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For nearly 100 years, a life-size sculpture of two children under a parasol has graced the fountain in the Old Main quadrangle. “Paul and Virginia,” a gift from the class of 1887, represents Southern Illinois University to many people.

“Paul and Virginia” now serves as the symbol for the SIU Foundation’s highest-level gift club, the President’s Council. Charter members of the President’s Council, who are among the University’s most dedicated and generous alumni and other friends, will receive a miniature sculpture of “Paul and Virginia.”

Every aspect of the miniature is a University product. Graduate students in the Art Foundry made each sculpture through the lost wax method, devoting 21 hours of hand remodeling. The color of the patina differs in each miniature and is created from the metal itself by chemicals, heat and water. The bases and presentation boxes are built in the construction technology department from black walnut paneling once used on the Vocational Technical Institute campus in Carterville.

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Building a Network of Professionals

Tune in to any Illinois radio or television station south of Springfield, and there's a good chance a graduate of SIU's Department of Radio-Television will be sitting at the other end of the signal dishing out the latest news or entertainment fare.

Since the mid 1950s, Alumni from SIU's R-T department have had a significant impact on broadcasting in Southern Illinois. But as the communications industry continues to balloon, the influence of SIU graduates grows proportionally larger. Today, they can be found in most of the major radio and television markets in the country.

In fact, spin the dial during tonight's network news shows and you might see NBC correspondent Jim Bittermann '70 (journalism) delivering a breaking story from the network's Paris bureau or ABC foreign correspondent Walter Rodgers '62 (history) analyzing U.S.-Soviet relations from the Kremlin.

While alumni from various educational backgrounds have been enticed into the broadcasting industry, the overwhelming majority hold degrees in radio-television.

“We get calls from broadcasters all over the country requesting our graduates,” said Randy Welker '77, acting chairman of the R-T department. Welker also holds a law degree from SIU. “This may be one of the few departments in the University where the demand often exceeds the supply. We try to accommodate the requests as best as we can, but sometimes there aren't enough students to go around. I suppose that's a good position to be in.”

Employers frequently begin calling in March, two months before graduation. Welker attributes those inquiries to the effectiveness of the R-T department and the successful track record of its graduates—alumni like Ralph Becker '55, co-owner of five multimillion dollar television stations in Michigan, Pennsylvania, Georgia, New York and Ohio.

In the early 1960s, Becker was among only a handful of students enrolled in the fledgling radio-television program, which at the time was off-

nes and Production) go on to more heady offerings such as “Radio and Television Management Principles,” “Television Documentary Field Production” and “Radio-Television in Society.”

Students who graduate from the R-T department usually begin their careers in control rooms, advertising departments or in front of television cameras.

Paul McRoy, Jr., owner of radio station WCIL in Carbondale, is a longtime employer of SIU's radio-television graduates. University students flock to McRoy's 50,000-watt station each semester with hopes of landing that first job in the business. "We generally hire only people with some previous professional experience," McRoy said. "But there have been exceptions." He often encounters students fresh out of SIU's R-T department “who have the ability to step right into a professional situation. Nearly all of my department heads are radio-television graduates from SIU. That in itself may say something about the quality of the department."

He admits to being somewhat biased, however. McRoy himself is a '64 radio-television graduate and an ardent supporter of both the department and SIU's Broadcasting Service, which operates public broadcasting stations WSIU-FM and WSIU-TV, Channel 8, in Carbondale and WUSI-TV, Channel 16, in Olney. "I'm 100 percent behind what they're doing. To have a program like SIU's to draw from has certainly been a blessing for area broadcasters."

The department has been consistently ranked among the top five programs in the country along with those at the University of Texas in Austin, Syracuse University, Temple University and San Francisco State University.

Keith R. Sanders, dean of SIU's College of Communications and Fine Arts, says the R-T department's high ratings are a result of three ingredients. Students receive a liberal education, a solid understanding of the broadcasting business, and the marketable skills to help them get their first job in the industry. "To my knowledge, no department of radio-television in the country has the opportunities available to students that we have here—particularly when you take into account the broadcasting facilities available to students," Sanders said.

Since 1957, when it was formally established, the R-T department has prided itself on a job-placement record that, in recent years, has succeeded in putting between 80 and 90 percent of its graduates in broadcasting or broadcasting-related fields. To help the job
search, the department publishes an annual catalog listing its graduates, complete with photographs, background information and dates available for employment. The publication is sent to hundreds of radio and television stations throughout the country.

Another drawing card for employers is the department's top-ranked Alpha Epsilon Rho chapter of the National Honorary Broadcasting Society. SIU's organization has been honored as Chapter of the Year three times during the past five years.

Best estimates place the current number of R-T alumni at 2,000, a good percentage of whom work the Chicago, St. Louis and Southern Illinois markets, according to John Holmes, a lecturer in radio-television who keeps close tabs on the department's alumni. "The bulk of our graduates start out in the Midwest," Holmes said, "but many of them end up in larger markets. We've got alumni from coast to coast."

"The White Shadow" and "Lou Grant." ("Ed Asner is one of the nicest people in the business," he said.)

During production season, White usually spends 12- and 15-hour days on the "Hill Street" set. As an assistant director, he is responsible for everything from booking talent to coordinating camera shots. "People often tell me how lucky I am to be working on such a successful show, but I must admit, I tend to lose perspective of that after spending most of the day and night on the set," he said. "When I come home from work, all I want to do is pass out."

The education and practical experience he gained at SIU have been invaluable to his career. "If it were not for the radio-television department, I wouldn't be where I am now. Without that hands-on experience, you go nowhere in this business."

It's a refrain heard over and over from R-T graduates. Nearly all who were interviewed say the number-one advantage of studying at SIU is the opportunity for practical experience.

Student volunteers who work at the television and radio stations do everything from directing, announcing, producing and audio- and video-switching to janitorial work. Generally, student study for exams. It was a pretty heavy time commitment, but it certainly paid off. Those of us who put the hours in ended up getting the jobs."

The stations also provide support for Telpro, a student radio and television production company supervised by the R-T department with professional assistance from the Broadcasting Service staff and facilities. The organization produces programs for possible local broadcast on WSIU-TV or WSIU radio.

Other programs produced almost exclusively by students include such newsmagazine shows as "Dimension" and "SIUC Today" aired on WSIU-TV and "Feature Page," a 15-minute noon-time spot on WSIU radio.
"The philosophy of allowing students to be involved in the operations of the Broadcasting Service is what makes SIU great," said W. Ray Mofield PhD '64, professor of communications at Murray State University and former director of academic affairs for SIU's radio-television department. Mofield taught full time in the radio-television department from 1959 to 1964. "A close working relationship between the department and the broadcasting service gives students a good grasp of what the industry is all about."

That is essentially what Buren Robbins had in mind when he launched the Broadcasting Service in 1950. "The original intent was for the Broadcasting Service and the academic department to be closely linked," said Robbins, who is retired and living in Carbondale. Robbins almost single-handedly set the tone for an academic curriculum that would merge a solid liberal arts education with practical experience. "I didn't want the department to become a training ground for disc jockeys," Robbins said. "I had something else in mind."

During his tenure at SIU, he developed the plans for, supervised the installation of and established operational procedures for the University's first television outlet, WSIU-TV, which is entering its 24th year on the air. "My wife and I spent about three weeks at our kitchen table, working a 500-page application for a channel allocation," Robbins recalls.

Under his direction, WSIU-FM was put on the air on the Carbondale campus in 1958 and a second television station, WUSI-TV in Olney, began telecasting in 1962. The stations now serve some 51 counties in Southern and central Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana and Missouri.

Robbins set out to "develop a program that would prepare students for professional roles in society." He envisioned graduates working in all aspects of broadcasting "from announcing to management."

Robbins joined the SIU speech department faculty in 1950 and later headed both the Broadcasting Service and the R-T department. He believed radio-television students, under supervision from the instructional staff, could successfully perform various duties at the University's radio and television studios. Not only would it prepare students for professional careers, but it also would provide a programming service for the Southern Illinois community.

During his stint as department chairman, Robbins set out to "secure staff members who had solid experience in the field. Our teaching staff served also as supervisors in the Broadcasting Service. Hence, during my tenure, all of our faculty members wore two hats."

Radio-Television student Mary Jane Dwyer scans a public service announcement as she prepares to go on the air at WSIU-FM.

A case in point is John Kurtz, who came to SIU in 1962 as station manager of WSIU-FM and executive producer for the Southern Illinois Instructional Television Association and WSIU-TV. He also became a popular teacher in the R-T department, winning the Amoco Foundation's Outstanding Teacher Award in 1977. Like many of the people Robbins recruited, Kurtz was long on professional experience. In the early 1940s he was a professional actor and appeared on such well-known network radio shows as "The Shadow," "Gang Busters," "Casey: Crime Photographer" and "The March of Time."

Among the other broadcasting veterans who joined the SIU faculty were:
—William Edward Brown, a newsman with 25 years in the business. He had been news director for several stations, including KMOX-TV, St. Louis, and WPRO AM-FM-TV, Providence, R.I. He joined the faculty in 1967 and served as the news and public affairs director for SIU's Broadcasting Service for more than 13 years.
—H. Eugene Dybvig, former program director at WTHV-TV in Peoria, Ill. Dybvig joined the SIU faculty in 1961 and later served as director of the SIU Broadcasting Service.
—Richard B. Hildreth, a radio and television news and public affairs director in Plattsburgh, N.Y., and bureau chief and columnist for the Post Standard in Syracuse, N.Y. Hildreth, an associate professor, joined the faculty in 1967.

Although it's been nearly 15 years since Robbins stepped down as radio-television chairman, he still keeps in touch with the department and its alumni, many of whom have, indeed, become leaders in the broadcasting industry—just the way he envisioned it. "With the considerable impact that broadcasting has on society, I'm deeply proud of the fact that so many of our graduates are now the decision makers." —Don Braakman
WIDB Celebrates Its 15th Anniversary

In celebration of its 15th year on the air, SIU's campus radio station WIDB held a weekend-long reunion April 19-21, 1985, and welcomed back about 50 of the people who have kept the station rocking and rolling through the years.

WIDB, the progressive and sometimes irreverent voice of rock 'n' roll, is a student-run FM radio station that uses the campus electrical system to broadcast to residence halls and other buildings.

On Saturday morning (April 20), more than a dozen of WIDB's erstwhile DJs, engineers and program directors gathered in the station's bustling headquarters in the basement of Wright I to reminisce about the halcyon days of WIDB.

"WIDB gives students a unique opportunity to get involved in the radio business—everything from writing public service announcements to making top management decisions," said Jerry Chabrian '72, of Temple Terrace, Fla., founder and former general manager of the station. "WIDB people have always been a different breed of students. They're the kind who would rather hang around a radio station than sit on a beach or drink beer."

Chabrian, who now owns a Dairy Queen restaurant in Tampa, almost single-handedly launched the station in 1970. With a shoestring budget of $13,000 from University Housing and the student senate, he secured the necessary equipment and put together a crackrjac staff of disc jockeys, engineers and programmers.

"At the time, we didn't have much competition," Chabrian said. "We were the only station that played rock music." In the early years, WIDB had a captive audience of about 5,000 students and was reaching a 50 percent share of the student market. "In the broadcasting business, that's a phenomenon."

