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A 1-3/4" pendant, carved from a whale tooth by a member of the Te Ati Awa tribe (ca. 1500-1800). From the Taranaki Museum, New Plymouth, New Zealand. One of over 150 Maori artworks touring the country in the "Te Maori" exhibit. See pages 2–3. Photograph copyrighted by the New Zealand Government.
Sidney Mead and the Maori Exhibit

My greatness comes not from me alone
It derives from a multitude, from my ancestors;
The authority, the awe, the divine, and the artistry,
I inherited these gifts from my ancestors...

—Maori traditional poem

An old proverb says, "A range of mountains stands day in and day out, but a line of people is lost, is lost."

Yet to the Maori people of New Zealand, the souls of ancestors and all that survives of the Maori inheritance live on through the artist and his creation.

With this thought, Sidney Moko Mead, Ph.D. '68, introduces a major art exhibit, "Te Maori" (The Maoris), in a 238-page catalogue that accompanies the national show of Maori art from New Zealand collections. The rare exhibit of Maori carvings and sacred treasures are on display at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art through Jan. 6, 1985. The exhibit will travel to the St. Louis Art Museum for four months beginning Feb. 22, 1985. The collection also will be shown at the M.H. de Young Memorial Museum of Fine Arts, San Francisco, July 6 through Dec. 1, 1985.

Mead, who is co-curator of the exhibit and the head of Maori studies at Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, will accompany the collection to both St. Louis and San Francisco. Lengthy feature articles about the exhibit have appeared in Time magazine, The New Yorker, The Christian Science Monitor, National Geographic, numerous art magazines, and other publications.

Organized by the American Federation of Arts and underwritten by the Mobil Corp., the show is the first of its kind to be sanctioned by the Maoris, the indigenous people of New Zealand who are believed to have settled there more than 1,000 years ago.

Until the Metropolitan exhibit, religious Maori art could be viewed only in New Zealand museums where they were held in trust for their Maori owners. "To the Maoris, the art is so sacred that many of the tribal elders felt the collection should never leave our country," said Mead, a member of the Ngati Awa tribe of New Zealand, in an exclusive interview with the Alumnus.

After a decade of negotiations and meetings with various tribal groups, Maori elders finally agreed to "this journey of taonga (treasures)," Mead said.

Because the classical artworks are an integral part of tribal life, Maori leaders require that each U.S. exhibit be preceded by a special sunrise ceremony to lift the "tapu," or religious restrictions, from the collection's 1976 art treasures. The tapu-lifting ritual was performed on the steps of the
“By sharing our most sacred treasures, we are now sending a special message from our ancestors to other parts of the world,” Mead said.

Although there are those who believe the money spent on the exhibition could have been put to better use supporting New Zealand’s health and social programs, Mead disagrees.

“We must see the wider issues involved,” he said. “Historically, the Maoris have been subjected to discrimination, neglect and abuse. The message we are sending, I hope, will build respect for our people.”

As a Maori, Mead has personally felt the rejection and discrimination inflicted by “the dominant group that sets the rules.” It wasn’t until he came to the United States to study anthropology under SIU professor Philip J.C. Dark (now emeritus) that Mead “began to feel I was as good as anybody else,” Mead said.

Mead first decided to pursue a college education in the early 1960s, while he and his wife, June, were teaching Maori arts and crafts in a New Zealand primary school. At the time, New Zealand’s primary school teachers were not required to hold a college degree.

“Teaching primary school was a comfortable living for us,” he said, “but it wasn’t something I could see myself doing for the rest of my life.”

With a family, no job and little money, he went on to earn a bachelor’s and master’s degree from the University of Auckland in New Zealand. Then he learned of Philip Dark, a well-known expert on primitive art. Using a $600 scholarship from Carnegie Commonwealth, Mead came to the U.S. and enrolled at SIU.

“The most important thing SIU did for me was to bring me into an international community of scholars,” he said. At SIU, “I made the important contacts and gained an international perspective of my field.”

Since earning his doctorate, he has written scores of books, monographs and journal articles on Maori arts, and is now recognized as a leading authority on the subject.

Mead, the only Maori ever to attend SIU and one of only a handful to have studied in United States, hopes other Maoris will pursue college degrees. “I came from a poor family and was able to pull myself up by my bootstraps. I’m living proof that other Maoris in the same position can do it, too.”—Don Braakman
The Alumni's Great Teacher

"I probably was voted Great Teacher because my students found out, after they graduated, that what I had told them in class was how it really was out there."

Walter J. Wills

Although Walter J. Wills retired in 1983, he is still at his desk most mornings in room 114A Agriculture. During his 27 years at SIU, he gave much of his free time to students and alumni. Retirement has not ended that commitment.

Several months ago, members of the SIU Alumni Association decided that his "being there," both before and after retirement, deserved recognition. They voted to give Wills the Alumni Association's Great Teacher Award for 1984. Wills is the 25th faculty member to win the award, which was established in 1960 and includes a check for $1,000.

An emeritus professor in agribusiness economics, Wills has written three books (Introduction to Agribusiness Management, 2nd edition, Introduction to Grain Marketing, 2nd edition, and Introduction to Agriculture Sales), as well as articles in over 400 professional and popular publications. He has been acting dean and assistant dean of the School of Agriculture and department chairman of agribusiness economics.

Walter Wills is the author of four textbooks in the agbusiness field. (Photographs by Jack Griggs)
"A lot of faculty try to keep up with alumni, so our graduates don't feel that we've forgotten about them."
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Yet these facts—a very brief summary of a full career as a professor educator—don't begin to describe what the teacher has meant to his students.

Wills has followed a teaching philosophy that has, as its central point, the educational, personal and career needs of students and graduates. This philosophy has four main parts: to bring the business world into the classroom; to be an available partner to students in their education; to "sell" potential employers on the worth of students and alumni; and to continue to take a full interest in graduates and their careers.

"I was probably voted Great Teacher because my students found out, after they graduated, that what I had told them in class was how it really was out there," Wills said a few months ago. "I tried to work closely with farmers and agribusiness people so that I could bring to class current problems and use them as illustrations of concepts I was trying to teach."

In a 1983 interview with a Daily Egyptian reporter, Wills spoke of the "showmanship" of teaching. Before a teacher enters a classroom, "he has to get psyched," Wills told the reporter. "He's like any public performer. He has to be in the right frame of mind to teach." Tension is also a part of being a good teacher. "Anyone who has any real concern for quality teaching has to be a little scared, or he is not going to do a good job."

A vital part of being a good teacher, Wills believes, is a willingness to give time to students—whatever it takes to help them become challenged by and interested in their education. "I was at the University each day from 7:30 in the morning to 5:00 at night," Wills said recently. "Students could also reach me at home in the evenings and on weekends." His policy always was, and still is, "open door."

Wills also continued his contacts with employers in the agribusiness fields. "You know, a university is really selling a product: the students themselves," said Wills. "I've tried to work very closely with potential buyers of that product."

And he particularly has committed himself to keeping up with his former students. On a drive a few months ago through four states in the Midwest, Wills and his wife, Martha, took part in a typical activity: visiting alumni. In Omaha, the couple stopped long enough to call a graduate. In Nauvoo, Ill., they ate lunch at an old downtown hotel and met an SIU graduate who is moonlighting as a waitress. As they headed toward Carbondale, they made a side trip to a grain elevator where two other alumni work. "A lot of faculty try to keep up with our alumni," Wills said, "so graduates don't feel they're out there alone or that we've forgotten them."

Such a strong commitment—to establish and maintain personal ties—is also important in helping alumni stay in contact with each other.

In 1963, while on sabbatical in Europe, Wills attended an SIU alumni meeting in Brussels. The meeting had been organized by Camille Becker, an SIU economics graduate working for the Common Market. The two men became friends.

Both men were together again on Oct. 20, 1984, in Carbondale, to receive recognition from the SIU Alumni Association: Wills as Great Teacher and Becker as a recipient of an Alumni Achievement Award (see "News Beat," this issue). "I feel particularly proud to have received an award the same year as Camille," Wills said.

Wills easily recalls many alumni who were outstanding students. Among them:

—Kenneth D. Duft, professor of agriculture economics, Washington State University, and author of the textbook, Principles of Management in Agribusiness;

—Bill Westerhold, vice-president of marketing for Shell Chemical Co.
in St. Louis. He also served for five years in World War II as an Army captain. "I came out all over Europe," Wills said. "People ask me, now, if I like to go camping. I tell them, 'I used to go camping.' Five years of it, apparently, was enough.

From 1947 to 1953, Wills was an assistant professor at the University of Illinois and earned a Ph.D. in agriculture economics. He then re-entered the business world for a year as director of farm relations for the American Trucking Association, Washington, D.C. From 1954-56, he was an associate professor of agriculture extension at Washington State University. In 1956, he moved to Carbondale to begin teaching at SIU.

His ties to the farm remain. His brother still runs the family farm in Beecher City, Ill., near Effingham. Another brother is a retired farmer, and one of his three sisters runs a farm in Ohio.

Family and class reunions are important to him. "All six of us children, with our spouses and offspring, got together at the Beecher City farm over Labor Day" in 1984, Wills said. Two months later, Wills attended his 50-year class reunion at Blackburn College. "Six of my classmates were still farmers," Wills said. "They had found the resources to buy land in the 1930s, or they inherited family farms. During the next 50 years, prices went up for land, crops and livestock. They were able to invest their surplus incomes in other areas along the way. My guess, based on the amount of land they own, is that each one of those classmates has assets worth over a million dollars."

The days when it was relatively easy to buy and run a family farm are almost over, Wills said, although "family farms, in the traditional sense, may still exist for 50 more years. The best way to succeed in farming today is to inherit a farm or have your spouse inherit one. You have to be born at the right time or to have the right parents who can loan you the money to get you started."

His brother has been successful with his farm because he has diversified. "He doesn't have a large farm in terms of acreage, but he does raise livestock," Wills said. "My brother and sister-in-law have a 16-year-old son. My sister-in-law was just telling me that having the farm, with its crops and livestock, has been very helpful in meeting a 16-year-old's appetite."

Over the years, SIU's School of Agriculture has increased its ties to international agricultural projects and students. Wills has supervised over 75 master's theses for international students and has served on a number of Ph.D. committees for them. For a number of years he taught two international development courses.

He has been a Fulbright professor in Turkey (1969-70), an evaluator for the USAID in Botswana (Dec. 1981-Jan. 1982), and a member of a design team to establish an agriculture university in Pakistan (May-June 1983). Wills' first wife, Billie, "a city girl from Hot Springs, Ark.," Wills said, died in 1981. He and Martha were recently married. He had met her in the 1940s, when they both worked at Production Credit Corp. "Her desk," said Wills, "was across the aisle from mine."

Wills continues to do "fill-in lecturing" at SIU and to write articles for periodicals. Each year he attends the Rose Festival in Tyler, Tex., to study the new varieties. And he and his wife try to travel in the spring, fall and winter seasons.

As a summation of his advice to students, Wills prepared a special lecture for his last class day, May 5, 1983. Alumni representing each of Wills' 27 SIU graduating classes came to hear him speak.

In his final lecture, Wills mentioned what he felt were key ingredients of a successful person:

"Seldom are decisions made in a vacuum. They are made to build on what has gone before. . . .

"Decisions must be made within a framework of concern for the success of employers, employees, customers and family. . . .

"Everybody is either a problem solver or part of the problem. Be a problem solver. . . .

