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Stability, Intelligence and Class

When President Albert Somit steps down on Jan. 10 to return to teaching, he leaves behind a more stable University.

by Laraine Wright

In his annual "State of the University" speech in October, President Albert Somit spoke of University traditions—the beautiful campus, the lack of parking space.

"Gus Bode" is another tradition, Somit said. "Gus," the cartoon character who for decades has been the editorial gadfly in the Daily Egyptian, has never managed to graduate. "Yet he is probably the brightest member of the Daily Egyptian staff," Somit said. Then he grinned at the audience. "I'll pay for that remark."
Somit’s sense of humor—described at various times as “ironic,” “caustic” or “self-deprecating”—is one of the traits most often mentioned when colleagues talk of his personality. He has been known to skewer academic politics on a sharp sword of wit and to poke fun at pomposity. By his desk are framed reminders of how others perceive the Office of the President, and those perceptions are not always flattering. Whether he has agreed with them or not will remain his secret.

Now 67 years of age, Somit has announced that he will be stepping down as University President on January 10 to return to teaching as a Distinguished Service Professor in SIUC’s Department of Political Science. Somit is known internationally as a founding father of the field of biopolitics, which deals with biological aspects of political behavior.

Somit became SIUC’s thirteenth President on Aug. 15, 1980. He replaced Hiram H. Lesar, who had been on the job as acting president for slightly over a year following the resignation of Warren W. Brandt.

While accepting Somit’s decision, Lawrence K. Pettit, Chancellor of SIU, said he regretted it. “In the more than six years of his dedicated leadership, Dr. Somit has worked hard to bring about much needed curricular reform in general education, strengthen the University’s academic offerings, and to support research and service activities of our faculty and staff. I only hope we can replace him as President with someone of comparable stature and ability.”

Problem Solving

Shortly after joining the University, Somit identified three imminent problems: an expected drop in enrollment due to a nationwide decline in the number of high school graduates; a widening gap between established curriculum and student needs; and predictions of a reduction in state funding. “While there was a campus consensus regarding the first,” Somit later wrote, “there was a considerable reluctance to acknowledge the second, and wide-spread skepticism about the likelihood of the third.”

In the years Somit has served as President, higher education as a whole has wrestled with problems of identity, direction and financing. Although the problems continue to have an impact on the University, he has made strides in reacting to and solving them.

By expanding its recruitment activities, the University has posted higher percentages of women, transfer and black students, as well as higher enrollment overall. Under his tenure, the curriculum has been refined, but not at the cost of damaging a precious asset: the University’s diverse menu of majors and degrees. Budgetary concerns have been partially offset by more active fund raising and a greater emphasis on outside funding for research.

In describing the University’s mission, Somit has been succinct: “education, research, and service.” SIUC now offers many more scholarships, fellowships and other awards to attract more—and more serious—students. Recognition is now paid to faculty through the annual Distinguished Professor and Outstanding Scholar awards. Research activities have expanded, most dramatically in the areas of medicine and coal. And service to the community, a commitment that was rel-
Atively dormant before 1980, is on a
front burner again. The University is tak-
ing a more active role in the economic
and social well-being of Southern Illinois
through such units as Regional Research
and Service, the specific colleges and
schools, and the Emeritus College.

Overall, the University now moves in
a clearer direction. "He has brought to
this campus badly needed stability," said
Anne Carman, president of the SIU
Foundation. The University now enjoys
a high level of "academic endeavor and
respectability through the strong abilities
of its faculty and students." Such qual-
ties "have made fund-raising possible," she said.

One of Somit's greatest accomplish-
ments as President, many believe, was
his aim of increasing the recognition of
the University as a major institution with
international ties. Since the 1940s, the
University has steadily broadened its
purpose, moving from a teachers'
college serving Southern Illinois to a
full-service university with worldwide
recognition. Without abandoning its
service to the state, the University is
now firmly in place in the national and
international scenes.

Turning to Europe, Africa and Asia as
sources of faculty and student ex-
changes, Somit signed numerous agree-
ments with international universities and
brought to campus visiting professors
with diverse backgrounds. The Univer-
sity is within the top fifteen in the nation
for international enrollment. The num-
ber of its alumni living in other countries
is continually growing.

Lawrence Dennis, former president of
the Faculty Senate and a professor of
Educational Administration and Higher
Education, said Somit is a man of "con-
siderable intellect." Among Somit's
accomplishments, Dennis said, were the
realization of the importance of "im-
proving the upfront image of the
University," boosting attention to ad-
missions, and strengthening the Univer-
sity Honors program. Somit "brought a
period of stability to the campus that
was very much needed," Dennis said.
"He has quite a bit of class, and he is to
be commended for that."

Career Administrator

A Chicago-born political scientist,
Somit has 41 years of experience in uni-
versity teaching and administration, pri-
marily at New York University and
SUNY-Buffalo.

After growing up in Council Bluffs,
Iowa, he returned to his native city to
study at the University of Chicago. He
earned an A.B. in political science and
history in 1941 and a Ph.D. in political
science in 1947.

Somit began his teaching career in
1945 at New York University's Washing-
ton Square College Department of Politi-
cal Science and Graduate School of
Public Administration. He was an Army
intelligence officer during the Korean
War and Nimitz Professor of political
philosophy at the Naval War College in
1961–62. He joined SUNY-Buffalo in
1966 as chairman and professor in the department of political science. He was executive vice-president of that institution when he left to join SIUC.

Charlena B. Bitting, now assistant director for the Dislocated Farmer and Dislocated Worker programs at John A. Logan College, served for a year as chair of SIUC's Administrative/Professional Staff Council. She said that Somit "was always willing to listen and discuss the issues and concerns" of the Council. "Dr. Somit has been a great asset to SIU. I'm glad he is staying on as a Distinguished Service Professor to further the University's goals and mission of research, teaching and service."

Biopolitical Scholarship
Active in the relatively obscure, but growing, academic field of biopolitics, Somit is recognized as one of the first persons to work in and help define its discipline. Biopolitics has several emphases. It is concerned with how biology and other life sciences affect political decision-making. By observing animal behavior, it attempts to explain the political actions of individuals and groups. Biopolitics also studies human evolution and physiology, looking for ways in which genetic characteristics and nutrition levels may affect political behavior.

Steven A. Peterson, now professor of political science at Alfred University, was one of Somit's students at SUNY-Buffalo. "I find it quite stimulating to work with him," Peterson said recently from his office in Alfred, N.Y. "He comes up with interesting ideas and has a keen sense of the proper organization of articles. He has made me a better political scientist and a better student of biopolitics."

**Without abandoning its service to the state, the University is now firmly in place on the national and international scenes.**

Somit and Peterson have been working together on a special issue of *International Political Science Review* dealing with models of evolutionary change and how they have an impact on political behavior and change. Somit is chairman of the executive committee of the Association for Politics and the Life Sciences and has been active with the organization since it began.

Barbara L. Brown, now a lecturer in Political Science, worked for Somit as a graduate assistant while she completed her Ph.D. studies here. "He is very professional," she said. "He has not abandoned his scholarship. I have always admired his continuing interest in the field of political science." Despite his many duties as an administrator, "he has continued to keep abreast of the field."