Thomas Scheithe '72, general manager of WEZV-TV in Fort Wayne, Ind., was one of the station's first DJs. Scheithe said WIDB's rock 'n' roll format was an instant smash. "We aimed our programming at the suburban Chicago kid. In fact, we stole the entire format from Chicago and New York stations," he said. "It worked in other markets, so we figured, 'Why re-invent the wheel?'"

From the beginning, WIDB has mixed album-oriented rock with news and public affairs programming. In recent years, the station added play-by-play sports coverage of Saluki football, basketball and baseball.

Howard Karlin '71, WIDB's first programming director, vividly remembers the day the station signed on the air, using Also Sprach Zarathustra (theme from the movie 2001) as background music. "It was 1 p.m., April 12, 1970," Karlin recalled. "We counted down the seconds on the clock. It was an incredible experience. We were all on a natural high." Karlin, now a New York City businessman, said the energy level of those who worked at WIDB was "just incredible. Everything was done with such pride. Even at professional stations, that type of enthusiasm and energy is rare."

One of the major hurdles WIDB had to overcome was the right to run advertising, a sensitive issue with some local broadcasters who said it was unfair for a University-supported station to compete commercially. Michael Murphy '71, now vice president and general manager of WLAK-FM in Chicago, initiated the advertising concept for WIDB. Until 1974, when the station was allowed to sell advertising, area merchants would donate prizes, such as T-shirts or food, in exchange for on-air plugs. "That's how we got around the rules in the beginning," Murphy said. "We never intended to use advertising to make a profit, just to keep the station afloat."

Chuck Muren '71, a commercial real estate broker in Joliet, Ill., was one of the station's early DJs. He recalled having to go on the air during the tension-packed spring of 1970, when SIU students came out in droves to protest the war in Vietnam and the U.S. invasion of Cambodia. "We stayed on the air 24 hours a day," Muren recalled. "There were armed guards stationed outside the door." Although WIDB was staffed entirely by students, the station kept students abreast of the situation and tried to maintain a position of objectivity. "We realized we had an important public service to perform, and we went at it with a high degree of professionalism. I think both the students and the University administration respected us for what we tried to accomplish. Since then, the station has maintained that same level of respectability."—D.B.
“This is Jim Bittermann, NBC News, Paris”

To listen to James (Jim) R. Bittermann ’70 talk about his job as foreign correspondent for NBC News is to step into the mainstream of contemporary world history. Bittermann, who is based at the network’s Paris bureau, has covered some of the hottest news events around the globe: the Iranian hostage situation, the Pope’s world travels, the Solidarity movement in Poland, the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana, and the early-1985 arms talks between Secretary of State George Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

“I’ve done a lot of bouncing around,” said Bittermann in a telephone interview from his Paris apartment. “I guess it comes with the territory.”

He joined NBC News in August 1978 as a correspondent in Rome. Three years later, he moved to Paris where he lives with his wife, Pat Thompson, and their 17-month-old daughter.

The list of people he has encountered during his career reads like an encyclopedia of world leaders. Among them: Margaret Thatcher (“Really sharp on her feet,” Bittermann said), Valery Giscard d’Estaing (“Very arrogant.”) and Yassir Arafat (“Doesn’t look too terrific up close.”).

“I sometimes get awestruck,” he said. “Here I am, a kid from Waukegan, interviewing these very important figures. In fact, I’m discovering they’re people like anybody else.”

Bittermann graduated from SIU with a bachelor of science degree in journalism, specializing in radio-television. Unlike some graduates fresh out of school, he had little trouble breaking into the broadcasting industry. “I guess I cheated a little,” he said. Before coming to SIU in the late sixties, he had already earned his stripes as a radio and television reporter for station WMBD-AM-TV in Peoria, Ill.

While enrolled at SIU, Bittermann worked part-time for radio stations WCIL in Carbondale and WJPP (now WHPI) in Herrin. “There’s no question that the courses I took in radio-TV and journalism were a great help to me,” Bittermann said. “But there is no substitute for outside experience.”

After graduation he joined WTMJ-AM-TV in Milwaukee as a reporter and weekend TV anchor. Later he served as press aide and traveling press secretary for Indiana Senator Birch Bayh and then worked for the Sen. Edmund S. Muskie Election Committee in Washington, producing television commercials from 1971 to 1972.

From there he went to Cleveland, where he won the local Emmy Award for outstanding individual achievement in news reporting. He received a Golden Quill Award for enterprise and investigative reporting while working for WQED-TV in Pittsburgh in 1973. From early 1975 until joining NBC News, Bittermann was a reporter/producer for the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. show “Newsmagazine.”

In some respects, Bittermann’s earlier career at small radio and television stations in Illinois was more demanding than his position as a network correspondent. “When my beat was the local city hall, I had to be a little careful about not offending my sources—I had to keep going back there for more stories. Now, most of the (world figures) I come in contact with don’t give two beans about what NBC says about them.”

Despite the exalted positions of those he has interviewed, Bittermann stands by a time-honored news adage: “There’s no such thing as a dumb question.” “When the announcement was made that Reagan was going to visit the Bitburg cemetery, one reporter simply asked, ‘Who’s buried there?’ At the time it sounded rather trivial, but look where it led. Sometimes the fundamental questions are the best.”

While at SIU, Bittermann worked at both the Daily Egyptian and WSIU-TV. “I was very low on the television station’s totem pole,” he said. But he did get to work on a documentary film about R. Buckminster Fuller. “I still use the basic fundamentals of news coverage I learned from that experience. That’s what was so great about SIU. There was such diversity; so many possibilities to learn by doing.”—D.B.

From Avid Fan to Multi-Station Owner

Ralph E. Becker ’55, of Darien, Conn., is president and chief operating officer of Television Station Partners of New York City which owns and operates five network-affiliated television stations.

As a youngster growing up in St. Louis, Becker was an avid fan of shows such as “Your Hit Parade” and the children’s serials of “Jack Armstrong” and “Capt. Midnight.” He spent hours practicing his “radio voice” by talking into an old carbon microphone he had riggied to his parents’ wireless phonograph.

When Becker arrived on the SIU campus in the fall of 1951, the R-T department was housed in a cramped army barracks on the southwest edge of campus. There, he helped launch the University’s first radio production studio.

In April 1985, Becker was invited back to campus as a guest lecturer. During his two-week stay, he received the Department of Radio-Television’s Alumnus of the Year Award for his outstanding 34-year career in the broadcasting industry. He also talked with Alumnus assistant editor Don Braakman and discussed his career and undergraduate years at SIU.

Braakman: You’ve obviously done well since you graduated from SIU. What’s the secret?

Becker: I think I’ve probably had the good fortune of being in the right place, at the right time.

Braakman: Does that include being at SIU at the right time?

Becker: When I came down here, I met Buren Robbins and saw that although the University was small, it had an enormous amount of resources. At the time, it may not have been too obvious, because Mr. Robbins’ classroom, office and radio studio were in a single room in a barracks. Under these incredible circumstances, there was a man who had to teach, manage his office affairs and also record radio programs. The University owned a tremendous amount of equipment, however. Some of the equipment was still sealed in its original cartons. Mr. Robbins asked me if I could assist in making this equipment functional. So that’s when I first went to work for the University.

Braakman: What kinds of jobs were you required to do?

Becker: I maintained the equipment, I repaired it, I installed new equipment. But most of my work was
done as the writer, producer and director of programs that were broadcast on commercial radio stations throughout the 31 southernmost counties of Illinois.

I moved us into, perhaps, more live programming. I was very active as the producer and director of coverage for football and basketball games. I did that for four consecutive years.

**Braakman:** At this point, did SIU have its own radio station?

**Becker:** No, there was no radio station at all. The sole outlet was the arrangement we made with the commercial radio stations in the area. It was a very innovative time for the University. It also performed another function. People living throughout Southern Illinois could hear about the University through commercial radio, because we were the suppliers. We produced programs that were very acceptable to commercial stations: the football games, the basketball games, the dance-band pick-ups, which I did from the Carbondale armory.

In one of those programs I usually had Dr. Morris say a few words about the University. I moved into promoting on radio significant events on campus that the public could attend, such as SIU's Homecoming. I worked with the Alumni office on that project. We did the same thing for Spring Festival. When I would finish the program, we would duplicate the tape and send them out to every radio station in Southern Illinois, whether they asked for the program or not.

**Braakman:** Did you get good play?

**Becker:** I don't think many people realize the significant impact the SIU Broadcasting Service had on the people of Southern Illinois. There was no way you could not hear about Southern Illinois University. We had the airwaves saturated. The important thing was that something was going on in Carbondale, and SIU was involved in it.

**Braakman:** What were some of the other shows you produced?

**Becker:** We used to tape the annual presentation of The Messiah in Shryock Auditorium and send it out. Also, we produced a program called "This Week in the News," with faculty members of the history department. I made the recordings and Mr. Robbins did the opening and closing announcements. The professors would do a review of the week's news. We distributed that to maybe as many as 15 or 16 radio stations.

**Braakman:** After your graduation in 1955, what was your first job?

**Becker:** I was asked to stay on as a lecturer in the radio-television department. I went into the Air Force about one year later. When I came out in 1959, I returned to the University and took over the operations of WSIU-FM. During that time, I enrolled in graduate school and became frustrated—I guess I just had too much energy about the business. Also, I realized if I was going to enhance my earnings, get some of the things I wanted out of life, I was going to have to make a career change. I decided that sales was the area to proceed. I was able to land a job in Peoria, Ill., as a local salesman for the ABC affiliate station. At that time it was called Metropolitan Broadcasting Corp. It later became Metromedia, which as you know, became a giant in the industry.

**Braakman:** Why sales? That seems like quite a departure from what you had been doing.

**Becker:** It offered a new challenge. In sales, you get exposed to other industries and different types of businesses. Also, there's a degree of freedom in sales. To some extent, you're working for yourself. I only lasted one year in Peoria, and then I got transferred to a station the company owned in Washington, D.C., Channel 5. The station grew very rapidly, and I accomplished my dream: I made a lot of money as a salesman and was promoted to national sales manager, which was the beginning of my career in management.

**Braakman:** When did you purchase your first television station?

**Becker:** My partner and I bought the group of stations that formed the basis of our business in the summer of 1982. We officially went into business in March of 1983. In that initial business venture, we purchased four television stations from our employer.

**Braakman:** How much of your career is directly related to the education you received at SIU?

**Becker:** Well, I'm back here for two weeks of lecturing because that's my way of showing my gratitude for what...
This spring, SIU received the largest private gift in its 116-year history: a farm valued at $1.1 million. Located near Tamaroa, Ill., about 30 miles north of Carbondale, the 612-acre farm was a gift to the SIU Foundation from SIU alumnus Calvin Ibendahl and his wife, Jean, who have raised grain and hogs on the site for nearly 27 years.

The significance of the gift "cannot be overemphasized," SIU President Albert Somit said. "Gifts like this from people interested in helping SIU are absolutely invaluable in assisting us to preserve and strengthen the quality of our educational programs."

The Ibendahls' gift exceeds financier W. Clement Stone's 1969 contribution of $1 million for construction of Stone House, the official residence of SIU presidents. The SIU Foundation plans to sell the farm (a buyer has been found), invest the proceeds and add the interest to the principal. The Ibendahls will retain a three-acre section of the farm and live in the farm's original homestead, built in the mid-1850s. During their lifetimes, they will receive a yearly sum from the Foundation's trust. Following the Ibendahls' deaths, the trust and homestead will be released for use by the University.