"Education does not stop at graduation. You have the tools to know what information you need, how to use the information and where to find it. This is what your education was all about. If you do not continue to be a student, you will soon be obsolete. There is nothing sadder than obsolete people. . . .

"It is my sincere wish," Wills concluded, "that you can enjoy your work and yourself as much as I have."—Laraine Wright
In October 1983, SIU President Albert Somit and Vice President Charles Klasek visited the People's Republic of China. Since that date, the University has established ties with three Chinese universities for an exchange of scholars and students.

By the end of 1984, more than a dozen SIU professors had lectured, taught or conducted research in China. Almost an equal number of teachers from China had visited or taught in Carbondale. Today, more than 20 students from China attend SIU.

Arnold Auerbach, emeritus professor of Social Welfare, was the first SIU faculty member to visit China in 1975. He led a national delegation of social work educators and executives to that nation in 1977, following the Cultural Revolution. In the summer of 1984, Auerbach spent more than a month re-visiting some of the places he had seen on previous trips to China.

He shares here some of the changes he has witnessed in a complex nation struggling to join the 20th century.

by Arnold J. Auerbach

Within the last 10 years, China has unlocked the mysteries of the Far East, opened its doors and put out the wel-
come mat. Although the Chinese sometimes are reluctant to take visitors to places that don't reflect favorably on the country, tourists can take pictures, tape-record conversations, and wander down hidden sidestreets without restrictions.

Ten years ago, I sensed among the Chinese a reserve and defensiveness. Questions that couldn't elicit favorable responses were turned aside, sometimes with ridiculous excuses.

No more. I now sense among the Chinese a self-confidence, and an openness that sometimes includes a critical assessment of their country.

In a discussion session at the Academy of Social Sciences in Shanghai, I fielded questions for three hours about Social Security, senior citizens' organizations, the status of minorities and women, Medicare, poverty, politics and farm policies. Any my questions to the Chinese—questions that were occasionally critical and sensitive—about population policies and treatment of the elderly and infants were accepted and discussed with less defensiveness than I had noticed on my previous trips.

On a more visible basis, the proliferation of "open markets" was a startling change. It reminded me of the lower East Side in New York City a half-century or more ago, with pushcarts lined up end-to-end on the curbs. Today, in China, the "free market"—primarily vegetables brought into the cities by peasants—accounts for about 15 percent of the market economy.

China doesn't claim to be going capitalistic or giving up its commitment to building a socialist state. The free market is part of what the Chinese call the "Responsibility System"—incentives for good work, opportunities for promotion, pay differentials, private enhancement of income and other measures long taken for granted in Western free enterprise.

The economic policy now focuses on "Four Modernizations": agriculture, industry, defense and science/technology. The goal is to bring China up to the level of Western productivity by the year 2,000. That policy is the basis of China's "joint venture" industrial arrangements with advanced nations, especially with Japan, which seems to be getting the lion's share of the new business.

Chinese academics are hungry for knowledge about technology, science and all engineering disciplines. Most of the academics I met are eager to come to the U.S. to study.

That eagerness has also led Chinese universities to arrange exchange programs of professors and students with the U.S., Canada, Japan and some European countries. SIU is one of the universities involved in the exchanges.

The concern for the elderly is taking modern organizational forms, too. Chinese living in big cities now have a pension system that guarantees workers at least 70 percent of their last salaries when they retire. Senior citizen centers are being built in most large and medium-sized cities. The emphases are on health, exercise, nutrition, home health care and special hospitals for the elderly.

The courtyard of a private country home outside Jilin City.

Family transportation in China: three on a bike.

Mao Zedong is not forgotten. This statue, one of many in China, is in front of a museum in Jilin City.
Double buses are usually crowded, but are the most available means of public transportation.

Villages now elect a "mayor," who has joint responsibility with a council for political decisions. In places where the commune is still the economic unit, it has no role in running the village. The local Communist party apparatus has little or no jurisdiction over either political or economic policies.

Gone, too, is the "open enrollment" education policy for peasants and minorities, a policy that was established during the Cultural Revolution of the late 1960s and early 1970s. Only five percent of applicants are admitted to college.

China is still backward industrially. My guess is that in many aspects the country is about 50 years behind the industrialized West.

The country faces a monumental task. China contains a fourth of the world's population. But China's present commitment to a socialist form of government—although by our standards lacking in some human rights—may prove to be the solution for achieving modernization.

A young worker in a silk factory in Wuxi. Silk weaving is an advanced art. (All photographs by Arnold Auerbach.)

School's out for a walk at the Helie Nursery Day Care Center.

The "not-so-Grand Canal" is the boulevard for water traffic from Shanghai to Beising.

However, people living in the country (over 80 percent of the population) still have no pension system. Sons, by law, are responsible for the support of their parents. The need to have a son is paramount for rural adults. A daughter is "worthless" because her future husband will have to support his own parents.

So the "one family, one child" policy—the official law of the land—is often subverted in rural areas. If their first child is a female, the parents may practice infanticide or child bartering. Recently, the government began allowing rural couples to have two children. Although it is helping to ease the pressure on having a son, it hasn't helped population controls.

The breakdown of the rural commune system has also subverted population limits. Governmental control has moved away from local party leadership. When I visited communes 10 years ago, I was shown with pride the great accomplishments of collective labor and joint ownership. Today, these communes have either been dismantled organizationally or restricted in their scope and authority.

The "not-so-Grand Canal" is the boulevard for water traffic from Shanghai to Beising.
Back to the Center

To students and outsiders of the late 1960s and early 1970s, the Center for Vietnamese Studies at SIU was the tangible symbol of the Vietnam War.

The Center, the first of its kind in the nation, was a major verbal and physical target of the war protest on campus during those years. Anti-war critics denounced it for being a “training camp for CIA agents” and “an extension of the war on campus,” and for “lacking an intellectual environment.” The Center’s director, Dinh-Hoa Nguyen, a native of Hanoi, and the first Vietnamese to earn a Ph.D. abroad, was once called by his critics the Center’s “contact man” with the Saigon government.

Although the Center itself was misunderstood, its scholarly work managed to go on as it rode out the war years. Then, when its five-year (1969-1974), $1 million grant from the Agency for International Development (AID) ran out, the Center seemed to quietly disappear.

In reality, the Center still exists under the continuing directorship of Nguyen, professor of linguistics at SIU. Nguyen, who was named director of the Center in 1972, now operates the Center from his Faner Hall office. The Center also has a storage room on the second floor of Morris Library (humanities section) where the bulk of the books, journals and periodicals and other papers have been collected.

The AID’s five-year funding was the financial lifeline of the Center from its inception. But “moral support for our center has always continued,” Nguyen says. “However, there have been no funds allocated for the Center since the last funding of the AID grant.”

H. B. Jacobini, professor of government at SIU, who was director of the Center from 1969-72, says the Center was regarded by those opposing the Vietnam War as part of the U.S. government’s war policy. “They looked upon it as a visible evidence of our participation in the war,” he says. “The fact that we chose not to involve ourselves even in the technical aspects of that area didn’t keep the critics from charging that we were involved. Of course, we were not.”

The Center’s detractors were enthusiastic anti-war activists. Nguyen says, “The anti-war fever was there. They merely misdirected their efforts at an innocent institute devoted to scholarly work. We were often criticized for harboring secret agents. That’s not true.” Instead, he says, “the Center was a culmination of SIU’s efforts to set up a purely academic center to study about Vietnam.”

Larry D. Lagow, who wrote a lengthy (658-page) dissertation on the Center in 1977, said he had found no evidence to suggest that “a scheme existed at SIU or between SIU and the government . . . to develop the Center in support of U.S. policy in Southeast Asia.” Despite its problems, by the mid-1970s the Center had evolved into one of the best research institutes in the United States. In discussing the most notable accomplishment of the Center, Lagow wrote that the Vietnamese library collection “is among the most usable of those in the United States.”

Jacobini agrees with that assessment. “We have one of the best Vietnamese collections in the country. There’s little question about that. It’s one of the things the Center did accomplish.”

Although relatively few materials have been added since 1974, Morris Library still contains more than 3,000 books, journals and periodicals on Vietnam. It also has some 1,000 manuscripts, public documents, maps and microform materials. Nguyen says that the collection is still “very fine, especially on traditional culture, history and language of Vietnam. We receive 60-plus publications in all disciplines. And we also get all Vietnamese daily and weekly newspapers.”

Ki-tae Kim, chairman of the Vietnamese department at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies in Korea, visited SIU in August 1984 and looked through the collection. Kim was so impressed that he “is trying to request the Korean government to allow him to do research here,” Nguyen says. Kim had been originally sent by his government to the University of California at Berkeley for research work.

But William Turley, associate professor of political science at SIU, is worried about the Vietnamese collection. He says that the present “dormant” status of the Center has affected the collection, which was once considered among the top three in the nation. “Because of a long period of dormancy,”
says Turley, an international expert on Vietnam, "we've fallen behind other comparable institutions, particularly in library acquisitions."

Three other U.S. universities (Cornell, Hawaii and Yale) are recognized for their Vietnamese collections. In Turley's view, Cornell University's collection of Vietnam is the "preeminent" one. As of June 30, 1984, Cornell held a Vietnamese collection of 17,148 books, 1,485 periodicals and 219 newspapers, says Helen Swank, administrative supervisor of Cornell's Southeast Asian Studies Program.

The National Resources Center at the University of Hawaii has a library collection of about 5,000 volumes on Vietnam, says Lam Truong, director of the center. "Our library is very well equipped. We receive publications from Hong Kong, Thailand and France on a regular basis, and sometimes from Vietnam."

William Turley, associate professor of political science, is internationally known as an expert on Vietnam.

Yale's Southeast Asia collection is "very extensive," says Charles Bryant, curator of the collection at Yale University Library. The collection holds about 5,000 Vietnamese books and 20 journals.

In spite of the fact that SIU's Vietnamese collection now has fewer materials that the above three sources, it still will be a solid base for possible resuscitation of the Center. The United States will need people with expertise in Vietnam when it begins an interaction with that country in the future, says Charles B. Klasek, SIU associate vice president for Academic Affairs and Research (Services). "We are one of the few places potentially able to provide academic information on Vietnam."

Stuart J. Bullion, head of graduate studies in Journalism at SIU, is "very positive" about the need to get the Center back on track. SIU's "comparative advantage" in Vietnamese studies over other institutions adds to the prestige of the University, he says. "This is one area where our school has a particular expertise as well as excellence. I think it will reflect well on SIU and attract notice and interest in the institution overall."

Bullion, a Vietnam War veteran, also believes it is the "right time" to reactivate the Center. "Some of the bitterness of the debate about the war has passed, and people are willing to look at it from a more objective perspective."

Jacobini also is optimistic about the possibility of reviving the Center. He does not expect "the antagonism of yesteryear to loom very large today" as far as the present operation of the Center is concerned.

Turley is another supporter of the Center, since in his view it would contribute substantially to academic work on Vietnam. "The study of Vietnam is a worthwhile enterprise. Vietnam, one of the world's longest, continuous civilizations, is a dominant country in Southeast Asia. It's the country we have to reckon with." Turley, who has written extensively on Vietnam, says the value of studying Vietnam goes "above and beyond the value of knowing a country itself. It will increase our knowledge of various human experiences, and that helps us refine our theories of society or human behavior."

