

NAACP leader will call for action

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

The 16th season of the Arts and Issues series continues with a visit from former congressman and current leader of the NAACP Kweisi Mfume.

Mfume will discuss "Five Points to Freedom," his action agenda that includes civil rights, political empowerment, excellence in education, economic development and youth outreach.

Mfume became chief executive officer of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in February 1996, after giving up his seat in the House of Representatives. He also served 10 years in Maryland's 7th Congressional District.

Mfume has been a long-term activist for civil rights. While serving on the Baltimore City Council, he worked to diversify government, improve community safety, enhance minority business development and remove city investments from the apartheid government of South Africa.

In 1986 Mfume was elected to Congress, where he consistently advocated landmark minority business and civil rights legislation. He co-sponsored and helped pass the Americans With Disabilities Act and also authorized minority contracting and employment amendments to the Financial Reform and Recovery Act.

Mfume later served two terms as chair of the Congressional Black Caucus and later served as the caucus' chair of the Task Force to Preserve Affirmative Action.

Mfume will speak at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, in the Meridian Ballroom of the Morris University Center.

Tickets for the event are \$4 for students and \$8 for the public.

For a complete listing of this semester's Arts and Issues series,



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NAACP leader Kweisi Mfume will speak in the Morris University Center Jan. 18. His appearance kicks off this semester's Arts and Issues series.

check out www.siu.edu/ARTS_ISSUES.

For more information, call Arts and Issues coordinator Rich Walker at 650-2626

SIUE to unite with East St. L thanks to grant

MELISSA UNDERWOOD
NEWS STRINGER

A \$276,000 federal appropriation to fund the expansion of a teacher quality initiative will help unite SIUE with the East St. Louis school district.

The money, which will be part of the budget for the new fiscal year, will be used to create a program linking East St. Louis public schools and SIUE in an effort to better prepare students to become teachers.

Rep. John Shimkus, R-Collinsville, sponsored the funding, which passed through both the House and Senate Dec. 15. Shimkus had submitted a proposal for \$300,000, but \$24,000 was cut before it passed.

"We are grateful to Congressman Shimkus for his continued support of SIUE," Chancellor David Werner said. "His efforts in obtaining this funding will go a long way in furthering educational training for Southwestern Illinois."

Mary Polite, dean of the School of Education, said that improving teacher quality has become an issue of national recognition.

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SIUE prof monitors foreign elections

ELIZABETH GRIMSLEY
NEWS REPORTER

While the United States prepared for the first election of the new millennium, Dallas Browne, SIUE associate professor and chair of the anthropology department, monitored a democratic election in Tanzania and Zanzibar that had the potential to end in civil war.

As election monitors, Browne and the other 15 members of the delegation from the International Foundation for Election Systems in Washington, D.C., checked for fraud and other improprieties at the polling places in the hopes of preventing conflict.

"Part of being an election monitor is talking to the government in power as well as the opposition, and elicit from them their worst fears concerning the election," Browne said.

"We try to ensure that those negative outcomes did not occur," Browne added. "We try to help both sides to ensure that the electoral process will be fair to everyone."

The group also talked with the press and religious leaders such as a bishop, the Muslim chief mufti and other Islamic leaders to cover the concerns of every group



ANURAG GUPTA/ALESTLE

SIUE anthropology professor and chair Dallas Browne plays an active role in international politics and elections.

affected by the election.

"We touched base with opinion leaders," Browne said. "All of the major political leaders were involved in forming the political process."

To protect the accuracy and fairness of the vote, Browne and other group members arrived at various polling places at least two hours before they opened,

roughly 5 a.m. They checked, among other things, to make sure the ballot boxes were empty when the polls

opened and that the seals were placed properly on each box to prevent any type of fraud or tampering.

"We also kind of monitored the actual process itself to make sure that people who were registered to vote were permitted to vote and were not turned away for fraudulent reasons," Browne said.

The group maintained communication with both the incumbent government and the opposition, allowing them to voice any concerns they were having about the process. While the group did not stop anything from happening, it recorded complaints and reported them to the electoral commission.