The money will eventually be used to support SIU agriculture programs. "With today's budget, any type of support like this is immeasurably important to the program," said Gilbert H. Kroening, dean of SIU's School of Agriculture. "It allows us to do things above and beyond what we could do just depending on state support. It makes a strong program even stronger. We're extremely grateful."

Kroening met Calvin Ibendahl in the late 1950s, when both were undergraduates in agriculture at SIU. But Ibendahl received his SIU degree in 1983. He is a former Outstanding Farmer of America.

Jean Ibendahl, a graduate of the University of Illinois, is a community ambassador for SIU and promotes the University in the area. She is vice-chairwoman of American Agri-Women and former president of Illinois Women for Agriculture. She has also been part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture task force to help improve high school agriculture economics programs.

Their farm is rich in regional history. In 1839, B.G. Roots opened Locust Hill Academy on the site. The academy was the state's first higher education institution. Roots later helped organize the State Teachers' Association and the first normal school in the Mississippi Valley (Illinois State Normal University near Bloomington). Later, he helped establish the state's second normal school: Southern Illinois Normal University (now SIU).

Roots was an outspoken critic of slavery at a time when abolition was an unpopular sentiment in Illinois. "His enthusiasm was the wonder and admiration of his friends," said Enoch A. Gastman, a leading 19th century Illinois educator, in a talk following Roots' death in 1888. The Ibendahl house was used by Roots as part of the pre-Civil War "underground railway" that smuggled slaves to freedom in the north. In the farmhouse, a false wall disguised an entrance to a false cistern where slaves hid while waiting the start of the next leg of their flight.

Close to the farmhouse are a log cabin built in the 1850s and a one-room schoolhouse built in 1816. "There is too much historical value accumulated in the house and its part in the slave railway to be arbitrarily disposed of," said Stanley R. McAnally, president of the SIU Foundation.

Jean Ibendahl will continue to give tours of the historic school house and their home, which is furnished largely in mid-19th century antiques. The Ibendahls also plan to stay intimately in touch with their vocation and first love—farming. "We'd still like to do more to help young farmers in our area," she said.

SIU's Biquest Gift

A $1.1 million farm has set the record as the largest gift to the University in its history.

A one-room schoolhouse built in 1916 on the property is named Roots School.

An engraving of the B.G. Roots home, now owned by Calvin and Jean Ibendahl, appeared in A History of Rendishah, Monroe, and Perry Counties, published in 1883.

The home today, from the same angle as the 1883 engraving. With the exception of the front and side porches, the house is much the same as when it was occupied by Roots.

Through their generous gift, Calvin and Jean Ibendahl have ensured the strength of SIU's School of Agriculture.

A upstairs guest bedroom contains some of the 19th century antiques collected by the Ibendahls.
Bar·racks
(bär'eks): any large, plain building in which many people are housed

Federal Public Housing Authority. Each unit had a living-dining room, two bedrooms, kitchen alcove and bathroom. When the Gilley's moved in, their apartment had been outfitted with an icebox, gas range, heating unit, beds, dressers and dinette set. Most of the furniture, too, was war surplus, bought at bargain prices by the University. Some of the beds were borrowed from Anthony Hall, then used as a women's dorm.

Looking over their shoulders and smiling into the camera, Elmer Gilley '48 and his wife are crossing the threshold of their new apartment in SIU's Veterans Housing Project. The photo is dated January 1947. World War II is over, and Gilley has been mustered out of the military. The low-cost housing project will help him afford a college education.

The Veterans housing units were described as “the first emergency housing project to be occupied at any of the state's teachers colleges and normal universities.” Opening on Jan. 15, 1947, the units were immediately rented by 41 student veteran families. By September that year, when 1,377 veterans were enrolled at SIU, the housing project boasted 105 apartments.

The Veterans Housing Project on Chautauqua Street was later called “Chautauqua Housing.” But students more often referred to the buildings as exactly what they were, and are: “the barracks.”

Declared surplus by regional Army bases, the first barracks were brought to SIU and made serviceable by the

Baseball games were popular, free entertainment in the early Chautauqua years.

Graduates from the 1950s remember the long registration lines on South Thompson Street. Cicero might well have been standing in this queue when he said, “How long will you abuse our patience, Catiline?”
In 1947, everyone believed that the barracks were indeed temporary. But that hopeful adjective was used so often in the next few decades that it has been permanently (and cynically) bonded to them. In 1959, for example, SIU classified 184 University-owned barracks, barns, Quonset huts and houses as “temporary,” used as residences, offices, classrooms and storage buildings. Of the 35 or so temporary barracks that were once scattered across campus, nine temporary barracks still remain.

Forbidding, frigid and flimsy, the barracks managed to survive their physical shortcomings to become part of the romance of the University. In their earliest years, they offered married veterans a chance to reorganize their lives. In the 1950s and ’60s, the Chautauqua Street barracks were joined by the Dowdell units on the east side of campus to allow SIU to enroll thousands of additional students. Barracks were also set up as classrooms and faculty offices on sites now occupied by such buildings as Faner Hall.

Some people make the reasonable claim that without the barracks, SIU would never have become a large and powerful institution. The barracks made increased enrollment possible. And the soaring enrollment eventually caused a funding and building boom that formed almost all of the “new campus.”

Albert Shafter ’48, MA ’49, and his wife, Lynette “Junior,” were among the first families to occupy the Chautauqua barracks. Their apartment had only two doors (front entrance and bathroom). For privacy in the bedrooms, the Shafters hung burlap sacks in the doorways. The flooring was crude. “We rented a sander,” Shafter said, “to remove mud and refinish the floors.”

By living in a middle unit, the Shafters had a choice of entertainment: whether to listen to the radio or to their neighbors on both sides. The appliances were new, and the iceman came twice a week to fill up the icebox. The couple was grateful for the natural-gas heating system, he said, “since efforts had been made by mining interests to equip each unit with a coal stove!”

While studying for his master’s degree, Shafter taught a sociology class held in a barracks building. As classrooms, the barracks were “cold and drafty in the winter, extremely hot at all other times,” he remembers. “I recall the heat most vividly, since we were required to wear a coat and tie while teaching.”

His office was also in a barracks. A row of file cabinets through the center of the building separated the Department of Sociology and the Department of Economics. On the sociology side, desks were positioned in “boxcar order” by faculty rank: Joseph K. Johnson, William J. Tudor and Louis Petroff. “As the graduate assistant,” Shafter said, “I had the last desk.” Behind him at a table worked Rex D. Karnes ’49, MA ’51, who later became SIU’s Director of Area Services.

Vernon Morrison had a desk on the other side of the room. Morrison “was extremely helpful in suggesting certain approaches on my master’s thesis,” Shafter remembers, “not that anyone did much work in those barracks. The temperature was consistent: very bad, most uncomfortable.”

Like the Shafters, Juanita Whiteside and her husband, Dave ’49, MSED ’50, were among the first SIU students to occupy veterans’ housing. He had enrolled in SIU in 1946, and for the first few months they lived in a small, two-room house in Cambria. “He was driving a 1936 Chevy,” Juanita said, “so he could only make one trip a day. Some days were very long.”

The commuting came to an end when the Whitesides and their infant son moved into barracks building 20, Apt. A. “We were delighted to have all the space,” Juanita said. Close by were two mature trees that shaded the side and back of the apartment. They felt very lucky, because trees were a rarity near the buildings.

Money was tight, of course. The GI bill paid for tuition and books and offered a small stipend. She remembers paying $35 a month for rent and utilities.

People living in the Veterans Housing Project cooperated toward common goals: graduate and get a job. “We had a car,” Juanita said, “so Dave was called on in the middle of the night to take a couple of our neighbors to the hospital to have their babies. Phones were scarce, and there was a long waiting list before the company could install one. So the neighbors were kind enough to let us use their phones when it was necessary.”

For evening recreation, couples got together for pinochle, coffee and homemade cookies. And every evening after supper, as well as Saturday and Sunday afternoons, they played baseball in the common areas. Couples also exchanged baby-sitting duties, “so we could take in a movie now and...”
then or go to an activity on campus,” she said. “We tried to take advantage of all the free activities.”

In the 1950s, the barracks housing complex set up the Chautauqua Council and residents elected representatives. John (Jack) B. Regan ’60 served as “mayor,” an idea that wasn’t so strange, Regan said, because the Chautauqua barracks were “not unlike a small town.”

A married ex-GI, Regan worked on the Chautauqua maintenance crew and squeaked by on the GI Bill. “To tell the truth, most of the GI families remained in Chautauqua because the rents were too high in the new housing project,” he said, referring to Thompson Point. “As I recall, our monthly rent at Chautauqua was $42.50 per month, including our utilities.”

Regan also remembers one particular stormy night when tornado warnings had sounded. According to disaster plans, Chautauqua residents were supposed to evacuate to Thompson Point. “A sound plan,” Regan said, “except no one told Campus Security,” which refused to allow people into the area.

Regan—who was majoring in political science—made a leadership decision. Just before midnight, he called Delyte Morris, then president of SIU, and virtually ordered him to get out into the storm and solve the problem.

Early the next morning, Regan received word that Morris wanted to see him “ASAP—like now!” In the Morris era, that was the most fearsome command anyone could hear.

“As I walked to his office,” Regan said, “I considered my chances of remaining a student.” He thought about transfer options and his limited budget. But to Regan’s relief, Morris was apologetic, not angry. “He directed that full provisions be made available should the problem arise in the future,” Regan said, “and he also complimented me on my handling of the situation.”

The Chautauqua barracks were on the west side of campus; the east side contained barracks housing for male undergraduates. These barracks—named

South Thompson Street in the 1950s. For a number of years, the SIU student cafeteria was in the building on the far right. Faner Hall now occupies this site.

In the 1960s, during the Bucky Fuller era, the design department blossomed in a westside barracks, formerly Chautauqua Housing. (Photo by Ben Gelman)

We ask you, are these typical student poses? One Dowdell student reads Anatomy and Construction of the Human Figure while the other gazes fondly at his Shick.
Dowdell after the family who had sold SIU their farm for the housing site—were brought to campus in 1951 from Camp Ellis, Ill.

Dowdell Halls were in use until mid-1963, when SIU had them transported to Anna, Ill., and to Touch of Nature on Little Grassy Lake. The Brush Towers residence halls were then built on the site.

Ted A. Hutton '64, a Dowdell resident fellow, lived in Room 7 of Southern Rebel Hall during the 1961-62 term. The whole Dowdell complex was nicknamed “Cardboard Jungle,” Hutton said, thanks to its fragile walls. The walls did have “one significant advantage. Holes could be easily repaired with another piece of cardboard.”

Hutton describes a common problem: “Somebody would come back to the hall with either a bad grade or a bad hangover and choose to take his frustrations out on the walls of Dowdell. I guess compared to hitting the concrete blocks at Thompson Point, there was more joy in hitting the cardboard walls at Dowdell.”

Delmar Owens '66, MS '73, also lived in Dowdell in the early 1960s. “As dorms, the barracks were noisy, cheap ($15/month), smelly and very difficult to maintain, but they were home to our group,” said Owens, who occupied No. 5 Dowdell. The football team lived in No. 3 Dowdell, called “Animal House.” Undergrads “moved rapidly past, but not through, No. 3 in fear of the ‘animals,’” he said.