Nguyen's work and research, as well as the occasional papers published by the Center for Vietnamese Studies, have been internationally recognized over the years. Since 1975, the Japanese Foreign Ministry has sent six of its Hanoi-bound diplomats to SIU for one-year Vietnamese language courses. One of the diplomats, Masaya Otsuka, now assistant attaché with the Japanese Embassy in Hanoi, said before his departure from SIU in August 1984 that the University has the "best Vietnamese language instruction available."

The Center for Vietnamese Studies Newsletter, a 15-year-old biennial publication containing national news about Vietnamese studies in research and teaching, has helped keep the Center alive. Most publications costs of the newsletter and other monographs have been paid by International Programs and Services. Klasek says not a week goes by "without a letter from some part of the world requesting documents published by the Center."

Technically, SIU still has the degree program in Vietnamese on the books, although it has no students now. The University used to offer a special bachelor's program in Vietnamese language and literature. Of those who got their degrees in the program, five or six have jobs dealing with Vietnamese refugees.

Refugees, in fact, may be among the main users of the Center's materials. "The refugees will become interested in their country's history and their own background," says Turley. " Vietnamese studies will help support the interest of the refugees in gaining knowledge of their origins and keeping in touch with them."

The University has plans to look for external funding for the Center for Vietnamese Studies. Money may be available from several sources. Four of 10 research grants awarded in 1983 by the Social Science Research Council went to Vietnamese studies. Each grant was between $20,000 and $25,000. However, "the grants concern only individual research projects," Nguyen says. "Thus, the money is not enough for the University to nurture comprehensive programs. They require a big amount of money." Nguyen has received three National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grants for individual editing work: $63,000 (1971-73) to edit Vietnamese historical materials and $97,101 and $65,000 (1977-1982) to compile an English-Vietnamese dictionary.

Cornell University and the University of Hawaii have been receiving federal funds for their Vietnamese programs. Cornell University's Southeast Asia Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and the university. The University of Hawaii's Southeast Asian Studies is supported by a $200,000, two-year grant from the Department of Education. It is the sixth federal grant received for the program.

In September 1984, Rhonda Vinson, director of International Development at SIU, met with officials of the Department of Education (DOE) in Washington, D.C. She reports that the DOE is interested in the University's Center for Vietnamese Studies and would like SIU to submit a proposal to revive it.

If new funding for the Center is found, Nguyen says, it will be a big step forward for SIU in fulfilling its continuous commitment to international study programs—Kyu Ho Youm.
Carver Shannon’s opinion of football referees has changed a lot since his SIU Saluki playing days in the late 1950s.

As a player, he thought of them as “old, fat men who always were in the way.” Now, in his second season as an official for the National Football League, he respects their ability. “I realize how knowledgeable they are and how much training, studying and determination it takes to be an official,” Shannon said in a recent interview.

Shannon is a line judge, one of 105 NFL officials on 15 crews who work 18 to 20 weeks each year, depending on the number of exhibition games. One crew is off each week.

Shannon’s work starts in April, when he studies the new rules for the upcoming professional football season. The NFL crews also study tapes of last season’s games to evaluate referees’ decisions. The games begin in August and run through the Super Bowl in January. An NFL referee can make from $6,000 to $20,000 per year, depending on his experience and seniority.

Shannon also prepares for the season by lifting weights and jogging. He watches his food intake and rarely eats red meat. “To be able to stay on top of things as a referee, you must be in good physical shape,” he said.

Shannon has worked for Hughes Aircraft, Los Angeles, since the early 1960s. He is now the manager of the radar support group. “When I told one of my co-workers I was looking for something to do in my spare time, he suggested that I become a referee,” Shannon said. “I thought it would be a
Carver Shannon, at right, in September 1984 at an exhibition game in St. Louis between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Minnesota Vikings. (Photographs by Jack Griggs)

snap, but I soon found out that even though I knew the mechanics of football, I really didn't know the rules.”

It took him many hours to learn how the rules applied to different situations in high school, college and professional games. And it took him 11 years to break into the NFL officiating arena: five years as a high school official and six years as a Pacific 10 Conference official.

His first pro game was in front of the home crowd in Los Angeles: the L.A. Rams vs. the Dallas Cowboys. He was a little anxious, but not nervous. “People are nervous when they don't know what they're doing,” he said. “I know what I'm doing because I have prepared for it. I know when I make a call that I am right because I am on top of the play.”

Shannon, a native of Corinth, Miss., was recruited to SIU by Donald Boydston, former SIU athletic director who now heads the University’s Health Education Department.

“Old, fat men” they’re not, as this SIU grad discovered when he, too, became an NFL official.

“Dr. Boydston just drove down to Mississippi and picked me up. The next thing I knew, I was staying in Anthony Hall, which was a dormitory then,” Shannon said. “Football practice started four or five days later, and they put me on the 14th string. I thought, ‘There has to be a mistake. They don’t know who I am.’”

Shannon didn’t get to start until a game with Illinois Wesleyan. It was the classic movie plot, where the unknown suddenly becomes the star. “The Salukis were behind in the second half,” Shannon said, “and Coach Carmen Piccone put me in to see what I could do. I wasn’t going to let this opportunity pass. I scored three touchdowns, and SIU won. After that, I didn't have any trouble getting to start.”

Shannon, who later became a charter member of the SIU Athletic Hall of Fame, was a football and track standout and earned a total of six letters. He set several SIU records in each, including most points scored in football and fastest time (9.5 seconds) in the 100-yard dash. Shannon was named the most valuable player in football in 1956. By the end of his Saluki career, he’d also been chosen all-conference, all-state, all-district NAIA, and a United Press International Little All-America team member.

Later, he earned all-league honors four times while playing in the Canadian Professional League; he was the league’s rookie of the year in 1959. He also played six years with the Los Angeles Rams and the Chicago Bears.

“I always felt that I was part of the SIU family,” he said. “Everyone was extremely nice to me, and I wanted to bring a spark of national recognition to the University, if I could.”—Barb Leebens
Bossing bobcat and guiding gophers: Russell Peithman oversees an environmental preserve in Southern California.

Within the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, a unit of the National Park System, is a 600-acre tract called the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Surrounding the upper end of the Franklin Canyon reservoir, the preserve offers free activities to Los Angeles schoolchildren and the general public.

The Douglas Outdoor Classroom is only a few miles away from Rodeo Drive and just over the hills called Beverly. It has retained its natural beauty and character in spite of the growing urban-suburban sprawl of Los Angeles.
Russell Peithman, executive director, oversees the Classroom, plans its activities and raises money for the private, non-profit organization that controls the facilities. Peithman is a two-degree graduate of SIU (B.A. in zoology, '56, and M.A. in anthropology, '61). He describes himself as an "outdoorsman who prefers non-urban environments."

Once a winter campsite for native American Indians, the Classroom area became a gleam in developers' eyes in 1977. The developers planned to build million-dollar estates on the site. But a private group successfully fought for preservation of the woods and wildlife.

Peithman feeds ducks donated to the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom by Catherine Douglas, daughter of the late Supreme Court justice, for whom the park was named.

In July 1984 the area was dedicated by the National Park Service. "We are developing the reservoir into a waterfowl preserve and a nature museum," Peithman said. "We hope to raise enough money to keep building on this, so that people can continue to enjoy the environment and animals."

The area teems with mammals and reptiles—deer, coyotes, bobcats, great horned owls, gophers and snakes, among others, "many more types of animals than I saw in Southern Illinois, where I grew up," he said.

Peithman is the son of Irvin Peithmann, a well-known, respected historian and archeologist who was associated with SIU from 1931 to 1973. (Peithmann's father adopted a double-N spelling of his last name.) Peithmann discovered and explored numerous native American Indian sites in Southern Illinois. The most famous site, Modoc Shelter, was at the time of its discovery in the 1950s the earliest evidence of Indian occupation east of the Mississippi River.

Russell Peithman, born in 1930, began living on the SIU campus when he was six months old. "We lived in a house on the site of what is now the ballroom of the Student Center," Peithman said. "We played in a lot that is now covered by McAndrew Stadium." The family moved off campus 19 years later.

All of his formal education came from SIU: grades 1-12 at University School and his college work at the University proper. At the age of 14, he became a part-time paid employee of University Museum, where his father was director. "There was a shortage of students because of World War II," Peithman said. "I took care of the snakes in the museum for 25 cents an hour." He continued to work at the museum throughout high school and college.

The influence of his father, of his exposure to nature through the museum, and of field trips with the Boy Scouts led to his choices in education and a career. After receiving his degrees from SIU, Peithman became the director of Discovery Place, a $10-million-dollar museum of science in Charlotte, N.C. He worked there for almost 20 years.

In 1981, he moved to California to direct the Children's Museum in downtown Los Angeles. Then, after a year as a consultant to the Douglas Outdoor Classroom, he became its executive director. "I love California," Peithman said, "although I do miss the spring and fall seasons in Illinois."

His 22-year-old daughter, Lynn, is a reporter for the Charlotte Observer. His father died in 1981, but his mother, Leona, and brother Albert, continue to live in Carbondale.

The William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom is free and open to the public on weekends. Solitary excursions, guided nature tours, walks under the moonlight and other activities are planned for adults and families throughout the year. For more information about the facility, write to William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom, 1936 Lake Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90213, or phone 213-858-3090.
Alumni in Flight

Four SIU graduates are involved in the launching of the space shuttles. And a fifth alumnus wants to be on board.
Alan Ladwig discusses NASA’s civilian flight program with an interested listener.

When space shuttle Discovery soared into orbit from Cape Canaveral on Aug. 30, 1984, four SIU graduates watched the maiden voyage with special pride. They had a personal hand in the making of history.

Angela Brewer, '83, a NASA aerospace engineer at John F. Kennedy Space Center in Florida, said the Discovery launch was a high point in her life. “Even though you’re not working on the shuttle directly, you know that in a small way you’re playing a part in the future,” Brewer said. She helps test the shuttle’s orbiter to assure that all electrical and mechanical systems function properly. “At times,” she said, “it’s hard to believe that I’m actually working for NASA.”

Like Brewer, Thomas Hoffman, '83, works in NASA’s Guidance Navigation and Digital Systems section. His job includes testing the shuttle’s RMS system—the robot arm used to retrieve and repair satellites that spin out of their proper orbit.

Hoffman landed his job through SIU’s Career Planning and Placement Center. “I was so excited about getting an interview with NASA, I think my sheer enthusiasm got me the job,” Hoffman said. “I wasn’t going to leave the recruiter’s office until I had a promise to get a second interview.”

SIU alumna Elizabeth Morris, M.B.A., handles about 90 percent of all the job applications that go through NASA’s personnel office. “I don’t think my father has ever stopped bragging about me,” Morris said. “I know it’s an important position, but on a day-to-day basis one sometimes loses sight of just how important it really is.”

Morris gets thousands of letters a year from school children throughout the country who want to be astronauts when they grow up. “We never discourage them,” she said, “but we do try to impress upon them the fact that only a very small percentage of people will actually make it.”

By late 1985, NASA may have launched the first civilian non-astronaut observer aboard the shuttle. Heading the Space Flight Participant Program is Alan M. Ladwig, '70, M.S.Ed. '76. Ladwig has been the subject of an article in Family Weekly and has been interviewed on CBS Morning News, among the other national spotlights that recently have shown on him.

After years of dreaming about opening up space to civilian travelers, Ladwig now has the opportunity to choose who will go.

