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Students listen and watch their peers give emotional speeches at the student-led unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall. Students marched from the Vadalabene Center, through the Stratton Quadrangle and to the outside of Rendleman Hall to urge administration to take action against intolerance on campus.

United for change

Students gather, voice concerns of intolerance

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Hundreds of students gathered Nov. 15, for a unity rally, organized by student organization Sankofa, in response to recent acts of intolerance on campus that have made students feel unsafe and what has been perceived as a lack of administrative support.

Wednesday morning, students received an email about how SIUE administration will move forward.

"Campus administrators will attend a meeting Thursday, Nov. 17, with concerned students who organized and attended Tuesday's event. The university administration plans on holding a public forum that was recommended by Students for Change before the end of the fall semester," Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Jeffrey Waple said in the email. "Chancellor [Randy] Pembrook and his team also plan on meeting with small groups of students representing the many forms of diversity at SIUE when we return for the spring semester."

According to speakers during the rally, alleged incidents on campus have included threats toward students of color in Evergreen Hall, derogatory terms being shouted at minority students walking across campus, and harassment toward a Muslim student who had her hijab pulled off of her head.

At roughly 4 p.m. Nov. 11, Chancellor Randy Pembrook sent an email to the SIUE community saying he was disappointed to hear the stories circulating that alluded to verbal displays of intolerance on campus.

"We will work to maintain a safe, secure and inclusive campus environment for all students, faculty and staff," Pembrook said in last week's email. "This is a time for us to put aside whatever ideological differences there may be and work together to continually improve our community in the days ahead. There will always be differences

in political perspectives, social backgrounds and experiences, but as an intellectual community, we choose to cherish and respect those differences at SIUE."

Some students believe this response was insincere and too late.

At the rally Tuesday, Pembrook said in regard to his email, "I was on the road for the 24 hours before the [email] came out, and so we hadn't really heard much when I left on Wednesday. There were some conversations about the election, but I think that the greater concern about people feeling disconnected and a sense of fear for the future, that started to originate later in the week. As soon as I heard about that, we issued the statement."

However, according to the University Police blotter from Nov. 8, "Two students reported they had gotten into a political argument with a male acquaintance in the Student Fitness Center and while they walking to their car, the suspect displayed a handgun and yelled a derogatory comment. Investigation continues."

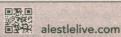
Despite this, and other accounts of student insensitivity on campus, Pembrook said, "As far as I know, at this particular point in time, we have not had any formal reports or formal complaints."

Pembrook said he hopes individuals will let administrators, RAs or police officers know if they experience intolerance personally.

"When people see things happening to others that they just know is not right, they can be a part of that communication process, too," Pembrook said. "They can communicate to the individual that is not showing respect and/or they can come talk to us so we know that those things are going on."

According to Waple, he and other members of administration received a letter from Sankofa explaining the purpose of the gathering and urging change to take place.

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Center, senior political science major Bryon Pierson, of Alton, speaks to students Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall, during a unity rally.

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Administration responds to unity rally

Sophomore biology major Alleah Moore, of Bolingbrook, holds a sign while listening to her peers speak at the unity rally Nov. 15, outside of

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"This walkout and rally demonstrated our rejection of the bigotry that has festered on this campus through racism, cis/heterosexism, classism, xenophobia, Islamophobia and other forms of violence targeted towards members of our community," the letter said.

Sankofa went on to demand in the letter, by Friday, Dec. 9, a public forum for the students of the SIUE community to address several administrators including Pembrook, Waple, Interim Provost and Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs Denise Cobb, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Diversity and Inclusion Venessa Brown, Director of University Housing Michael Schultz and deans from the various schools.

According to Waple, the university hosted forums in past semesters, but had gotten away from it recently.

"Maybe we got lazy and didn't have those conversations, even before the election, or after, so this is a good reminder to faculty, staff and administration that we need to continue to have the discussion with students, figure out how we can make the change that needs to happen here. I don't want anyone to feel uncomfortable on this campus — I just can't accept that. We will work as hard as we can to make sure any student feels comfortable and welcome on this campus," Waple said at the rally Tuesday.

Vice Chancellor of Administration Richard Walker said he wants to support the students in their efforts to change things on campus.

"SIUE wants to be an all-inclusive and all-accepting campus," Walker said. "But it's never over. It is constant everyday. There has to be an effort on everyone's behalf, not just students. Everyone has to feel safe welcome and involved."

Pembrook said he talked to Waple and thinks people are going to see more one-on-one conversations that will be proactively scheduled to try and make sure students feel heard and that there is an avenue for those discussions to happen more regularly.

As far as the protest goes, Pembrook said he is impressed with the passion he is hearing from individuals.

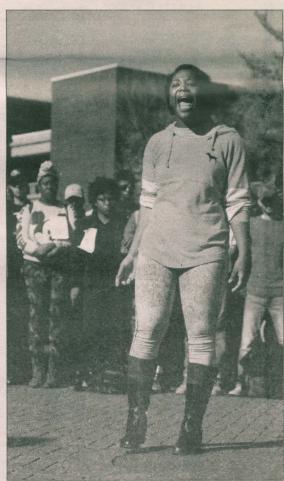
"I love the fact that they are wanting to become more involved. That they're looking for ways to create solutions," Pembrook said. "Most importantly, I hear people talking about the need to communicate. That's the thing I'm taking away from this the most: How do we have the right kinds of conversations so that we can have the right kinds of perspectives?"

Separately, in an effort to provide a safe and open space for minorities and allies, an gathering titled "We Are Not One," will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, in the Hickory Room.

Caitlin Lally, Kendra Martin, Brian Muñoz and Miranda Lintzenich contributed to this report.



Demonstrators march through campus Nov. 15, in the Stratton Quadrangle. According to organizers, the march and unity rally are "to bring attention to the expressed feelings of isolation, displacement and invisibility experienced by members of the SIUE



Junior criminal justice major Taylor Robinson, of Chicago, speaks at the unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall.

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Unity walkout, rally draws student body, staff attention

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Students on the SIUE campus gathered for a unity walkout and rally in front of Rendleman Hall to raise awareness and let others know that they are not alone if they are being treated un-

Organized by student organization Sankofa, the purpose of the unity walk was to help marginalized groups feel like their voices are being heard by administration.