When additional dorms at Thompson Point were completed students were moved from Dowdell, but not without protest. Some undergraduates unsuccessfully petitioned to remain in the barracks. Owens “hated very much to lose the togetherness of the ‘clan.’”

He recalls, too, that classrooms for speech, English, math and general studies were located in barracks buildings. “Even the Student Center was a barracks when I started attending SIU” in 1962, Owens said.

Some alumni hope that a few of the remaining barracks will be preserved as a reminder of the past. Their feelings go beyond personal sentiment. “The barracks generated millions of dollars in appropriations for SIU,” Shafter points out. As the University burgeoned in the 1950s and '60s, “they became the symbol of need for increased appropriations from the Illinois General Assembly. Who can forget the photographs of students attending classes in the barracks and wearing hats, overcoats and gloves?”

The barracks are also a “challenge for the future of the University,” Shafter believes. In looking ahead, “let us not forget our origins.”—Laraine Wright

Ted A. Hutton is director of personnel relations, Industrial Control Division, Allen-Bradley Corp., Milwaukee, Wis.

Delmar Owens is employed by the Bradford Community Unit No. 1 school district, Bradford, Ill.

John B. Regan is the director of the Office of Community Relations, Clark County Community College, N. Las Vegas, Nev.

Albert J. Shafter was given the SIU Alumni Association’s Achievement Award in 1983. He and his wife live in Carterville, Ill.

Juanita and Dave Whiteside live in Arlington Heights, Ill.
Like most accomplished photographers, John A. Richardson '67 has received his share of golden plaques and framed award certificates, but don't expect to find them decorating the walls of his home or office. He's not one for ostentation.

"Awards never really turned me on," said Richardson, director of SIU's Research Photography and Illustration Facility and associate professor of botany. "You win a few, and then all of a sudden you're an 'award-winning photographer.' I love that. Everybody listens to you then; before that, forget it."

Although he declines to enumerate them, the collection of awards and honors is impressive. Among them is the prestigious American Institute of Graphics Arts 1981 book competition award honoring Richardson's photographic illustrations for *Grand Canyon Wildflowers*, a 145-page pictoral essay published in 1979 by the Grand Canyon Natural History Association. The book was written by Arthur M. Phillips of the Northern Arizona Museum in Flagstaff.

During his 15-year career in photography, Richardson has contributed to dozens of books and monographs and has held scores of exhibits throughout the country. A one-man show of his work, featuring 49 black-and-white photographs of Southwest landscapes, is on view at the Mitchell Museum in Mt. Vernon, Ill., through July 28, 1985.

While best known for his botanical photographs, Richardson's interests are as varied as the species of Grand Canyon wildflowers he has chronicled over the years. The images he has captured on film range from metal sculptures to amphibians and reptiles of the Grand Canyon. "I like variety," he said. "At the moment I'm having fun doing landscapes, but next year it may be something totally different."

He has never produced a book that hasn't pleased him. "There are certain books that mean more to me than others, but on the whole I've been happy with all of them. It's been a lot of fun. I've been extremely fortunate to work with good people, like Robert Mohlenbrock."

Richardson has collaborated on a number of books with Mohlenbrock, Distinguished Professor of botany at SIU, including *Forest Trees of Illinois* and *Summer and Fall Wildflowers of Carlyle-Rend-Shelbyville Lakes.*

During his teenage years at University High School at Indiana University in Bloomington (at the time, his father, Alfred W. Richardson, SIU professor of physiology, was teaching at IU), Richardson was an energetic camera buff. But it wasn't until some 10 years later, when he decided to enroll at SIU, that he seriously considered turning his hobby into a profession.

Before that, he had hopped from college to college pursuing a variety of research interest. "I studied everything," he said. "I just kept going to school, but didn't take any degrees. I never wanted to finish. I'd enroll in a school and take the courses I wanted. Then somebody would offer me another job in research, and I'd go somewhere else and take courses there that interested me."

Richardson also worked as an illustrator-researcher for various medical schools, including St. Louis University School of Medicine, Washington University's Barnes Hospital in St. Louis and the University of South Dakota Medical School. The first book collaboration was *Principles of Animal Physiology*, a textbook containing some 650 of his illustrations.

Yet new possibilities were opening up in the field of scientific photography, and Richardson wanted to get in on the ground floor. "I finally realized that if you've got a degree, they pay you more money. You can have
“Spruce Tree House,” located in Mesa Verde National Park, Colo., was built between 1000 and 1250 by the Anasazi Indians of the Southwest. (Except where noted, all photographs are by John Richardson.)

He attributes a large part of his success to the department, particularly the teachings of Walter Craig, former C&P professor, and C. William (Doc) Horrell, emeritus professor of photography. “Both had a terrific influence hundreds of hours, but without the degree it doesn’t mean much.”

He returned to Southern Illinois in 1965 to study photography at SIU’s Cinema and Photography Department. At the time, there were only two or three similar degree-granting programs in the country. The department was then housed in a barracks adjacent to the Agriculture Building. “Every time we took a photo, we had to yell ‘Freeze!’ so the floor wouldn’t move,” Richardson recalled.

Ancient petroglyphs of the Anasazi Indians—“Newspaper Rock”—are located in Canyonlands National Park.
on my work. They stressed technique and deadlines, and they introduced me to the history of photography."

After receiving his bachelor's degree, he earned an M.F.A. in 1969 at Ohio University in Athens and returned to SIU the same year to launch the University's scientific photography unit. Under his direction, the unit has become one of the more progressive facilities in the country.

In an age of specialization, Richardson prefers to be a generalist. "We might be photographing ancient pots in the morning and pig joints in the afternoon," he said. "That's why this place is unique—the variety. Most facilities like this are very specialized. Here, we get to hit the whole gamut of the University, from anthropology to zoology. You end up with quite an education."

Richardson's work requires a fair amount of traveling. During summer months, he may spend weeks hunting for rare vegetation or unique landscapes to photograph. He has traveled to the Grand Canyon, the Florida Keys, and the Great Smokey Mountains National Park. "Everybody thinks you go out to the Grand Canyon and it's all fun and glory. But if you've got a headache and it's 110 degrees out there, it's not fun," he said. "On top of that, I have a tendency to get lost because I start wandering around looking for things to photograph."

With more than 1,800 different types of plants in the Grand Canyon, half the battle of shooting a particular wildflower species is figuring out when and where it will bloom. Once he hiked three miles down the rocky terrain of the Grand Canyon in search of an agave in bloom. "I was out there a year later, and there were thousands of them in bloom all over the place," he said. "These are the headaches you have to put up with."

Since 1979, when Grand Canyon Wildflowers was published, Richardson's wildflower photos have developed a life of their own. "The spin-offs have been phenomenal—magazine covers, articles, textbooks. I've gotten a lot of mileage out of those slides." Still, he isn't getting rich off the venture. "As a matter of fact, the book cost me $1,200 of my own money," he said. "But it was worth it."

Other rewards in his work are more important than money, especially the collaboration with highly creative people. "That's what's really nice," Richardson said. "You sit down at a big table with some gin-and-tonics and hash out all the problems. When difficulties arise, you all get together and work them out."

What does it take to be a good photographer? "A hell of a lot of luck," he said. "Some days you go out and shoot 36 and you come back with 36. And then you go out and shoot 10 rolls of film and you're happy if you get 10 slides out of 360."

But despite his success and the recognition, Richardson looks forward to new projects. With each one he manages to summon his limitless curiosity. For example, "I'd like to see the Grand Canyon covered with snow," he said. "It would make an incredible picture."

—Don Braakman
**Fladeland, Mohlenbrock and Su are awarded SIU's highest honor: Distinguished Professor**

Three internationally known experts in the fields of history, botany and pharmacology are the newest holders of the Distinguished Professor title, SIU's highest rank.

Betty L. Fladeland, Robert H. Mohlenbrock and Che Su received the permanent title of Distinguished Professor and an annual grant of $3,000. In announcing the awards on April 4, SIU President Albert Somit said, "Each of the new Distinguished Professors has established a solid international reputation as a scholar. Each of them, I am happy to add, is also regarded by students and colleagues as a truly outstanding teacher. In combining superlative teaching and research, they set an admirable standard for the University."

**Betty Fladeland**

Fladeland, a professor of history, is a leading authority on the study of slavery, particularly the American and European abolitionist movements of the early 19th century. After joining SIU in 1962, she initiated courses in black history and women's history.

**Robert Mohlenbrock**

Department. Mohlenbrock received the SIU Alumni Association's Great Teacher Award in 1978.

Su, professor of pharmacology in the SIU School of Medicine, is one of the world's leading researchers in the field of blood vessel pharmacology. His studies have contributed to a better understanding of hypertension and vascular diseases, and his work has attracted 13 postdoctoral fellows, many of them from overseas, to the University. He came to SIU in 1978 from UCLA.

**Che Su**

The Distinguished Professorship program was inaugurated in 1983 by the SIU Foundation. Past recipients of the honor are Herb L. Fink (art), Elmer H. Johnson (criminology), Willard D. Klimstra (zoology) and Dr. David S. Sumner (vascular surgery).

**Trust fund set up for foreign languages**

A trust fund of $250,000 promises to be the first step toward building a stronger program in foreign languages at SIU. The fund has been set up through the SIU Foundation by Helmut Liedloff, professor of German at SIU since 1959, and his wife, Mary.

To show its "commitment and appreciation" for the gift, SIU will establish nine tuition waivers over the next three years for students studying German at the University. The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures will also sponsor a drive to seek additional private funding for scholarships and other areas of need.

**John Jackson named dean of Liberal Arts**

John S. Jackson III, associate dean of SIU's College of Liberal Arts, has been named dean of the college effective Aug. 15, 1985. Jackson will replace James F. Light, who has held the job since September 1979.

A professor of political science, Jackson is a specialist in political campaigns and elections and is co-author of Presidential Nominations and Primaries, recently published by Congressional Quarterly Press. He joined SIU in 1970.

**Funds approved for recruitment center**

A ground-floor cafeteria in Woody Hall will be remodeled into facilities for a Student Recruitment Center. Work on the $290,000 Center will begin this fall. The cafeteria dates back to 1953, when Woody Hall opened as a women's dormitory. SIU turned it back into an office building in 1968, but retained the cafeteria.

The Center will include offices for recruitment counselors, a video lounge, a conference room, and a snack bar.

**Tuition goes up by 5 to 5.66 percent**

Tuition increases ranging between 5 and 5.66 percent went into effect at SIU's three campuses with the Summer 1985 term. Tuition for full-time
Nadine Fingert of Homewood, Ill., gets a congratulatory lift from her brother, Jeff, after receiving her law degree at SIU commencement ceremonies, May 12. Fingert was one of 104 SIU law graduates in the spring class.

resident undergraduate and graduate students at Carbondale has gone from $954 to $1,008 per year.

The increases reflect the recommendation of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, which called for 5 percent tuition hikes for all state-supported colleges.

Over 5,500 graduates in spring ceremonies

More than 5,500 SIU students were graduated in commencement ceremonies May 11-12. For the first time, SIU's 10 colleges and schools conducted individual ceremonies over the weekend.

Commencement speakers included such notables as Charles D. Walker, space shuttle payload specialist for McDonnell Douglas Astronautics Co., St. Louis, who was a crew member on a recent shuttle flight; Willie Herenton, superintendent of Memphis Public Schools; Robert Doretti, vice president for Wang Laboratories; and Virginia Marmaduke, retired Chicago journalist.