"We did not report anything to the press because some of the claims could not be substantiated and were potentially inflammatory," Browne said. "There was the possibility for widespread violence if the wrong things were said and done."

Browne said despite the many possibilities for things to go wrong, he was moved by the general attitude of the people regarding their right to vote.

"I saw people walk miles and miles and stand in line all day in unbelievable heat in order to vote," he said.

Also for the election, illiterate or impaired people were allowed to have assistance to prevent mistakes. Browne said those helping would wait all afternoon to help someone else vote and then go back to the end of the line and wait again to cast their own vote.

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Funds to improve SIU Med program

MELISSA UNDERWOOD
 NEWS STRINGER

The SIU School of Medicine will be expanding thanks to \$1.75 million in funding passed by Congress.

Rep. John Shimkus, R-Collinsville, sponsored the proposal.

The funding, approved as part of the federal budget Dec. 15, will be put to use through the university's Telemedicine and Rural Health Initiative. The program is committed to developing and applying information technology and resources to medical education, biomedical research and patient care.

The school has been involved in telemedicine projects for several years, but these were limited due to the cost of the technology and the large service area. The university has felt renewed pressure to increase telemedicine services and build

on existing developments, such as the growth of the Illinois Century Network and the Internet.

"I want to thank Congressman Shimkus for his support of SIU," SIUC Interim Chancellor John Jackson said. "The School of Medicine is a leader in telemedicine, and this grant will strengthen that leadership role."

SIU President James E. Walker expressed gratitude as well.

"This funding is critical to the medical school's mission to help provide health care for the 3.4 million citizens of central and Southern Illinois," Walker said. "We are very thankful to Congressman Shimkus for helping us obtain these funds to improve our health care delivery system."

Carl J. Getto, dean and provost of the SIU School of Medicine, explained that the funding will be used to establish

electronic links with health care providers, which will help promote better health care for the people within the service area. It will also be used to serve the needs of the medical school and residency curriculum. Eventually, the money could be used for medical research and patient care.

Most of the funds will be needed for the wiring and equipping of an expanded telemedicine network. The equipment will give medical students and resident physicians access to information resources relating to biomedical research and medical practice.

According to Getto, the grant will not only help the university but the members of the surrounding communities as well. Some money will be set aside to create Community Technology Partnerships, which will provide technology grants to health care providers in rural areas for startup costs or improvements.

SIUC chancellor will retire after 32 years

MIKE TERRY
 NEWS REPORTER

SIUC Interim Chancellor John Jackson has announced plans to retire when a new chancellor is found rather than pursue the job himself.

"I have been heavy into administration jobs for a very long time and this is more than I would care to perform," Jackson said. "It will be good for the university to have a new face."

Jackson began his career at SIUC in 1969 as a political science professor, and has not ruled out the possibility of returning to that job part time.

During Jackson's 32 years at the school, he served as the faculty senate president, dean of the college of liberal arts, vice chancellor of academic affairs and provost.

He became the interim chancellor in June 1999, filling in after managerial conflicts between SIU President Ted Sanders and then-Chancellor Jo Ann

Argersinger led to her removal by the board of trustees.

Sanders, who originally recommended Jackson as a permanent replacement, resigned in February to take a job with the Education Commission of the States in Denver, further delaying the search to fill the position.

James E. Walker became SIU's president in October and vowed to make finding a chancellor for the Carbondale campus his first order of business. He took the first step last month when he named a 14-member advisory committee of faculty, staff, students and alumni that will begin a national search as soon as possible.

The committee will meet for the first time Thursday, when it will specify candidate qualifications.

According to Jill Adams, chairperson of the committee, the hope is to find someone by July 1.

Campus Scanner

Graduates: The Annual Graduate Exhibition will be on display through Jan. 26 at the New Wagner Art Gallery in the Art and Design Building.

Music: Pianist Ian Hobson will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Dunham Hall theater. Tickets are free for students and employees with a valid SIUE identification card, \$7.50 for the general public, and \$5 for seniors and non-SIUE students. For more information, call the music department at 650-3900.