A group of students congregated at 10:30 a.m. outside the Vadalabene Center, linked arms and began marching through the parking lot to the Stratton Quadrangle chanting, "This is what democracy looks like," and "U-N-I-T-Y." As the march progressed, hundreds of students joined the movement that ended outside of Rendleman Hall with a rally.

According to an email San-kofa sent Nov. 14, the problems these students have said to experience vary from derogatory post-it notes being placed on doors in Evergreen Hall on the night of the election, to a hijab being pulled off a student's head in the quad and another student was called a "wetback" while walking to her car.

Senior nursing major Mariah Blackman said she came to really understand what this march was

"The flier was so broad," Blackman said. "I know we want a specific change, and I don't think it conveyed that. That change is for black people to actually be represented. I know someone who made a black history month shirt with a fist on it and administration said it was too violent."

Blackman said that black students are open to having other students protest with them, but other students have their events and black students don't have

"We want our views to be accepted," Blackman said. "We are trying to include others on campus. We just want change.

Junior early childhood edu-

cation major Shantell Henry, of Chicago, said that since Trump has become president there have been things said and done that have left her scared as well.

"There have been things written on walls, people are telling others to go back to their home, there have been racial slurs and students don't agree with those actions," Henry said. "We want to have the chance to tell people that it's not okay.

Senior biology major Gabrielle Smith, of Chicago, said she heard about the event online yesterday and attended after getting out of class Tuesday morning. Smith said she believes the rally is a productive means for change

"We pledge that we're one, but it's kind of bullshit. I see people acting crappy to people all the time — even before the election. It just seems worse now," Smith

Art therapy graduate student Quincy Phipps, of Charleston, said she believes the gathering is a step in the right direction.

"It seems very peaceful, and it's obviously a student-body wide coming together in a peaceful way to express concerns that probably have been going on before this last election," Phipps

Junior exercise science major Logan Mueth, of Smithton, walked up on the rally while it was going on and said he thought the yelling was aggressive.

"I just don't really feel like protests are productive," Mueth

"If everyone could sit down and talk. You're not gonna see the people they're meaning to address here — that's probably not going to happen. So if you were to have a debate and really sit down and talk about it, that would be way more productive in my opinion."

Senior mass communications major Eric Castelli, of Collinsville, said he thought the rally was friendly and he was in support of the gathering.

"I like the atmosphere. [It's] very peaceful but still there's obviously issues that need to be worked through in our society," Castelli said. "I agree with everyone coming together.'

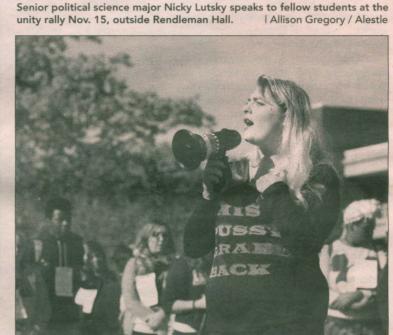
Senior political science major Reginald Hamilton, of Chicago, uses a megaphone to convey his emotions about injustice on the SIUE campus during the unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall.





Senior exercise science Ta'Nia Jordan, of Glendale Heights, speaks at the unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall.

| Brian Muñoz / Alestle





Students link arms in a circle while listening to their peers give testimonies of the injustices they have | Allison Gregory / Alestle experienced on campus at the unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall.



Hundreds of demonstrators gather for a unity rally Nov. 15, outside of Rendleman Hall. This student-led protest was to bring awareness to SIUE administrators about what rally speakers called a "culture of fear" among minorities on campus.

News in Brief

Diversity survey makes its way to student email

Students received an email in their SIUE accounts Nov. 3, about a survey gathering opinions about diversity on campus. Sent by the SIUE Diversity Council, they urge students to take part in the 2016 Campus Climate Survey.

"Please let your voice be heard through this anonymous outlet," School of Pharmacy Professor Lakesha Butler said.

The survey is completely anonymous and asks questions based on various demographics from race to politics. Answers range from "agree" to "strongly disagree." The survey should take about eight minutes, and will give the SIUE Diversity Plan information needed to improve campus diversity and inclusion in its upcoming review,

The SIUE Diversity Council encourages honest feedback from student participants so that they can accurately attribute the diversity climate on SIUE's campus in order to help fix some target areas that might be affecting SIUE's campus climate for diversity and

The SIUE Diversity Council encourages all SIUE students, regardless of personal biases, to take part in this survey. Every student's input is extremely important, so please take part. The survey ends Friday, Nov. 18.

Large deer population presents danger for drivers

TRENT STUART Alestle Reporter

While many students have never hit a deer with their car, or even come close to an incident involving a deer, most are at least able to acknowledge how freely they roam around campus and the potential hazard they can be

This abundance of deer in the area has led to Madison County being named the county with the most deer-related accidents in the state. According to the Illinois Department of Transportation, Madison County had 440 crashes involving deer in

"We have two to three deer hit and killed by automobiles each month during the season known as rut, the mating season for deer," Assistant Superintendent of Grounds Kert MacLaughlin said.

Rut usually lasts from about October to December.

Accidents involving deer are not only messy, but also have potential to harm both the automobile and the passengers in it.

"Hitting an animal as large as a deer can cause a lot of damage to an automobile and injury to occupants of the vehicle," MacLaughlin said.

Junior nursing major Geoffrey Ray, of Marshall, has experienced this first-hand. Last October, Ray was driving at about 5 p.m. when a deer started running alongside his car and abruptly turned into the side of it. Ray was not injured in the accident, but his side mirror and window broke, and the deer died.

Like most, Ray said he agrees that the large amount of deer on campus and the surrounding areas is to blame for the abundance of accidents.

"I believe that we do have an overpopulation of deer on campus. I don't know that anyone is at fault. Deer are very unpredictable and easily frightened. They graze on vegetation close to the road and sometimes bolt into the traffic," MacLaughlin said.

Although we cannot control a deer's actions, some students think there may a solution to avoid problems like this.

'They seem overpopulated, and they are comfortable around people, so they roam into the streets frequently. If there were maybe more ways to scare the deer so they didn't get so close to the roads, that would help prevent accidents," Junior psychology and sociology major Nikolle Danner, of Eureka, said.

Solutions like this may not be as easy as they sound. According to MacLaughlin, multiple deer deterrent products have been tried on campus, but none have been successful.