"Despite my regret at losing Dr. Somit as president," said Chancellor Pettit, "I am heartened by his desire to continue his distinguished academic career at this University. His return to teaching and research will greatly benefit our political science program."

**Special Interests**

Somit's favorite University symbol is the Paul and Virginia statue—no doubt, say some people, because of his special fondness for children. Each Halloween, costumed children from local nursery schools troop into Somit's office. "He's a sucker for children," said a colleague. "Everything grinds to a halt" when Somit hears a little child in the reception area.

Another colleague remembered the time she brought her two little boys to the office. Taking her 18-month-old son by the hand, Somit led the boy to his desk, opened a drawer and broke off a piece of expensive Swiss chocolate. "The President doesn't offer that chocolate to just anybody," a secretary commented.

Somit, an accomplished oboist, has taken a special interest in the School of Music's New American Woodwind Quintet, which has played at Carnegie Hall and has toured the United States and Europe in the past two years.

He and his wife, Leyla, also have shown appreciation for the fine arts. Under Somit's tenure, the official residence of the SIUC president—Stone House—has become a public showplace for both permanent and revolving collections of paintings, prints, sculptures and crafts.

Somit will begin a year's leave to concentrate on academic research before returning to campus to teach.
A Commitment to the Soil... and the Soul

by Laraine Wright
Early in the morning on a warm September day, a light fog swirls on Campus Lake, and the trees stand tall for inspection.

Sweet gum, dogwood, white pine, and poplar—these are easy to identify. Elsewhere on campus are Northern catalpa, butternut, wild black cherry, magnolia, bald cypress, ginkgo... and more.

The vocabulary of people from big cities leans toward the social, rather than physical, sciences. Tree names are blurred and generic. Spruce, yew and juniper are all "pines." Flowering trees are "dogwoods." Big trees are "elms"—"Dutch elms" if they are dying.

But on the University campus, each tree has its right name, and a character, a history. Here a tree can prosper. No one will harvest it to frame a doorway or destroy it for blocking the view.

So numerous are the trees that it's difficult, these days, to take a clear photograph of any building. The leaves get in the way.

The University arose from farmland. The first Old Main, set north to south on a slight hill, was in the middle of twenty bare acres. Only a few saplings are visible in a campus photo taken around 1890.

Yet at the same time, not far away, George French dug a little hole in his front yard on Normal Avenue and planted a trident maple. Over the years, as the University prospered, it bought more and more private land. With that land were trees. Some were sacrificed in the construction of new buildings. Others were saved.

The French house had been leveled by 1950. Occupying its space is Woody Hall. As new students hurry to register for classes, they pass by the trident maple. Very soon now, it will quietly celebrate its 100th year.

The campus is an arboretum that, left alone, keeps renewing itself... and students.
We can't be too hasty. Sick trees may recover. "Dead" ones may just be resting.

To create a shaded campus takes money and time. To create something more—a living laboratory—takes a special vision.

Our campus, in spots fully natural and free, carries a message about our purpose and the respect we have for students.

We are not formal here. We do not confine you. To shelter, to nurture, to teach, to invigorate. These are the messages of the trees.

University scientists, too, are moved to romanticism. Southern Illinois in the winter-to-spring transition, as seen by John Voight and Robert Mohlenbrock:

"Beech trees reach with light gray filigreed branches into the darker fish-scale and mother-of-pearl sky. Intermittent slants of sunlight streak through between cloud layers and in the brief sunlit interval nature comes to life again. The sight of wild bees winging to a hole in a beech tree is our reward for patience and observation.

"...we are not in a hurry. Who knows how great the store of liquid sunshine lying in the hollow of that great gray bole? Who knows it is there aside the bee and me?" (Plant Communities of Southern Illinois)

In the late 1930s, the University made a commitment to the soil . . . and the soul. William Marberry '34, a botany professor, was asked to direct a beautification program that ultimately transcended mere aesthetics. Rarity and variety became the program's chief aims.
In the next thirty years, Marberry and others planted over 200,000 trees on our campuses. Some trees were imported from Europe and Asia; some were secured through contributions and exchange.

The University was patient. The October wind now carries the leaves of hedge maples to the roof of Wheeler Hall. The trees were planted as sprouts in 1939.

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Some say we are overly cautious; we must prune, reshape, remove. But we can't be too hasty. Sick trees may recover. "Dead" ones may just be resting.
When live specimens of the “extinct” dawn redwood were discovered in 1946, “it was like finding a herd of live dinosaurs,” Marberry said. He got one of the forty seedlings that were imported from China, and he planted it, no taller than his knees, near Grand Avenue.

Today, at the base of the tree near Quigley, is a step from Old Main. On the step is a plaque commemorating the life of William Marberry. The plaque was placed there by Marberry’s sisters two years after his death in 1984.

Rather than planting a new tree in his memory, a tree which may not have lived, the sisters chose as a fitting memorial a tree he had planted himself.

Still growing, the dawn redwood now stands over sixty feet high. Its trunk is so large that two people are needed to give it a proper hug.

The corner of T.W. Thompson’s farm, just west of campus, “... was covered by a twenty-acre piece of woodland, which in those days was known as ‘The Grove.’” So wrote his daughter, Mabel Thompson Rauch ’07-2, about her childhood.

“Great black oaks shaded it, there was no underbrush; it was like a beautiful park. The little brooks ran pure and undefiled.” The woods were carpeted with grass. Nearly all the wildflowers native to Southern Illinois bloomed around the trees.

Forty-six years ago, the University purchased the land on which Thompson Woods still stands.

The woods today seems wilder... and tamer. The original black oaks are gone. Birds have brought in seeds of other species that by the mid-1960s had made strong inroads: paw paw, sassafras, black cherry, persimmon, white ash, box elder, dogwood, winged elm and basswood. On the fringes are sycamore, mulberry, osage orange, red cedar and hackberry.

Underbrush and vines are plentiful, but flowers are few. Footbridges, lights and pavement have civilized what used to be a shortcut for duck hunters.

Buildings now guard the woods’ edges—whether to protect the trees or confine them is unclear. But the trees notice neither protection or confinement. Their limbs reach out toward Faner Hall. They surround the forestry lab.

Our campus plant life is stubborn. It defines its own turf. And in return for that freedom, it gives us our best and most lasting tradition.
What’s a Saluki? Who’s holding the umbrella? How many times did Old Main burn down? These are three answers you WON’T need in the world’s first SIU nostalgia quiz.

by Laraine Wright

The Thirties

1. Freshmen were officially initiated into SINU on the first night of Homecoming. You repeated the Ephebic Oath of Loyalty, joined with other frosh in a snake dance, and threw your freshman ribbon into the bonfire. What color was the ribbon?
2. Set in the Black Mesa Bar-B-Q, this Robert Sherwood play was performed by the SINU Little Theatre in July 1938 under the direction of Dorothy B. Mangus. The play’s title?
3. Name the University choral group that became, in the 1930s, one of the leading musical organizations in Southern Illinois.
4. Who was the head of the Art Department from 1917 to 1943?
5. What was lugged out onto the field by the Southern Knights during halftime at Homecoming games?