A former assistant to Lt. Gen. James Abrahamson, director of the shuttle program, Ladwig was later named to manage the civilian flight program. “I feel good about it—lucky to be involved,” he says, “I think space should be opened up to everybody.” He says he views himself as a “cosmic wagonmaster helping pioneers reach the New Frontier.” Ladwig has the task of sorting through the mountains of requests and applications for the first civilian slots on the shuttle.

One of those applications is from another SIU graduate, Dale Boatright, '69.

In August 1984, President Ronald Reagan announced that a school teacher should have the honor of being the first civilian in space. Boatright’s letter was the first to be received following that announcement.

In an Associated Press article in early September 1984, Boatright was quoted as saying that the flight would be “a great learning experience, and that’s my profession.” Boatright teaches gifted third- and fourth-graders at the Kruse Educational Center in Tinley Park, Ill., a suburb of Chicago.—Don Braakman

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The annual State of the University address was given by SIU President Albert Somit. (Photographs by Karl Dukstein)

The hundreds of alumni who came to Homecoming on Oct. 20, 1984, were a hardy crew indeed. They braved cold, heavy rains and watched the Salukis lose to West Texas State 24-17. But c'est la vie. They still found plenty of ways to have fun and meet other alumni and faculty.

The highlight of Homecoming, the Alumni Recognition Luncheon, was attended by 303 SIU alumni, faculty and administrators.

State of the University
Somit's annual State of the University address during the luncheon touched on some of the major achievements of the year:

Freshman enrollment up. Fewer students are graduating from high school, so fewer students are enrolling in colleges and universities. In contrast to this national trend, SIU enrolled almost 11 percent more freshmen in the fall 1984 semester compared to fall 1983, Somit said. An improvement in recruitment methods and the availability of more scholarships are two of the reasons for the higher enrollment.

Academic reorganization. SIU has cut back on a number of academic programs that have attracted few students. It has also added a new doctoral degree in geology and is working on a Ph.D. program for business.

Financing. Tuition and fees have increased to around $1,400 per year, comparable to other state universities, Somit said. About half of SIU students are working part-time.

Building improvements. Two of the worst barracks will be torn down within a few months, Somit said. Touch of Nature will aim toward becoming a self-sufficient facility with its recent $1.2 million appropriation by the Illinois State legislature. Additional computers and computer labs are being added. And a library storage facility will be built on campus within a year.

SIU Foundation. The Foundation is providing more money toward scholarships, research and equipment. Some 350 undergraduate scholarships, for example, were awarded for the 1984-85 academic year.

SIU Alumni Association. Relations between the University and the alumni are "a give and take process," Somit said. Among the association services that give something to alumni are an increased number of association chapters, the Alumnus magazine, a constituency society newsletter program, trips, and a career placement program.

In return, alumni can consider hiring SIU graduates, can donate money to the University, and can serve as recruiters to help send more students to SIU.

Elected as new officers in the SIU Alumni Association were (left to right) Harold Kuehn, president; Lee Roy Brandon, treasurer; Paul Conti, vice-president; Richard Small, vice-president; Carol Keeney Winter, secretary; and W.A. Butts, president-elect.
Message from Shaw
Kenneth A. Shaw, chancellor of the SIU System, also spoke at the Homecoming luncheon.

SIU is “a quality institution that cares about people,” Shaw said. “Your diploma’s value” depends on the continuing success and seriousness of the University. SIU must keep on being competitive in a time when there are fewer available students.

The SIU Advocate program serves as an important lobby between alumni and the state legislature, Shaw said. Advocates help call attention to bills and appropriations which will benefit higher education in the state. “Some 400 of you wrote or called your legislators on one issue” early this year, Shaw said. It shows “that you believe in investing in education, which will play the dominant role in the world economy.”

Award Winners
Awards were given during the luncheon to the following persons:

Camille Becker, M.S. ’57, Alumni Achievement Award. Becker praised the “friendship and hospitality” of SIU and Carbondale. “SIU’s persons and the faculty are more important than its buildings,” Becker said.

Larry DeJarnett, ’62, M.S. ’63, Alumni Achievement Award. DeJarnett said, “SIU is more than just the school where I graduated.” In his family and his wife’s family, more than 60 people have attended SIU and 12 have earned degrees from the institution. The award represents “a combined tribute to many alumni,” he said.

Fred Meyer, ’40, Alumni Achievement Award. Meyer spoke of “the need to give something back to SIU for what we have received here.” (For more information on the Alumni Achievement Award winners, see “News Beat,” this issue.)

SIU President Albert Somit, recognized by the SIU Alumni Association for his commitment to alumni and the association.

Walter Wills, emeritus professor, chosen as the Great Teacher for 1984 (see pages 4-6, this issue).

Bob Odaniell, ’51, retired executive director of the SIU Alumni Association, recognized for 33 years of service to the association.

W. Ray Mofield, Ph.D. ’64, outgoing president of the SIU Alumni Association, honored for his service to the association.
Campus

Computer power for campus

It was a “major upgrade” of academic and management operations—the plugging in of SIU’s new mainframe computer in December 1984. An IBM 3081-GX model computer, offered by IBM at an 11.6 percent discount, was purchased for $2.44 million by the University. The new mainframe unit has quadrupled SIU’s academic computing capabilities.

The mainframe unit should make SIU “a leader among state-supported universities within three years,” said Leo Y. Min, SIU’s director of Computing Affairs. Dial-up ports for telephone access will be increased from 10 during the day and 20 at night to 40 for both day and night use. The big computer will allow installation of 100 more terminals on campus. SIU is also considering the installation of computer terminals in dormitories.

Seymour Bryson

Bryson heads Human Resources

Seymour Bryson was appointed Dean of the College of Human Resources effective October 1984. Bryson had been acting dean since mid-summer 1984. He has replaced Samuel Goldman, who was named director of SIU’s Office of Regional Research and Service.

A member of the faculty since 1969, Bryson holds academic rank as professor in the Rehabilitation Institute. Bryson earned his bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees at the University.

Parent of the Day

A Jacksonville, Ill., mother who “often worked two jobs to help ends meet and keep her family together,” was chosen “Parent of the Day” during SIU Parent’s Day celebrations, Oct. 6, 1984.

Hope Kelly won honors as the symbolic representative of all parents of SIU students. She was chosen as a result of an essay competition won by her daughter, Juliet Fleming, a senior in psychology and paralegal studies. Fleming said the nomination essay about her mother “was a good way to show how much I love and appreciate her. The years of self-sacrifice and hardships have made my mother my best friend. My mother does justice to the word ‘parent.’”

As a single parent, Mrs. Kelly raised seven children and often worked two jobs. She also managed to “find enough (money) to take us to a museum or the zoo,” Fleming wrote. “She has gone out of her way to be both mother and father to all us children.” While holding down two jobs and caring for her family, Mrs. Kelly found time to earn a degree in nursing. She was graduated with honors from MacMurray College in May 1984.

Distinguished Lecturer

Leon M. Lederman, the director of the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, presented a seminar and a lecture on Nov. 28, 1984, at SIU.

Lederman’s participation was part of the Distinguished Lecturer Series begun by SIU President Albert Somit. The program brings to campus well-known experts in the fields of science and the humanities.

Lederman spoke on “Evolution of Our Ideas on How the Universe Works” and “Inner-Space: Outer-Space.”
New wheels for auto tech

Students in SIU's automotive technology program are working with some of the newest autos available, thanks to a donation from General Motors Corp. Nine autos—including two Oldsmobile 98s—with a total value of over $100,000 were given by GMC to the program in 1984.

"There's no way we could keep our students up to date in automotive technology without donations like these," said James E. White, coordinator of automotive technology.

Utgaard named geology chairman

John E. Utgaard, professor of geology, has been named chairman of SIU's geology department. "John Utgaard is a superb scientist, and I'm confident he'll do an excellent job in continuing the development of the geology department as it embarks on its new Ph.D. program," said Russell R. Dutcher, dean of the College of Science. Students will be admitted to the Ph.D. program in Fall 1985.

Utgaard is working on a textbook on invertebrate paleontology and is involved in the study of coal mine roof strata in Illinois. He has been a member of the geology faculty since 1965.

New director of Rehabilitation

Gary F. Austin, an expert in education for the deaf and hard-of-hearing, has been named director of SIU's Rehabilitation Institute.

Austin is a former professor of communicative disorders at Northern Illinois University. He has replaced acting director Brockman Schumacher, who assumed the position in October 1983 on the death of Jerome R. Lorenz, former director.

Last year, Austin won the National Rehabilitation Association's Citation for Outstanding Services in Behalf of Handicapped Citizens.

Pest-resistant soybean

The Egyptian, a new soybean variety, was released by SIU's School of Agriculture on Oct. 1, 1984. The soybean is resistant to the soybean cyst nematode, a root-feeding pest that is spreading in Illinois. Certified seed producers will grow seed beans for use on farms in 1986.

Illinois soybean farmers paid for breeding the new cultivar through contributions to the statewide Illinois Soybean Program Operating Board (ISPOB). "We began supporting SIU's breeding program about eight years ago," said Bill Tiberend, executive director of the ISPOB. "It was very innovative for us to cooperate with the University...to create a position to breed soybeans for this area. We have probably spent $50,000 to $60,000 per year on this program. That's been a good investment when you consider that the loss to one farmer from the cyst nematode can exceed that in any year."

Olympic manager named new swim coach

The head manager of the 1984 U.S. Olympic Swim Team has been hired as the new SIU swimming coach.

On Dec. 1, 1984, Doug Ingram, the architect of the last five men's national junior college swimming crowns, replaced Robert R. Steele, Jr., SIU men's swimming coach for the past 12 years. Steele resigned to become the aquatics director at Justus Aquatic Center, Orlando, Fla.

As men's and women's swimming coach at Indian River Junior College, Ft. Pierce, Fla., Ingram coached 121 All American swimmers and received recognition as National Junior College Men's Coach of the Year (past five years) and National Junior College Women's Coach of the Year (last season).

Ingram is active in several important swimming organizations: chairman of the U.S. Olympic Swimming Committee, senior vice president of U.S. Swimming, and a director of the American Swim Coaches Association.

Bruce E. McCutcheon, assistant director of SIU Intercollegiate Athletics for Men, termed Ingram "the number one available candidate in the U.S." at the time of Steele's resignation. Ingram's decision to come to SIU "is an outstanding opportunity for us and for him," McCutcheon said. The name of SIU is "highly placed in swimming circles, and well-known for having one of the top swimming facilities in the country."

Steele was a popular, successful coach at SIU, where he compiled a 79-25 win-loss record and led Saluki swimmers to top-20 finishes in 10 of the last 11 years. Under Steele's leadership, the men's swimming team finished 12th in the nation the last three years at the National Independent Championships.
Flying off as number one

For the third straight year, the Flying Salukis team has won the Region Eight Intercollegiate Flying Association championship. The win on Oct. 11-13, 1984, at the University of Illinois qualifies the team for the national competition in May 1985 at Ohio State University.

The Flying Salukis have won seven of the last eight national championships. Mark Rhodes is coach of the 12-member team.

Sixth in international

SIU ranked sixth in international student enrollment among American colleges and universities for 1983-84, according to the annual foreign student census conducted by the Institute of International Education. With 2,598 foreign students, SIU moved up two places from an eighth place national ranking in 1982-83. Foreign students now make up 11 percent of SIU's total enrollment. They pay triple the tuition of in-state students and often bring with them extra service-contract monies for specialized training programs.

Malaysian students make up the single largest group in SIU's international community. But the largest increase in the Fall 1984 semester has been in the number of international students from Western Europe.