However, there may be other means of getting rid of the plethora of deer.

"I think they should shut down campus for a week during winter break or something and allow people to hunt the deer," Ray said.

Although this may seem like the best way to diminish the amount of deer on campus, it is a very improbable solution.
"I believe that with the

expansive protected property around the university and Madison County there is no method of thinning the herds of deer," MacLaughlin said.



Deer are very common on SIUE's campus, but their overpopulation will soon become a problem.

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Election watch party leaves SIUE students with conflicting feelings

MIRANDA LINTZENICH Alestle Reporter

On Nov. 8, SIUE hosted the last of the election watch parties in the Goshen Lounge.

Assistant Director of Kimmel Student Involvement Center Michelle Welter said the watch party went well and was everything she had hoped it would be. Most students went into the

election with an open mind.

Freshman pharmacy major Sam Bramstedt, of Edwardsville, is a Trump supporter and first looked at the election and thought Trump had a better chance than the media was admitting, but said he was preparing for disappoint-

"After, I felt super excited ne Amer jected a lying reckless criminal backed by the media, banks and establishment," Bramstedt said. "Especially after Obama's speech the morning after, asking us to all give Trump a chance. I'm excited that the power is still with the people and I'm hoping they use this chance to bring real change."

Bramstedt said he doesn't understand why people are pro-

I think it's ridiculous that people are protesting and rioting the results of a fair and open election and trying to condemn Trump without him committing any crime or having a single day

Freshman political science major Bri Liley, of Troy, feels the opposite. Liley said she went into the election having a pretty good understanding of who she did not want to win.

"I had done my research, I had discussed with both opposing and like-minded individuals and I had established a pretty strong opinion," Liley said. "It was not until I recognized that Trump could possibly win, though, that I realized how strongly I felt."

According to Liley, she felt her heart drop to the pit of her stomach around 9 p.m., right before the electoral college votes were in from Florida

"This was real. This wasn't the landslide win I anticipated for Hillary, and Trump was holding his own," Liley said. "I was scared. Scared that a man promoting so much hate and so much close-mindedness had the potential to be the spokesman of our beautifully-diverse nation."

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POLICE BLOTTER

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An officer issued a written warning for speeding 56 mph in a 45 mph zone. The offense occurred on South University Drive at Stadium Drive.

An officer issued a written warning for speeding 59 mph in a 45 mph zone. The offense occurred on Stadium Drive on Whiteside Road.

An officer responded to Woodland Hall regarding an active fire alarm. The Edwardsville Fire Department responded and determined the alarm was activated due to the contractor working and dust getting in the vents. There was no fire, smoke or damage. The area was secured.

An officer issued a written warning for driving 59 mph in a 45 mph zone. The offense occurred on New Poag Road.

An officer responded to 420 Cougar Village regarding an active fire alarm. The officer advised the alarm was activated due to cooking. There was no fire, smoke or damage. The area was secured.

An officer issued a written warning for speeding 39 mph in a 25 mph zone. The offense occurred on South University Drive at P2 Road.

An officer responded to 413 Cougar Village regarding an active fire alarm. The officer advised the alarm was activated due to cooking. There was no fire, smoke or damage.

An officer issued a written warning for speeding 59 mph in a 45 mph zone. The offense occurred on South University Drive at Stadium Drive.

An officer issued a state citation to Danielle McCrady for speeding 70 mph in a 45 mph zone on Stadium Drive at Whiteside Road.

An officer issued a written warning for failing to yield to a pedestrian at a crosswalk. The offense occurred on South University Drive at Hairpin

An officer responded to 419 Cougar Village regarding an active fire alarm. The officer advised the alarm was activated due to cooking. There was no fire, smoke or damage. The area was secured.

An officer responded to a fire alarm at 412 Cougar Village. The alarm was activated by cooking. There was no smoke, fire or damage.

A written warning was issued for speeding 35 mph in a 25 mph zone on North University Drive at Lot 10.

A written warning was issued for disobeying a stop sign on North Circle Drive at North University Drive.

An officer issued a state citation to Flora Nippert for no valid registration. The offense occurred on East University Drive at North University Drive.

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An officer responded to Peck Service Road regarding a Illinois registered vehicle HPC3935 being in violation of the scofflaw policy. Brown's Towing was notified and the vehicle was towed.

An officer issued a written warning for speeding 45 mph in a 59 mph zone. The offense occurred on Stadium Drive at Whiteside Drive.

An officer responded to Lot B regarding Illinois registered vehicle 91646X being in violation of a scofflaw policy. Brown's Towing was notified. The owner of the vehicle showed up and signed the acceptance of responsibility form and the vehicle was not towed.

A subject stated that his hangtag was stolen from his Missouri-registered vehicle 6FS624 at an unknown location. The vehicle had been left unlocked overnight at his residence in Edwardsville. Hangtag was entered in LEADS.

An officer issued a written warning for speeding 37 mph in a 25 mph zone on South University Drive at P2.

An officer issued a scofflaw violation in Lot 4A on Illinois registered vehicle BIGJ97. The owner arrived on the scene and signed the acceptance of responsibility form. The officer unlocked the vehicle for the owner because the owner's keys were locked inside.

Student Government reviews campus climate

MIRANDA LINTZENICH Alestle Reporter

Senators at the Student Government meeting spoke about their campaign, voted in two new senators, discussed fundraising and previewed Lobby Day on Monday, Nov. 14.

Student Government's "It's on Us" week began Nov. 14 and continues through Friday, Nov. 18. The cause is to raise awareness about sexual assault on campus and to get students to pledge not to do it. On Nov. 16, they played "Audrie and Daisy" at 5:30 p.m. in the MUC ballroom, which was followed by a reception and refreshments.

According to Netflix, "Audrie and Daisy" is an urgent real-life drama that examines the ripple effects on families, friends, schools and communities when two underage young women find that sexual assault crimes against them have been caught on camera.

Along with the campaign, senators also discussed an upcoming Lobby Day Tuesday, Nov. 29. The senators will travel upstate and lobby for funding for higher education

They also discussed the ongoing Angel Tree fundraiser and their ability to support approximately 205 children during the holiday season this year. The event will be Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

One of the last subjects discussed of the night was granting Sociology Club and the Global Ambassadors Program the right to revise their constitutions.

