert junior striker on 1979 SIUE soccer team

"We had a lot of respect for them individually, but they were light defensively and as a group," Ebert said. "If we got on them early they would fall apart and start [complaining]. We knew we were in for a battle."

Once the battle began, it seemed as though Guelker's plan had worked to perfection. SIUE scored the first goal of the game in its seventh minute.

SIUE had a throw in, which was headed by Tim Guelker towards Matt Malloy, who pushed the ball into the corner of the net past goalkeeper John Bruens to put the Cougars ahead 1-0 early. The goal came so abruptly ESPN's telecast actually missed everything leading up to Malloy's strike while they replayed the previous play and the ball heading out of bounds.

"Initially, you get relief. Okay, we scored first. It takes a lot of tension off when a goal is scored in either direction," Benben said.

SIUE kept playing after its first goal, and 20

Clemson had numerous scoring chances early in the second half, but was unable to get anything past Gettemier. Clemson had been winning most of the loose balls as their search for a goal became more furious.

Finally, with 15 minutes left in regulation, Clemson tallied on an Ariri goal headed in between three other players in the box. Re-energized, Ariri went behind Gettemier and ran with the scored ball victoriously back to the mid-field.

SIUE remained in submission while Clemson's attack raged on. It did not take long for the Tigers to

SIUE suddenly became the aggressor as regulation wound down. Malloy quickly took a quick shot on goal, but was denied by Bruens. A mistake on the other end gave Clemson their best shot at completely turning the game in their favor, with Guelker called for a foul tripping up Nwokocha just outside the box and Gettemeier with 5:09 to play. The human wall SIUE built denied the opportunity and the Cougars pressed on in the opposite direction.

With less than four minutes left to play, SIUE was awarded a free kick 55 yards away from the goal as Joe Awesu tripped up Matt Malloy.

Soon, SIUE soccer would make history.

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Track and Field

Men's soccer

Alumbaugh tabbed assistant Men and women add standouts

Alestle Sports Report

The SIUE men's soccer program has tabbed Jeremy Alumbaugh as an assistant to head coach Kevin Kalish for the 2010 season.

Alumbaugh's coaching experience spans various levels. He was previously an assistant coach at Missouri State, an assistant for the Chicago Fire Reserves of the United Soccer Leagues, a staff coach for the Chicago Magic and the director of Soccer Operations for the Springfield (Mo.) Soccer Club.

"Jeremy is an outstanding person as well as an accomplished coach. He has done a tremendous job at every previous position he has held and he will be a wonderful addition to our program," Kalish said. "His coaching experience, along with his exceptional character, will help our studentathletes reach their goals on and off the soccer field. His passion, attention to detail, hard work and knowledge of the game make Jeremy a perfect fit within our coaching staff."

Alumbaugh helped recruit three players who went on to be drafted by teams in MLS, and Missouri State made two NCAA tournament appearances while he was on the staff in 1997 and 1999.

As a player, Alumbaugh helped the University of Wisconisn – Oshkosh to three NCAA tournaments, including the Division III semifinals in 1994.

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SIUE Track and Field head coach Kareem Jackson and Cross Country head coach Eileen McAllister have announced 10 new additions for the 2011 season.

Jawon Smith (Lombard), Josh Thomas (Galesburg), Titus Hughes (Springfield), Jade Ackerman (Rantoul), Thayer Harrison (Springfield), Shanikka Vance (University Park), Lacey Hainline (Milan), Hannah Lee (Jacksonville), Megan Petty will do just that."

Harrison adds to SIUE depth in the jumping events. He was a standout in the long jump and triple jump at Springfield Southeast High School.

"He is an accomplished student-athlete and has been competing in the summer months at the AAU and junior national level," Jackson said.

Vance, of Crete Monee High School, will be competing for the Cougars in the horizontal jumps. She is a multiple time state qualifier and has a personal best of

Jackson to assist SIUE hitters

Baseball

Alestle Sports Report

SIUE has hired a former Edwardsville native to coach its hitters.

Danny Jackson was hired as SIUE's hitting coach last week after serving as a volunteer coach at Saint Louis University.