Topping SIU in the international student rankings are Miami-Dade Community College, the University of Southern California, the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and Columbia University.

More freshmen and grad students

Freshman enrollment at SIU increased by 276 students (10.8 percent) for the Fall 1984 semester. Graduate student enrollment also went up—adding 47 students for an enrollment of 3,308.

SIU President Albert Somit said he was "particularly pleased" with the 276-student enrollment climb in the freshman class. "We are delighted with the increase in freshmen. These results are in a large part due to an extremely diligent effort in recruitment and in awarding scholarships to superior students."

Overall enrollment, including both on- and off-campus students, is down 2.1 percent, from 23,383 in 1983 to 22,874 this fall. The decline is attributed to the large graduating classes of the past few years. Approximately 8,000 students, the largest number of any year in SIU's history, earned degrees from SIU in 1984.

30 faculty members retire

Thirty faculty members and two academic advisors retired from SIU at the end of the 1983-84 academic year (the date refers to the year the faculty member joined SIU):

Harry Ammon, professor and chairman of the history department, 1950.
Ronald Beasley, professor of geography, 1959.
Paul Caldwell, associate professor in the School of Technical Careers, 1960.
David Christensen, professor of geography, 1962.
Elmer Clark, professor of educational leadership, 1964.
Margaret Hill, professor of curriculum, instruction and media, 1965.
Joe Jones, professor of plant and soil science, 1964.

W. D. Klimstra, professor of zoology, one of the 30 faculty members who retired from SIU in 1984.

W. D. Klimstra, professor of zoology and director of SIU's Cooperative Wildlife Research Laboratory, 1949.
Frank Konishi, professor and former chairman of the food and nutrition department, 1961.
Abraham Mark, professor of computer sciences and mathematics, 1950.
Sylvia Mark, academic adviser in the College of Liberal Arts, 1965.
Jan Martan, professor of zoology, 1964.
Ernest Mouch, visiting assistant professor of vocational education studies (military program), 1974.
Catherine McHugh, professor of music, 1969.
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Clifford Moeller, associate professor of technology, 1958.

Randall Nelson, professor and former chairman of the political science department, 1965. He is a past recipient of the SIU Alumni Association's Great Teacher Award.

Irene Payne, professor of food and nutrition, 1965.

Herbert Portz, professor of plant and soil science, 1954.

Helen Etherton Richey, assistant professor in the School of Technical Careers, 1968.


Maxine Rosenbarger, associate professor of vocational education studies, 1969.


Glenn Staley, Jr., instructor in the School of Technical Careers, 1969.

Ella Stibitz, an academic adviser in the College of Science, 1963.

Harry Stonecipher, professor of journalism, 1969.

Charles Taylor, associate professor of music, 1957.

Donald Tolle, professor of higher education, 1967.

Jacob Verduin, professor of botany, 1964.

Louis Vicelli, associate professor in the Rehabilitation Institute, 1954.

Association

Association elects new officers

Harold A. Kuehn, '51, of Du Quoin, Ill., was elected to a one-year term as president of the SIU Alumni Association on Oct. 20, 1984. He succeeds W. Ray Mofield, Ph.D. '64, of Murray, Ky.

Kuehn is a farmer and agricultural leader who is the past president of the American Soybean Association, founder and director of the Land of Lincoln Soybean Association, and a former U.S. delegate to Russia to promote soybean sales. Kuehn was named Alumnus of the Year by the SIU School of Agriculture in 1972 and won honors as Master Farmer in 1974.

Other officers elected to the association are:

W. A. Butts, M.A., '62, Ph.D. '68, of Upper Marlboro, Md., president-elect.

Butts is the director of Post Secondary Relations for the U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. He has served as director of Title III programs for the same agency and was president of Kentucky State University for seven years. Butts received an Alumni Achievement Award from the SIU Alumni Association in 1970.

Paul L. Conti, '72, MBA '74, of Glen Ellyn, Ill., vice president. He is manager of the Chicago branch of SHL, Inc., and executive officer of Prestige Management Systems, Inc. Conti is president of the Chicago Area SIU Alumni Chapter.

Richard N. Small, '58, M.S. '65, of Springfield, Ill., vice president. He is the marketing director for SRFG, Inc. Architects. He was the assistant state superintendent for the Illinois Office of Education from 1971-76 and has been a principal of several Illinois schools. He has been the president of the Springfield Alumni Chapter since 1982.

Carol Keeney Winter, '57, of Rockford, Ill., secretary. She is a housewife who has been on the alumni board since 1982.

Lee Roy Brandon, '58, of Herrin, Ill., treasurer. He is the general manager of the Industrial Development Authority of Illinois. He and his wife, Jeanette, have two children.

Walter Wills is Great Teacher

Members of the SIU Alumni Association have chosen Walter J. Wills, emeritus professor of agribusiness economics, as the Association's Great Teacher for 1984. The award was presented to Wills during the Alumni Recognition Luncheon at Homecoming, Oct. 20, 1984.

For more information on Wills, see the article, "The Alumni's Great Teacher," this issue.

New board members chosen

An incumbent and four newcomers were elected at Homecoming, Oct. 20, 1984, to serve on the board of directors of the SIU Alumni Association.

Elected to four-year terms on the board were:

John P. Clifford, '67, of Decatur, Ill., public relations manager for A.E. Staley Manufacturing Co. and vice president of the Staley Co. Foundation. Before joining Staley, Clifford was a public relations representative for Shell Oil Co. for nine years. He is president of the Macon County SIU Alumni Chapter. He and his wife, Diane, have four daughters.

Beverly E. Coleman, '61, of Silver Spring, Md., a special assistant to the Deputy Undersecretary for Intergovernmental and Intergency Affairs in the U.S. Department of Education. She has held that position since 1981. She has also been the supervisory lender examination branch chief of the Guaranteed Student Loan Program and the program/training officer of Equal Education Opportunities, both in the Department of Education. Before joining the DOE, she was involved in the education of handicapped children.

James Gildersleeve, '72, of Hudson, Ill., manager of Gildersleeve Enterprises Fertilizer Co. Gildersleeve is the incumbent and was appointed to the...
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board in 1983. He has been an officer in the Bloomington Area SIU Alumni Chapter since 1975, and is now serving as president of the chapter.

Howard E. Hough, '42, of Springfield, Ill., retired associate director of the Community Health Action/Planning Services at the American Public Health Association in Washington, D.C. He has also been the associate director of the Western Pennsylvania Comprehensive Health Planning Agency, operated by the University of Pittsburgh's University Medical Center. He is a past vice president of the New York SIU Alumni Chapter, a past president of the Washington, D.C. Area Alumni Chapter, and a member-at-large of the Springfield SIU Alumni Chapter. He and his wife, Diane, have two sons.

Timothy Lindgren, '71, of Evanston, Ill., manager of the Hyatt Regency Hotel on East Wacker Drive, Chicago. In his 13 years with Hyatt, he has held management positions in Lexington, Kansas City, Orlando, San Francisco, Atlanta, and Cambridge, Mass. In 1984, Lindgren won Hyatt's General Manager of the Year Award. Lindgren and his wife, Martha, have a daughter, Jennifer.

Board terms that expired in 1984 had been held by JoAnn Cunningham Jungers, Alton, Ill.; Shirley Oshel, Harrisburg, Ill.; Robert Pulliam, Evergreen, Colo.; Alfred E. Smith, Slidell, La.; and Gildersleeve, who had been appointed to the board in 1983 on the death of Jack W. Murphy, was eligible for reelection.

Alumni Achievement Award winners

The SIU Alumni Association awarded its 1984 Alumni Achievement Awards to three men who have made significant career contributions and have given outstanding service to the Association and SIU.


Camille Becker, a native of Luxembourg, is head of the Press and Information Office for the European Communities (Common Market), Geneva, Switzerland. He publishes a bimonthly information letter, Dialogue, and a monthly newsletter, Euro-Echo.

Becker was among the first European students to graduate from SIU. "My mind is never far away from the University," he said. "I can't thank (former SIU president) Delyte W. Morris enough for his insight in the 1950s to encourage foreign students to attend SIU. He was a mastermind at mixing philosophies and different cultures into a workable learning environment."

Becker has worked for the European Communities since 1961. That same year, he founded the Benelux SIU Alumni Club. Although the group doesn't meet regularly, it does convene when someone from SIU visits Belgium, the Netherlands or Luxembourg. Becker and his wife, Anne, a lawyer in Brussels, enjoy keeping tabs on European SIU alumni. As SIU International Ambassadors, they try to encourage students to attend the University.

Larry DeJarnett, the corporate vice president for Lear Siegler, Inc., Santa Monica, Calif., directs the company's overall information system and is responsible for establishing company policy and standards for new computer hardware and software systems. From 1963-64, he was the assistant coordinator for SIU Systems and Procedures and assisted in the installation of the circulation control system at Morris Library. From 1964 to 1979, he worked for the Ford Motor Co. as a systems analyst and production systems review manager in Dearborn, Mich.

"While I was at SIU, I had the opportunity to mold by career foundations after some great role models: my father, President Delyte Morris, Charles Tenney and many others. The late R. Dean Isbell, my mentor at Systems and Procedures, started me in the computer business. I'm eternally grateful for my association with him."

DeJarnett is chairman of the Southern California Society for Information Management and is a member of the Society for Advancement of Management. He won that organization's National Merit Award from SIU in 1980. In 1981, he was selected for a four-year term on the SIU Alumni Association's Board of Directors.

He is married to Mary Elizabeth Cotton DeJarnett, '53, and is the son of Fern Berdell DeJarnett, '55, and the late Raymond P. DeJarnett, a three-degree SIU graduate. His brother, Donald, '70, and sister-in-law, Alice Lawless, '69, are also SIU graduates.

Fred Meyer was honored by the SIU Alumni Association for his active involvement with SIU. He has served two four-year terms on the SIU Alumni Association's board of directors (1974-82), and was a member of the Chicago SIU Alumni Chapter's board of directors. He has been involved in the Association's membership, nomination and retention committees. On eight occasions, he has represented SIU at military graduations and at the inauguration of a college president.

Meyer retired in January 1984 as vice president of personnel for Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Co., Chicago. He and his wife, Florence, have a daughter, Virginia.

Alumni Achievement Award winners (left to right): Larry DeJarnett, Camille Becker and Fred Meyer.
**Foundation**

**SIU has 12 Merit Scholars**

In just two years, the number of National Merit Scholars studying at SIU has gone from zero to 12.

Much of the credit for bringing these top-flight students to SIU belongs to the SIU Foundation, which sponsors the National Merit Scholars program.

Stan McAnally, president of the SIU Foundation, and Anne Carman, director of annual giving, have been coordinating the push to attract more National Merit Scholars to SIU.

National Merit finalists rank in the top one-half of one percent of the national program. The Annual Fall Telefund Campaign (September-November 1984) sponsored by the SIU Foundation was on the scoreboard, with pledges running $9,000 ahead of the national program. The nine-week campaign generated almost $35,000 as it worked its way toward the $50,000 goal. A sure victory was in store for the SIU educational program. The Telefund was sponsored by the SIU Foundation on the scoreboard, with pledges running $9,000 ahead of the same week in 1983.

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"I think the people at the Foundation did a wonderful job in organizing the Telefund," said Fred Maidment, assistant dean for the College of Business and Administration (COBA) and coordinator of the COBA Telefund. "We need to continue letting our alumni know of the importance of private support."