Two new senators were also voted in during the meeting. Sophomore engineering major Aslihan Celik, of Istanbul, Turkey, along with junior psychology major, Jaelyn Bouie, of Shorewood, were voted in.

"The main thing is that I'm excited to get involved on campus with the community of SIUE and getting to be connected with students," Bouie said. "I think the most important thing discussed tonight was the conversation with the vice chancellor. It's nice to know that someone that high up shows that he cares and wants to makes students feel safe on campus."

At the end of the meeting on

Nov. 14, Vice Chancellor Waple brought up rumors of the unannounced rally that was held the next morning to the Student Government senators.

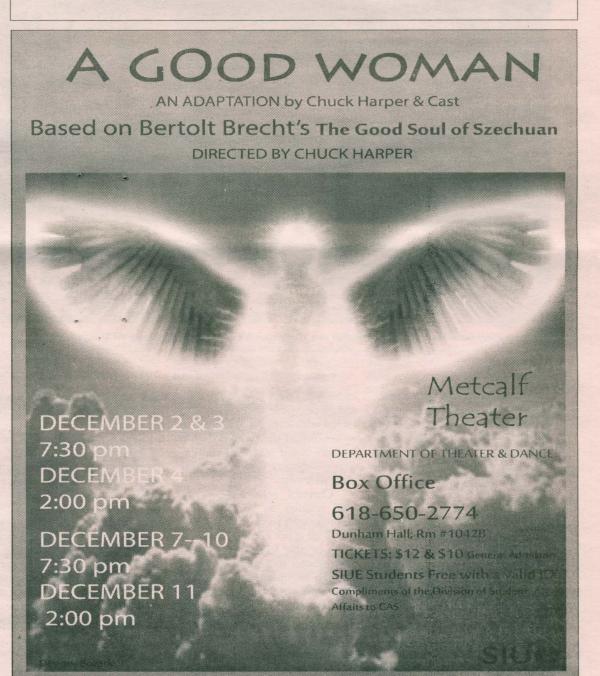
"As vice chancellor, I need to hear if there is any reaction to the election and if there is any insensitivity going on," Waple said. "Maybe there is a protest or march tomorrow, and I am supportive of students and faculty getting together. I just want to make sure it's the appropriate time, place and manner."

Junior Student Body President and business marketing major Luke Jansen, of Effingham, said that the conversation with the vice chancellor was an important aspect of what was discussed.

"The most important thing was what Dr. Waple was saying about the current climate on campus as of last week's historical election," Jansen said. "Discussing that comes at a time when it is most important."

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Metro East Eats: Study Spots

With finals week quickly approaching, the Alestle staff visited five locations in Edwardsville in order to find the best places to buckle down and study. Locations were reviewed by the following criteria: noise level, available seating, hours conducive to studying, Wi-Fi signal and how comfortable the location felt. Scores were determined by each staff member's satisfaction, and the average of those scores determined that restaurant's rank. Read reviews for all five locations at alestlelive.com.



Source Juicery earns its place as the number one study spot for its cozy decor, strong Wi-Fi signal, friendly staff and minimal background noise.

| Chloe Smith / Alestle

to dive into your books and get some brain food, then Source Juicery is where you need to go. The menu is small, but packed with healthy and hearty smoothies, juices, food and snacks that fit in perfectly with the juice bar's cózy environment.

We went to Source Juicery on a sunny Saturday morning with to-do lists that included writing an essay, reading several chapters of a novel and studying for an exam. We quickly got comfortable and focused. In our time spent there, we were able to complete the bulk of our to-do lists.

Decorated with a satisfying mix of bright and dark colors,

If you're looking for a place including dark wooden tables and an orange leather couch, and armed with a strong Wi-Fi signal you'll find the password on a bulletin board inside of the entrance — Source Juicery is a great place to study.

Cheerful music plays just loud enough to be heard yet quiet enough to not be distracting - or quiet enough that you won't be able to hear it if you'd rather listen to your own music through headphones - and the sound of smoothies being blended is not too loud, offering just the right amount of background

The staff is full of friendly faces willing to answer any questions about the menu or customize your order based on your personal preference.

The seating offered is limited, but with a couch, picnic table and various tables and chairs, you're likely to have a choice of seating that accommodates writing a paper, memorizing flash cards or curling up with a book. The juice bar has enough decorations to establish a feeling of comfort throughout the entire shop without feeling like interior design overkill. The black and white tiled floor, rustic tables and exposed brick walls will make you feel right at home.

The biggest drawback of Source Juicery is the hours. As

far as studying goes, it seems better for a sprint session rather than a marathon. Source opens early but also closes late in the afternoon, except for Wednesday when it's open until evening. It's not exactly built for a late-night cram session, but if you like to start your work early, then this place is for you.

With finals week quickly approaching, we feel you should definitely consider waking up early and making your way to Source Juicery. It's no secret that the work that goes into finals week is draining, so charging up with fresh beverages and food and a warm, welcoming environment is a great choice.

Source Juicery 220 N. Main St., Edwardsville 650-9080 sourcejuicery.com About 8 minutes from campus

222 Artisan Bakery: 4/5



222 Artisan Bakery offers a relaxed environment for studying. I Ryan Bieri / Alestle

This bakery, conveniently located on Main Street in downtown Edwardsville, is a quiet, simple coffee shop that would make a great place for a student, or a group of students, to come study and do homework.

The bakery's atmosphere is calm, but not so quiet that you

feel as if you're in a library. We visited 222 on a Saturday night, and while there were only a few other people in there with us, the open seating area made the restaurant feel like it was comfortably filled. The bakery offers six tables for seating, as well as a bar that seats five. Half of the tables look to comfortably seat five or more, while the other half are meant for just one or two people.

The bakery plays a mix of rock from Weezer to Pearl Jam over their radio, and while we could hear the music with other patrons in the building, when evervone else cleared out, the radio served as the perfect background noise to keep the building from feeling dead, even when it was

The seating area of the bakery is well-lit overall, but there were some areas that were too dim. All of the menus on the wall are done in chalk on blackboards, leading to an intimate mom-andpop feel to the bakery's offerings.

