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Accused students claim charges are false

ANTHONY WATT
 ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Two SIUE students charged in a domestic dispute Nov. 2 in Woodland Hall say the charges against them are unfounded.

Kyle A. Gibson and Sarena S. Gordon were charged with criminal damage to state-funded property and domestic battery. Gibson was also charged with

interfering with a report of domestic violence.

"That's totally wrong," Gibson told the Alestle over the phone Wednesday. "There was a verbal argument between me and Sarena. I had found out that a very close uncle had passed."

SIUE Police Chief Richard Harrison and Capt. Regina Hays were not available for comment.

Gibson said he had just

returned to Woodland Hall after playing ball to relieve stress. Gibson was reluctant when Gordon tried to talk to him about his uncle and when she persisted, he lost his temper.

"I overturned the bed. I threw some clothes on the floor and then she threw some clothes on the floor," he said.

Gibson said there was no physical contact during the

argument.

Gordon supported Gibson's statement in the same phone call.

Gibson said he was leaving the room just as an SIUE police officer announced himself and opened the door.

According to Gibson, he walked past the officer who then followed him to the parking lot and was joined by at least two other officers.

Gibson said one of the officers told him he would be detained until police knew what had happened.

According to the SIUE Police Department's media log, both Gibson and Gordon were arrested on the domestic battery charge and taken to the Madison County Jail on Nov. 2. They were released on their own recognizance the next day.

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Safety gates up at Cougar Village

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

Cougar Village residents on the 400 side will have to contend with a new obstacle to drive on the sidewalks.

The roadways between the buildings are now considered sidewalks and will be blocked off with gates. Only emergency and university vehicles will be allowed through the gates.

"Housing weighed all of the options in consultation with the parking committee," Narbeth Emanuel, vice chancellor of

student affairs, said previously. "They decided this option maximizes safety by lowering the amount of traffic while allowing emergency vehicles through."

The gates were installed after students complained to the student senate that drivers were speeding and driving recklessly on the roadways, making it unsafe for children. SIUE Police Captain Regina Hayes said that those who violate the new policy will receive a \$75 ticket and have their vehicle towed.



HEATHER CAIRNS/ALESTLE

Gates were installed in Cougar Village to prevent people from driving on the sidewalks.

Disc golf course opens at SIUE Students hurt in hit-and-run

ANTHONY WATT
 ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

SIUE student Jie Feng is in serious but stable condition at St. Louis University Hospital after she, three other SIUE students and an alumnus were involved in a hit-and-run accident in

Madison.

According to a Madison Police report, Feng, graduate students Xiaorong Meng and Hong Yu, and SIUE alumnus Adam Jenness were in a Dodge Neon driven by graduate student James W. Rogers.

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HEATHER CAIRNS/ALESTLE

Chancellor David Werner joins many participants in opening SIUE's new disc golf course Wednesday. Students, faculty and staff need to show their identification card to join the fun.

Smokeout: no ifs, ands or butts

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

SIUE is participating in the Great American Smokeout with a program of its own called Stomp Out Smoking.

"We are focusing on prevention as well as helping people quit," Kinesiology and Health Education assistant professor Keely Rees said.

Three high schools will be participating in the event. Belleville East, Belleville West and Carlinville will bring students throughout the day.

"They will be there for prevention (of starting to

smoke)," Rees said. "There are also some high school students that are helping out."

The event will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first floor of the Morris University Center.

There will be free massages from noon to 4p.m. Thursday and hypnotists will be available to help people stop smoking. Refreshments will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the SIUE Wellness Program, the SIUE Health and Education Students and the Southwest Illinois Coalition against Tobacco.

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- November 17 - Salus Place, St. Louis, MO
- November 23 - Thanksgiving Dinner, Belleville & E. St. Louis, IL
- December 1 - Computer Rehab Volunteer Project, Washington Park, IL
- December 9-12 & 18-20 - Christmas Baskets, E. St. Louis, IL
- December 15 - Share Food, Granite City, IL
- December 15 - Salus Place, St. Louis, MO
- December 15-17 - Christmas Baskets, Share Food, Granite City, IL
- December 25 - Christmas Dinner, East St. Louis, IL

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Organization of the week

JANELLE LOHMAN
NEWS STRINGER

What started as Non-Greek Feet, a group of people putting on a non-Greek stepshow, is now Societal Innovators, the organization of the week.

"This organization strives to bridge the gaps between people of different backgrounds," said Dwayne Bess, president and founder of the organization.

Societal Innovators produces activities such as Whose Line is It?, the Woods Experience, investment seminars, blood drives, career fairs, Game Day, Latin dance seminars and the Non-Greek Stepshow.

In 1998, Bess decided to start the Non-Greek Stepshow,

and the impressive response from the participants prompted the beginning of Societal Innovators. Bess said about 30 members work together to produce programs to "bring people together."