The volunteer callers, a mixture of students and faculty, called alumni from their own departments or colleges. One of the most successful callers early in the campaign was Arthur Aikman, '65, a professor in the College of Education. Aikman tallied $435 in pledges during one night of calling. Kathy Hartman, a senior in marketing, volunteered for five nights during the COBA Telefund. About $830 of COBA's $9,142 total was raised by Hartman, who also got job leads and interviewing tips.

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**Mendenhall award**

Harlan Mendenhall has retired, but a group of his former students are working to keep his kind of classroom expertise alive in the School of Journalism.

Hoping to "maintain and advance the 'leading edge' reputation of the journalism faculty," some of Mendenhall's fans have set up the Harlan Mendenhall Teaching Enhancement Award. It will be presented each spring to a member of SIU's journalism faculty.

Bernie and Debby Whalen, both 1973 SIU graduates, came up with the idea for the award and spearheaded a direct mail appeal to 500 of Mendenhall's friends and former students. They hope to raise $20,000 within a year. The award provides funds for faculty to attend conferences and seminars or further their job experience.

Mendenhall, 69, joined the SIU faculty in 1967, and over the next 16 years became the Den Father and buddy to hundreds of journalism students. "Harlan was a consummate classroom teacher," Bernie Whalen said. "Harlan and his courses influenced the careers of hundreds of students and furthered the excellent reputation of SIU's journalism program. We want to make sure there are always 'Harlan's' at the SIU School of Journalism.'"

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Gina Mitchell, left, assistant coordinator of the Telefund campaign, confers with Thomas Britton, executive assistant to the Chancellor. Britton was among the hundreds of on-campus volunteers for the fund-raising drive, Sept. 16-Nov. 8, 1984.

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only about grades."

"We're trying to provide an excitement for their teachers. George Brown, director of the SIU University Honors program, says, "It's always a pleasure to have people in class who don't care only about grades."

An academically attractive student population can be a powerful enticement in recruiting and keeping distinguished faculty members. "One of the benefits of recruiting top-notch students is faculty retention," Carman said. "We're trying to provide an exciting student population that will help keep the best faculty on campus."

To attract these elite students, the Foundation offers freshmen $1,000 scholarships that are renewable for three more years, provided they keep their grade point averages above a certain level. The National Merit Scholars program is funded by unrestricted gifts to the Foundation from private donors.

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1940's

Betty Lou Timberlake Kerley, ex '47, teaches third grade at Logan-Magnolia Consolidated School. She lives in Logan, Iowa.

Charles Turok, '49, has been elected president of the Paducah, Ky., Night Lions Club for 1984-85. He heads the industrial hygiene department at Martin Marietta and is the past president of the American Chemical Society.

1950's

Bessie Warren, '50, MSED '54, a retired Carbondale, Ill., school teacher, recently was named "Minority Woman of the Year" by the Mu Eta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

Thomas A. Young, ex '50, joined an elite group of high fliers on Sept. 7, 1984, when he was named to the Illinois Aviation Honor Roll. Young had been the coach of the SIU Flying Salukis for the past 18 years. He retired this year because of health reasons. He is a former chief pilot and flight instructor for SIU's Air Institute and Service. Under his tutelage, the Flying Salukis won five national collegiate championships. In 1983, Young coached the U.S. Precision Flight Team in international competition at Skien, Norway. He and his wife, Jane, live in Murphysboro, Ill.

Harold G. Bell, '51, is a travel consultant for Getaway Travel 'N Tour. He lives in Lansing, Mich.


Frances Ladalle, '53, is a research associate in the muscle biology group at Iowa State University. She lives in Ames, Iowa.


Gwen Applegate Brenner, '54, teaches at Benito Juarez High School. She and her husband, John, live in Chicago. They have two sons: Daniel, '79, and Philip.

R. Joanne Fields, '54, M.A. '55, is the staffing coordinator at St. James Hospital in Pontiac, Ill. Before entering the health care field, she taught a number of years at SIU, the University of Minnesota and Butler University. She also served on the faculty of the University of Illinois and was an editor with Open Court Publishers. She lives in Pontiac, Ill.

John A. Mueller, '55, has retired from the U.S. Navy. His lives in Wayne, Pa., with his wife, Mildred, and their son, John.

John A. Becker, '56, chairman of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Sparta, Ill., is the new vice chairman of the Illinois League of Savings Institutions. Becker joined First Federal in 1954 and became chairman in 1976. Becker holds memberships in several associations related to the savings and loan industry. He is also chairman of Sparta's Public Building Commission. In 1983 he received an Outstanding Citizen Award from the Sparta Area Chamber of Commerce.

Dora Nadeen Peeler Jones, '57, is an elementary teacher for the Chula Vista City School District. She lives in Spring Valley, Calif.

J. Jane Curry Dycus, '58, MSED '59, a staff member of the Carbondale Community High School for 15 years, was named Outstanding Teacher of District 165 for 1983-84. She teaches special education, American history, psychology and sociology, and is a guidance counselor. Dycus served on the Board of Directors of the SIU Alumni Association from 1958 to 1970. She and her husband, Harold, '54, M.S. '65, live in Carbondale, Ill.

Bob G. Gower, '58, M.S. '60, has been named vice president and head of planning and advanced technology for Atlantic Richfield Co., Los Angeles. Gower joined the company in 1963 as a research scientist. He later became a chemical sales engineer; held managerial positions in products research and development, products marketing and corporate planning; and in 1976 was named vice president of commercial and venture development for ARCO Chemical Co. In January 1983, he was named senior vice president of business management and marketing for ARCO Chemical. He lives in Flintridge, Calif.

James D. Ramsey, '59, M.S. '60, is a mathematics teacher at Morton High School. He lives in LaGrange, Ill.

1960's

Allen R. Bright, '60, has been elected chairman of the Paducah Transit Authority, the operating agency for the municipal mass transit system in Paducah, Ky. He has been a member of the Authority since 1980. Bright is a partner in the Irving P. Bright Co., a retail clothing firm with stores in western Kentucky and northwest Tennessee. Another SIU graduate, Dwayne L. Stice, M.S. '83, is general manager of the Paducah Transit Authority.

James F. Rea, '60, M.S. '62, of Christopher, Ill., has been elected to the board of directors of the Bank of Christopher. He is the state representative for the 117th Legislative District in the Illinois House of Representatives. Prior to his election, Rea served as director of the Governor's Office for Southern Illinois in Marion, Ill.

Wayne T. Kuncl, '61, M.S. '63, is director of University Housing at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. His wife, Sharon Jane Mills Kuncl, '61, M.S. '63, is an elementary school teacher in Chapel Hill. The Kuncls have two sons—Thomas, 13, and Andrew, 8. They live in Chapel Hill.

Ronald A. Niemann, '61, Marion County (Ill.) Circuit Judge, has been elected Chief Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit by the circuit judges in the nine-county district. He begins his term in January 1985. Niemann presides over all trials in Effingham and Clay Counties. He served two terms as the state's attorney of Marion County and is past president of the Illinois State's Attorney Association. He received his Juris Doctor of Law at the University of Mississippi in 1965. He and his wife, Patti, have two daughters and live in Salem, Ill.
Gary E. Crites, '62, is the executive director of the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, Springfield. He lives in Dawson, Ill.

Edward T. Holmes, '62, is a system supervisor for Whirlpool Corporation. He and his wife, Ruby, live in Evansville, Ind.

Jerome (Jerry) Lacey, '63, MSED '68, Ph.D. '75, associate dean for student services at SIU and a member of the John A. Logan College Board of Trustees, is the new vice president of the Illinois Community College Trustees Association. The association is a statewide federation representing all of the Illinois public community colleges. Lacey has been a member of the Logan board since 1980. He has been on the staff at SIU since 1969. He and his wife, Ella Phillips Lacey, '64, M.S. '72, Ph.D. '79, live in Carbondale, Ill. She is an assistant professor in the SIU School of Medicine.

Judith McHose, '63, M.S. '83, is the new faculty managing editor of the Daily Egyptian, SIU's daily campus newspaper. She has worked as a Carbondale bureau reporter for the St. Louis Globe Democrat and for the Southern Illinois newspaper in Carbondale, Ill. She replaces William Harmon, who has held the position since 1970. Harmon will teach journalism courses and be in charge of the journalism school's placement service and alumni contacts.

E. James Petty, '63, has been named dean of student development at Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa. Petty came to Clarke from MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., where he was vice president for student affairs and dean of students.


Juanita Whiteside, '64, retired July 1, 1984, after 15 years as an evaluator of students with learning disorders. She had spent a total of 24 years in education, setting up special education classes in the Northwest Chicago suburbs and in Arlington Heights, Ill. She plans to spend the next few years relaxing with her husband. William David, '49, MSED '50, a former education administrator, at their Arlington Heights home and their 275-acre cattle farm in Vienna, Ill.

Robert S. Harris, '65, became the director of the SIU Security Office on Aug. 1, 1984. He joined the SIU police force in 1966, earned his sergeant's badge in 1970 and moved up to assistant director in 1975. He lives in Murphysboro, Ill.

Terry L. Winterland, '65, is the president of the First National Bank of Danvers. He lives in Danvers, Ill.

J.K. Bhattacharjee, Ph.D. '66, professor of microbiology at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, has been honored as the Research Scientist of the Year by the Sigma Xi Chapter at the university. Bhattacharjee has published 50 research papers and reviews as well as presented many research papers at national and international scientific meetings. His major research concentrations have been in the areas of genetics, biochemistry and the regulation of lysine biosynthesis in yeast. A fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology, Bhattacharjee has served as the vice president and president of the Sigma Xi Chapter of Miami University.

Marti (Marty) J. Davis, '66, M.A. '74, works for American Telephone and Telegraph in New York City.

Richard E. Huen, M.S. '66, Ph.D. '69, and his wife, Linda, M.S. '66, Ph.D. '69, both associate professors of speech at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, Mo., retired in May. The Heuns were instrumental in starting the interpersonal communications major at NMSU. The couple lives in Novinger, Mo.

Charles Pollack, '66, teaches physical education at Franklin High School. This fall, he began his 17th year as head soccer coach at Canaisie High School. Both schools are in Brooklyn, N.Y. He is also a high school basketball official in New York City. For the second consecutive year, he has been selected to officiate the Empire State Games. He lives in Brooklyn.

John C. Follas Jr., '67, is a sales executive in the northeast region for Picker International. He, his wife, Carroll, and their two sons live in Melrose, Mass.

Steven R. Heuer, '67, is the vice president of ADTEC, Ltd. The company makes valuable recoveries from hazardous wastes such as smelter dusts and oil sludges. Heuer holds several patents in mineral and oil recovery. He lives in Arvada, Colo.

James Pope, '68, MSED '72, has been elected by the Southern Illinois Media Roundtable to serve as a board member of the Illinois Association of Educational Communications and Technology, a professional organization of audio-visual specialists and librarians. He has been a teacher-librarian in the Carbondale, Ill., grade school system for the past 16 years and a visiting summer librarian at SIU's Morris Library for the last five years.

Charles C. Asselmeier, '69, has been promoted to senior investment broker at A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., a St. Louis-based brokerage and investment banking firm. He joined A.G. Edwards in 1979. He, his wife, Mary, and their two children live in Columbus, Ill.