The walls boast works of art that are for sale, from small photographs to paintings of all sizes. There are also what look to be hemp sacks — presumably, they once held coffee beans — on a wall and functioning as some sort of curtain against the front

Along one of the walls runs a blackboard, approximately a foot tall, that people have taken to writing, drawing or playing tictac-toe on. Coincidently, the wall is where we discovered the Wi-Fi password, but the staff told us that they give it out free to anyone who asks for it.

While 222 is open until 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, it only stays open until 1 p.m. on Sunday, and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. So, if you're looking for a place to study on a weekday, 222 might not be the place for you. The bakery opens at 6 a.m. during the week, and 7 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

If you're hungry, 222 offers bread and pastries all day, or at least until they sell out. They also have lunch specials during the week. Monday through Thursday, they offer sandwiches and soups, while they offer pizzas on

The staff at 222 was friendly and helpful. Even when they began closing up, they talked to us for a while before telling us we could stay until they closed.

A small bakery and coffee shop with a decent seating capacity, 222 Artisan Bakery should serve you well if you're looking for a place to study during the day, or on a weekend evening.

222 Artisan Bakery 222 N Main St, Edwardsville 659-1122 222bakery.com

About 8 minutes from campus

Sacred Grounds Cafe: 3/5

Sacred Grounds Cafe is a coffee shop in downtown Edwardsville. The cafe could be considered a study spot, but there are a few things you should consider before going to study there.

The atmosphere of Sacred Grounds is warm and welcoming with a vintage feel. Most of the walls are brick, with pictures of art hanging from them. One wall in particular is meant to display local art, and is changed frequently. The wall is currently covered in posters designed by local artists, which adds to the vintage feel.

When one walks into the cafe, it is a comfortable temperature. One may need a sweater to feel warm, only because the door lets the cold air in every time someone enters. Other than that, the cafe is kept at a comfortable temperature.

The cafe is cute, but we found it too loud to study or concentrate in. We would consider the noise level a little higher than background noise. While weread a book or write an essay, the cafe would be perfect for a study

The cafe is filled with people of all ages, so it is not just directed toward college-aged students. For example, there were families with young, loud children, which can make it more difficult to concen-

Sacred Grounds offers multiple tables that students can use for studying, but some of them aren't quite big enough to spread out all of your study materials. Others, though, are just the right size to hold a coffee, snack, laptop and notebook. Although the cafe is busy, there are enough tables for everyone. The tables are far enough away from each other that you can't necessarily hear the next person's conversation.

Sacred Grounds' hours are approximately 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. every day. These hours give a student an extended amount of time to get their homework

wouldn't suggest going there to or studying done. Unless you're willing to stake out a table near an outlet, make sure your devices are

Luckily, there is a great Wi-Fi connection that makes doing online homework a breeze. The Wi-Fi is accessed by asking a worker for the password, which is quite easy to do.

Speaking of the workers, they are extremely polite and considerate. After ordering, the food and drinks are brought fairly quickly. The cafe serves Mississippi Mud coffee, which is great, and they have a variety of bakery items — they even offer paninis and quiche, and all of their food is vegetarian as well.

Overall, Sacred Grounds is a good place to go and study with with a group, but we can't see students concentrating enough to read a textbook or write an essay. Of course, this would depend on the noise level you prefer while studying.



Sacred Grounds offers a warm and welcoming environment, but it may be too loud for students who prefer quiet studying. | Chloe Rice / Alestle

Sacred Grounds Cafe 233 N. Main St, Edwardsville 692-4150

facebook.com/sacredgroundscafeedwardsville About 9 minutes from campus

Teaspoons Cafe: 3/5



Teaspoons Cafe offers a great menu selection, but limited seating may cause a problem for studying. | Caitlin Lally / Alestle

While you're sure to find a great selection of tea and coffee at Teaspoons Cafe, it may not satisfy all your needs as a study spot.

Illuminated by streams of sunlight coming in through the large glass windows, the cafe opens bright and early at 6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 7 a.m. on weekends, for those early bird studiers. However, you may want to find another study spot if you're a night owl, since the cafe closes at 5:30 p.m.

Teaspoons offers free Wi-Fi, so you don't have to hassle with a password and can just get to studying. There weren't many hang-ups with the service either, however, we found that we had to turn the network connection on and off a few times to actually get on the internet.

With light conversations and contemporary music providing a soft soundtrack to your study sesh, the dining area is on the smaller side, which means it is prone to getting loud depending on how many people are there at the time. On the same note, the

seating options vary from booth and table style to a bar along the windowed wall, but be warned: if you go during a breakfast or lunch rush, you run the risk of having nowhere to sit, or sitting awkwardly close to someone else.

Another important aspect to consider when it comes to seating is locations near outlets. Everyone has run into a situation where they have a draining battery and no place to charge it up. When that becomes a factor determining where you sit, there are even fewer options. Our advice is to come fully charged or with an external battery pack.

The overall atmosphere is sophisticated, yet not pretentious. The bright color scheme of the walls provides a focused energy, while the dark wooden seating neutralizes it. You won't find everyone's favorite worn-in couch at this cafe, but how productive can you really be if you're

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Mourning and moving on: Trump reveals plan for first 100 days

It's official — Donald Trump is the president elect, and while some people are celebrating and others are mourning, most are just angry. Since the election results were announced, it became immediately clear that our nation was in a state of panic, and just when we thought we could not become more divided as a nation — we did.

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Now that the shock is beginning to wear off and the country is in the process of accepting its reality, we're looking toward his transition into office, and his first 100 days.

Unfortunately, Trump's newly named transition team has not been comforting in the least. Steve Bannon, executive chairman of Breitbart News, has been named his chief strategist, but many think he shouldn't be anywhere near the White House. A New York Times article details his controversial time at (in his own words) "the platform of the alt-right." In addition, Trump has picked Myron Ebell, a man

proud of being called a "Climate Criminal" by Greenpeace, to help transition the Environmental Protection Agency

For those looking past his transition, the president-elect's goals have become the focus. Some of these goals include proposing a constitutional amendment that would impose term limits on all members of congress, a hiring freeze on federal employees, canceling all federal funding to sanctuary cities that help undocumented people living in the United States and suspending immigration from terror-prone regions.

He also plans to use money that was originally allotted for the U.N. climate change programs to fix the United States' water and environmental infrastructure and to cancel orders issued by President Barack Obama that Trump considers to be unconstitutional.