The Forties

1. By 1940, a former minnow pond near Anthony Hall had been turned into one of the most attractive spots on campus. The pond’s lofty name?
2. William McAndrew was the director of athletics. Which former SINU quarterback was the head coach of football in the early 1940s?
3. Billed as “a milestone in campus theatricals,” this play was performed by students in Shryock Auditorium on Oct. 25, 1940, with Mary Ellen Evans as Judith and Carl McIntyre as Van Van Dorn. The play’s name?
4. Surely you haven’t forgotten the words to Alma Mater: “Hail, Alma Mater, Southern to thee;/Strong through the years you stand triumphantly,” and so on. But quick, now, chant the “Welcome Yell.”
5. Name the year in which all of the following occurred: the editor of The Egyptian was charged with violating publications policies; Southern Illinois Normal University became Southern Illinois University; 212 students were graduated on June 13; and Douglas E. Lawson was named dean of the College of Education.

The Forties. Romance was on their minds according to this scene from a "typical" dorm room in Anthony Hall.
6. "The barracks" were found all over campus beginning in the late 1940s. The first, and most concentrated, group of them was located on Chautauqua Street and served as apartments for married students. What was the formal name of this complex, which opened in 1947?
7. Because of World War II, we didn’t have a football team in 1943. So what took place in McAndrew Stadium on Homecoming, Oct. 23, instead?
8. How many booths were in Carter’s Cafe?
9. We've dug up the names of six professional bands that were invited to campus in the 1940s to play at Homecoming. Name at least one.
10. In 1948, an internationally known geneticist joined the SIU faculty. His name?
1. A spring automobile at the age of four in May 1954, he was buried in McAndrew Stadium. The name of this noble mascot?
2. In the 1950s, two SIU researchers spent much of their spare time trying to find a way to remove a tasteless, cancer-causing little nasty from milk. What were the researchers hoping to zap, and how did it get into milk bottles?
3. It was the largest turnout for a campus election in SIU history. What did students overwhelmingly approve on May 15, 1956?
4. It's now called WSIU-FM. What were its call letters when it went on the air on Sept. 20, 1958?
5. Name the year in which all of the following occurred: enrollment stood at 3,175 students; the football team adopted the nickname “Salukis”; Glen Bean was student chairman; Al Trace and his Shuffle Rhythm Orchestra played at Homecoming; and Tom Milliken (“Big T”) set a new SIU record for most points scored in a basketball season (485).
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The 50's
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3. The colors of its 211 rooms were either "plateau," "smoke rose," or "mist with willow." Four hundred and twenty-two coeds lived there. When Woody Hall opened in 1953, who was its director?
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6. In the early 1960s, freshmen could attend convocation at one of two starting times. Name the times.
7. As a student worker in 1965, you were lucky. You had just gotten a pay raise. What was your new rate of pay beginning July 1?
8. This former English professor of Cal Tech joined SIU as its new dean of Liberal Arts in 1962. His name?
9. Name the beloved landmark—for years a cooperative residence hall for men and in later years the offices and classrooms of Health Education—that was torn down in 1961 to put in a new roadway.
10. Marjorie Lawrence, the former star of the Metropolitan Opera, joined the faculty in the 1960s. What is the title of her autobiography?

The Seventies

1. The SIU School of Medicine opened in the early 1970s with the idea of preparing doctors for which specific type of population, a goal it still maintains?
2. Name the teacher of the physics course “Insights into Modern Communications: From Hi-Fi Sound to Laser Beams” that led to an unusual interdisciplinary minor in audio systems.
3. What 35-year-old service, begun in the Depression to help keep student expenses low and costing $8 per quarter, was phased out starting with the fall 1973 quarter?
4. “Try a Little Kindness” and “Peace” were two of the themes of this early-1970s celebration on the Carbondale campus. Free concerts, a carnival, skydivers, plays, lectures, seminars, films and dances were part of the offerings. The title of this 17-day event?
5. Between Delyte W. Morris, who retired in 1970, and Albert Somit, who joined the University in 1980, the University had four presidents. Name one of them.
6. Name the year in which all of the following occurred: Ivory Crockett and Alan Robinson were “absolutely incredible” standouts on the track team; University enrollment on its campuses stood at over 35,000; the first pedestrian overpass spanning Illinois 51 was opened; and alumni chose Randall Nelson for the Great Teacher Award.
7. With the demolition of 12 barracks west of campus in 1977, many chunks of University history were ground up by the bulldozer. Eight of the barracks had most recently served a well-known academic department on campus: a) What was the department? b) Who was its most famous faculty member? c) Describe the striking appendage to these barracks.
8. Maybe you were there. Which singer was the featured attraction at the 1978 Homecoming concert?
9. And maybe you were here, too: who was the featured singer at the 1979 Homecoming concert?
10. W.W. Trobaugh retired in 1972 at the age of 93 after spending several decades as the owner of a small grocery store on or near campus. Where was the site of his last store?

ANSWERS: page 38.
Enthusiasm shone in the faces of two 17-year-olds as they relaxed in the living room-type atmosphere at the Admissions Reception Center in Woody Hall. They were going about the serious business of making a major decision: where to attend college next fall.

The welcome and red-carpet treatment had already begun as they entered the newly renovated center, an elegantly furnished “focal point” for the University’s recruitment efforts. As they waited for their appointment with a counselor, they looked through a wealth of printed information.

Jeff Debus of Chesterfield, Mo., a senior at Chaminade College Preparatory School, and Linda Stansberry of Manchester, Mo., a senior at St. Joseph Academy, had come to SIUC armed with dozens of questions. When they sat down with counselor Dianna King, they started getting answers—about tuition and fees, financial aid, student work, scholarships, housing, Greek life, recreation, social life, the city of Carbondale, proficiency tests. And by the time the session was over, they were set for a campus tour and more appointments.

Jeff was particularly interested in talking to baseball coach “Itchy” Jones. Linda wanted to check out the Department of Cinema and Photography. Since both now attend relatively small high schools, they initially had been somewhat awed at the University’s size. But, Jeff said, “It looks great. Because it’s so big, I thought it would be neglected in spots. But it’s not.”

The importance of making a terrific first impression to prospective students has been documented by an American College Testing (ACT) survey. Students who entered college in 1985 said that a campus visit was the primary source of information in the college-choice process.

Before the daffodils burst into bloom this spring, the Admissions Reception Center will be playing host each week to some 400 to 500 prospective students, visitors and their families. The center, home of New Student Admission Services, swung into full gear in August 1986, just in time to celebrate a five-year high-water mark in enrollment.

Located in the former Woody Hall cafeteria, the center is decorated in a maroon and tan color scheme and has more of the feel of home or someone’s parlor than an office. “It’s an attractive facility that helps us put our best foot forward,” said Terry D. Mathias, director of New Student Admission Services. “It gives us a focal point.”