Gary M. Blackburn, '69, M.S. '74, was appointed general manager of Warrick Publishing Co. in July 1984. Prior to that, he was general manager of the Fort Madison (Iowa) Daily Democrat. Blackburn also has been an editor at Tazewell Publishing, a group of 10 suburban newspapers in Peoria, Ill.; a publisher of a group of rural weeklies near Decatur, Ill.; and an editor at The Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Carbondale, Ill. He and his wife, Shirley Rohr, '69, have a 10-year-old daughter, Leigh. They live in Newburgh, Ind.

Edwin J. Longfellow, '69, is the executive vice president of Edgar County Bank and Trust Co. He and his wife, Debi, live in Chrisman, Ill.

Max P. McDaniel, '69, a research associate at the Research Center of Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla., has been awarded his 50th U.S. patent. McDaniel's name has been added to the Distinguished Inventors Exhibit at the Research Center, and he has received a $5,000 cash award. McDaniel earned a Ph.D. in physical chemistry from Northwestern University and has done post-doctoral work at the Institut Catalyse, Lyon, France. Since joining Phillips Petroleum in 1975, McDaniel has contributed to the company's advancements in the area of olefin polymerization.

Marilyn Chamness Phoenix, '69, has been named manager of training and development, specialty retailing, for Brown Group, Inc., in St. Louis. Since 1983 she has handled special projects for Brown Group's Personnel Administration Department. Prior to joining Brown Group, she was the coordinator of Midwest college relations for Olin Corporation and a manager of executive training for a major department store chain. She lives in St. Louis.

J. Allen Boney, '69, M.S. '71, has been named vice president of administration for Providence Management and Marketing Services, a sister corporation of St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Granite City, Ill. He, his wife, Lynne, and their two daughters live in Clayton, Mo.

1970

Dorothy (Dot) Germain is an 11-year veteran of the Ladies Professional Golf Association. She is remembered as SIU's best woman golfer; during the 1968-70 seasons, she placed first in seven tournaments and claimed medalist honors and a second place showing in back-to-back national championships. In 1969 she was named to the first Women's Collegiate All America Golf Team. More recently, she was one of the first women inducted into the SIU Athletic
Hall of Fame. Last year she served as president of the LPGA Player Council and won $50,000 in tournament play. She lives in Greensboro, N.C.

William J. McGinty is an instructor for Commonwealth Edison Co. He lives in Marseilles, II.

Linda L. Mitchell is a Spanish teacher and department chairperson at Dusable High School. She lives in Chicago.

Dennis Michael O'Neill received a master's degree in business education from Niagara University, Niagara, N.Y., in May 1984.

1971

Deanna DuComb Buckingham, M.M. '72, is a physician-dermatologist with Group Health Plan, Inc. She and her husband, Frank, a veterinary student, announce the birth of their second daughter, Kira, born May 19, 1984. The family lives in Lauderdale, Minn.

Paul Gallipeo, M.A., recently received his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Albany. For his dissertation, he spent six years researching the writings of Emly Dickinson to gain an in-depth understanding of her themes and use of imagery. Gallipeo has been a faculty member at Adirondack Community College, Glens Falls, N.Y., since 1969. He lives in Glens Falls, N.Y.

Carol Awe Mayfield, STC, is the advertising director of Abbott Laboratories. She and her husband, Philip, live in Waukegan, Ill.

1972

Thomas R. Dehen received an MBA in management in May 1984 from Amber University in Garland, Texas. He lives in Dallas.

John A. Ess is an attorney with Heyl, Royster, Voelker and Allen, a law firm in Springfield, Ill.

David Richard Reid is an attorney for the Office of Chief Counsel, Department of Treasury. He lives in Springfield, Ill.

1973

J. Steve Adams is the president of Adams Studio, Inc. His wife, Barbara Endicott, '74, received a law degree from Washington University in 1980. They have two children and live in Webster Groves, Mo.

Stuart A. Hymen is a business education instructor at Schaumburg High School. He also teaches part-time at Elgin Community College. He lives in Roselle, Ill.

Mark H. Jones was honored in September with a one-person photography show. The exhibit, entitled "The Light Within," was held at the Marble Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University, and featured clients of the Coles Training and Development Center in Charleston, Ill. Much of his photography was created under the influence of the late Ansel Adams at the photographer's workshops in California. Jones also assisted in the publication of The Unknown Ansel Adams, a project of The Friends of Photography, Carmel, Calif. Jones lives in Arthur, Ill.

1974

James K. Lucas is vice president and account supervisor for Gardner Advertising in St. Louis. His wife, Teresa, '76, is an account executive for D'Arcy, MacManus and Masius. They live in St. Louis.

Paul M. McNerly, M.S., has been promoted to director of media relations and publications at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis.

Patrick T. Sullivan is the administrative assistant for the Oak Tree Racing Association. He and his wife, Ann, live in Monrovia, Calif. Their son, Michael Patrick, will be 2 years old in April.

1975

Michael G. Comerio is the advertising director of the Decatur Herald and Review. He previously held a similar position at the Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Carbondale, Ill. He and his wife, Cathie, and their three children live in Decatur, Ill.

Ruth M. Eshenaur, Ph.D., is head of a graduate-level communications studies program at the Asian Center for Theological Studies and Missions in Seoul, Korea. She trains Christian church leaders from Asia and African countries. She previously worked as a missionary for Daystar Communications and the Africa Inland Church in Kenya.

Gary K. Morgan is an attorney with the firm of Lucas and Murphy in St. Louis.

Robert Semonsieck, Ph.D. '75, professor of industrial safety and chair of the Department of Industrial Safety and Hygiene at Central Missouri State University, is the 1983-84 recipient of the Safety Professional of the Year Award. This award is sponsored by the Heart of America Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE). Semonsieck is a member of the ASSE Board of Directors and the sponsor of the largest student section of ASSE. He has devoted 25 years to the safety field. He lives in Waterloo, Mo.

Dan A. Yelch is a forester for the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers-Louisville District. He and his wife, Cheryl, live in Rinneville, Ky.

1976

Hope Farner, M.S. '79, received a postgraduate certificate in biomedical communications from the University of Texas School of Allied Health Sciences, Houston. She works at St. Luke's Hospital in the Texas Medical Center as a teaching and research laboratory manager. She also teaches at Houston Community College and at the UT Health Science Center in Houston.

Cassandra Berra Meadows is a registered nurse at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. She received her nursing degree from Barnes' School of Nursing in 1984. She and her husband, Bruce, live in St. Louis.

Mark Popovich, Ph.D., is the new director of graduate studies at Ball State University, Muncie, Ind. Prior to his appointment, he had spent five years as chairman of the journalism program at the university.

1977

Robin Duff Cooper, MSED '78, Ph.D. '82, is an account executive for Databank Computer Systems of Du Quoin, Ill. He lives in Carbondale, Ill.

Timothy and Sandra Griffith live in Newark, Ohio, with their two children. Timothy is sales manager of the Ohio-Indiana region for Northrup King Co.

Michael R. Karnes is a loan officer at the Bank of Harrisburg in Harrisburg, Ill. He formerly worked at the First National Bank of Mascoutah in Mascoutah, Ill. He and his wife, Kimberly, are parents of a son, Aaron, and live in Harrisburg.

Donald A. Mounce, '77, has been named public relations specialist for Emery Superhub, located at the Dayton (Ohio) International Airport. Prior to joining Emery, Mounce served as communications editor with Bell Publiccom and was director of communications for the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce. He also served as manager of the Sterling, Ill., Chamber of Commerce, and was assistant news director of radio stations in Sterling and Ottawa, Ill. He and his wife live in West Carrollton, Ohio.

Robert E. Sandahl Jr. was the recipient of the North Chicago Chamber of Commerce Fireman of the Year Award for 1984. He is the fire chief of North Chicago, Ill.

1978

John Phillip Bode has been named a photographer in the Scientific Data Division at the Defense Mapping Agency Aerospace Center in St. Louis.

William E. Jeswein is a design review specialist for Frito-Lay. He lives in Dallas.

Stephen J. Lambert is the assistant city editor of the Rocky Mountain News in Denver.

Jean E. Ness joined SIU's University News Service in July 1984 as a public information specialist. She previously had been a reporter and copy editor at the Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Carbondale, Ill. She is married to David J. Burgess and lives in Carterville, Ill.

Andris Straumanis is the editor of the Elk River Star News, a weekly newspaper in Elk River, Minn.

1979

David R. Crown is a trust officer at the McLean County Bank in Bloomington, Ill. He, his wife, Angela McGuire, '78, and their 1-year-old...
Carolyn R. Garcia, '80, has been named a professional medical representative for Syntex. She provides health care professionals in the San Diego area with medical background and usage information on Syntex pharmaceutical products. Prior to joining Syntex, she was alumni controller for National University, San Diego, where she earned a master's degree in education/nutrition in 1983.

Eugene E. Gross is a new associate in the law firm of Hohlt, House, DeMoss and Johnson, with offices in the Illinois towns of Nashville, Pinckneyville and Du Quoin. He received his juris doctor degree in 1980 from Washington University and is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association.

Hilary A. Margon, M.S., '83, is setting up a record production company called Espionage Records. Anyone interested in sending demo tapes should mail them to 23 Forrest Place, Atlanta, GA 30328.

Matthew F. Muldoon was honored this year for his outstanding academic achievements at the University of Illinois College of Medicine. He received the Allen S. Pearl Award for excellence in dermatology studies. Muldoon is doing residency training in internal medicine at the University Health Center Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa.

1981

David H. Dobbs is the assistant manager for Norwest Financial Inc. in Phoenix. He lives in Mesa, Ariz.

Charles Randy Leigh, M.S., is a mathematics instructor at Scott Community College. He lives in Davenport, Iowa.

Philip A. Nemec has been appointed an account executive at Frankel & Company, a Chicago-based marketing services agency. Prior to joining the company, he implemented the first telemarketing operation for the Lifelong Learning Division of Scott, Foresman & Company. He was later promoted to marketing manager of the professional publishing group. Nemec teaches courses in mail order techniques and telemarketing at Oakton Community College. He lives in Des Plaines, Ill.

Kenton L. Smith is the manager of field operations for Sperry Computer System and lives in Middletown, R.I.

1982

Gary S. Beer is a library technical assistant at the University of Illinois-Chicago.

Jeffrey Thomas Carter is a new machine maintenance technician at the Des Plaines Community College. He lives in Des Plaines, Ill.

Robert W. Fahner is an account executive for WALK radio. He and his wife, Therese, live in Bayshore, N.Y.

John D. Ralph is a logistics instructor for Sanders Associates, Inc. He, his wife, Paule, and their two daughters live in Nashua, N.H.

Armin E. Stahlman is sports editor of the Fulton Daily Leader in Fulton, Ky.

David Vecera, J.D., is an assistant judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force, Loring AFB, Maine.

1983

Mark Louis Brazinski is a field sales representative for Mobay Chemical Corp. of Kansas City, Mo. He lives in Bourbonnais, Ill.

Michael E. Crotty received an MBA with a concentration in finance from Illinois State University in May 1984. He is a marketing representative for IBM and lives in Sherman, Ill.

James Derk, '83, a staff reporter for The Evansville Press, Evansville, Ind., has been named News Writer of the Year by Scripps-Howard Newspapers, which owns daily newspapers in 15 cities, including Memphis, Denver, San Juan and Birmingham. The award earned Derk a $1,000 prize from the newspaper chain and an additional $1,000 from The Evansville Press. He was honored for his reports on the fatal crash of an Air Illinois plane in October 1983 near Pinckneyville, Ill. Ten people, including two SIU faculty members and two SIU alumni, died in the accident. Derk's articles led to a general tightening of air safety regulations and enforcement. "His enterprise made the airways safer for others," contest judges concluded.