If that doesn't scare you, then it's hard to think of what will. Imagining the most powerful man in the nation not caring about the environment is hard to swallow.

As unfortunate as it is to have people living within our country undocumented, the thought of splitting up families and separating parents from children is just as frightening. While it's understandable that terrorism in our country has been a huge problem in our country's recent history, imposing a ban on all immigration from what Trump calls "terror-prone regions" cannot be good for our foreign relations.

In fact, it's hard to imagine any of Trump's policies being good for our foreign relations. As a global superpower, the United States has incredible influence over the rest of the world, which makes it inevitable that his foreign policy is going to be an important part of his presidency. But since his whole campaign focused on "making America great again," other countries may find this selfish.

Countries around the world will know everything he is doing in relation to their country is simply for the benefit of the United States. However, these countries won't let him take advantage of them like he thinks he can.

For example, Trump is planning on re-negotiating trade with China, the United States' second largest trade partner, even after talking down on the country and using it as a scapegoat for many of America's problems throughout his entire campaign. Trump even went as far as saying things like, "We can't continue to allow China to rape our country."

As a country, it's clear that we will all have to accept Trump being in office sooner or later. However, we must also understand that Trump cannot make any changes he has been campaigning on without the support of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Throughout Trump's presidency, we will have to unify on a local level.

We have to stop the rioting and the division of races, sexual orientations and religions. owever, make no mistake: We should never be silent against hate. We must stand up for our marginalized brothers and sisters to encourage conversation that drives out hate and truly embodies unity and love to prove America was, is and will continue being great, no matter who is in office.

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Ask lex

Q: My family supports a different political party than me. How should I handle this while I'm home for the holidays?

This has been a controversial presidential election, so it's only natural that tensions are going to be running high for a while.

Going home for the holidays when you have different political views than your family may seem daunting at first, but you have a couple different options to make things a little less awkward.

Your first option is to approach the conversation in a collected manner. Let your family know that, while you respect their right to their own opinions, you disagree.

Calmly explain your reasons for disagreeing so they don't think you're disagreeing just to be difficult. Let them know that their stances conflict with your personal values, and, while you don't love them any less, you simply can't agree with them on this issue.

If they're open to talking more, tell them why you think their stance can be harmful and what you think should be done from here on out to make this country a better place for everyone, including them.

If you respect their views, they're going to be more likely to respect yours.

Your other option is to refrain from talking about the election results. If your family pushes the issue, say something like, "Yeah, everyone has their own opinions, but let's focus on enjoying the holidays together."

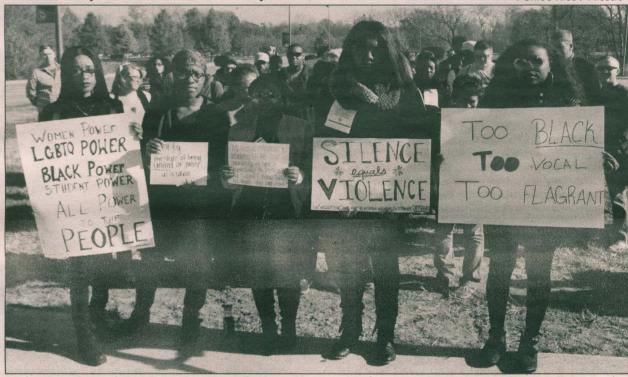
Let them know that just because you aren't willing to argue about politics doesn't mean you don't want to spend time with them. This way, everyone can get through the holidays without getting into an unproductive argument.

If your family still isn't willing to accept your differing views after trying both of these approaches, it may be time to think about spending the holidays with people who accept you for who you are. After all, the holidays are about uplifting each other, not about tearing each other apart.

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MAN the What brought you out STREET to the unity rally?

Left, Alleah Moore, Sierra Ewing, Deshaunna Washington, Raven Ayers and Capri Wroten stand in the front of the unity march in solidarity with all SIUE students on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Vadalabene Center.



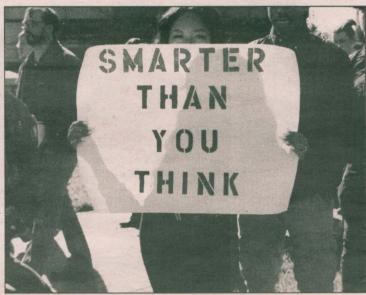
Senior psychology major Sierra Ewing, of Champaign, said, "I am here to support because I want people to understand that even if I can never fully understand their struggles, or what they are going through, that I stand with them and we have to go beyond conversation now. People's voices are starting to be heard, now let's have some action. I think this [the protest] is a good step to get the campus unified on many different levels, starting with a physical presence on campus. It will go much deeper than that."



Social work Assistant Professor Jill Schreiber said, "It is important to me that all students on campus have an opportunity to learn and feel safe here with us."

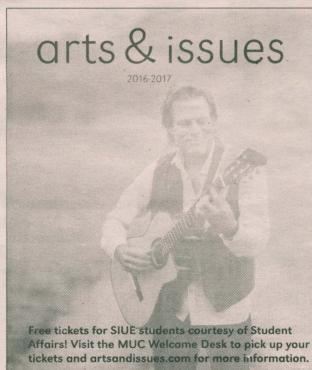


Senior history major Nicky Lutsky, of Streamwood, said, "We as white people cannot be other people's voices, but we need to help them to be heard."



Junior excercise science major Kiara Evens, of Belleville, said, "I am here mostly for unity, to stand with each other through this time regardless if we agree or disagree with what is going on in our country.'





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Women's soccer fights past Irish

KYLE STEPP Alestle Sports Editor

The women's soccer team recorded a major upset in the first round of the NCAA Division I Tournament. The Cougars defeated No. 11-ranked Notre Dame after taking the game into two overtimes, finishing the match 5-4 on penalty kicks.

The Cougars join former member Samford University as the only schools in the Ohio Valley Conference to advance beyond the first round of the NCAA tournament. SIUE knocked out a strong Notre Dame team that has been to the NCAA tournament for the past 24 seasons, and has three national titles in women's soccer.

The 2016 SIUE women's team has advanced further than any previous SIUE women's team. After reaching the NCAA Tournament in 2014, the Cougars lost to the University of Kentucky Wildcats in the first round.

Head Coach Derek Burton said the Cougars' physical and mental play pulled them through for the win.