But it’s more than just a place to roll out the red carpet for guests. It’s home base for the entire on- and off-campus visitation program. For the staff, that means handling a large volume of telephone calls and up to 800 pieces of mail per day, as well as person-to-person counseling. One group of admissions counselors travels virtually full-time to high school and college fairs in Illinois.
and neighboring states. New Student Admission Services also publishes a number of newsletters—for new students, parents, high schools, community colleges—to help them stay abreast of what's happening at the University.

Before the new center opened its doors, 12 counselors shared seven dorm-room size offices in Woody Hall and a dozen student workers operated out of one small office. Finding a parking space and then locating the correct office in Woody Hall's winding corridors often presented problems for visitors. Counselors never knew where the campus tour bus would be parked for loading up passengers. "We often ended up borrowing other offices and conference rooms. It just wasn't productive," Mathias said. "Now we have a comfortable and confidential place to counsel families."

The renovation also meant that counselors got a large room, suited to slide and film viewing, where groups could gather for presentations about the University.

Designed by Physical Plant engineering services, the center includes a conference room, reception area, individual offices for staff members and an audio-visual room. A snack bar has replaced the cafeteria and is situated so that it may remain open even when the center is closed.

Visitors have an advantage, too, in not having to compete with campus regulars for parking spots. The center has a small lot designated only for visitors.

The 8,500-square-foot remodeling project cost $290,000. But its value, Mathias said, is much more than the dollar figure indicates. "How do you value appearance, parking, an easily locateable office, reduction in stress and increase in productivity? Those are intangibles."

Along with the physical improvements at the center, an upgraded effort is being made to connect with departments and schools on campus, to put the prospective student in touch with persons related to his academic interests.

As for the upswing in fall semester enrollment, Mathias credits a number of factors: a markedly improved direct mail program; increased emphasis on campus visitation; improved publications; and "continual interest of the staff to find better ways to do things."

In future recruitment efforts, Mathias is exploring ways to broaden the base and get more volunteers, including parents, faculty, staff, students and alumni. Such "partnerships" are essential, he said. "There's no reason to believe 12 people can recruit 5,000 new students each year." Immediate efforts are being focused on continuing the increase in freshmen, transfers, re-entry, minority and honors students.

If Mathias realizes his goal, the center will become more than just a student recruiting center. "We want to be the reception area for the entire University," he said.

Bonnie Marx '77 is a contributing writer for University Relations.
Beef, Birds, Dogs Lead Off New Homecoming Slant

Drifting from tent to tent under a warm, sunny sky, alumni feasted on a banquet of food—mostly free—offered by the 10 SIUC colleges and schools on Homecoming, Oct. 18. Friendly one-upmanship already was apparent at the first-ever event, and the tents may become a new Homecoming tradition.

Erected by the SIU Alumni Association along the parade route just east of McAndrew Stadium, the tents were the sites of grills, punch bowls, coffee urns, seats and friendly representatives of the college alumni societies. Appropriately, the School of Agriculture passed out apples, popcorn and cider.

Legislative Council Votes for New Governing System

The Legislative Council, the main governing body of the SIU Alumni Association, met on Oct. 18 and voted to make the meeting its last.

The group approved sweeping changes in the Association bylaws, bringing to the organization a streamlined administration and establishing a corporate board of directors to be elected by active members of the Association.

The new bylaws dissolve the need for the Legislative Council, composed of class representatives from each graduation year since 1909. As more alumni began locating in states other than Illinois, it became more difficult for them to attend the annual Legislative Council meetings on campus.

Basing its new bylaws on those used by peer institutions, the Association now moves to an expanded board of directors. In addition to eight officers, the board will include four ex-officio members (one each representing the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University, the Chancellor of Southern Illinois University, the President of SIUC, and the chairman of the Board of Directors of the SIU Foundation).

The board will also include 22 members at large elected by Association members. Seven openings will occur in 1987. The Summer issue of the Alumnius will include ballots for those vacancies. Nominations for at-large positions are always welcome. Send recommendations to C. Thomas Busch, Executive Director, SIU Alumni Association, Student Center, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Twelve other persons will also sit on the board: one representative from each of the 10 SIUC colleges and schools, and two student directors: the president of the Student Alumni Council and an appointed representative of the Undergraduate Student Organization.

Implementation of the new bylaws has begun, although at press time the new directors from the colleges and schools had yet to be selected.

Black Alumni Reunion Draws 370 Grads to Campus

Organizers of the University's first Black Alumni Reunion have already started thinking about the next get-together. "We're definitely going to hold another one," said coordinator Patricia A. McNeil '75, MS '80, after the Aug. 8-10 weekend event that attracted about 370 black alumni and their families to the campus.

Action over the three days included a picnic, an evening dinner and dance, a golf outing, a bid whist tournament, and a jam session featuring members of the old "Unlimited Jazz Society," a University music group of the 1950s and '60s.

Alumni came from California, Maryland, Massachusetts, Texas, and a host of other states. Their age range spanned about 50 years—graduates of the 1950s through 1985.

W.A. Butts, 1985-86 president of the SIU Alumni Association, was the guest speaker at the dinner-dance. He encouraged alumni to give something back to their alma mater, and they responded with pledges for a $10,000 scholarship fund.

Five Annual Awards Given to Alumni, "Great Teacher"

Four educators and a biochemist were honored by the SIU Alumni Association at its annual Alumni Recognition Luncheon on Oct. 18.

Receiving Alumni Achievement Awards for professional accomplishments were Ray W. Fuller '57, MS '58, a biochemist for Lilly Research Laboratories, Indianapolis; Willie W. Herenton PhD
Members of the Class of 1936 were welcomed into the Alumni Association's Half-Century Club on Oct. 17 in the SIU Student Center.
ASSOCIATION NEWS

The soggy culmination of our 1986 races: the first America's International Cardboard Cup Challenge held in DuQuoin, Ill.

Under the new bylaws, the office of secretary has been dissolved.

The Legislative Council also voted on the election of three persons to serve terms on the Association board of directors: Calvan L. Barnes '82, materials supervisor of McNeil Pharmaceutical Co., North Wales, Pa.; Jerome M. Mileur '55, PhD '71, professor of political science at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst; and George A. Peach III '64, circuit attorney for the City of St. Louis.

A Cardboard First: 90 Boats Compete in Annual Race

From a duck-shaped vessel to a mean submarine, almost 100 boats entered in the first running of America's International Cardboard Cup Challenge marked a watershed in cardboard boat mania. Complete with two 8-foot traveling trophies, the annual challenge is now ready to sail into the history books.

More than 1,000 spectators came to the Du Quoin, Ill., State Fairgrounds on Oct. 4 to watch the event, the culmination of summer regatta match-ups held in Illinois and Missouri. Two separate teams from Australia had competed in earlier races this year.

Beating out an SIUC team of engineering students, who had dominated four other races this year, a group of DuQuoin High School physics students came out the big winner in the Class II paddle-wheel division. Veteran cardboard boat racer Roger Brummett '79 of Centralia, Ill., won the Class I paddle-oar-powered division.

Mighty Tough Cake? Three persons cut the cake honoring the SIU Alumni Association's 90th anniversary on Oct. 18. Left to right: Laurence Pettit, SIU chancellor; W.A. Butts, former Association president; and Albert Somit, president of SIUC.