More music: The Bi-State Band Concert will be at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Morris University Center Meridian Ballroom. Tickets are \$4 for students and senior citizens and \$6 for adults.

Movie: The Philosophy Society will present the movie "Being John Malkovich" at 3 p.m. Friday in the Missouri Room of the Morris University Center. A discussion will follow.

Dance: The University Center Board will present the first Taste of Culture of the semester at 12 p.m. Tuesday in the Goshen Lounge of the Morris University Center. The program will feature a performance by the Desert Moon Dancers, a local belly-dancing troupe. Sponsored by the Ethnic Flair Committee, Taste of Culture is a public exhibit and performance series on multiculturalism. All Tastes of Culture are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Lisa Ramsey at 650-2686.

Concert: The acoustic musical group Raven Moon will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Missouri History Museum's Lee Auditorium.

Advance tickets are on sale at the Missouri History Museum in Forest Park. Tickets are \$10 for the general public and \$5 for Missouri Historical Society Members. Children 12 and under are free but do require a ticket. For more information, call (314) 746-4599.

Nature: Campus Recreation is sponsoring an eagle watch from 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at Pere Marquette State Park. There is no fee for students. Tickets are \$5 for faculty, staff and alumni and \$8 for guests. For more information, call 650-2348.

Volunteer opportunities: Space is still available for Metro East organizations to participate in the SIUE Volunteer Fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24. The deadline to reserve a space at the fair is Tuesday. Registration is \$5 and includes a university parking permit. For more information, contact Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt at 650-2686.

Lecture: Professor Ione Mylonas Shear, an archaeologist, will be the featured lecturer at the 13th annual George E. Mylonas Memorial Lecture at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at Washington University's Steinberg Hall. Shear is the late Mylonas' daughter. The lecture, "Homer's World and the World of Mycenaean Greece," is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Archaeological Institute of America at (314) 721-1889.

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Staff and faculty are people too



I appreciate our faculty and staff.

I hope I am not the only person on campus who can say this. As I see it, we need each other. Without students, faculty and staff members don't have a job, and without faculty and staff members, we don't have a school.

Having said that, I think SIUE faculty and staff members are getting the shaft. It made me realize that we should not take some things for granted.

As a student, I have full rights to use the Student Fitness Center and the equipment there. That cannot be said for the faculty and staff. They are required to pay \$135 per year to use the facilities in the Fitness Center.

I think that is just plain wrong. I asked around about this and got a reasonable answer why faculty and staff members have to pay, but I don't agree. Here it goes.

Students must pay fees when they come to SIUE, and some of that money goes to the Fitness Center. Since they pay for it, they get to use it. However, staff and faculty do not pay fees, so they do not get to use the Fitness Center unless they fork over the \$135.

Realistically, \$135 per year is a great deal because I don't think you'll find a health club in the area that offers a similar price. But that's not the point. Faculty and staff members, while they are paid for what they do, keep this university running. It's kind of a slap in the face to know that you put in 40 hours a week in some cases but can't even run around the indoor track.

And how many students pay their fees and never use the Fitness Center? I'm sure the university is not going to go broke if staff and faculty members are allowed to use the facility.

Maybe we should look at the things staff and faculty members do for students and the university.

Faculty members obviously teach us, but they do more than that in most cases. They impart personal knowledge to us that will help us

in the real world. Anyone can read to students out of a textbook and grade papers all day. Our faculty members bring their experience and expertise to students. They could just as easily take their knowledge elsewhere.

The staff members do things most students might not even think about. We might take for granted that when we throw something away, the trash can is not overflowing. We might not think about the people who handle the lines at the Bursar's Office and give student workers paychecks. We probably don't give a second thought to the people who cut the grass and pick up trash around the campus. My point is, there are a lot of staff members contributing to our campus and our benefit.

It seems pretty ironic to me that we can have someone sweep the gym floor in the Fitness Center, but he can't even pick up a basketball and shoot a few hoops during his time off.