Bess described his group as a "melting pot" for people of all races and walks of life.

At 7 p.m. Thursday in the Meridian Ballroom, Societal Innovators will play host to the show that started it all, the Non-Greek Stepshow. The show will consist of four acts of many different forms of dancing with two interludes. Four of the numbers will be performed by groups consisting of SIUE students.

The cost is \$3 for students

and \$4 for the public with a \$1 discount for bringing a canned good. Bess said the canned goods will be donated to the Glen-Ed Food Pantry. In past years the group has accumulated more than 500 canned goods.

Upcoming events for the group include a visit from the Black Repertory Theater, a parody of "Street Smarts" and a concert.

"This organization would not be as successful as it is without the dedicated members who keep it afloat," Bess said.

The group meets at 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Goshen Lounge and new members are welcome.

For more information, contact Bess at 650-3821.

Conference will draw area teachers

BROOKE HEITZ
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Learning Without Limits Conference for teachers in grades 4 through 12 will take place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday in the Science Building.

The conference is sponsored by the Office of Science and Mathematics at SIUE.

Dawn Olive, department secretary, said the reason for having the conference is to help teachers learn how to better instruct math and science in their classrooms.

"The main reason is to give

the teachers an opportunity to preview curriculum and let them see the newest trends in teaching out there," Olive said.

The conference will hold four one-hour sessions for teachers to attend.

This year the conference has added an exhibition hall that will remain open during the entire conference.

"The exhibition hall is new and it has really gotten a good response," Olive said. "Some people I never expected to come and exhibit are setting up camp with us."

Presentations by Cynmar

Scientific Equipment and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources are just a few exhibits that will be available for teachers to see. During the sessions, teachers will have an opportunity to gather free material and information for their classrooms.

After the buffet luncheon, professor Art Braundmeier, physics chair at SIUE, will be giving the keynote address focusing on the importance of science in middle school.

The conference fee is \$35. To preregister, call Olive at 650-3065 or send an e-mail to dolive@siue.edu.

Campus Scanner

Share Food Project: Volunteer to distribute food for the food co-op program. Participants will be picked up at 8 a.m. and returned at noon Saturday and again Dec. 15 in Lot B. Volunteers need to wear work clothes and bring work gloves. For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

Online Mentors Needed: Applications are being accepted for online mentors for children in eight after-school programs in Washington Park, East St. Louis and Fairmont City. No personal contact is required. For more information, e-mail Suzanne Kutterer-Sibert at skutter@siue.edu.

Volunteer: Volunteers are needed to assist Salus Place. Salus Place provides housing for men and women with HIV/AIDS and who are recovering from substance abuse or mental illness. Participants will be picked up at 8 a.m. and returned at noon Saturday and again Dec. 1 in Lot B. Participants are asked to wear work clothes and bring work gloves. For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting: The Gut Level Group meets at 7 p.m. every Saturday at the Religious Center. This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous and AI-Anon.

Volunteer: Bridging the Digital Divide is a program designed to increase computer literacy in Washington Park, East St. Louis and Fairmont City. Volunteers are needed to assist with computer programming, software installation and delivery and installation of computers in homes. Volunteers will be picked up at 8 a.m. and returned at 4 p.m.

Saturday in Lot B.

Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to distribute Thanksgiving dinners at two separate locations from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 22, at St. Luke's Parish Hall at 301 N. Church in Belleville, and St. Vincent dePaul Center, Cosgrove Kitchen at 3718 State St., in East St. Louis.

Blood Drive: The American Red Cross is holding blood drives from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday at Trowel Nutrition in Highland, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 27 and 28, in the Morris University Center at SIUE, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, at the Bank of Edwardsville. Donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, not have gotten a tattoo within the last year, not be taking blood thinners or antibiotics and not have given blood within the last 56 days.

Step Show: The Societal Innovators will play host to a non-Greek StepShow at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Meridian Ballroom on the first floor of the Morris University Center. Tickets are \$3 for students and \$4 for the public. A \$1 discount will be given to those who bring a canned good.

Open Forum: The University Center Board is sponsoring a panel discussion about the "Alternative Ways of Looking at the War on Terrorism" from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27, in the Goshen Lounge on the first floor of the Morris University Center. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend and field questions to the panel participants. For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

Don't forget what the holiday is about

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Thanksgiving break couldn't have come soon enough.

I think professors get together to design their courses and make sure deadlines are all the same. It always seems that you have three tests and two papers due in the same week. And now that the weather is turning colder, you're sure to have the flu that week as well.

But Thanksgiving is finally here and we can look forward to a week of relaxation. We can forget about homework, tests and papers for a while. But there's one thing we should not forget. Thanksgiving is about being thankful and we have a lot to be thankful for.

We can look at small things that we are thankful for, but in the wake of all that happened just over two months ago, we should be thankful for the things we take for granted.