Saluki Sandtrap tees off on July 25

More than 100 alumni are expected to bring their putters and wedges to SIU's Third Annual Springfield Saluki Sandtrap Seminar Thursday, July 25, at the Edgewood Country Club in Auburn, Ill. Tee-off time will be at noon.

Coaches from SIU's men's athletics program will be among the participants. A fee of $45 covers greens fees, cart, refreshments and dinner.

For more information call Steve Wells at (217) 523-4565.

Greens soliciting names for rush

SIU's Inter-Greek Council—representing Interfraternity, Panhellenic, and Pan-Hellenic councils—is seeking help from alumni in locating possible participants in rush.

The Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils offer rush to incoming freshmen with sufficient high school grade-point averages. The Pan-Hellenic Council requires sophomore standing and a sufficient grade-point average.

Send recommendations for prospective or current SIU students to Pat McNeil, Inter-Greek Council, Office of Student Development, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Women swimmers take fifth in nationals

The SIU women's swimming and diving team scored a fifth-place finish in the NCAA nationals, March 21-23, 1985, in Tuscaloosa, Ala. It marked the highest NCAA finish by an SIU women's sports team and the fourth year in a row for a top 10 finish for the swimmers.

Wendy Lucero, a junior from Aurora, Colo., won a national championship in one-meter diving, and 10 other Saluki participants were given All American honors, including freshman Lori Rea, from Boise, Idaho, who scored a team-high 51.5 points and helped establish six school records.

Lucero, SIU's first national diving
champion, was named SIU Female Athlete of the Year at the All Sports Banquet this spring.

**State Fair greetings from the Association**

The SIU Alumni Association will be on hand to welcome visitors to this year's Du Quoin State Fair Aug. 8-18. A hospitality booth will be open daily. All SIU alumni are invited to drop by.

**Rangers baseball outing set for Aug. 9**

The Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association invites area alumni to the Texas Rangers baseball game, Friday, Aug. 9, at Arlington Stadium. More information is available from Dallas-Fort Worth chapter president Janice Crumbacher, 3815 Westgrove, Apt. 704, Dallas. Call (214) 922-7432.

**Invitation to Bonds.** Bridgett Bonds, a 5'11'' freshman from St. Louis and a power forward on the Saluki women's basketball team, will participate in the National Sports Festival IV this summer in Baton Rouge, La. Bonds is the first SIU women's player to be invited to NSF competition. This season, she averaged 8 points and 5.8 rebounds while drawing 15 starts and seeing action in all but one of 28 contests. She is one of five returning starters for women's basketball coach Cindy Scott. The team compiled a 21-7 win-loss record this season and placed third in the Gateway Conference.

**Five art students receive $4,000 each**

Five senior art students split $20,000 cash in SIU's annual, prestigious Rickert-Ziebold Awards art competition.

The 1985 winners are Steven Bobinski, Berea, Ohio; Edward Cepiel Jr., Morris, Ill.; Nancy Cunningham, Carbondale; Lauren Jara, Bensenville, Ill.; and John Scanlon, Godfrey, Ill.

The competition is funded from proceeds of the estate of Marguerite L. Rickert Ziebold, who died in 1971.
Chapter telefunds raise over $21,000

More than 1,000 SIU alumni answered their phones and pledged a total of $21,600.50 for scholarships and other University programs during the 1985 Spring Alumni Chapter Telefund Campaign. The annual program is sponsored by the SIU Alumni Association and the SIU Foundation.

Volunteers from 16 alumni chapters raised the money from 1,037 alumni called between Feb. 4 and April 24. The telefund involved a total of 257 alumni volunteers from chapters in Illinois, Missouri, Texas, and Washington, D.C.

This year's spring telefund effort netted $2,490.50 more than was raised in the 1984 spring campaign.

Over 2,500 foreign students on campus

International students now make up slightly more than 11 percent of the SIU student population, according to figures released in February. Foreign student enrollment in the Spring 1985 semester stood at 2,565.

International students are attracted to SIU because of its deep, wide-ranging academic program and its reasonable tuition rates compared to the comprehensiveness of its program.

Kenneth Collins named Outstanding Teacher

A specialist in 19th century English literature is the winner of SIU's 1985 Amoco Foundation Outstanding Teacher Award. Kenneth K. Collins, associate professor of English, received the award and a $1,500 cash prize on May 2.

Collins, a member of SIU's English department faculty since 1976, won the College of Liberal Arts' Outstanding Teacher Award in 1983.

Tulsa professor named law dean

Rennard James Strickland, who holds an endowed chair in history and law at the University of Tulsa, has been named dean of the SIU School of Law.

His appointment, which will be effective late this summer, was announced May 15, 1985, by SIU President Albert Somit on the recommendation of John C. Guyon, vice president for Academic Affairs and Research.

The 44-year-old Strickland will replace Dan Hopson, who announced last November that he would step down Aug. 16, 1985, to teach and do research full time in the law school.

Strickland was selected after a nationwide search. He is an acknowledged scholar, having written 28 books of various lengths and about 30 journal articles, the majority of which are related to law. Strickland has received numerous honors and awards for various aspects of his work, ranging from outstanding teaching to law reform.

A graduate of Central High School at Muskogee, Okla., Strickland went on to earn a bachelor of arts degree from Northeastern State College in Oklahoma in 1962. He earned a juris doctorate from the University of Virginia in 1965; a master of arts from the University of Arkansas in 1966; and a doctorate of juridicial science, the highest degree one can receive in legal education, from the University of Virginia in 1970.

Appreciation for Somit. SIU President Albert Somit reads a certificate of appreciation given him in March by the SIU Alumni Association. The award recognizes Somit's strong commitment to alumni and the Association. From left to right: W. Ray Mofield, past president of the Association; Somit; Harold A. Kuehn, current president; and W.A. Butts, president-elect.

Hospitality suite reopened by Association during annual state basketball tournament

After a four-year absence, a hospitality suite sponsored by the SIU Alumni Association during the Illinois High School State Basketball Tournament has been put back on the Association's calendar of annual events.

Ed Buerger, assistant director of the Association, said the suite is a good method of publicizing SIU. The popular tournament draws thousands of fans, high school coaches and students, and SIU alumni. Above all, Buerger said, the Association can use the suite "to help keep SIU competitive with other state colleges in maintaining or increasing our enrollment."

The tournament was held this year on March 22-23 at the Chancellor Hotel and Convention Center in Cham-paign, Ill. The Association's suite was open both days from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Among those greeting guests at the suite were Ray Dorr, head SIU football coach; Herman Williams, assistant basketball coach; and two assistant directors of Intercollegiate Athletics for Men, Bruce McCutcheon and Fred Huff.

Buerger credited the success of the event to the volunteer effort provided by three alumni from Anna, Ill.: Kevin Belcher '71, Pete Magelli '78, and the late Roger Dillon '70, who died a month later in an automobile accident. Also helping with the hospitality suite were two SIU Alumni Association board members: Dick Small '58, MS '65, and Howard Hough '42.
Rich Herrin named new men's basketball coach; intercollegiate athletics program under reassessment

Rich Herrin, who compiled a 616-209 win-loss basketball record during the past 25 years at Benton (Ill.) High School, was named SIU's head men's basketball coach May 13, replacing Allan Van Winkle who resigned on April 9.

Regarded as one of the state's leading high school coaches, Herrin has brought home 21 regional titles. His numerous friendships with high school and junior college coaches will boost SIU's recruiting efforts, Herrin predicts. He was the strong favorite for the job among Southern Illinois alumni and boosters, who believe he will add life to a sagging program and will attract more spectators to the games. "I think (the basketball program) can be turned around," Herrin told a newspaper reporter in April. "If you want to put people in the gym, you have to have Southern Illinois players."

Herrin, who earned an MSED degree at SIU in 1960, was one of three finalists for the job that had attracted 80 applicants. The other two finalists were Bill Barone, assistant coach at Bradley University, and Steve Cottrell, head coach at Western Carolina College.

The naming of Herrin is a major part of the ongoing reassessment of SIU's Intercollegiate Athletics program, a reassessment ordered this spring by SIU President Albert Somit in the wake of charges of NCAA rule violations. On March 27, Somit appointed Dean Stuck, professor of educational leadership, as his special assistant for intercollegiate athletics and asked him to redirect the program.

The reorganization of athletics has its start in the lackluster 1984-85 basketball season. Van Winkle had predicted a winning season with what he termed his best team in four years at SIU. Yet at the season's close, the team had posted only a 14-14 record, and Van Winkle's SIU record stood at 49-62.

Between mid-March and mid-April, five persons associated with the men's athletics program either resigned or announced a change in their responsibilities: George Iubelt, long associated with SIU men's and women's basketball, resigned as consultant to the women's program and as president of the Saluki Booster Club; Bruce R. Swinburne, SIU vice president of Student Affairs and overseer of the athletics programs, relinquished his responsibilities for athletics; and Lew Hartzog, director of Men's Intercollegiate Athletics, announced his retirement effective August 31.

Two men's basketball coaches also resigned, following an April 3 announcement by Roy S. White, a Carbondale chiropractor, that he paid some $200 a week to center Kenny Perry. The 6'11" player had been recruited in 1982 from the University of Evansville. The payments, which violate NCAA rules, had been made during Perry's first two years at the University. In the wake of White's announcement, both Van Winkle and Stafford Stephenson, an assistant coach of men's basketball, resigned from SIU. Van Winkle charged that the University has a "lack of commitment . . . to the Division I basketball program."

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Rich Herrin, SIU's new head men's basketball coach.

forward, a sophomore from Rogers State College, Claremore, Okla. "Two other new players had been signed last fall: Todd Krueger, 6'9" forward, a senior honor student from Lone Tree, Iowa, and Thad Matta, 6'4" shooting guard from Hoopeston-East Lynn (Ill.) High School and brother of Greg Matta, who transferred to SIU last year from the University of Alabama-Birmingham."

Assistant coach Williams is credited for holding together the basketball program during a difficult two-month period. Williams joined SIU in 1974 under the late Paul Lambert, left the University in 1978 to join Lambert at Auburn University, and returned to SIU in 1981 under Van Winkle.

Missouri Valley drops football activities

Announcing scheduling and financial considerations, the Missouri Valley Conference voted unanimously April 29 to drop football as a conference sport. The decision becomes effective at the end of the 1985 season.

Revenues from televised football games, which two years ago added $1 million to MVC coffers, are expected to dry up completely following the loss of NCAA control over TV scheduling announced last year. The MVC football championship also had lost its mean-
ing, MVC officials said, since it didn't result in an automatic bid for I-AA division playoffs.

Finally, only six of the nine Valley colleges offer football, and two of the six (Tulsa and Wichita State) are in the I-A division.

Head football coach Ray Dorr expressed "disappointment" and "frustration" with the decision. SIU will now have to become independent in scheduling, turning toward such colleges as Murray State, Ball State, Drake and Indiana State as competitors.

**Baseball team hopes 1986 will beat 1985**

For the second straight year, the baseball Salukis posted a losing season, ending with a 28-29 win-loss record. The team finished 5-15 in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Salukis stood 28-17 by April 21, then lost their last 12 games, a school record.