Russell Phillips Jr., a second-year law student at Washington University in St. Louis, has been designated an honor scholar for his first year of study at the law school. Only students who ranked within the top 10 percent of their class are designated honor scholars. He has also accepted an invitation to be a member of the 1984-85 Washington University Law Quarterly staff.

Carlos H. Rivera is a professor of forestry at the University of Honduras. He lives in La Ceiba, Atlantida, Honduras.

Joel Sander is a sales representative with Newton Manufacturing Co. He lives in Springfield, Ill.

Dwayne L. Stice, M.S., is the general manager of the Transit Authority of the City of Paducah, Ky. He lives in Calvert City, Ky.
1984

Nancy Warren DeGryse is a product marketing engineer for Texas Instruments, Inc., Houston.

Rosanne Lippert is a media buyer for Brian Keith Advertising, Chicago's largest real estate advertiser. She writes that another SIU graduate, Sally Berlin, '83, is the agency's traffic manager. Lippert lives in Stickney, Ill.

Henry R. Morgan is a captain in the Chicago Fire Department. He and his wife, Joanne, live in Chicago.

Faculty Deaths

Vera L. Peacock, former chairperson of SIU's foreign languages department, died on Sept. 26, 1984, in Carbondale, Ill. She joined SIU in 1939 as head of the foreign languages department, a post she held until 1964. She continued to teach French until she retired in 1967. Miss Peacock was instrumental in establishing student exchange programs with Mexico and France. She was a three-degree graduate of Cornell University.

Charles J. Brasfield, of St. Petersburg, Fla., died May 18, 1984. A physicist and educator, Brasfield was the chairman of the physics department from 1954 to his retirement in 1965. Prior to that, he taught at Yale University, the University of Michigan, U.S. Naval Academy and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Alumni Deaths

Sarah Isabel McCready Stull, '09, of Fresno, Calif., died Dec. 9, 1981.

Araminta McCracken Ford, ex '17, died March 15, 1984, in Murphysboro, Ill. She was a retired school teacher, who began her career with schools in Carmi, Ill., and Carbondale. For a time, she was dean of girls at Morgan State University in Baltimore.

Guy A. DeNeal, '20-2, of Harrisburg, Ill., died July 2, 1984. He was a former school teacher and the founder of DeNeal Lumber. Survivors include his wife and three daughters.

Lyndon M. Hancock, '22-2, of Harrisburg, Ill., died July 13, 1984. A judge for 20 years, he was honored in 1976 as a Senior Counsel of the Illinois State Bar Association. Mr. Hancock retired in March 1983. Survivors include his wife and four sons.

Rosa M. Russell, '23, of Breese, Ill., died in 1983.

Nina Waller Gulley, ex '33, of West Frankfort, Ill., died March 23, 1984. She was a retired school teacher who had taught in West Frankfort for 39 years. Survivors include a son and a sister.

Eleanor Zerweck Plagman, ex '34, of Belleville, Ill., died Dec. 17, 1983.


Lillian E. Mundell, '42, of Benton, Ill., died July 30, 1983.


Weston R. Hansen, '44, of Fort Atkinson, Wis., died June 29, 1984. He was on the faculty of Northwest Community College in Powell, Wyo., from 1962 to 1968. He was also a pastor for churches in Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

Lawrence Calufetti, '47, of Harrisburg, Ill., died July 8, 1984. He had been a teacher and coach at Harrisburg High School for 35 years. His extensive career in sports included serving as a lineman on the Saluki football team in the 1940s; becoming the first base­ball coach at Southeastern Illinois College; and coaching football, basketball, track and wrestling in Harrisburg. Survivors include his wife, a son and five daughters.


Leona Estell Turner Lawton, '52, of Metropolis, Ill., died in March 1984. She was a school teacher for over 50 years, teaching in the Illinois counties of Massac, Pulaski and Alexander. She is survived by her husband, the Rev. William Lawton.

Harry W. Pick, '56, of Iuka, Ill., died July 26, 1984. He was an employee of deSanno Universal in Salem, Ill. Survivors include his wife, Toni, two sons and a daughter.

Betty Jo Cole Prest, '56, of Sparta, Ill., died July 17, 1984. She was a business teacher at Coulterville High School; recording secretary for Delta Kappa Gamma; and past president of the Sparta Band Parents. She is survived by her husband and two daughters.

Joseph A. Zagorski, '57, of Caseyville, Ill., died March 8, 1983.

Paul E. Daniels, MSED '59, of Ashley, Ill., died Feb. 9, 1984. He was a retired school teacher, having taught for the past 25 years in the Ashley public school system. He was the choir director at the Ashley United Methodist Church for the past 35 years and was president of the Ashley Library Board. He is survived by his wife, Imogene.


Hobert Anderson, '72, of Ridgway, Ill., died July 5, 1983.

Terry R. Boeke, '72, of Freeport, Ill., died Nov. 3, 1983.


Alumni Authors

The SIU Alumni Association maintains the Alumni Authors Library in its offices at the SIU Student Center. The association appreciates the donation of recently published books written by SIU graduates.

Loren E. Coleman, Jr., '76, has written Mysterious America, an extensive collection of unexplained phenomena that excites curiosity about extraordinary occurrences, strange places and eerie events.

Coleman, a researcher at the Human Services Development Institute, University of Southern Maine, Portland, is considered a leading authority in the field of unexplained phenomena. His home library contains more than 10,000 volumes on the subject.

Consider: sinister apes that lurk along the riverbeds of the Midwest; kangaroos that hop along Chicago streets; giant birds that emerge from the shadows to prey on people and farm animals. Finding concrete explanations for these phenomena demands knowledge of sociology, psychology, anthropology, police work and reporting/interviewing. Coleman learned many of these skills as a student at SIU. He graduated with a major in anthropology.

Chapter 3 of his book mentions Devil's Kitchen Lake and Devil's Bake Oven, both near the University. "Southern Illinois . . ." he writes, "is a frequent host to mystery animals and UFO's as well as the site of pre-Columbian stone walls which form a rough alignment between the Ohio and the Mississippi River."

The 300-page paperback includes rare photographs, maps, interesting lists and a state-by-state bibliography. The book is available from Faber & Faber, 39 Thompson St., Winchester, MA 01890, for $11.60, including postage.
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Behind the Scenes

What's the news in Carbondale?

Not too much, really, but for those who want to keep up with their college hometown, a few recent highlights:

—Expansion at Giant City Park. You can now rent a horse and ride the trails, thanks to the construction of a new stable in the north end of the park. Over the next year and a half, the lodge will be renovated and expanded to include a swimming pool, game rooms, sauna, conference room, banquet facilities and a new gift shop. New cabins will also be constructed.

According to a park official, "one of those things they have in California" (a hot tub, it turns out) will also be installed at the lodge. Hard to imagine, isn't it?

—Papa C's closes. But reopens under new ownership as Papa's Deli.

—No convention center yet. The Southern Barbecue and its Dixie Cream donuts are no more, a heap of rubble dedicated to progress. The problem: the rubble was supposed to have been transformed into a multimillion-dollar convention center. The center, at press time, is a dead issue, with no bidders on the horizon. And no donuts for aficionados.

For your Valentine

The annual SIU Alumni Association's Valentine's Day trip to French Lick, Ind., is scheduled for Feb. 8-10, 1985. The cost of $320 per couple includes transportation, two nights' lodging, four meals, a cocktail party, and activities such as swimming, ice skating, tennis and dancing.

A chartered bus will leave Carbondale on Friday, Feb. 8, and will make stops at the Williamson County airport and the Holiday Inns in Benton, Ill., and Mt. Vernon, Ill. The bus will return to these towns on Sunday, Feb. 10.

For more information, call the SIU Alumni Association at 618-453-2408.

Are you still friends?

Some of the closest, longest-lasting friendships had their start when the friends met in college. Are you still good friends with your SIU roommate, classmate, or teacher? If so, pay tribute to him or her through the Alumnus. We're putting together an article on SIU friendships, and we'd like to hear from you.

Send us a letter that includes:
—who your friend is,
—when and how you met,
—how you stay in contact,
—a few recollections of the times you shared in college, and
—what your friendship has meant to you.

Although they aren't necessary, photographs would be appreciated. We promise to return them as soon as the article is printed.

If your letter is used in the Alumnus, we'll send you five extra copies of the magazine to share with your buddy.

Send your letter and, if possible, photographs to Laraine Wright, Editor, Alumnus, 1008 S. Elizabeth, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Covering the issue

Most people who commented about the cover of our Fall 1984 issue tagged it with adjectives such as "sophisticated," "classy," "colorful" and "intriguing."

A few other people, though, complained that the photograph seemed to have nothing to do with SIU. They argued that alumni would rather see campus scenes—the buildings, Paul and Virginia, Thompson Woods and Campus Lake. They said, too, that because some alumni have never been back to SIU, we should show, on our cover, how the campus looks today.

Finally, they said, even if we don't buy those arguments, we'd have to agree that our beautiful campus could supply us with at least 100 pretty scenes to photograph. That would take care of our covers through the year 2009.

It is hard to quarrel with those arguments. The physical campus is lovely and we know alumni like to be reminded of it. Yet SIU is much more than its physical campus, much more than buildings and pathways through the woods. SIU is also the work of faculty members (last issue's cover), the impact of scholarship (this issue's cover), and the talent of alumni (what we hope to show on the cover of the next issue).

SIU is now a worldwide institution. We are sixth in the nation in the number of international students. We have alumni who live and work on every continent. We have faculty members who travel overseas as consultants, lecturers and researchers. We have students who now graduate from SIU without ever visiting Carbondale (in May 1984, 28 persons became SIU graduates in ceremonies in England).

We're still mindful of our traditions. We won't forget, in the issues ahead, to remind alumni of how SIU looked in the past and how it looks today.

But we also feel that the Alumnus is the best place to show the "new" SIU—to be proud of what it has become and to learn more about how we are viewed in the U.S. and around the world.

So, where was that doorway?

The cover of our last issue created much praise—and some confusion. A number of people have said, "Beautiful picture, but where was it taken?"

Answers the photographer, 'Doc' Horrell: "In Freiburg, West Germany. It's the doorway of an artist's residence." Unfortunately, Doc wasn't able to find out who the artist is, or was, or why, above the doorway, the dates 1516 and 1910 appear.
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Dear Alumni:

As I begin my term as President of the SIU Alumni Association, I want to share with you the goals set by your Board of Directors for the coming year.

We hope to see membership top 9,000 active, committed alumni. We will concentrate on developing new chapters and professional groups. We will strive to improve the materials that bear the name of the Association. These three goals will better display the commitment of Southern Illinois University and its Alumni Association to its most important product: you, the alumni body.

We will also serve the University by accumulating information and by seeking your help in communicating with state government. We will continue our role in fund-raising. We will develop new programs for student recruitment and alumni career assistance.

Finally, recognizing that the future of the Association rests with students now on campus, we will increase our services to the current student body.

I'll be writing again in the months ahead to keep you informed on our progress. In return, please feel free to express your ideas and opinions to us.

Service to alumni, to students and to Southern Illinois University: this is the mission of the Board of Directors and staff of the SIU Alumni Association. As members of the Association, we all want to see SIU grow and prosper. Together, I know we can make that desire a reality.

Sincerely,

Harold A. Kuehn, '51
President