Thousands of people lost their lives on Sept. 11 at the hands of terrorists. I would imagine that the last thing any of them ever thought that day was that the World Trade Center towers or the Pentagon would be attacked. For most, it was just

another day at work.

Now, I get up for school almost every day, and rarely do I think that an airplane will crash into Peck Hall or the Morris University Center. Granted, SIUE is probably not a high-priority target for terrorist activities, but after Sept. 11, who knows what could happen.

I don't think many people believed a terrorist attack of that magnitude could happen until it actually did.

Once, for a school assignment. I had to ask my grandparents where they were and what they were doing when John F. Kennedy was shot. Someday my grandchildren will probably ask me where I was and what I was doing when the planes crashed into the World Trade

Center towers and the Pentagon.

And that's something I am thankful for. Not that the United States was attacked, but because my grandchildren may have that opportunity.

Military forces are working hard in Afghanistan to make sure my grandchildren can ask me that question and that I can answer them. People have lost their lives in Europe, Asia and at home to make sure that my grandchildren will be able to ask me that question.

I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my friends. But most of all, I am thankful for my opportunities.

Brian Wallheimer
Editor in Chief

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I feel a need to respond to your editorial in the Nov. 8 issue.

It would appear you have taken one phrase out of President Bush's Sept. 20 speech and misinterpreted it out of the context of everything else that he has said and done.

No one has ever said that every country must send soldiers to fight terrorists in other countries in order to show support against terrorism. Rather, I think the president and every decent human being expects that these acts not be condoned and that those who commit these acts not be given aid and comfort behind the facade of neutrality.

I think there is some precedent for this policy in international law and such a policy is needed now more than ever. That is why we have extradition treaties with other countries and why Libya was pressured to give up the suspects who were later convicted of blowing up Pan Am flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

Simply put, governments are responsible

for preventing these activities whenever possible, especially within their own borders. The analogy is more like the Swiss banks during World War II or the person withholding evidence in a murder investigation or a government that allows murders to continue within its own borders and does not do everything within its power to stop it.

Responsibility does not lie with the terrorists alone, but with those who give them safe quarter or who allow funding of such activities to take place within their borders. In reality, Saudi Arabia has not allowed us to stage air strikes from their soil, yet the President has praised them for helping in other ways.

As for the United States and our help of other countries, there is much to be proud of. From World War I to Bosnia, we have fought on the side of freedom and sovereignty and often were criticized more than thanked for the blood and other sacrifices that we made.

In Vietnam, we followed rules of engagement that doomed us to failure. In Iraq,

we accepted surrender before we removed Saddam Hussein from power. We have not become wealthy by taking from others, but have given freely to others at every turn, even to our enemies.

What I think has been ignored far too much is that there are some countries that are our true friends and allies, such as Great Britain, Australia and Turkey. While some countries condemn us for coming to the aid of countries, other countries have given us support.