"They worked really hard tonight. I couldn't be more proud of the effort, and the overall mental ability of our team is at a really high level. I am proud of them," Burton said.

Junior goalkeeper Juli Rossi picked up another shutout for the Cougars, recording eight saves. Burton said Rossi's defensive effort helped the Cougars defeat the nationally-ranked Fighting Irish.

"What can you say? She was all over the place. She made two saves in [the penalty kicks]. She made countless saves, flying from one post to the other. She was unbelievable, so hats off to her.



SIUE junior forward Caroline Hoefert creates a scoring opportunity Oct. 27, at Korte Stadium. Hoefert picked up one of her three assists on the night.

She kept us in the game," Burton said.

Rossi kept busy, as Notre Dame attempted 21 shots to the Cougars three. The loss ended the Irish's season at 13-3-5. Burton said the rest of the Cougars' defense was to credit for the win.

"They stood tall," Burton said. "It's three seniors and a junior — three captains all on the back line. They're leading us in terms of temperament and our mental ability and are showing us the way."

After two scoreless halves and two overtime periods, both teams made their first two penalty kicks.

Senior defender Cory Levels and freshman midfielder Peyton Roehnelt put up the first two points for the Cougars. Rossi blocked the next Notre Dame shooter to put the Cougars up by one. Freshman forward Becca Jostes scored for the Cougars on a shot initially saved by Notre Dame's senior goalkeeper Kaela Little. The score was tied

after sophomore defender Taylor Reynolds missed her kick, but Cougars' sophomore forward Avery Anderson tied the score at 4-4 with her kick. Rossi stepped up with yet another save, followed by the winning penalty kick by junior forward Mariah Vollmer.

The Cougars take on Northwestern University at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, in Durham, N.C.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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. Kentucky	1-1	0-0
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enn. Tech	0-2	0-0
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OVERALL OVC

Jacksonville St. 1-1 0-0

Morehead St. 2-0 0-0

SIUE 2-1 0-0

Eastern III. 1-1 0-0

UT Martin 1-1 0-0

Belmont 0-0 0-0

Murray St. 1-0 0-0

Tenn. St. 3-0 0-0

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

OVERALL MVC

Southeast Miss.	1-1	0-0
E. Kentucky	1-1	0-0
Austin-Peay	1-1	0-0
Tenn. Tech	1-1	0-0
Jacksonville St.	1-1	0-0
Morehead St.	2-1	0-0
SIUE	0-2	0-0
Eastern III.	2-0	0-0
UT Martin	0-2	0-0
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Senior midfielder Ivan Gutierrez returned a deflected ball to find the net and put the Cougars in the lead Oct. 22, at Korte Stadium. The Cougars would go on to win the contest 3-1.

Men's soccer advances to NCAA Tournament

KYLE STEPP Alestle Sports Editor

Junior forward Devyn Jambga's lone goal in the 37th minute of regulation was enough for the Cougars to secure a win against the Missouri State University Bears and send the Cougars to the NCAA Tournament.

The Cougars took on the Bears Nov. 13, in Springfield, Mo. and secured their second Missouri Valley Conference Championship in three years.

Jambga's goal came late in the first half, and was a low shot near the post from 18 yards out. That would be the Cougars' only shot in the game, but it was

Junior goalkeeper Kyle Dal Santo recorded his eighth shutout of the season, saving all three shots on goal against the Bears. Dal Santo also made his 19th career save, tying him for fifth alltime with at SIUE with university Hall of Famer Rick Benben. In an interview with SIUE athletics, Head Coach Mario Sanchez said Dal Santo's growth and determination this season has helped add to the Cougars' long list of strengths.

"Kyle continues to grow and develop as a player. With the help of Coach [Jeremy] Proud, he's adding a whole other dimension to his game. I couldn't be more proud of Kyle," Sanchez said.

With the 1-0 win, the Cougars improved their win streak to 12 games and extended their record to 10-4-5.

The Cougars will now play the Michigan State University Spartans in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament. The game is scheduled for 12 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at DeMartin Stadium in Lansing, Mich.

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Men's basketball team starts strong

TRENT STUART Alestle Reporter

Men's basketball started off their season on a positive note by winning their first two games in the Outrigger Resorts Rainbow Classic in Hawaii this past weekend. It was the first time the team has started 2-0 since the 2005-2006 season.

The first game ended closely with the Cougars defeating University of Hawaii 69-68. Sophomore guard Tre Harris led the team with 13 points, but there was plenty of contribution from the rest of the team, including senior guard Burak Eslik with 11 points and freshman guard Christian Ellis with 10.

That's the nice thing about this team right now; we're just scratching the surface as for where we will be. We have a lot of versatility. We have four or five different guys who could lead us in scoring any given night," SIUE Head Coach Jon Harris

With six to play in the first half, Hawaii led 34-22 after going on a 12-0 run. The Cougars responded with their own 12-0 run immediately after, making the score even with just over three minutes left until halftime. The teams went into the locker rooms with Hawaii leading 38-

The Cougars came out strong in the second half. The team started pushing toward their victory by taking their largest lead of the night, 11 points, about halfway through the sec-

Hawaii fought back and took the lead again, but the Cougars did not give up. With two minutes left in the game, Tre Harris made a three-pointer that put SIUE in the lead 68-66. Hawaii tied the game back up, but Carlos Anderson finished them off by making a free throw with a minute left in the game.

"We came here to win all the games we will play, that's it," Eslik said. "We know how hard we worked, and everyone came ready to play."

The second game against Florida Atlantic was another big win for the Cougars. Once again, there was contribution from multiple players throughout the

Five of the Cougars' players had 10 or more points, including Anderson, the top scorer with 15 points. Keenan Simmons and Tre Harris both picked up double-doubles for the game, making it the first time that two players have received double-doubles since the 2011-2012 season. Simmons also collected 14 rebounds, breaking his career high that he set in the previous game against Hawaii.

"We did some really good things. We're growing defensively. For the length and the athleticism that Florida Atlantic has, to out-rebound that team by 11 is tremendous," Coach Harris said.

SIUE held the lead throughout the entire second half, and only lost the lead for a short period of time in the first half. At halftime, the score was 40-33. Their largest lead of the game was 16 points, after Junior Forward Jalen Henry scored with 8 minutes left in the half.