Another thing that I don't understand is why faculty and staff members got their line at the Bursar's Office taken away. Now they are forced to stand in line with students.

At first reaction, I might think that maybe they should have to stand in the same line I stand in. But I realize that faculty and staff members are on much tighter schedules than I am.

I have two classes every day. Many faculty members teach several classes, serve office hours and have meetings to attend. Staff members work 40-hour weeks.

The staff and faculty line gave these people a chance to do their business and get back to work as quickly as possible. As far as I know, I have never heard a student complain about the special line.

As I said in the beginning, I appreciate our faculty and staff and I believe they should have some perks with their jobs.

Maybe I am alone with my opinion. If so, then I ask someone to enlighten me.

Brian Wallheimer
Editor in Chief

Absent students may be asked to pay up

JULIE FINLEY
DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN

OXFORD, Miss. (U-WIRE) - Students who stopped attending classes last semester and receive federal financial aid may be asked to repay the money.

A new interpretation of the federal aid requires universities to prove that students who receive the aid are in fact attending class. This requirement has left many universities with a problem since professors and instructors are not required to take attendance.

The University of Mississippi has begun a process of going through a list of all students who receive federal financial aid then looking to see if they had a passing grade in any class. Students who earned either an F or an incomplete must then be checked by their instructors to determine the last day they attended class. Teachers who do not keep roll must use assignments or final exams to prove

that the student has not "unofficially withdrawn."

Director of Financial Aid Larry Ridgeway said roughly 100 students might have to repay money. Financial aid is distributed through the university at the beginning of the semester, and students who are not going to class will be asked to pay it back, Ridgeway said.

The university is subject to audit for all federal aid. A student must have "unofficially withdrawn" from all of his classes before they will be asked to pay money back. As long as one professor or instructor can prove that a student attended class or took the final exam he meets the requirements.

The provost's office has asked the deans to address the matter with their faculty and develop a way to handle the problems this year and prevent it in the future. "It's going to mean having our faculty and instructors do a better job of keeping track of when students

are attending," Associate Provost Maurice Eftink said.

Dean of Liberal Arts Glenn Hopkins said the matter was discussed with the department chairs at their regular curriculum and policy meeting, but no other steps have been made. He said the departments which have large classes are looking into ways keeping better roll. "I'm hoping there won't be any problems. We will monitor the progress and see if it meets the university's requirements," Hopkins said.

Mississippi State University is using the same process to solve its problem. Bruce Crane, director of financial aid, said about 60 of approximately 16,000 students are affected there.

"Relatively few students are impacted, but if you are one of them it is a huge deal," he said. "The message the feds are trying to deliver is that students have an obligation and they must live up to that obligation."

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Theft 1/5/01

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A woman reported two televisions and a videocassette recorder stolen from her apartment in Cougar Village Building 518. Police issued a citation to Shirley A. Gibson for not yielding at an intersection on University Drive near University Park Drive.

1/8/01 Police issued a citation to Abby J. Sasek for speeding on Circle Drive.

A student reported approximately 52 compact discs missing from her room in Prairie Hall. Police issued citations to William F. Oakes for expired registration and no auto insurance.

Traffic 1/6/01

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EDUCATION

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"Of particular concern is the quality of education provided in high-need, urban school districts where teacher shortages often force districts to hire less than fully qualified teachers," Polite said.

The funding will be used to create a program that will prepare and develop teachers for this setting.

SIUE has had a similar arrangement with Alton schools since 1998. Last fall the School of Education began similar programs in Belleville and Cahokia. These programs have been modeled after the popular Professional Development Schools, which are becoming a part of university education

training across the country. The SIUE programs have been dubbed "Building Bridges for Success." They represent a change in how teachers and school administrators are prepared.

The East St. Louis program will provide the same kinds of training for SIUE students as the Alton, Belleville and Cahokia programs. The program is designed to attract and train new teachers, provide support for new teachers and enhance the skills of existing teachers.

"These programs also provide a training model for our students and a valuable learning experience for district students," Polite said.

BROWNE

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"It was moving to see the importance people placed on their vote," Browne said.