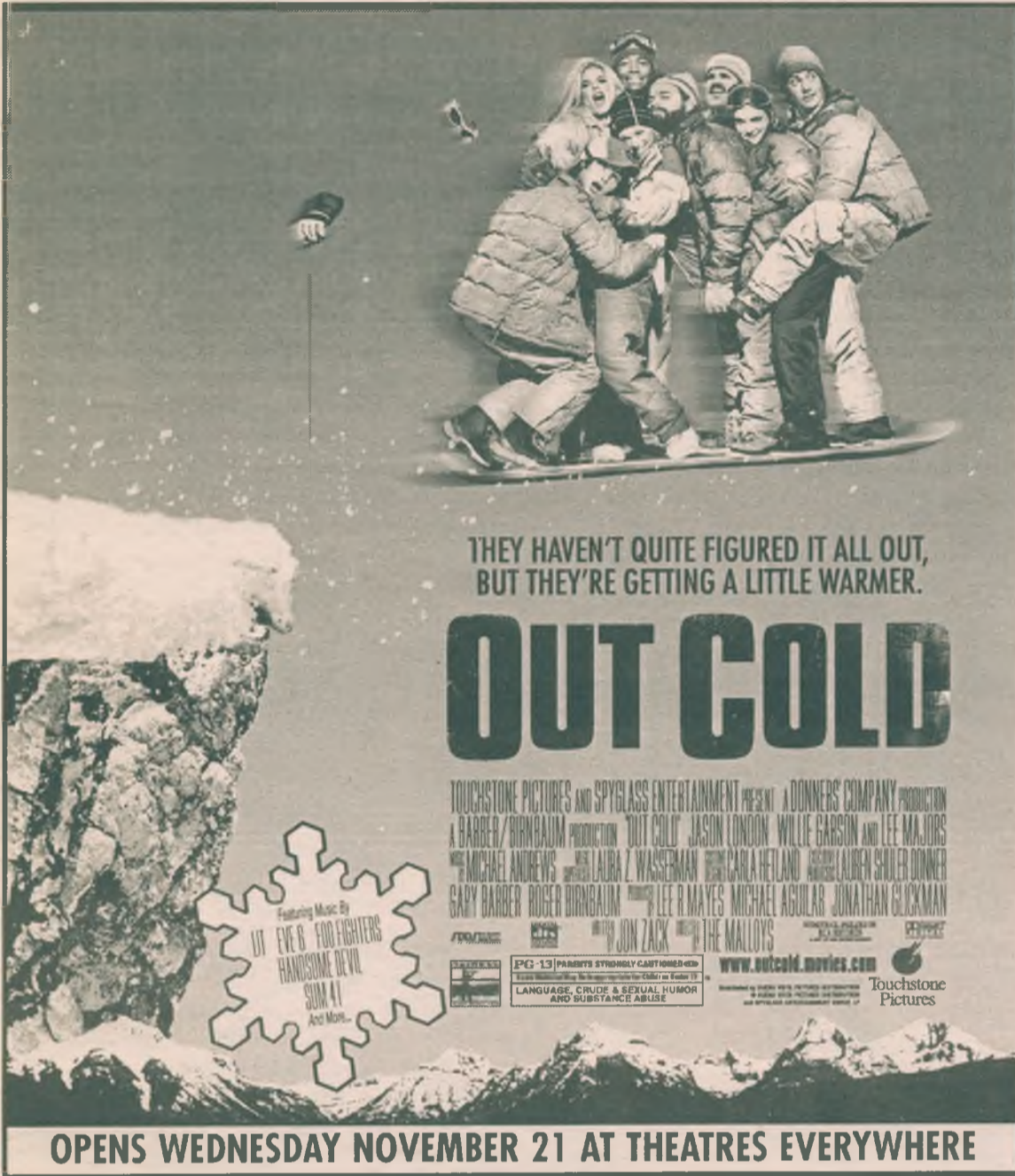
If we begin to pay more attention to our true friends and understand that they are the ones that matter in this world, then we will truly deserve to have them as friends. If, on the other hand, we reward the evil in this world with appeasement, concession and compromise, then I fear that we will deserve everything that those countries wish to bring to us.

Shane Ferral
Senior

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ACCIDENT

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The report states that Rogers was heading southbound on Illinois Route 203 when he hit a northbound Ford Thunderbird owned by Mark J. Vehlewald. The accident occurred at 12:14 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, at the intersection of Harrison Avenue and Route 203.

"The car made an abrupt left turn on a green light in front of me," Rogers said. "I had no time to brake."

Rogers said his car caught fire after the impact.

"The car was on fire and we were still sitting in it," Meng said. "I just saw the fire coming out and it was so scary."

The report states that the unidentified driver of the Thunderbird fled the scene on foot.

Rogers said he and the others were wearing seat belts.

"Otherwise Adam would

have been shot out of the car like a cannon ball. He'd be dead," Rogers said. "Adam doesn't normally wear his belt but my girlfriend told him to put it on."

Rogers said he pulled Feng and Jenness out of the vehicle.

"Jie couldn't move and Adam couldn't get out on his side," Rogers said. "He was kind of knocked out. He didn't know what was going on."

"I walked out fine but Jie couldn't move at all," Meng said. "Jim (Rogers) managed to pull her out because the car might have exploded. Hong Yu got out on her own but then she fell down because of her ribs."

Meng said Yu was in the hospital for a week but has been released. Rogers said Jenness was back at work the Tuesday after the accident.

The Madison Police are investigating the accident.

GIBSON

from page 1

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Gibson and Gordon, but Gibson's mother, Florence Cole-Robinson, said during the same telephone call that both are planning to turn themselves in.

She would not say where they were calling from. A warrant is also out for Gibson's brother, Kyai Gibson. He was charged with aggravated battery for

allegedly shoving an officer who responded to the domestic call at Woodland Hall.

He has also been charged with battery for reportedly shoving a University Housing representative who came with the police.

Kyle Gibson, Gordon and Cole-Robinson all said Kyai Gibson was not present or even on campus during the argument.

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11/9/01

An ambulance was called to Alumni Hall due to a female who was unconscious. The woman refused to be taken to a hospital.

Deception

11/6/01

Health Services reported receiving a counterfeit \$20 bill.

Fire

11/8/01

The Edwardsville Fire Department extinguished a fire in the wooded area behind Prairie Hall.

Theft

11/8/01

A student reported her hangtag stolen from her car parked in Lot 9.

11/9/01

A resident of Cougar Village 417 reported \$300 cash missing from his room.

A student reported her hangtag stolen from her car while parked in Lot A.

Traffic

11/6/01

Police issued a citation to Evelyn Jaja for parking in a space reserved for handicapped in Cougar Village Lot 4C.