Yet head coach Richard (Itchy) Jones expressed hope for 1986. The team will lose just three seniors, and the roster is loaded with talent.

Maureen Harney, the best SIU tennis player to date, closed her four-year University career with a .684 winning average.

**Tennis team reclaims its conference title**

The SIU women's tennis team rewon its Gateway Conference Championship this spring with five singles players and two doubles teams winning league titles in Peoria, Ill.

SIU dethroned heavily favored Wichita State in the 10-team tournament. Maureen Harney, a senior playing in her hometown, provided the winning edge. She won the No. 5 singles crown in straight sets and then teamed with Mary Pat Kramer, of Waterloo, Iowa, to capture No. 3 doubles. Harney closed out a brilliant career as SIU's best tennis player to date. She compiled a four-year record of 119-55 (.684) in singles.

Under coach Judy Auld, SIU has won two of the last three Gateway tennis titles.

**The object is primarily a university education, as these SIU athletes and coaches demonstrate**

In the midst of resignations in men's athletics and the reassessment of the whole athletics program this spring came the news that none of the seniors on the 1984-85 men's basketball team expected to complete his degree. All hoped to join the pros after May 1986.

The news was greeted by dismay among SIU faculty members and administrators. And a swift reaction came from SIU President Albert Somit: "Neither basketball nor any other sport on this campus exists to train would-be professional athletes. It is a national disgrace when universities place a higher value on a successful coach than on a Nobel Laureate. It is no less disgraceful when they compete more avidly for a seven-foot center than for Phi Beta Kappa-quality students."

The problem of non-graduating senior athletes is shared with a great many other U.S. universities, however. And SIU's baseball and football programs, among other athletics programs on campus, do place a strong emphasis on education.

In his 16 years as SIU's head baseball coach, Richard "Itchy" Jones has produced a high success rate of players who have completed their degrees. Ray Dorr, who joined SIU early in 1984 as head football coach, expects regular reports from faculty members about his team members.

Many SIU athletes not only complete their bachelor's degrees but also enroll in graduate school. Mike Blumhorst '84, co-captain of the baseball team, completed his coursework with a 3.8 GPA (A average) and earned Academic All America honors for 1984. He is now studying agriculture in graduate school. Mark Newman '70 earned his law degree in 1978. His younger brother, Bert Newman '76, played in the Chicago Cubs minor league system for two years, then returned to SIU and completed his MSEd degree in 1979. He is now a doctoral student in health education.

Some SIU baseball players, drafted by the pros before graduation, complete their degrees later. Tom Caulfield '84 joined the St. Louis Cardinals in 1983. Bill Lyons '81 was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in 1980 and is now with the Cardinals class AAA team in Louisville. Jim Reboulet '84 joined the Cardinals class A team in 1983.

**Pure Perfection.** Sharon Leidy, a senior standout in field hockey and track, has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA (A+) in two majors (business administration and recreation) while receiving top awards for her athletic ability. Leidy is SIU's sixth leading all-time scorer in hockey and record-holder in heptathlon. She was named Alumni Scholar Athlete by the SIU Alumni Association. A native of Mt. Holly Springs, Pa., she plans to attend graduate school at Penn State University.

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Harold C. Wright '40, a physician, has retired as associate professor of Northern Illinois University. He and his wife, Catherine S. Wright '42, live in Yorkville, Ill.

Isabel Crouch '42, PhD '72, Las Cruces, N.M., represented SIU March 31, 1985, at the inauguration of the new president of New Mexico State University. Crouch is professor of speech at the university.

Robert L. Hatfield ex'47, Auburn, Wash., is a safety engineer for Boeing Aerospace Company in Seattle.

Richard Crawford, '56, M.A. '58, is the elected president of the National Association of Trial Behavior Consultants. He is professor of speech communication at the University of Northern Colorado and heads a firm, Crawford Communication Consulting. His specialties are courtroom communications and the study of persuasion. He and his wife, Jan Marie Fegley Crawford, '59, live in Greeley, Colo., with their son.

John Randall Johnson '51 is a certified public accountant with Gray Hunter Stenn in Marion, Ill.

C. Bruce Koons '51 works for Exxon Production Research Co., Houston.


George H. Crippen ex'54 has retired as vice president and branch manager of First Federal Savings and Loan, Carbondale, Ill.

Lois Markham Culver MFA '54, Alexandria, Va., is a self-employed artist, teacher and photographer and operates Great Falls Pottery. In December 1984, she traveled to Brazilia, Brazil, where she conducted a survey of projects that assist artisans in earning a living from traditional and innovative craft skills.

Mary Ann Klingenberg Bender '54, Aurora, Colo., is co-owner of Happy Canyon Hardware.

Gerald H. Pugh '55, an attorney who specializes in business and insurance law, has opened an office in the Port Clinton Square office and retail complex in Highland Park, Ill.

M. Edward Bryan '56, M.S.Ed '58, Corvallis, Ore., represented SIU on March 10, 1985, at the inauguration of the new president of Oregon State University. Bryan is director of housing for the university.

Rosemary Parks '56, Amarillo, Tex., represented SIU on Feb. 9, 1985, at the inauguration of the new president of West Texas State University.

Donald L. Smith '56 has been promoted to vice president and head of the mortgage loan and equity real estate operation of General American Life Insurance Company, St. Louis. Smith remains as president of two subsidiary companies, White Oak Royal Company and Red Oak Realty Company.

Lowell S. Grissom '57, M.S.Ed '58, retired after 27 years as teacher at West Frankfort (Ill.) High School. He also retired from the U.S. Army in the rank of major after 22 years of active and reserve service.

John E. Friend MS '58 has been appointed to the Council of the Sagamores of the Wabash in recognition of his service on the Governor's Select Advisory Commission for Primary and Secondary Education. The Sagamore appointment is the highest honor
bestowed by the governor of Ohio. Friend is director of intramural, athletic and recreation programs at Purdue University Calumet.

Richard H. Cruse '59, Noblesville, Ind., is president of Management Computer Systems, Inc.

Gene Miller '59, Metropolis, Ill., heads the instrument engineering and computer applications department of Martin Marietta Energy System's gaseous diffusion plant in Paducah, Ky.

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William E. Hayes '60 is director of the Houston Astrotech Division, McDonnell Douglas Technical Services Co., in Houston. The engineering organization employs over 900 persons and is located near the Johnson Space Center.

Boyd Kelso '61 participated in the Fulbright-Hayes teacher exchange program and taught geography in West Sussex, England. He teaches in a middle school in Imperial Beach, Calif.

Billie Louise Lee '61, Jackson, Miss., is a psychology instructor at Hinds Junior College.

W.A. Butts MA '62, PhD '68, of Upper Marlboro, Md., was honored as an outstanding educator by Coahoma Junior College, Clarksdale, Miss., in a special ceremony on March 15, 1985. Butts is the director of Postsecondary Relations in the U.S. Office of Education, Washington, D.C. He is president-elect of the SIU Alumni Association.

Bill Lemon, '61, has been named executive vice president and treasurer of the Grain and Feed Association of Illinois. The Springfield-based association is a voluntary, non-profit organization composed of competing firms working to solve problems and enhance the business climate. Lemon is the former executive director of the association. He lives in Chatham, Ill.

Jerry L. Clutts '63, Tavares, Fla., is a district ranger with the U.S. Forest Service in Florida.

David A. Fleischman '63 has a Coast Guard captain's license to operate a deep sea fishing charter out of Fort Lauderdale. His boat is the "Bimini Twist."

David L. Jewell '64, MSED '67, PhD '79, Brockport, N.Y., has been voted president-elect of the Geneseo Valley Parks and Recreation Society. He will serve as president of the organization in 1986. He is chairman and associate professor of the recreation and leisure department of State University of New York College at Brockport.

Linda M. Mottin '64, Cherry Hill, N.J., is a public relations consultant to clients in the real estate, finance and home building fields.

Alex Bally, '63, president of Bally Design, Inc., Carnegie, Pa., and his associate, Chuck Kraeutel, are the 1984 winners of the Industrial Design Excellence Award for Equipment, an annual competition sponsored by the Industrial Designers Society of America. The men won the award for the design of the MERLIN Intelligent Robot manufactured by American Robot Corporation. Bally Design provides a full range of industrial design services for clients in the manufacturing and medical fields.

Bill E. Newton '64 is supervisor of electrical engineering distribution at Central Illinois Public Service Co. He and his wife, Donna Perry Newton '78 live in Sherman, Ill.

James E. Brown, '63, has been named a Master Salesman for 1984 by the Monsanto Company. He is with the Monsanto Agricultural Products Company in Columbus, Ohio. The award program honors the corporation's worldwide field sales representatives who achieve outstanding sales results and who display a high degree of excellence in their profession. He and his family live in Piqua, Ohio.

Carl Lincoln Schweinfurth PhD '64, Mt. Vernon, Ill., has received the Lambert Steffens Citizenship Award presented annually by the Jefferson (III.) County Chamber of Commerce. He is chairman of the First Bank and Trust in Mt. Vernon and has his own investment business.


William Herbert MS '65, Emporia, Kans., is an assistant professor of English and director of the journalism program at Emporia State University.

Charles B. Lounsbery '65 is vice president of sales and marketing for the corporate headquarters of Leaseway Transportation Corporation, Cleveland.
Richard L. Bowars '69, Peoria Heights, Ill., is a junior high school English teacher in the Peoria public school system. He also teaches English composition at Illinois Central College.

Robert P. (Cyszczon) Cyszczon MBA '69, Newtown, Conn., is marketing manager of American Can Co.

David E. Ellis '69, a major in the Air Force, is with the 83rd Fighter Weapons Squadron at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida.

William J. Haas '69, Richardson, Tex., is general sales manager for Elk Corporation of America, a building materials firm in Dallas.

Timothy Michael Kohl '69, Little Rock, Ark., is personnel director of the City of Little Rock.


Patrick A. Wendi '65, Cape May, N.J., is a commander in the United States Coast Guard.

John S. Bis '66 is the associate dean of the School of Architecture and Environmental Design, State University of New York at Buffalo.

James F. Cerven '66 is forensic science administrator for the Division of Support Services, State of Illinois. He and his wife, Rebecca McGhee '69, live in New Lenox, Ill.

Robert Dunsmuir '66, MSEd '68, is the director of the Wheaton Park District, Wheaton, Ill. His district has won an annual national award, sponsored by Sports Foundation, Inc., for being the best district of its size in the country.

Edward A. Laing '66, Lake Bluff, Ill., has been appointed senior associate for industrial sales and leasing at Bennett & Kahnweiler Associates, a corporate real estate firm in Rosemont, Ill.

Robert E. Smith '66, MA '77, is the director of the Mayor's Office of Cable & Communications for the City of Baltimore. Smith had been the city's cable television coordinator since 1974.

Allen W. Jacobs '65, M.A. '67, is the associate dean for academic affairs and director of medical education at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, Mo. He received a Ph.D. in anatomy in 1971 from the University of Iowa and a doctor of osteopathy degree in 1983 from the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine. Before going to Kirksville, he was assistant dean for educational resources at Michigan State University's College of Osteopathic Medicine. During his tenure, he was given seven awards for excellence in teaching. He and his wife, Kris, have three children.

Howard Harris '67 is line operations manager at Combs Gates, Denver, a subsidiary of Gates Learjet Corp. Previously, he was the director of lines service for Walker Aviation in Fort Lauderdale.