Although the political atmosphere was tense, Browne said he never felt that he or the other members of the group were in any real danger. The only potential danger he saw was being in a crowd when a situation erupted.

"I'm on very good terms and I've known all of these guys for 30 years," he said. "I know the opposition guys and I also know the guys in power so I don't think we were ever in any danger."

Browne worked with these leaders on several projects such as the construction of new roads

on the island of Zanzibar. His knowledge of the people and the area is part of the reason for his appointment to the election monitor position.

In the end, the delegation did not certify the election as both free and fair due to evidence of fraud in 16 constituencies, but Browne said the election was successful because there was no violence surrounding the outcome.

"The important thing to remember is that the group in power retained power peacefully, and this sends a very positive and hopeful message about the future of the country's political stability," he said.

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CHANELLE SMITH
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The average person burps and farts 15 times a day.

As disgusting as this fact may be, it is only a small portion of what the St. Louis Science Center has to offer in the new exhibit appropriately called Grossology, which runs until May 8.

Grossology: The (Impolite) Science of the Human Body presents visitors with the good, the bad and the sickening truths of bodily

functions. Facts, interactive games and larger-than-life replicas allow guests to learn in an unusual but entertaining way. Runny noses, body odor and digestion are topics of focus. All processes of the human body are seen and sometimes smelled.

The nose makes a new batch of snot every 20 minutes.

The tour of exhibition starts with the gallery entrance where "Her Grossness," an animated character, knows all about the gross

subjects including the nose. Y U Stink is an interactive game where one matches the odors with the area of the body they come from including armpits and feet. The Tour du Nose is an oversized duplication where visitors may walk through and view the inside nasal features such as nose hair. A game called Up Your Nose shows how snot forms by launching pollen balls at a gigantic nose. If too many pollen balls enter, the nose sneezes them back at the person. The games get better as the bodily functions get more grotesque.

Perhaps the best interactive guide is Urine: the Game. This virtual reality simulator places an individual inside the stomach where one decides what is and isn't good for the body. Participants are given a trigger device to sort through types of waste that

In some cultures, burping is considered a compliment to the cook.



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Nigel Nose-It-All teaches visitors the science behind nose functions including sinuses and runny noses at Grossology.

70 out of 100 people admit to picking their noses.

may pass through the digestive system to the "other end."

A climbing wall, similar to human skin, may be scaled using replicas of pimples, warts and moles.

The exhibition has been very popular since its opening in December. Bev Pfeifer-Harms, public relations manager of the St. Louis Science Center, has been pleased with the huge turnouts from all age groups.

"We get a lot of kids but we are happy to also see many teens and adults have fun with this exhibit," Pfeifer-Harms said.

Science teacher Sylvia Carol Branzei created

Grossology based on a series of her books including "Grossology," "Animal Grossology" and "Hands-On Grossology." Advanced Exhibits produced the Grossology exhibit in collaboration with Science World British Columbia. Through Branzei's work, the display has now become a traveling exhibition and will become a television show.

More than 2,000,000 bacteria live on the skin of the nose, cheek and chin.

For more information about Grossology and ticket prices, call the St. Louis Science Center toll free at (800) 456-SLSC. The exhibition will run until May 8.



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Burp Man drinks soda from a 3-foot can pumped by visitors who increase stomach pressure until he releases a giant burp.

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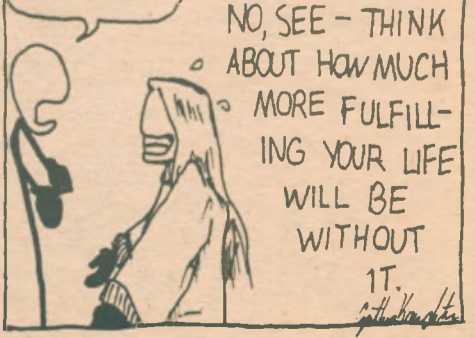


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PHOTO STRINGER

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Elizabeth Webber
Computer Science major, Sophomore



"Faith Hill because she's flat-out hot. Of course, we'll have to get rid of Tim (McGraw) first."