Police issued a citation to Zachary Stephens for having expired registration on Circle Drive.

Police issued a citation to Alicia Johnson for improper lane usage near Cougar Village 502.

Police issued a citation to Tyrice Kennedy for driving on a suspended license near Cougar Village 429.

11/8/01

Police issued a citation to Gerald Tanner for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

11/9/01

Police issued a citation to Justin Lysakowski for speeding on University Drive.



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Ask Courtney

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Q: I'm starting to get very burnt out from school. I can't get motivated to do anything and I'm really starting to wonder if I can stick it out or not. I know I should but I can't find a way to get myself to work harder. Any suggestions?

A: Try setting smaller goals for yourself. Instead of looking toward May, concentrate on getting through the current week. Break up your work load so you are not overwhelmed when you finally sit down to start things. You know you are doing the right thing by sticking it out. Remind yourself of all the positive things. You can do it.

Q: I am a lonely SWM. It seems like all the girls I know just want to be friends and nothing more. I'm a nice guy – maybe that's the problem. I'm too nice and I get passed over for the jocks and jerks. Then I have to hear all about how Mr. Right became Mr. Wrong. Does my personality need a makeover so I can be Mr. Right?

A: No, you don't need a personality makeover. Don't worry, the girls will grow out of the need for the "bad boy" stage. You'll get your chance. You know the saying, "someone will love you for who you are." Well that's true. You're more likely to find Miss Right when you're not looking for her. All these girls who are just friends may also come in handy when you need some female advice.

Q: I have this problem. There is a girl in my class who is really, really attractive. Every time I go to class I just sit there and stare at her. She is the most beautiful girl I have ever seen. I found out that a friend of mine went to high school with her and my friend still hangs out with her on occasion. I was jealous at first, but then I had a plan. I'll have my friend ask her over and then I'll casually drop by just to see what's going on. What do you think?

A: Sounds good. When you get there, make sure you actually try to talk to her instead of just look at her from afar. Also, pay attention to what she says. You may be able to use it later to strike up a conversation in class.

Q: I was taking a test in class the other day and the tests are heavily graded on curves. During the test, I noticed another student with his notes on the floor and he was looking at them through the whole test. I'm not struggling in the class, but I don't think it's fair to everyone else. I don't want to say anything, but I don't want the person to keep doing it. What should I do?

A: You need to decide how much it bothers you. If you can get over it, don't say anything. I can see why you would be upset, though. If the teacher is grading on a curve, that's affecting your grade as well. I wouldn't approach the student, but you can inform the teacher. I wouldn't give any names.

Lifest

Students give

thanksgiving

ELIZABETH A. LEHNERER
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Finally, Thanksgiving break is upon the students of SIUE; nine days free from all-night studying, hot classrooms, crabby roommates and all the trials and tribulations that come with college.

For most, Thanksgiving represents turkey and stuffing, football and beer, family and friends. Although all of SIUE's students are getting a well-deserved break, each person's vacation is as different as yams and cranberry sauce.

Freshman Matt Kelly is going home to Florissant, Mo., for the break but is not looking forward to it.

"I'm not that excited about going home and I would probably stay in the dorms for a while if I could," Kelly said. "It's nice to go home for a little while but I'm not sure I will be able to stand the family for nine days after not having them around for four months."

Freshmen Lucien Lakebrink wishes the residence halls were open over break as well.

"I'm paying to stay here and get away from my home. Holidays come around and (University) Housing closes. I have no where to go," Lakebrink said. "I'll have to drive six hours just to see my family on Thanksgiving and then

come back for work. I work full time so I had to ask a friend that lives near where I work if I could stay with him."

Sophomore Michelle Aldridge will not get to see her immediate family over the Thanksgiving holiday. "My parents are in Germany with the Air Force so I will be visiting relatives in Illinois and Indiana instead of being with them," Aldridge said. "But I'm not complaining. I really need a break from here for a while."

For freshman Joey Thouvenot, Thanksgiving means family, and family means Branson, Mo.

"Since I was six years old my family and I have gone to the Ozark Mountain Christmas every Thanksgiving," Thouvenot said. "We go to Silver Dollar City and eat Thanksgiving dinner at the Golden Coral. The only part I like about it is the outlet shopping. It gives me a chance to start shopping for Christmas."

After all, the busiest shopping day of the season is the day after Thanksgiving.

Saving for Christmas is really important to freshman Melissa Johns who is staying in Cougar Village for part of the break so she can work on campus.

"I work Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the day in the dean's office of Education and at Burlington Coat Factory in Fairview Heights at night," Johns said. "I'm not going home until the day of Thanksgiving. I am looking

after the attack

An update on student reactions

MELINDA HAWKINS
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Many students attending SIUE say they feel secure here despite the events of Sept. 11th, and have done little to change their lifestyles.