The events are sponsored by the SIU Alumni Association with the assistance of Richard Archer '70, an SIUC design professor who founded the first regatta in 1974 as a class assignment.

The Atlanta-based Cable News Network (CNN) aired a two-minute segment on the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta four times over the Oct. 3–5 weekend. Educational aspects of cardboard boat building were highlighted by the segment, filmed on the SIUC campus.

More regional races are planned for 1987 following the first event on SIUC's Campus Lake on May 2.

Student Alumni Council Welcomes New Officers

Michael T. Miller is serving as president of the Student Alumni Council for the 1986–87 academic year. Thomas D. Steinmann is vice president and Susan Gerber is secretary/treasurer. All three are seniors.

Miller says the group's main projects for the balance of the year are conducting the second annual Senior Telefund and sponsoring the Extern Program. This fall, the group assisted with the Fall Telefund, Homecoming, and the America's International Cardboard Cup Boat Regatta.

Pulliam Scholarships Awarded to Four SIUC Students

The SIU Alumni Association has presented four students with $500-cash-award scholarships named after Roscoe Pulliam, president of the University from 1935–1944.

The 1986 winners are: James Nelson, a freshman in pre-medicine from Bellwood, Ill.; Robert Turner, a freshman in forestry, from Herrin, Ill.; Brad Wolff, a sophomore in agricultural education and mechanization, from Salem, Ill.; and Jay Dawdy, a junior in electronics management, from Springfield, Ill.
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May Dorsey ’09-2, a resident of Carbondale, celebrated her 100th birthday in 1986. She still gives piano lessons and attends church regularly. Now a retired teacher, she missed work only one day in her long professional career, and even that absence “never should have happened,” she says firmly.

Edward W. Reed ’36 has retired as senior vice-president and economist of the U.S. National Bank in Portland, Ore. He and his wife, Ann Isherwood Reed ’35, live in Mesa, Ariz., and enjoy domestic and foreign travel.

Myrtle Talbert Templeton ’36, MSEd ’56, was a teacher for 39 years, was married to a man who taught for 58 years, and is the mother of three daughters, all of whom are teachers. She lives in Pinckneyville, Ill.

1940s

C. Roy Rylander ’42, head athletic trainer at the University of Delaware in Newark, was inducted into the National Athletic Trainers Association’s Hall of Fame in June 1986. He joined the university’s faculty in 1946 and has served for 34 seasons as the men’s tennis coach.

Bernhard W. Stern ’42 and his wife spent September 1986 touring China. He would like to hear from other alumni who have been there. His address is 15111 Basset St., North Hollywood, CA 91605.

Nedra Reames Brazn ’48, MA ’57, of Edwardsville, Ill., has retired from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

LeRoy V. Stoldt ’49 has retired as professor of mathematics at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Ill. He joined the college in the 1960s as a founding professor. A resident of Hinsdale, Ill., he plans to play golf and visit his children in Florida and California.

1950s

Philip Coleman ’52 is a professor of English at California University of Pennsylvania. He lives in Brownsville, Pa.

C. Primo Angeli ’57, MS ’59, a designer in San Francisco, is featured in The Business of Graphic Design by Ed Gold.

Pauline Dexheimer Perna ’57 is a social worker for the Illinois Department of Public Aid and lives in Elmhurst Park, Ill.

Lester Schneider ’57 has retired from Monsanto Co. and spends his time gardening, fishing, camping and golfing. His wife, Carol Dohanich Schneider ’62, is a elementary school teacher. They live in Columbia, Ill.

Donald P. Zima ’57, cofounder and former managing partner of May Zima & Company, has become a partner in Metcalf, Zima & Company (formerly Metcalf, Frix & Company), a major CPA firm in Atlanta.

Alan R. Krebs ’58, MSEd ’60, is a community assistance consultant for the State of Florida’s Division of Emergency Management. He lives in Quincy, Fla.

Susie Lee Sneed Cross ’59, MS ’65, is retired and lives in Belle Rive, Ill.

1960s

William A. Fingal MS ’60, PhD ’74, is a professor of biology at Wiley College in Marshall, Tex.

Keith R. Sanders ’61, MS ’62, dean of SIUC’s College of Communications and Fine Arts, is a member of the 1986 Established Arts Institutions Advisory Panel for the Illinois Arts Council. He is one of 10 persons who review grant applications from major cultural and arts institutions in Illinois.

Dennis J. Kowal ’61, MFA ’62, a professional sculptor, has been selected by the Boston Vietnam Veterans Association to create a memorial to the 1,321 Massachusetts men and women who died in service during the Vietnam War. In his 25 years as a sculptor, Kowal has built an international reputation. He lives in Cohasset, Mass.

Kenneth Horrall ’63 is an assistant professor of physics and earth sciences at Adrian College, Adrian, Mich. He has worked for the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office, and Phillips Petroleum.

Gerald LaMarsh ’63 is professor of visual communications on the Monroe campus of the State University of New York in Rochester.

Mel Aukamp ’65, of Morris-town, Tenn., is controller of the Lowland Division of BASF Fibers.

Leonard Earl Johnson x’65 is a professional photographer living in New Orleans. He was a finalist in the 1986 Best of Photography Annual competition sponsored by Photographer’s Forum Magazine.
Robert J. Galligos '66 is director of subsidiary operations for Laclede Steel Co., St. Louis. Joseph Robinette MA '66, PhD '72, is professor of speech and theater at Glassboro State College, Glassboro, N.J. He has written or co-written 27 produced plays, including nine children's musicals.

William H. Stark '66 is a manager for Federal Express and lives in North Palm Beach, Fla.

David G. Bednar '67 is a merchandising manager. He lives with his wife, Renee Schmisseur Bednar '68, in Decatur, Ill.

Mary Lee Hu MFA '67 and her work were featured in the October 1986 issue of Connoisseur Magazine. She is a jewelry artist who teaches at the University of Washington.

Michael R. Dingerson '68, MS Ed '71, PhD '74, joined the University of Mississippi at Oxford on Dec. 1, 1986, as associate vice chancellor for research and dean of the Graduate School at the University of Mississippi in Oxford. Most recently he was SIUC's assistant vice president for Academic Affairs and Research.

Andrew T. Kucic '68 is vice president of sales for the Elastomers & Latex Division, The BF Goodrich Company, Cleveland.

Walter H. Melcher '68 of Libertyville, Ill., has been promoted to manager of corporate budgeting and financial analysis at the National Can Corporation in Chicago. He joined the firm in 1977.

C. Peter Kula '69 works for the Bureau of Employment Security and lives in Chicago.

Stephen C. Sutton '69 is the manager of purchasing and stores for the FMC Corporation in Pocatello, Idaho.

Franklin A. Phillips '69 is a service representative in the Environmental Services Division of John Mathes & Associates, Columbia, Ill. He lives in St. Charles, Mo.

Brenda L. Burack works for the Chicago Public School system and lives in Chicago.

Don Portugal '73, a certified public accountant, is executive vice president of S & K/ AIR POWER Tool and Supply Corp., an industrial and contractor supply house with corporate headquarters in Mattoon, Ill., and branches in six cities. He joined the firm in 1978 as comptroller.