Chris Tubbs
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"Nicolas Cage would be a great guy to live with. He's crazy and I'd be able to depend on him for a sweet car."

Kirstin Hastings
Dentistry major, Freshman



"I'd prefer to live with Hugh Hefner because I'm partial to 'bunnies.'"

Jason Huot
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"Katie Holmes because she is bonerific."

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The Freshman Experience

ANDREW LEHMAN
GRAPHICS

I'll let you in on a little secret. I have found, hands down, the best way to study for finals. That's right, the commuter reveals his secrets.

The first thing you have to do is know somebody, preferably a good friend, who has gone away to school to some place like, let's say Millikin University in Decatur. It could be any school of course, but for our purposes it will be Millikin.

The weekend before finals you call that person and politely invite yourself for a visit. Now this might take some doing if the person's finals are next week as yours, but if the person is anything like my friend, you won't have a problem.

If you're smart, you'll take someone with you who can ask you study questions on the two-hour drive there. But if you can make the trip in 90 minutes or so, then you don't need to worry about those study questions.

When you get there, you party.

Sounds simple enough, but the trick here is not to party too hard. You don't want to be puking everything you've eaten in the last six years all over your friend's bathroom. If you get a little hungover, that's cool because you still have the morning and the drive home to clear your head. All the distractions are gone and you can cram for the exams.

Now being a commuter and still living at home, I had to convince my parents to let me go. I mean, come on. It's the weekend before finals. Are you crazy? Do you really want to screw up your grades?

Well of course not. Might be crazy, but I don't want to mess with my grades.

To sell this to those in charge, only stay one night. That's right. Pick a night, any night, and relax and have a good time in preparation for those nasty exams.

Now the intellects out there will dispute this method of studying six ways from Sunday, but do you know what I say to them? I say phooey. Go ahead, say it. Phooey.

OK, so maybe not phooey.

But life is passing them by. You only live once and you're only a teen-ager once. You're supposed to do crazy things and barely get out alive, right? At least you're supposed to do crazy in moderation.

So, follow the previously mentioned guidelines and go to class, take good notes, read your assignments and do your homework. Do these things and you are guaranteed a good grade on finals.

That's funny. Homework, assignments, classes, notes. Could that be why?

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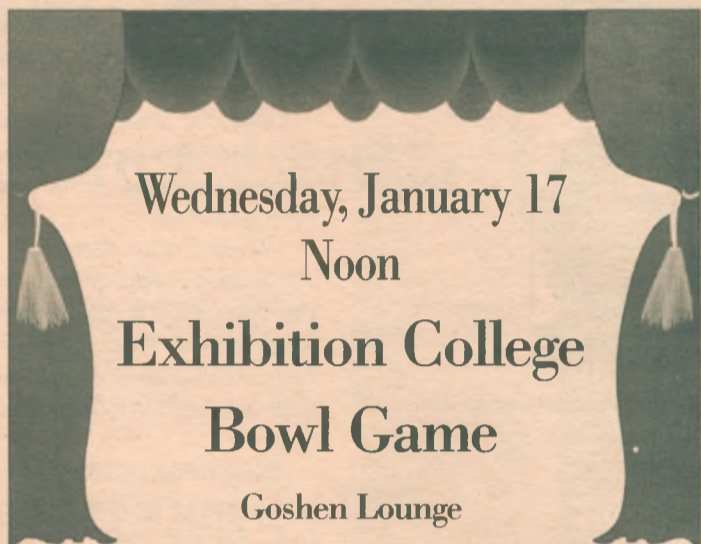
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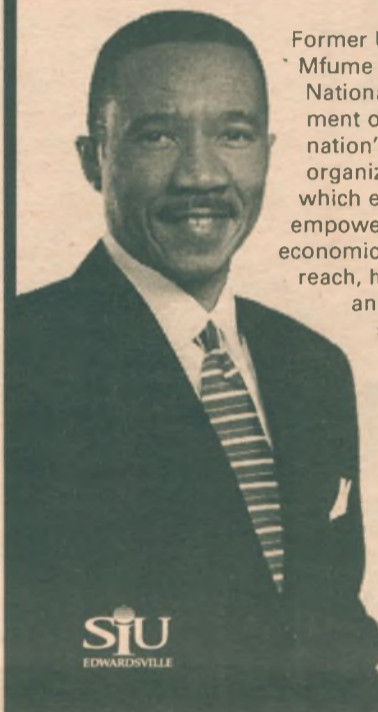
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Lady Cougars start GLVC run with Quincy