There are some differences, however, in how students feel about the U.S. government's response to the terrorist attacks.

Overall, students seemed unconcerned about the kind of attack seen in New York on Sept. 11 happening in this area. Many students seemed to agree that getting anthrax in the mail would be the more probable event to happen here, but that even this would be unlikely. Students theorized that this area was not important enough to be targeted by terrorists, and that they were not important enough to attract the attention of terrorists.

Danny Hellrung is a junior at SIUE.

"I don't think St. Louis is quite important enough for anyone to bother sending anthrax to us. Anything we can do in St. Louis could be done just as easily in Chicago and New Orleans," Hellrung said.

Kate Hollis, a sophomore at SIUE, said she wasn't scared of getting anthrax and agreed with Hellrung that this area was not a likely target of terrorism.

"I feel kind of immune because I'm a Midwesterner. I'm just not really concerned," Hollis said.

"We're in the middle of the country. When the plane flew into the World Trade Center everyone said they would do something here," SIUE freshman Nathan Yoder said. "What are they going to do, run a bus into the arch?"

Brian Lau, a senior at SIUE, said he didn't feel like a very likely target, since he didn't work for the government or the media.

"My biggest thought is that they're not really targeting people like me," Lau said.

Buffalo Holland, an SIUE senior, said he felt that adequate precautions were being taken now to protect the campus.

"We have more canaries in the coal mine now. I'm not worried. We have too many safeguards, like the people who have to handle the mail. They are taking extra precautions," Holland said.

Abbie Leffler, a sophomore at SIUE, indicated that she receives a total lack of important mail from anyone. Leffler said as long as pizza places didn't harbor terrorists, she is probably safe from anthrax.

"The only mail I ever get is either addressed to the occupant or pizza lover. I'm not worried that Pizza Place is going to send me anthrax," Leffler said.

Hussain Shabez, a student attending SIUE, said

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PEOPLE, ENTERTAINMENT & COMICS

Thanks to a week of no school Thanksgiving break

Thanksgiving break though. I need it." Students cannot escape school and plan to work over the break. Scott Conreux from Glenwood said, "I don't plan on doing anything over break. I have more than I know what to do."

Leslie Sherwin said, "I thought of doing something over break."

But, just a lot of work and lots of family, she said. Sherwin said, "I also thought of doing something over break, but I don't plan on doing anything over break. I have more than I know what to do."

All, students are looking forward to seeing friends. "The main point of my break will be to see a friend of mine from the U.S. Military Academy," said Sherwin.

Originally from Chicago, Sherwin said, "I'm going home once this semester to see my friends over break."



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Weston is not worried about anthrax or flying. "I'm flying all over the place. I'm taking advantage of the low fares. I'm not that important enough for anyone to send me anthrax. When we speak in a different language we sometimes hear comments but that is about the only difference," Shabez said.

Aisha Johnson, an SIUE student, said she was more concerned for the toll the events took on the children than with thoughts of her own safety.

"We're trusting the government's judgment right now, and hopefully, they'll make the right decisions. They shouldn't keep anything from us though, or else we'll be blindsided if something else happens. They should keep us informed of everything that's going on," Johnson said.

SIUE Graduate student Manga Gangasani said he was very upset on Sept. 11th, and felt the world was no longer a safe place, but said he felt more safe now.

"I feel very comfortable at Edwardsville. I've had no problems. I feel the government is doing a very good job," Gangasani said.

He indicated that he was not concerned about the mail. "If anything suspicious comes we won't open it, but most of our mail comes from the bank and such," Gangasani said.

Welt Weston, a junior at SIUE, said he took advantage of lower interest rates to buy a house.

"I guess I'm more cautious. My wife is a flight attendant, so I check up on her more," Weston said.

Although Weston said he was feeling more patriotic, he was disappointed with the way the government has handled airport security, which he thinks should be federalized.

"I know a chef who accidentally carried his knives onto the plane, because that's what he always used to do and he forgot," Weston said. "He thought maybe he should say something, but he didn't want to be hassled."

Students were clearly divided in how they felt about the United States' response to the situation. While some felt the United States was responding appropriately, others indicated a distrust of U.S. motives and methods.

Madalene Layne is a senior at SIUE.

"This whole situation has given me even more reason to question the government. We're supposed to listen to them even though they let this stupid thing happen to us," Layne said.

Tracy Roach is seeking a degree in psychology.

"I don't agree with the war. I think many Americans don't understand the situations their government has caused," Roach said. "I think expecting other countries to jump in and get involved with this war shows America isn't looking at the whole picture."

Say What?

MINDI ERNST
PHOTO STRINGER

What are your plans for Thanksgiving break?