William R. Grogg '72 is president and chief executive officer of Hamilton Reproductions Inc., Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

William Mehrtens is a deputy sheriff in the Jackson (Ill.) County Sheriff's Department. His wife, Angela Kazakevicus '76, is a publicity chairman for several regional events. The couple lives in Pomona, Ill.

Gary H. Bible PhD is a licensed psychologist with a private practice in Atlanta.

Robert G. Evans is an FDIC bank examiner living in Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Garry Jenkins is the Farm Bureau manager for Williamson County and lives in Marion, Ill.

Maribeth Montgomery Kasik, PhD '83, is coordinator and professor of special education at Governors State University, University Park, Ill.

Gary A. Petty is the director of the Bureau of Employment Security and lives in Chicago.

James W. Norman is vice president and account supervisor for Grey Advertising. He lives with his wife, Leslie Randell Norman '73, in Buffalo Grove, Ill.

Marilyn Sue Meyer is a language arts teacher in Perryville, Mo.

Larry A. Vasquez is a systems manager for AT&T and lives in Shorewood, Ill.

1974

Merle Hanneken is sales manager for White Swan and lives in Lakeland, Fla.

1975

Daniel Miles MA is associate professor in the Department of Physiology and Biophysics in the School of Medicine, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio.

Richard Mullendore MSED has been promoted to associate vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Patricia Ann Owens MA-MS, PhD '86, teaches history and political science at Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel, Ill.

Frank L. Stevenson MBA is an assistant professor of accounting at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth.

1976

Herb Graff lives in Plano, Tex., and is a sales trainer with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, Inc. He received an M.A. degree from UCLA.

Christine Gronkievicz Heilman received a master's degree in May 1986 from the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce at the University of Kentucky in Lexington.

Stephen A. Hogg is a store manager and lives in Shorewood, Ill.

Marilyn Denise Jackson is a dentist in Dolton, Ill.

Thomas O. Meirink is executive vice president of operations at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital Center in Chicago.

Terry Joe (T.J.) Rutherford is the business manager of the SIU Student Center. His wife, Denise Bernardoni Rutherford '80, is employed by the SIUC Office of Student Work and Financial Assistance.

Steven V. Schneider MSED is a psychologist for the Curative Rehabilitation Center in Milwaukee, Wis.
Eugene A. Dust is an assistant technical director for New New Generation Foods, Peru, Ill. He received a 1986 citation as a Who’s Who in Technology Today.

Louise Meyers Walsh, a resident of Chicago, is a systems analyst.

Themois Zaharopoulos, MA '81, PhD '85, and his wife, Julie Crain Zaharopoulos '83, MS '85, are teachers of speech and mass communications at Deree College in Athens, Greece.

Richard (Rick) Whitford '73, MFA '79, has received a Master of Photography Degree from the Professional Photographers of America Inc. He is employed in the advertising department of Deere & Company, Moline, Ill., and has worked as an Air Force presidential photographer, commercial advertising photographer and news photographer.

Melodye D. Wehrung, PhD '83, is assistant professor in the College of Education at the University of Lowell, Lowell, Mass.

Albert Williams PhD is in private business and lives in North Manchester, Ind.

1980

Michael J. Baratta is a manager in the audit department of Arthur Young in Chicago.

Brian P. Bruce was graduated from the John Marshall Law School in 1984 and is an attorney with Allian Mendelson Ltd. in Chicago. He lives in Northbrook, Ill.

Beverly Byers-Pevitts PhD is chair of the Department of Theater Arts at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Kevin A. Cassin is a rehabilitation counselor specializing in psychotherapy, diagnostic testing and consulting. He lives in River Forest, Ill.

Gary J. Fernandez JD is tax manager for Checkers, Simon, Bosner and lives in Park Forest, Ill.

Duy Huu Hua PhD is an assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry at Kansas State University, Manhattan.

Mike Reese is sports director for WCIL-FM in Carbondale and the host of “The Ray Dorr Show” broadcast during the football season over WSIL-T.V. in Harrisburg, Ill.

Kirk E. Siekman, MBA '81, is a manager in the management consulting group at Arthur Young, Chicago.

1981

Michelle DeSalvo works at Hyland Therapeutics as an analyst and lives in Huntington Beach, Calif.

Richard K. Golick is a field engineer for Dresser Atlas and lives in Houston.

Elizabeth Wilson Holm is an interior designer with Bogard, Guthrie and Associates in Dallas.

Thomas R. Syre PhD is assistant professor of clinical medicine in the Department of Internal Medicine at New York Medical College, Valhalla, N.Y.


1982

John R. Bonnett is an electronics engineer at McClellan Air Force Base. He lives in Sacramento, Calif.

Patrick E. Cannon, a captain in the U.S. Air Force, is an instructor/pilot at Reese Air Force Base and lives in Lubbock, Tex.

David A. Nester is an attorney for Carr, Korein and lives in Belleville, Ill.

Erin M. O’Leary, an airman 1st class with the U.S. Air Force, serves with the 7th Supply Squadron at Carswell Air Force Base, Tex.

Judith A. Spinner works for Decatur Memorial Hospital and lives in Decatur, Ill.

1983

Gordon L. Billingsley MS is managing editor of the Daily Egyptian, SIUC’s student newspaper. Before joining the campus newspaper, Billingsley was a public information specialist in the School of Agriculture and instructor in the Department of Agricultural Education.

Dawn M. Hanks MSe is an assistant professor in the School of Agriculture and instructor in the Department of Agricultural Education.

1984

Bruce W. Joseph lives in Charlotte, N.C., and is a pilot for Piedmont Airlines.

Donald L. Reed Jr. is an electrical engineer for McDonnell Douglas in St. Louis.

Stephen C. Eaker ’74 is vice president/account supervisor for Levinson, Levinson and Hill (LL&H), an advertising agency in Dallas. He formerly was associated with the St. Louis firms of Gardner Advertising and D’Arcy MacManus Masius Advertising.

1985


Jeffrey A. Dossett is a certified pesticide applicator for Maintain Inc., Dallas.

Lori K. Miller JD works for the U.S. Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit, and lives in Chicago.

1978

James C. Daughterly is a senior engineer for Olin Corporation and lives in Buncome, Ill.

William D. Hagarin JD, a partner in the Raleigh, N.C., law firm of Bartinger, Allen, and Pinnix, recently toured Japan for six weeks as a member of the Rotary International Group Study Exchange.

1979

Daisy Clayburn is a job developer and counselor at Coastal Carolina Community College in Jacksonville, N.C.
CLASS NOTES

Mable F. Wright x'23, Greenwood, Ind.
Ruth Edie Stelzriede '27-2.
Robert S. Reeves Jr. '35, Carbondale, Oct. 16, 1986. A co-founder of the Regal 8 Inns, he was a member of the SIU Hall of Fame and the President's Council of the SIU Foundation.
Jack W. Opdyke '70, MSEd '72, West Frankfort, Ill., July 29, 1986.
Donald Cash '75.
Branden E. Schrader '75, Murphysboro, Ill., Aug. 5, 1986, of injuries received in a mine accident. His wife, Beverly Boyer Schrader '75, survives.