Ruth Haaker Warnas '67, Phoenix, Ariz., is a project manager at Honeywell.

Jerald W. Wiley '67, a major in the United States Air Force, is commander of the 3701st Basic Military School Squadron at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He most recently was the chief of international training, Joint United States Military Mission for Aid to Turkey, Ankara. He was awarded the Humanitarian Service Medal for work during the November 1983 earthquake in eastern Turkey.

David J. Yang '67, MS '74, San Luis Obispo, Calif., is the manager of the computer center at California Polytechnic State University.

James Forbes PhD '68, Tustin, Calif., is a senior chemist at Unitek.

Carol W. Neff '68, New Athens, Ill., is the director of the youth center at Scott Air Force Base.

Jerry L. Weeks '68 is manager of operations development in the headquarters of Watkins Motor Lines, Lakeland, Fla.

Edward R. Winkler '68, MS '70, is a lead engineering physicist in charge of the aircraft project aerospace medicine group of McDonnell Douglas Corp., St. Louis. His wife, Linda Obrecht Winkler '69, is a psychology instructor at St. Mary's College in O'Fallon, Mo. The couple lives in St. Peters, Mo.

Margaret P. Epperheimer '68, is corporate communications manager for Telco Systems, Inc., Menlo Park, Calif. She edits the company's bimonthly corporate newsletter and oversees trade press relations and the production of annual and quarterly reports to shareholders. Before joining Telco Systems in 1984, she spent four years in medical and academic institutional public relations in Charlotte, N.C., and Rock Hill, S.C. She earned a master's degree in journalism and mass communications at Iowa State University.

Roger W. Johnson '68, is personnel consultant to human resources for Alexian Brothers Health System, Inc., Elk Grove Village, Ill. He is responsible for the areas of wage and salary administration, recruitment, employee relations and education for the system's national office. Johnson is also vice president of human resources for Alexian Brothers Medical Center. He lives in Batavia, Ill.
James L. Clairmont, '71, has been promoted to division vice president in the U.S. Consumer Products Division of International Multifoods, Minneapolis. He has overall responsibilities in three profit centers: Feinberg Distributing (meat, cheese, seafood), Reuben Meats (beef and sausage), and Morey's Fish House (seafood). Clairmont had most recently been general manager for Feinberg/Reuben. International Multifoods is a food and agricultural products manufacturing, distribution and sales company with major operations in the U.S., Canada, Venezuela and Mexico. The firm's sales last year exceeded $1 billion.

Robert E. Neudecker '69, St. Charles, Mo., is manager of industrial engineering at Engineered Air Systems, Inc.

Michael P. O'Bryen '69, Dana Point, Calif., has been promoted to regional manager of Case-Rixon Communication Corporation, Westminster, Calif.

1970

Ellery D. English, a captain in the Air Force, is a mission training chief with the 961st Airborne Warning and Control Squadron, Okinawa, Japan.

Judith A. Novick, Concord, Calif., has received an MS degree in international business from St. Mary's College in Moraga, Calif. She is line manager-Far East for Star Shipping (U.S.W.C.), Inc. in San Francisco.

1971

William J. Doyle, Lockport, Ill., is supervisor of classification for the State of Illinois Department of Corrections.

Jane L. Hodgkinson, MS '74, is executive director of the Western DuPage Special Recreation Association in Glen Ellyn, Ill. Hodgkinson is past chairman of the board of the Illinois Special Olympics and current secretary of the DuPage County SIU Alumni Association chapter.

Arthur M. Horne PhD received a one-year appointment as a visiting professor of education through the Boston University Overseas Program. During the 1984-85 academic year, he taught in Augsburg and Bitburg, West Germany. He is a professor and director of training in counseling psychology at Indiana State University.

1972

David A. Baer is director of security at Bradley University, Peoria, Ill. He and his wife, Cheryl Walker Baer '72, live in Peoria.

Tom Govedarica has been named North Central sales manager for The Sporting Goods Dealer magazine published in St. Louis. He is responsible for advertising sales in a nine-state area.

Larry F. Matthews has been appointed a member of the Council on Entrance Services of the College Board in New York, N.Y. He is director of admissions of the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

Marianne Vida Mickelson, MS '73, has received a Doctor of Education degree in educational administration from Drake University. She is employed by the Iowa Department of Transportation in Des Moines.

Deborah Delay Miller is the assistant store manager-retail at Casual Corner, Memphis. Linda D. Nicholson, Waterville, Minn., is the advertising director of Arabian Horse Times.

D. Robert Okony is instructor of accounting at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

Linda Orbach, Newburgh, N.Y., is director of athletics and physical education at Liberty Central School, Liberty, N.Y.

Pamela Bland Kennedy is director of the Department of Therapeutic/Educational Services at Ada S. McKinley Community Services in Chicago.

Joseph L. Marlo Jr. and his wife, June Westerfield Marlo '73, both CPAs, own Marlo and Associates, an accounting firm in Marion, Ill.

Fred Pfeifer operates Creative Edge, a public relations consulting firm located in Wheeling, Ill.

1973

Paul B. Costello has been appointed director of public affairs for Marshall Field's in Chicago. During the Carter administration, Costello was assistant press secretary to Rosalynn Carter. He also has worked for Morris K. Udall, Walter F. Mondale and Richard F. Celeste, former governor of Ohio.

Margaret L. Dwight MA is professor of history at Alcorn State University, Lorman, Miss. She has been named to Who's Who Among American Women. In 1984 was selected as a Fulbright-Hays Fellow. She lives in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Arne Liss practices clinical psychology in San Diego and is a consultant and researcher. His specialties are psychotherapy, hypnosis and medical psychology. He recently joined Norman Cousins in addressing a national conference on cancer and immunology.

Keith A. Mahaffey is the owner of The Pool Works, a custom swimming pool contracting firm in Lake Wales, Fla.

Daniel L. Maresh, East Dubuque, Ill., is an industrial engineer for John Deere.

Shigeyuki Mayama is an assistant professor at Kagawa University, Mure-cho, Kagawa, Japan.

James D. McMillin PhD, Bakersfield, Calif., is an associate professor at California State College.

Stephen L. Miller is plant manager at Chemicals-Fertilizers Services, Inc./Custom Farm Services, in Hutsonville, Ill. He and his wife, Linda Keene Miller ex '74, live in rural Robinson, Ill.
1974

Michael B. Abrams is a public affairs specialist in Aniston, Ala.

Miriam E. Anstey PhD, Brookline, Mass., is vice president of Administration and Student Services at Emerson College in Boston.

Randy P. Hart, Centralia, Ill., is an electronics specialist for Sohio Pipe Line Co.

Jasper Hsu MA is a speech therapist and '73, "Ryan's Hope." on ABC's daytime drama, for Sohio Pipe Line Co. 1975.

Miriam E. Anstey PhD, Brookline, Mass., is vice president of Administration and Student Services at Emerson College in Boston.

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Vincent MacCaghand teaches chemistry and biology at Bogan High School in Chicago. He and his wife, Patricia Jasek MacCaghand '73, live in Chicago, Ill.

Gail R. Sheffield is a senior rehabilitation teacher at The Sight Center in Toledo, Ohio.

Tom Shepard, MM '75, has landed a role as a photographer on ABC's daytime drama, "Ryan's Hope."

Robert E. Shepherd PhD was named acting president of Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn., on Jan. 26, 1985. He had served as vice president for administrative services since October 1983.

1975

Donald M. Barry PhD has joined Dr. H. Tschubin Associates, Inc., an international marketing/management consulting firm in River Vale, N.J. His wife, Carol Barry '71, MS '73, is a speech therapist and partner of Audiology, Speech and Hearing Aid Associates of New Jersey. They live in North Brunswick, N.J.

Paul Burns PhD is chairperson of the Department of Aerospace Technology, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Ind.

Jeff Butler is the chief information specialist for the Colorado Division of Wildlife. He lives in Castle Rock, Colo., with his wife, Lora, and his dog, Fred.

Timothy I. Miller MA, PhD '78, has been awarded tenure as associate professor in the economics department of Denison University, Granville, Ohio. He joined the university in 1978 as an assistant professor of economics.

Rex A. Schildhouse has been appointed lieutenant commander in the United States Navy. He currently is assigned to the U.S.S. Midway stationed in Yokosuka, Japan.

Gary Thomas Platek, '76, is the buyer for the electronics division in the purchasing department of Walgreen Co., Deerfield, Ill. He joined the company in 1977 and has held positions of merchandiser, co-op advertising supervisor, merchandise coordinator and assistant buyer in purchasing.

1976

Thomas Laughlin Jr. has been named manager of the accounting firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells in Springfield, Ill.

David P. Pirsein has been promoted to assistant vice president of the Bank of Sesser, Sesser, Ill.

Jacqueline R. Voss MA, PhD '78, is the training director of the Counseling Center at the University of California-Irvine.

1977

David A. Gochenaur, MBA '78, Downers Grove, Ill., is senior EDP auditor at Service Master Industries, Inc.

Kathleen Ann Vosholler, '77, has been promoted to audit manager in the St. Louis office of Ernst & Whinney. The firm serves many of the area's leading corporations, organizations and institutions with auditing, tax and management consulting services. She lives in Maryland Heights, Mo.

Gary Norris Gray is chairperson of International Sports Access Coalition in Berkeley, Calif. The organization seeks to improve access for the disabled at ballparks and sports arenas.

Rodney Higginbotham, Hammond, Ind., is an assistant professor of theater at Indiana University Northwest.

Gerald J. Holland, a chief master sergeant, is an executive assistant to the commander with the 443rd Air Base Group at Altus Air Force Base, Okla.

David E. Kennedy, Springfield, Ill., is a budget and research analyst for the House Democratic staff of the Illinois General Assembly.

Robert L. Linden, a senior master sergeant with the Air Force, is the site superintendent with the 2006th Information Systems Group in Ankara, Turkey.

Kurt Mische is the local sales manager for WMEE-FM and WQHK-AM in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Michael J. Pichler, Littleton, Colo., is staff electrical engineer in the Corporate Engineering Department, Marble Corporation, Denver.

Ronald A. Warholak, Superior, Wis., is a podiatrist.

James A. Zimmerman MFA is an assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Leslie Zun is a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Northwestern Memorial Hospital/Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago.

1978

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Raymond A. Carter, a master sergeant in the United States Marine Corps, serves with the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Helicopter Air Station New River, Jacksonville, N.C.

Christopher R. Farrell is chief accountant at Nalco Chemical Co., Oak Brook, Ill. He is married to Norma Hengrafath '73. The couple lives in Elmhurst, Ill.

Bruce A. Rodman, Springfield, Ill., is assistant to the director of public affairs for the Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety.

Ronald Schedfure, Willowbrook, Ill., has purchased a dental office in Brookfield, Ill.

Paul E. Tegtmman Jr., Malvern, Pa., is a regional industry specialist for Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Benny Thurston, Sikeston, Mo., is a public safety officer with the Department of Public Safety.

1980

John B. Ament, a captain in the United States Air Force, is a communications and electronics systems officer with the 1860th Aerospace Information Systems Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Patricia A. Burger MA is a senior medical student at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine at Minot.

Agnes P. Carnaghi, R.N., a specialty nurse for general surgery at St. Louis University Hospitals, was given a Hospital Humanitarian Award in 1984 for her work with the indigent in South America. She is an active volunteer with Esperance, Inc., an organization that sponsors a clinic in Brazil.