"My plans for Thanksgiving break are to write two research papers and see my family."
Danielle Stern
Mass Communications
Graduate Student



"To get a lot of me time big baby."
Dwayne Bess
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"I'm gonna work on getting my turkey stuffed."
Alyssa Bruns
Sociology



"Celebrating my 21st birthday for a week straight."
Bobby Harris
Sociology



"To work at American Eagle and drive home to Bloomington-Normal for a few days to spend it with my family and friends."
Casie Jackson
Mass Communications



"I'm going to see the Ole Miss. vs. Mississippi State football game."
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On this day in 1993, Don Shula broke George Halas' career record for victories winning No. 325. Shula's record of 325-153-6 in 31 seasons was while coaching the Baltimore Colts and Miami Dolphins

Sports



The men's basketball team will start regular season play this weekend.
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A l e s t l e

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2001◆

...And then there were

Cougars advance to Elite Eight and face Ashland University

DAN WALDEN
SPORTS STRINGER

The men's soccer team will take to the field this weekend for the opportunity to play in the Final Four of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Men's Soccer Tournament.

The Cougars advanced to the Elite Eight after knocking off the No. 1 team in the nation in Lewis University in the first round over the weekend in Romeoville.

Coach Ed Huneke said it's important that his team, ranked No. 10 in the nation by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, continues to look to the task at hand.

"The main thing is that we don't linger too long on the Lewis victory," Huneke said. "We have to realize we have a task ahead that will be as challenging as what we just accomplished."

The Cougars will face the 12-4-1 Ashland University, ranked No. 24 in the nation. Ashland defeated Mercyhurst College, ranked No. 5, 2-1 to advance to the Elite Eight. Ashland's win avenged a regular-season loss to Mercyhurst.

According to Ashland's head coach John Hall, the Cougars are going to face a team with confidence and a mindset of victory.

"The guys are beginning to believe," Hall said. "We have to take it one game at a time, but we understand that we have nothing to lose."

Ashland will take on a Cougar team that has only been defeated once this season at Ralph Korte Stadium.

That loss came against Lewis University in the finals of the Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament.

With only eight teams in the nation still playing, the winner will advance to face either the University of Tampa or Lander University in the Final Four. Tampa holds the No. 2 rank in the nation and Lander is No. 16.

The Cougars have not been to the Final Four since 1982, when SIUE was defeated by Indiana University.

"We're looking forward to going to Edwardsville," Hall said. "They are a great program and they have excellent facilities. It should be a great soccer match."

The Cougar team is made up of a solid group of veterans. With seven seniors and eight juniors, experience is not a problem.

Within the group of seniors, four were named to the All-GLVC team. Justin McMillian, David Mwendapole,



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Cress Maddox and Chris Camacho were named All-GLVC, with McMillian being named GLVC Player of the Year.

Huneke took top honors as the GLVC Coach of the Year as well.

The game will get under way at 1 p.m. Saturday at Ralph Korte Stadium.

The SIUE Athletic Department is offering free tickets to Saturday's game for students who present their student identification cards at the sports athletic desk in the Student Fitness Center.

Regular tickets will be available at the Korte Stadium gate the day of the event. Tickets are \$3 for students and \$5 for the public.

Men's basketball kicks off regular season with four straight at home

KELI KEENER
SPORTS STRINGER

Head coach Jack Margenthaler hopes his team's 89-77 loss against Bradley University is an indication of how the Cougars are going to fare this season.

The men's basketball team traveled to Peoria Friday to take on the Braves and hit a Carver Arena record of 15 three-pointers and took 37 total three-point shots for the game.

The Cougars were able to keep up with the Braves for much of the game.

SIUE trailed by just seven points at the half, 35-42, and with four minutes to go, the team was up by two when Bradley turned it up a notch and rallied in the final minutes to win 89-77.

"For the first time out with

this young basketball team, I thought we played very well," Margenthaler said. "We gave ourselves an opportunity to win. We were competing extremely well in the first 36 minutes of the game. We showed real patience on offense and played hard, aggressive defense."

Margenthaler also said his team rushed a little near the end.

"In the last four minutes we kind of just lost our poise," he said. "We took quick shots. We weren't playing as disciplined as earlier in the game and consequently we went from two up to 12 down and the game was over. I think our inexperience definitely showed there."

Bradley, a member of the Missouri Valley Conference, is a step above SIUE as a National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I.

SIUE is in Division II.

"It was a great experience for us," Margenthaler said. "Our players learned a lot and I think that is something that will be very valuable to us in the future."

SIUE begins a four-game homestand this weekend. The Cougars play host to the Fighting Scots of Monmouth College at 7 p.m. on Saturday in the Vadalabene Center.

Margenthaler said he expects Monmouth to use its experience as a catalyst for going after the Cougars.

Margenthaler feels his team should not play any different when they play Division III Monmouth compared to playing Division I Bradley.

"I've always believed it's more what we do than what our opponent does," Margenthaler said.