Jackson worked with the Billikens as a first base coach as well as with hitters and outfielders. He also served as the team's travel planner. "We're very happy to have Danny on board to help us with recruiting," baseball head coach Gary Collins said. "He has a solid knowledge of talent and knows what it takes for players to be successful at this level,"

SLU won 88 games during Jackson's three seasons, including an Atlantic Ten Championship and an appearance in the NCAA Tournament's Louisville Regional last season.

Batting averages, doubles and

home runs all increased for the Billikens while Jackson was at SLU.

Jackson played college baseball at Wichita State, and earned Missouri Valley Conference Tournament Most Valuable Player honors in 2005 and 2006. Jackson received All-MVC honors in the 2007 season, and was a standout at Edwardsville High School prior to college, where he was a three-time All-State pick.

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Women's golf



Alestle Sports Report

A trio of SIUE golfers was recently named to the National Golf Association's NCAA Division I All-American Scholars team.

Freshman Hilary Powles, senior Kelsey Atteberry and freshman Taylor Rumple earned the honors.

Powles competed in 11 rounds for the Cougars and

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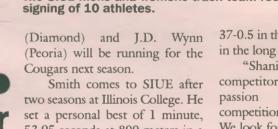
averaged a 94.5 over the course of the season. She shot a season-best 83 at the Butler Invitational Oct. 5 and 6.

Atteberry was second on the team in scoring average with 85.2 strokes per round. Her best finish of the season was 19th at the New Wave Communications Classic.

Rumple played in 19 rounds for SIUE and ended the season with an 86.7 scoring average. Her best tournament also was a top-20 finish at the New Wave Communications Classic.

SIUE's representatives join a group of 494 women's collegiate golfers to earn the honors. Qualifications for the award include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.50 and competition in at least half of the school's events.

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set a personal best of 1 minute, 53.95 seconds at 800 meters in a meet held at Western Illinois. "Jawon will add experience

and depth to the middle distance group for the Cougars," Jackson said. "We expect Jawon to add an immediate impact to our program."

Thomas placed third this season at the state championships in the 300-meter hurdles for Galesburg High School.

"The hurdle group for SIUE should be outstanding and one to watch for years to come. We have had some of the top hurdlers in the state commit to SIUE," Jackson said.

Hughes will be competing in the jumps for the Cougars, specializing in the high jump. He was a state qualifier for Springfield High School with a personal best jump of 6-6.

"We are looking to put all the pieces together to make a competitive program in the Ohio Valley Conference. Signing Titus just takes us another step closer," Jackson said. Ackerman is expected to make an immediate impact in the men's sprint group. He ran a personal best 21.83 at 200 meters and 10.82 at 100 meters at St. Thomas Moore High School in Champaign. He was a 2010 finalist in both sprint events at the state championships, placing third at 100 meters and eighth at 200 meters.

37-0.5 in the triple jump and 18-6 in the long jump.

"Shanikka is a tremendous competitor and will bring that passion to practice and competitions with her next season. We look forward to adding her to our jumps group and our women's program," Jackson said.

Lacey Hainline was a part of Sherrard High School's state championship team in 2007. She has been competing at a high level ever since. Hainline placed seventh in the 100-meter dash, fourth in the 400-meter dash, third in the 400-meter relay, and second in the 200-meter dash at this year's state championships.

"She is a very talented athlete and one who will be able to compete in a lot of different events for the Cougars. We are pleased to have her in our program and look forward to her adding depth and experience to our women's sprint group," Jackson said.

Lee placed 46th at the 2A state cross country meet for Jacksonville High School. A dualsport athlete in cross-country and soccer, she was an All-Conference and All-Sectional player in both sports. Petty was a three-time state qualifier in track and field at Coal City High School. She will be competing for the Cougars in the distance events. Wynn placed 11th at the boys' state AA meet for Peoria Notre Dame High School. A two-time state cross country qualifier, he was Peoria Notre Dame's top runner as it finished fourth at the cross country state championships. He also earned All-Conference and All-Regional honors.



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