Hedberg a little worried about her team going into the final half of the season that includes 15 straight GLVC teams



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Sarah Larson is currently averaging 6.7 points per game and 4.1 rebounds per game.

Half-way point hopes to be a new start for Cougars

SIUE basketball hopes to forget about first half of season and improve conference record against Quincy

KELI KEENER
SPORTS STRINGER

Fortunately for Cougar's basketball, there is still half a season to go, and they can put the first half behind them.

The Cougars will take it on the road Saturday for a battle with Quincy University.

The men's basketball team has been gearing up for a key matchup this weekend against the Hawks, the conference rival.

"This game is a very important one for both teams," head coach Jack Margenthaler said.

SIUE holds a 1-4 record in the Great Lakes Valley Conference and 4-6 record overall.

The Cougars are 10th in the conference as they approach the halfway point in their schedule.

"We need several of our players to step up and play to their potential," Margenthaler said. "We need to step it up and

play smarter as a team."

With a struggling GLVC conference record this will be a critical game for the Cougars who are looking to bounce back on the right track.

"This game against Quincy is extremely important for us," he said. "A win would put us back on track and in the running for the conference tournament."

Quincy is 2-3 in conference action and 5-5 overall.

The Hawks are currently sixth overall in the GLVC, which is a major improvement from last season when they finished ninth, just one place just above SIUE in the GLVC final standings.

"Quincy has won four of their last five ballgames after getting off to a slow start," Margenthaler said. "They are now playing much better as the season has progressed."

For the Hawks, it is sophomore center Brian McNeil who will lead the team

KUMAR BHOOSHAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Getting above .500 in conference is all that's on the minds of the Lady Cougars these days.

SIUE is on a two-game winning streak with wins against the University of Indianapolis and the University of Illinois-Springfield, and will look to improve its streak on Saturday.

"Going into a tough conference schedule, it is very important to start getting back on track," head coach Wendy Hedberg said.

The Lady Cougars will travel to Quincy to try to shoot down the high flying Lady Hawks of Quincy University.

The Lady Hawks are tied for fourth place in the Great Lakes Valley Conference with a record of 3-2 and a 7-4 record overall and will be swooping down with a four-game winning streak when they meet the Lady Cougars on Saturday.

This is a major improvement from the 2-18 record the Lady Hawks produced last year, placing them at the bottom of the GLVC and finishing the 1999-

2000 season with a dismal 6-20 overall record.

Quincy will be led by senior center Colleen Sexton, who is averaging 14.2 points per game this year. She leads a team of Lady Hawks that has two other players averaging in double-digit scoring, and a total of six players averaging more than five points per game.

Sexton also leads the team in rebounds, averaging just more than five per game. She was named GLVC Player of the Week earlier this year.

Although the game is played in Quincy, the advantage may not go to the home team.

The Lady Hawks hold a .500 record at home and have managed to produce a more successful record on the road going 3-1.

The Lady Cougars will only

go as far as point guard Misi Clark will take them.

Clark, the leading scorer in SIUE history, has started her senior campaign. She leads the team in scoring eight out of the 11 games played this year, averaging just under 19 points.

Clark also leads the team in rebounds with six per game.

"Misi has just been taking over," Hedberg said. "She is a creator. She cuts, she slashes, anything it takes to get into scoring position."

Perhaps Hedberg's crew will be able begin the game against the Lady Hawks better than it has in recent matchups.

The Lady Cougars have been less productive at the start of their games, scoring 100 points fewer in the first half than the second.