Robert M. Douglas, a captain in the U.S. Air Force, has received a master's degree in logistics management from the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Denis S. Elliott, a lance corporal in the Marine Corps, is stationed at the Marine Corps headquarters in Arlington, Va.

Shawn E. Ferguson, Randolph, Mass., is a graduate student at Boston University. She is studying human resource education (training and development in the private sector).

Karen S. Kuch, a captain in the U.S. Air Force, is an executive officer with the 86th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Ramstein Air Base, West Germany.

Jay C. Lassiter has been promoted to district sales manager in Oscar Mayer & Co.'s sales center in Indianapolis.

Matthew Mays JD, formerly an employee of Knuppel, Grosboll, Becker and Tice in Petersburg, Ill., has opened an office in Virginia for the private practice of law.

David L. Mees is a computer programmer/analyst in the Peripheral Services Unit, Fire Division Headquarters, State Farm Insurance Companies. He and his wife, Christiana Snyder Mees '79, live in Normal, Ill.

Harvey N. Michaels, MBA '81, has recently been promoted to management consulting senior consultant at Touche Ross & Co. in Dallas.

Thomas R. Murphy, Oak Park, Ill., is midwest sales manager for Buchtal USA.

James R. Pavlison, a captain in the U.S. Air Force, is a student pilot at Williams Air Force Base, Ariz.

Sandra Britt Schmidt is the supervisor of payroll at Deere and Company, Moline, Ill. Her husband, Martin C. Schmidt '79, is attending the University of Iowa and working toward a master's degree in social welfare. The Schmidts live in SIlvis, Ill.

Nick C. Sortal is an account executive with Fleishman-Hillard, Inc., St. Louis.

Holly J. Stevens is a teacher of English and journalism at Washington Catholic High School, Washington, Ind.

1981

Christian Allieff is featured in several scenes as an extra in the movie American Flyer. The movie was shot on location in Boulder, Colo.

Leonard J. Burke, a master sergeant in the U.S. Air Force, is a production control technician at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C.

Timothy C. Fischer is senior graphic designer at Southwestern Life Insurance Co., Dallas.

Laurie A. Hiller is involved in sales for CBS National Radio, San Francisco.

Robert L. Kroft, a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, is a deputy missile combat crew commander with the 10th Strategic Missile Squadron at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana.

Howard C. Parshall, Monmouth, Ore., is an assistant professor of accounting at Western Oregon State College.

1982

Hyon-Dew Kang PhD has been elected president of the Korean Society for Journalism and Communication Studies. He is a professor of journalism at Sogang University in Seoul, Korea.

1983

H. Darrell Callcutt is a nuclear analyst for Sonalysts, Inc., Waterford, Conn.

Jeffrey W. Smith, LeRoy, Ill., is purchasing and shipping manager for Tabor Grain Co. in Farmer City, Ill.

Hiro Tanaka MS works in the research department of Dentsu Advertising, the world's largest advertising agency, located in Tokyo, Japan.
Faculty Deaths

Alfred B. Caster, the first chairman of SIU’s Plant Industries Department (now the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences), died April 3, 1985, in Sun City, Ariz., at the age of 78. Caster came to SIU in 1957 and retired in 1971. Survivors include his wife, Helen, and two sons: John Caster, an assistant professor in the SIU School of Medicine, and Dr. David Caster.

Hilda A. Stein, '22, died in Carbondale several days after celebrating her 90th birthday on Feb. 4, 1985. She joined the SIU faculty in 1925 and retired in 1963 as associate professor of zoology. In 1968 she received the SIU Alumni Achievement Award and in 1974 she was honored with the University's Distinguished Service Award. She was credited for Southern Illinois discoveries of several species of lizards, salamanders, snakes and birds. From 1923 to her death, she was actively involved in SIU’s first sorority, Delta Sigma Epsilon, now Alpha Gamma Delta.

Alumni Deaths


Dorothy Hanks Morin, '26-2, of Bloomington, Ill., April 1, 1985. Her husband, Joseph Morin, survives.

O. Wendell Margrave, '27-2, '29, Fairfax, Va., Jan. 13, 1985. Margrave was a key figure on the SIU campus as the band conductor during football games in the 1940s. He later earned a Ph.D. in musicology from Cornell University. He retired in 1974 as a senior education adviser with the Navy Department.


Ruth Arford Bolling, ex '38, South Bend, Ind., March 11, 1985. Her husband, Glendon, survives.

Lowell F. Belcher, '39, Monticello, Ill., April 8, 1984. He was a retired elementary school principal and a retired colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He served for many years on the SIU Alumni Association's Legislative Council. His wife, Lucille, survives.


Lorena Jean, ex '53, Anna, Ill., Jan. 11, 1985. She joined SIU in 1945 as its first director of information service, following 17 years of publicity work for the University of Texas. She retired from SIU in 1975.


Martha Ann Strawn Grotzinger, '62, M.A. '63, Feb. 18, 1985. She was a retired professor in the biology department of Black Hawk College, Moline, Ill.


Marjorie E. Cook, M.A. '65, Ph.D. '72, Oxford, Ohio, Jan. 26, 1985. She was the associate dean of the College of Arts and Science at Miami University.


Philip J. Kale, '71, Wheaton, Ill., Aug. 10, 1984. He was an assistant principal at Wheaton Central High School. He is survived by his wife, Janice.


William Lane, '81, Sept. 3, 1984, of injuries received in an automobile accident. He had completed work on a law degree at the University of Dayton.

Alumni Authors

Joseph W. Galbreath, '29, of Centralia, Ill., is the author of Drugs, Beats, Echoes of My Life.

Elmer A. Hicks, '29, is the author of Elmer Hicks from Polley's Mill, Ill., to Phoenix. He lives in St. Petersburg, Fla.


Paul R. Narveson, '62, is the author of Theory of Melody published in 1984 by University Press of America, Lanham, Md. The 380-page book is described as a "significant contribution to the musical studies field" and "the first of its kind to deal strictly with the theory of melody."

Margaret J. Barr, M.A. '64, and Lou A. Keating have written Developing Effective Student Services Programs published by Jossey-Bass Publishers, San Francisco, as part of its Jossey-Bass Higher Education Series. Barr is vice president for student affairs at Northern Illinois University. DeKalb, Ill., and has 21 years of administrative experience in student services.

Richard L. Lanigan, Ph.D. '69, has written Semiotic Phenomenology of Rhetoric, Eideic Practice in Henry Grattan’s Discourse on Tolerance, published in January 1985 by University Press of America/Center for Advanced Research in Phenomenology, Lanham, Md. The 248-page book is "the first systematic look at Henry Grat­tan, 18-19th century Irish statesman," according to the publisher. Lanigan is a professor of speech communication at SIU.

Marilyn H. Beek, '72, is the author of a novel, Coach Phyllis, written under the pen name Lynn Beckwith. She lives in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Margaret Dwight, M.A. '73, is the co-author (with the late George A. Sewell) of Miss­issippi Black History Makers, published in 1984 in an updated edition by the University Press of Mississippi. A total of 166 biographies are included in the book. Dwight is professor of history at Alcorn State Uni­versity in Lorman, Miss.
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Our own oddities: tenting tonight

Speaking of the barracks (which we frequently do in this issue) reminded us of other peculiar housing conditions during SIU's growing years.

In the fall of 1956, the University enrolled 6,255 students, double the number that had attended only four years before. And SIU had to think fast—and creatively—when a new men's residence hall, designed to relieve the housing strain, was still under construction at the beginning of the term.

What makes an instant shelter? A tent. And where are tents most at home? In a camp. So SIU erected tents

Neill Thompson, newly arrived at SIU from Eldorado, Ill., finds himself in a stunning situation. The bathroom, Neill, is just behind the fourth oak.

at its Touch of Nature camp on Little Grassy Lake, 10 miles from campus. Some 250 students lived there for more than a month and made the daily trek through the woods to town. A reliable source has told us that an early fall cold snap that year caused tents and tentees to tremble.

Unlike the barracks, though, which are now an institution, the tents were indeed temporary.

Jellying and jiving in the mid-1930s

We've received another letter from Derald Fulton '37 of Tucson, Ariz., who was pictured in the Spring 1985 issue alongside SIU friends Max Parsons and James Lucas.

Fulton elaborates on the SIU of the mid-1930s, "a nice place to change from a teenager to an adult," he writes. At the main gate of the SIU campus was Carter's Café, "where you could buy a five-cent Coke and 'shoot the bull.'" If the bull you were shooting was in the presence of a female, it was called "jellying."

You took your date to Ensminger's on the west side of campus. "Someone else always had a nickel for the juke box," Fulton says. "We danced the 'jive' to Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey and all the big bands. Parsons was our great dancer. He also had his nose broken twice by jealous boy friends."

Nourishment in the Depression years wasn't particularly inspiring. "Lucas and I roomed together with a nice old couple named Simpson," Fulton remembers. "We each paid $1 a day for room and board. We ate a lot of Franco American Spaghetti. I think a giant can cost 19 cents. Once in a while we would 'drink' our dinner, as beer cost only 10 cents a bottle."

Fulton got by—as do many SIU students today—with a student assistance job, paying $27 a month. "That and $20 a month, borrowed from my brother, was it."

Don Braakman named asst. editor

SIU's periodicals program received a new asset in early April with the naming of Don Braakman '76 as assistant editor of the Alumnus and SIU Courier. Don's previous experience includes a stint as a reporter and sports editor for the Des Plaines (Ill.) Journal and several years as a writer for University News Service.

Since Don's undergraduate major was radio-t.v., his first assignment as assistant editor was a natural: to write a feature on SIU's Radio-Television Department, one of the best in the country and the starting point for numerous professionals in the field. Don's article begins on page 10.

"Saturday Night Live" fans, take note: during his senior year, Don shared an apartment for a few days with Jim Belushi ex '78 and later lived only a block away from him. "He was always on," Don remembers, "always doing a routine. He was hilarious."

Barracks memories prove durable

Ten little doorknobs . . . now there are none.

In the Spring 1985 issue, we announced that barracks doorknobs would be given to the first persons who wrote to us about living, studying or working in the barracks during the past 40 years.

Ten authentic barracks doorknobs were available, each mounted to a walnut plaque. Enough alumni quickly responded by letter or phone to deplete our supply to zero. And we were able to put together an article, beginning on page 10, that resulted from your reminiscences.

A.B. Mifflin '51, MSEd '59, director of University Publications and Graphics, designed and created the handsome plaques for us. As A.B. worked on each plaque, he had his own barracks experiences to remember. He and his wife, Aline, had lived in Chautauqua Housing, too.
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Venerable Shryock Auditorium, the premier performing arts center of Southern Illinois, has long been considered one of the more handsome structures on the SIU campus. It reflects a combination of architectural styles—some Romanesque, a dash of Byzantine and flashes of the rococo. The 67-year-old building, which sits in the center of the historic old campus section of the University, was named for former SIU President Henry William Shryock. It was opened in 1918 with a speech by former U.S. President William Howard Taft, whose oration is memorialized in a bronze plaque. Since then, Shryock Auditorium has become the scene of some of the finest Broadway musicals and plays, concerts, dance companies and grand opera. Shown in the foreground is the time-honored "Paul and Virginia" sculpture, which has graced the Old Main quadrangle for nearly a century.