The 2-0 start was the first time that the basketball team has won the first two games in the history of joining NCAA Division I play.

After the win, the team shifted its focus to the final game of the Rainbow Classic on Nov. 14, against Texas State University. Although the Cougars fell 86-58 in the final game of the tournament, Eslik said the Cougars will learn from this experience and improve throughout the regular.

Being in Hawaii is great, but it's a business trip. We have been working hard since beginning of the summer and we want to win it all," Eslik said.

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Senior guard Burak Eslik goes up to get the point for the Cougars Saturday, Feb. 6, in the Vadalabene Center.

Volleyball earns No. 2 seed in OVC Tournament

KYLE STEPP Alestle Sports Editor

The Cougar volleyball team finished its final two regular season match-ups this weekend at home against the Austin Peay State University Governors Nov. 11, and the Murray State University Racers Nov. 12.

After defeating the Governors and falling to the OVC-leading Racers, the Cougars gained the No. 2 seed heading into the Ohio Valley Conference Tourna-

The Cougars finished the season with a 20-7 overall and 13-3 OVC record, setting new records for both the regular season and overall Division I and OVC records.

Head Coach Leah Johnson said the Cougars played hard in the loss to Murray Sta the regular season is now behind

"We have to keep our eyes

good seed. Now we're starting a new season," Johnson said.

In the first match of the weekend, SIUE defeated Austin Peay in three sets (25-17, 25-22, 26-24). The Cougars redeemed their 3-2 loss to the Governors

Junior middle blocker Taylor Joens led all players with 15 kills, with junior outside hitter Emily Harrison just behind her with 12. The Cougars' defense held all Austin Peay players to single-digit kills for the match.

SIUE hit .226 for the match, and held the leading OVC team in hitting percentage to a .099.

The Cougars returned to the Vadalabene Center the following day for a top seed-deciding match against Murray State.

The Cougars needed to win in three or four sets against the Racers to claim the OVC title and claim the No. 1 seed in the

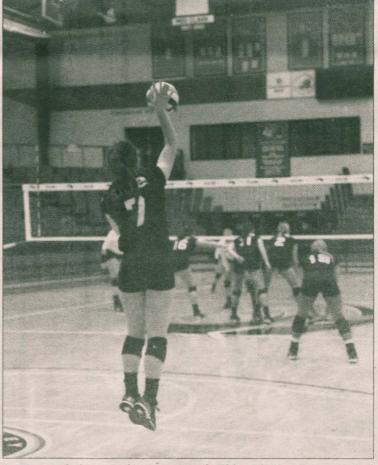
on the conference tournament. tournament. However, the Cou-We've worked hard to earn a gars earned the No. 2 seed after falling to the Racers in five sets (25-22, 10-25, 25-17, 21-25,

The Cougars' defense put on a show as Joens and junior middle blocker Carley Ramich recorded six blocks each, followed by five from Harrison and four from junior outside hitter Jackie

SIUE will now head to the OVC tournament, an eight-team, single-elimination tournament. The winner of the OVC Tournament receives an automatic bid into the NCAA Division I Tour-

The Cougars will take on seventh-seeded Moorhead State University at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, in Murray, Ky.

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Junior outside hitter Jackie Scott (7), of Wildwood, Mo., serves the ball Saturday, Oct. 8, during SIUE's 3-2 loss to Austin Peay at the Vadalabene Alestle File Photo

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By Jennifer Shepherd, The Lipstick Mystic Monday, Nov. 14 - Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016

Aries: March 21 - April 19 Mercury is encouraging you to expand your social circle. It's a good week to make some waves and introduce yourself to cool new people. Don't let nervousness hold you back. You never know. You could meet a wonderful soul mate

Taurus: April 20 - May 20 There's a full moon in your sign, intensifying your emotions about just about everything. Don't let anybody trigger you too much. If your honey is having a bad day, don't

waste energy complaining and

acting cranky with each other.

along the way.

Gemini: May 21 - June 21 Pay attention to opportunities that come your way this week. Jupiter is bringing you good luck from some unusual directions. You might receive an unexpected job offer or have discussions about a raise. You'll be able to share good some laughs. news with your honey.

Cancer: June 22 - July 22 You're trying to figure out the behavior patterns, attitudes and personal history that are creating problems for you with your relationships. The moon says to do some meditating. Talk with friends or think about speaking with a therapist or

Leo: July 23 - Aug. 22

advisor.

Jupiter is reminding you to step outside of your comfort zone. It could be a good idea for you to travel, even if just for an afternoon. Or get together with a friend you rarely see to inject some fresh energy into your life. Shake things up.

Virgo: Aug. 23 - Sept. 22 A bouncy moon is making you super social. It's a good time to get together with coworkers and shoot the breeze about what's going on at work. Or call up friends you haven't seen for a while and share

Libra: Sept. 23 - Oct. 23 You'll have a personal breakthrough of some type,

courtesy of Jupiter. Maybe that cute guy or girl will finally agree to date you. Or perhaps that on-again, offagain relationship will come together in a more solid way after all of your struggles.

Scorpio: Oct. 24 - Nov. 2

Someone could fall in love with you this week. The sun is increasing your powers of attraction. Expect to make a favorable impression on people. And if there is a client you've been trying to acquire, odds are good you'll land the account this week...

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 - Dec. 21 Mercury in your sign continues to strengthen your intellectual and mental powers. If you need to solve a complicated problem, this is the week to do buzzing with ideas. You'll also other relationships. entertain your honey with your sharp wit.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 - Jan.19 You could experience a strong moment of psychic connection with your partner as Neptune enhances your intuition. Maybe you'll have a dream about your honey that shines some light on what he or she is going through. Or maybe you'll know your partner is about to call you.

Aquarius: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18 You'll be drawn to someone who is intelligent and magnetic like you are. This person might have different views than you do, but you'll still enjoy interacting with him or her. The moon is providing some interesting moments between the two of you.

Pisces: Feb. 19 - March 20 The sun is reminding you of your roots. You'll find it interesting to reconnect with your family and talk about the old days. You could discover it. If you're working a creative something about your tribe project, your brain will be that shines a light on your

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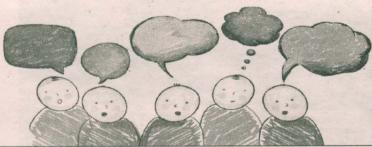


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