Faculty Deaths

Donald T. Anderson, 56, an associate professor of accountancy, died on Oct. 24, 1986, in Murphysboro, Ill. He joined the faculty in 1979 after retiring from the Air Force as a lieutenant colonel. Survivors include his wife, Carol. Memorials may be made to the Donald T. Anderson Scholarship Fund at the SIUC Department of Accountancy.
S. Morris Eames, 70, who retired in 1985 as professor of philosophy after 22 years with the University, died on Sept. 18, 1986, in Carbondale. A specialist in American philosophical thought, he had a lifelong interest in John Dewey, serving as co-editor of five volumes in The Early Works of John Dewey, 1821-1898, and as a member of the advisory board for 15 additional Dewey volumes, the definitive study on the American philosopher. His wife, Elizabeth, survives. Memorial contributions may be made to the S. Morris Eames Graduate Award scholarship fund through the SIU Foundation.
Cecil C. Franklin, 67, who retired as associate professor of the Department of Physical Education in 1983, died on Oct. 22, 1986, in Carbondale. He came to the University in 1948 to head the department and served in that role until 1954. In the 1950s and 1960s, he directed summer swimming and water safety programs. He also taught SIUC fishing classes. His wife, Maricel, survives. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or to charities of the donor's choice.
Joseph R. Kupcek, 72, died on Aug. 15, 1986, in Carbondale. He was a retired professor of Foreign Languages and Literatures who had taught at the University from 1962 to 1984. His wife, Mildred, survives. Memorial contributions may be made to the SIUC Foundation or the Carbondale Public Library.
J. Murray Lee, 81, former chairman of the Department of Elementary Education, died on Sept. 19, 1986, in Carbondale. He had retired from the University in 1975 after 15 years on the faculty. The author of Elementary Education Today and Tomorrow, he also co-wrote three other books in the field. In 1981, he received the Education Council of 100 Award of Merit for his contributions to education. His wife, Myrtle, survives. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Methodist Children's Home in Mount Vernon, Ill., care of the First United Methodist Church in Carbondale.
Thomas M. McCalla Jr., 52, associate professor of electrical engineering, died on Sept. 16, 1986, in Carbondale. He joined the SIUC faculty in 1969 after working as an electronic engineer at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. Survivors include his wife, Dora. Memorial contributions may be made to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Carbondale or to the American Cancer Society.
Lucian D. (Duff) Willey, 73, professor emeritus in the School of Technical Careers, died on Sept. 3, 1986, in West Dundee, Ill. He was instrumental in establishing STC's automotive technology program, for which he served as coordinator from 1953 until his retirement in 1975.

Lotus Land Replies

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—I thought the whole “They Love L.A.” spread (Summer 1986 issue, pages 12-17) was terrific! I was very impressed with the caliber of the people profiled and very proud to have been included. You made me appear confident, witty, intelligent and just plain nice.

CHRISTINE COYLE '76

NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF.—I wanted to take a moment to extend my congratulations for the story on Southern California. SIUC means a great deal to me and holds a lot of memories. If I can be of any assistance in promoting the University, let me know.

DEREK J. McGREGOR '79

No Generation Gaps

UNIVERSITY CITY, MO.—I was especially interested in your feature on DeLou Ittner '85 (Summer 1986 issue, page 27). My family history at SIUC goes back nearly as far, and although I don't know DeLou, our mothers and grandmothers are good friends.
I suppose that you'll find many people from old Southern Illinois families who can tell similar stories.

SUSAN MITCHELL HIGGINbotham, MA '84

Renewed Romance

MOUNT VERNON, ILL.—T. Merritt Wooldridge and I were married two years ago.
Merritt and I were sweethearts our junior and senior years at Carbondale Community High School and our freshman year at SINU. Our ways parted early in our sophomore year. We both married a few years later and had happy lives, but both lost our spouses a few years ago.
We remet during the summer of 1984 and were married a few months later, on Sept. 8.

LOIS MACKEY WOOLDRIDGE '32, MSED '58
Send correspondence to “The In-Basket,” Alumnus Magazine, University Relations, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901. We reserve the right to edit and abridge letters for clarity and space requirements.

Mr. and Mrs. Wooldridge, October 1986.
When K.K. Collins was six years old, his mother began reading Alfred Lord Tennyson's poems to him. By the time of his thirteenth birthday, Collins was quoting from In Memoriam, Tennyson's brooding 19th-century masterwork on death, religion, immortality, and science. Now associate professor of English and acting director of the University Honors Program, Collins admits he's a Victorian.

In the following interview with Mike Lillich, Collins has some surprising things to say about the Victorian era, especially his view that many contemporary concerns and dilemmas have their roots in a time which seems to have so little in common with our own.

But Collins is focusing his efforts now on providing SIUC's brightest students with an honors curriculum that is state-of-the-art in its best sense. His operative word here is "interdisciplinary," presenting students with courses and ideas that "make intellectual sparks fly."

Collins also wants the revamped honors program to benefit non-honors students and the faculty and staff. To do so, he has invited some of the leading minds in the nation to come to Carbondale and present their ideas to the SIUC community as part of University Honors Program activities.

Alumnus: Your field is English Victorian literature. Were the Victorians as repressed, conventional, and boring as they are popularly portrayed?

Collins: Yes and no. The Victorians were the ones who gave us that picture of themselves. They were their own worst and best critics. Nobody could be harder on the Victorians than Carlyle and Dickens. For the past few decades we've been revising our estimate of the period, though, and we've come to see how much like us they really were—or how much like them we really are.

They were hard on themselves, and a lot of what they did, misguided or not, they did with the future—with us, really—in mind. Certainly they tried their level best. And they were a sexually aware people, a psychologically aware people. They just considered it impolite to talk about sex all the time. It was a matter of civility.

As for their repression, don't all writers feel and register the constraints of their society? Modern writers certainly act uninhibited, but sometimes I wonder if this isn't just a pose of another kind. Anyway, modern literature may appear stuffy and reticent a century down the road.

Alumnus: You've been teaching here for ten years and have won the Amoco Outstanding Teacher Award. How do you go about interesting contemporary students in 19th-century English literature?

Collins: I just allow the literature to interest them. It has that sort of power. Victorian literature is so pertinent in its loss of faith and its struggle for standards, in its sense of the vanishing purposes of life gone. It's so modern that teaching it is mostly a matter of opening it up a little bit and trying to explain and clarify its idiosyncrasies. After you do that, it speaks quite personally to modern students.

This is especially true of the novels. I think students like to inhabit the different worlds of these enormous novels. That's something a big, thick Victorian novel can show better than any other
form, a whole universe. One of the things I like about Victorian literature is its strong moral bent. You put the book down, and you're supposed to act. It's supposed to change the way you are, the way you live.