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Marty Perry is averaging 10.9 points per game and 5.0 rebounds for SIUE this year.

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Steadily improving Cougar hockey looks to use rest of season to develop

AMY GRANT
SPORTS STRINGER

The SIUE men's ice hockey team is looking to build on its recent win and improve its 1-7-1 record this weekend.

"We started the season out kind of slow, but with the youth it's understandable because a lot of the guys had only played high school hockey," captain Scott Cloin said. "I think we're starting to come on now. We're starting to click."

The Cougars won their first game 4-3 against Washington University in December. Cloin scored three goals for the hat trick and Nick Gedris had three assists in the game.

David Svezia had the team's other goal, and goalie Todd Bartoszkiewicz recorded the win over the Bears. The line of Mike Cusack, Gedris and Cloin were on the ice for all of SIUE's goals.

Cloin is leading the team with nine points, a combination of eight goals and one assist. Gedris is second with two goals and six assists for a total of eight points.

The team's recent success can be attributed to the performance of many of the freshmen. Brad Maggio is one of the leading freshmen this season with five points.

"Our biggest strength has to be our youth because only about seven guys returned from last season, so we had 20 others coming together at the same time. We've had a lot of time to grow as a team," Cloin said.

The Cougars' last game was Jan. 6 when they took on the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen. The Rivermen (16-1-1) won the game 4-1.

Maggio scored SIUE's only goal on a power play. Ty Suhre

and Joe Schmitt assisted on Maggio's goal. UMSL's fourth goal was scored after SIUE had pulled its goalie.

"The game Saturday was one of the best games we've played all season," Cloin said. "UMSL normally destroys teams on the scoreboard and on the ice, and we kept it close."

SIUE's next game is on the road against the Eastern Illinois University Panthers this at what time?. Saturday in Charleston.

The Panthers haven't played a game since Dec. 2 when they faced Wash U. They led 2-0 in the first period and scored two quick goals in the first five minutes of the third to clinch the win 4-3.

SIUE's next home game will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, against Northern Illinois University of De Kalb at East Alton Ice Arena.

SIUE golf coach has worn many hats

CARRIE CARBUCCI
SPORTS STRINGER



Bennett

The team is only three years old and already has enjoyed success. This year's team had only one golfer return from last year's squad, but it still managed to hold it's own against it's Great Lakes Valley Conference rivals and set a few school records.

Bennett is an alumnus of SIUE. He has worked

Head women's golf coach, assistant director of campus recreation and former state director for the National-Intramural Recreational Sport Association are just a few positions Larry Bennett has held.

Bennett is the founding coach of the SIUE women's golf team.

with Campus Recreation ever since 1988, holding various positions such as coordinator of Campus Recreation and assistant to the director of Campus Recreation.

Bennett works with a staff of more than 80 people in the administration of SIUE's 200,000 square foot indoor recreation facility. He also oversees SIUE's outdoor recreation facility, which includes the 200 acre Cougar Lake.

Bennett also has many duties away from the SIUE campus. Bennett formerly served as director for the National-Intramural Recreation Sport Association. Bennett was a regional site committee member for the 1994 United States Olympic Festival.

He is involved in his community. He is the commissioner and finance committee chairman for the Collinsville Area Recreation District. Even with all these leadership roles, Bennett still manages to give his golfers the attention they need for a successful season.

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"We can't afford to start the game off down by 12 or 13 points like we have lately," Hedberg said. "It makes it difficult to get back in the game."

Last season the Lady Cougars met the Lady Hawks in a conference battle and won 67-60 en route to a fourth-place finish in the GLVC.

Early in the year, the Lady Cougars have outrebounded their opponents by a wide margin, but

lately rebounding is just one of the concerns Hedberg has for her Lady Cougars.

"Lately I've been concerned with our overall performance," Hedberg said. "We need to rebound better and try to control the pace of the game on both sides of play."

Hedberg thinks if the Lady Cougars work on these key elements, they should be in contention.



Women's Basketball Leaders

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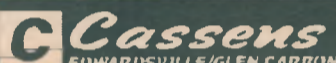
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