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Lady Cougars hope to tame CMSU in tourney

KUMAR BHOOSHAN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Cougar basketball team will travel to Warrensburg, Mo., and try to win its second Holiday Inn Express Classic Championship in a row.

The Jennies of Central Missouri State University will play host to the Classic and will be the Lady Cougars' first opponent in the tournament.

Game time is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the CMSU Multipurpose Building.

Last season in the Classic, the Lady Cougars and the Jennies met in the championship round with SIUE downing Central Missouri 74-71.

The Jennies have already played three games this season, including the Disney Classic in Orlando, Fla., where they posted a 2-1 record in non-conference play.

Central Missouri will be led by Molly Knobbe, who has averaged 15 points per game and more than six rebounds per outing.

The Jennies have three other

players averaging in double figures this year.

In three games this season, Kinsey Lehe averaged 12 points, I'sha Kelley and Jena Shackelford averaged 11.3 and 10.3 points per game respectively.

The Lady Cougars are coming off an 86-71 loss to Southeast Missouri State University Friday in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

SIUE was out-rebounded by the Lady Bears 38-24 and will have to make sure the Jennies' Ana Benitez is boxed out under the basket.

Benitez is the Jennies' leading rebounder, pulling down 7.7 per game.

The Lady Cougars will look to forward Ruth Kipping and guard Jessica Robert to carry the scoring load.

Kipping paced SIUE with 29 points against the Lady Bears and Robert contributed 15 points.

The Lady Cougars will then play Drury College or Fort Hays State University the following day.

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NOVEMBER

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8:00a.m. - 12:00Noon
St. Louis, MO

Share Food Volunteer Opportunity
8:00a.m. - 12:00Noon
Granite City, IL

Men's Basketball SIUE vs. Monmouth
7:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym



NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 18

Catholic Mass
10:30a.m. and 8:00p.m.
Religious Center

NOVEMBER

MONDAY 19

Thanksgiving Break
University Closed

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TUESDAY 20

Thanksgiving Break
University Closed

Women's Basketball SIUE vs. McKendree
5:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

Men's Basketball SIUE vs. Delta State
7:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 21

Thanksgiving Break
University Closed

Catholic Mass
12:10p.m., Religious Center

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THURSDAY 22

Thanksgiving Break
University Closed

Volunteer Project Thanksgiving Dinner
10:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.
St. Luke's, Belleville, IL
Cosgroves Kitchen, East St. Louis, IL

NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 23

Thanksgiving Break
University Closed

NOVEMBER

SATURDAY 24

Women's Basketball SIUE vs. Bellarmine
5:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

Men's Basketball SIUE vs. Bellarmine
7:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 25

Catholic Mass
10:30a.m. and 8:00p.m.
Religious Center

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MONDAY 26

Montana Brown MFA Metals Exhibition
Art and Design Building
New Wagner Art Gallery

Women's Basketball SIUE vs. Kentucky Wesleyan
5:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

Men's Basketball SIUE vs. Kentucky Wesleyan
7:30p.m.
Vadalabene Center, Gym

Noontime Nourishment Shurtleff Baptist Campus Ministry
12:00Noon
Religious Center

Lunch with Professor Kay Gaehele
12:00Noon
Morris University Center, Opapi Lounge

NOVEMBER

TUESDAY 27

Business Hour - D & K Healthcare Resources, Inc. Day
11:00a.m. - 12:15p.m.
Alumni Hall, 2401

Taste of Culture
12:00Noon - 1:00p.m.
Morris University Center, Goshen Lounge

SLDP Volunteer Structured Reflection
2:00p.m.
Morris University Center, University Club

Coffeehouse Showcase featuring "Astral Flight"
5:00p.m. - 6:30p.m.
Morris University Center, Cougar Den

Wrestling - SIUE vs. Indianapolis
6:00p.m.
Vadalabene Center

SLDP Volunteer Structured Reflection
6:30p.m.
Location TBA

Praise, Worship, and Bible Study Shurtleff Baptist Campus Ministry
7:30p.m.
Religious Center

NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 28

Soup and Substance "The Learning Environment in the Sciences" featuring Dr. Michael Shaw
12:00Noon - 1:00p.m.
Morris University Center, Opapi Lounge

Sisters Circle United Campus Ministry
12:00Noon - 1:00p.m.
Religious Center

Catholic Mass
12:10p.m.
Religious Center

Stephen Covey Training
2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.
Morris University Center, University Club

Ecumenical Prayer Group
6:30p.m. - 9:00p.m.
Religious Center

9-Ball Pool Tournament
7:00p.m.
Morris University Center, Cougar Lanes

Madrigal Dinner featuring SIUE Choral Department
7:00p.m.
Sunset Hill Country Club (Edwardsville)
\$30 General Admission

Dancing at Lughnasa
7:30p.m.
Metcalf Student Experimental Theater
\$5 Students/Faculty/Staff/Seniors
\$7 General Admission



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