**Alumnus:** In general, what is the use of studying literature from the past in this advanced technological society?

**Collins:** I'm afraid I can't speak to that question very well because the criterion is one of use, and the uses of art in society have become vague and hard to define since the Romantic poets took up their stance against the dominant social order. In some ways literature has gone out to the margins of society because it doesn't celebrate the things that television or Hollywood movies do. It's not big on wish-fulfillment. And recent literature—now I mean the literature of the last two hundred years—doesn't celebrate the industrial, capitalistic life that surrounds it.

Of course, I regret that literature is not at the center of the social order. It was much nearer the center in the Victorian period than it is now. Then it was the bastion of liberal education.

**Alumnus:** You've broadened your educational focus as acting director of the University Honors Program. What, in your view, should an honors program be in the larger context of the University's mission?

**Collins:** Basically, an honors program should do everything in its power to improve the intellectual life of the university by increasing the number of fine students, by increasing the number of superb, indisciplinary, challenging courses those students can take once they get here, and by becoming a kind of model for the non-honors student.

In the past ten years or so, there's been a national resurgence of interest in the gifted and intellectually eager students, and it is a very good sign. This doesn't mean that people are now willing to ignore the students in the middle, but that people are no longer willing to ignore the students at the top.

**Alumnus:** What is your impression of the students in SIUC's honors program?

**Collins:** I've taught honors sections pretty consistently for ten years in the English department, and I've participated in other honors activities through the years. Our honors students are very fine, and for the most part would be scholars at any university they happened to be attending. I think we're extraordinarily fortunate to have so many students eligible for and in the honors program here. In fact we've had an increase in the last several years in the number of freshmen who were National Merit finalists and semi-finalists.

**Alumnus:** How many students are now in the honors program?

**Collins:** Over four hundred.

**Alumnus:** Do you expect this to change in coming years?

**Collins:** My plan is that the program should grow over the next few years, though not that it get enormous.

What I'd like to do is not drop the standards in order to get more people in but rather make sure that everybody who is eligible—and there are many students who are eligible for the program who haven't signed into it—know what they are missing, which is the chance to take interdisciplinary courses with extraordinary teachers in small classes of not over a dozen students.

**Alumnus:** What kind of interdisciplinary seminars are you talking about?

**Collins:** We have a two-year humanities sequence that starts with antiquity and comes right up through modernism. The sequence attends not only to literary writing but also to writings in art, psychology, and philosophy. We have an alternative kind of course called "The Eastern Way," an Asian great books humanities course. There are other courses such as the evolution of social behavior, philosophy of science, history of science, food and famine, biopolitics, environmental ethics, creativity, habit and freedom.

There is a freshman honors composition course, as well, taught by the English Department, a one-semester course that earns credit for a full year. And there are special honors sections of regular general education courses—calculus, for example, and courses in speech communication.

**Alumnus:** What are the benefits for a student in the honors program? Isn't the student taking a risk by taking tougher courses with better competition?

**Collins:** Honors students' grades don't go down even though the courses are more rigorous—and they are more rigorous, because honors students are used to working hard. Since the courses are small, the possibility of hiding among hundreds of students in a great lecture hall is ruled out. There's more writing in honors seminars, but I like to look upon it as an opportunity and a challenge to students rather than a risk.

As it happens, grades in honors courses—and this is a nationwide fact—tend to run higher than grades in regular courses. There's no such thing as a curve, for example. It's expected that
honors students do well, and they mostly do very well. It's a great advantage professionally for the students because honors courses are tagged as such on transcripts, so potential employers see that.

**Alumnus:** Last year the honors program sponsored a speakers' series that brought in nationally and internationally known writers and thinkers. Can you give us some highlights of last year's series?

**Collins:** Sir David Attenborough drew the largest crowd, and his presentation was such a model of wit and charm and information so perfectly blended that all I could think was, "He must be a marvelous teacher. To be able to teach like that!"

The second speaker, Leon Forrest, set up the first Afro-American studies program in the United States at Northwestern. So he's a major figure in the history of black studies in this country.

Novelist John Barth was next. What can you say about Barth that he doesn't say about himself? He is still obsessed with the problem of storytelling so that all of his stories tangle up in that web, and you watch the wordplay as he tries, totally without success, to get untangled.

Susan Sontag was the final speaker. She gave a wide-ranging talk on time consciousness and modernism, again to a packed house, with people spilling out into the aisles and the lobby. So, the University passed these cultural tests, I guess, with flying colors.

**Alumnus:** This year you've scheduled Stephen Jay Gould, Pauline Kael, Isaac Bashevis Singer, and Paule Marshall.

**Collins:** All these are people who turn heads and who are at the top of their fields and professions.

**Alumnus:** In what directions do you see the honors program moving in the next few years?

**Collins:** The program will continue to sponsor this series of distinguished speakers, and it will stay at the very high level where it is now. We're going to add faculty colloquia, too, by distinguished SIUC faculty members and by faculty brought in from other universities. Here the focus will be upon getting these people together with students in discussions about issues and ideas in particular fields.

Of course, the speakers in the University Honors Lecture Series also meet with students, you understand. We're working on increased cooperation with accelerated high school programs. The plan is to get members of the faculty who teach honors courses to go out and lecture in the high schools—just to give those students a taste of what honors study is like at a university. We're also doing an annual honors journal called *Papyrus* which will collect the best writing by honors students here and be published by the SIU Press for national distribution.

We began a film series this year, and we'll continue it. Last fall, it featured movies by current women directors. But it might be Asian or Caribbean films another year, or a John Huston or Hitchcock or Bergman retrospective another.

The most important thing for me, though, is to develop a more and more integrated and comprehensive curriculum for honors students. I want the courses and their delivery to keep getting better and better.

**Alumnus:** Do you think there has been a ripple effect in the University because of the indisciplinary commitment of the honors program?

**Collins:** Some of the courses are team-taught—the history of science course, for example. It's my impression that team-taught, guest-lecturer courses are comparatively rare at the University. The honors program is working toward opening faculty members of discrete, various interests to each other and letting them interact in front of honors students who can then see the sparks fly.

And that's what it is all about, it seems to me: getting the intellectual sparks to fly.

**Alumnus:** We see so many departmental walls put up. It seems to me that's too bad. Do departmental walls need to be so strong in a university?

**Collins:** I tend to agree with you, but when you realize how long it takes for a discipline to get itself legitimized, how long, for example, it took the study of English to become a legitimate "department," you understand why the walls seem so solid.

A discipline goes to such trouble to get itself accepted, to make a history for itself by writing its own anthologies, gathering material from history and calling it, say, literary criticism, getting its own decimal classification and shelves in the library, developing its own language, its own institutionalized discourse. Those walls are very hard to put up, and once they get put up, we start clamoring for them to come down again.

I don't understand the ironies of this, but they are there. I would like to see the walls come down, but they won't, so at least we should try to keep some windows and doors in them.
The Science-Engineering Connection

With each one taking an oar, the deans of Science and of Engineering and Technology are rowing their programs in the same direction.

by J.M. Lillich

Traditionally, science and engineering shared an uneasy truce. While occupying the same intellectual territory, science was a little too abstract for engineering, and engineering a little too pragmatic for science. As the scientist studied how nature worked, the engineer found ways to put nature to work.

But the gap between the detached scientist and the practical engineer began to narrow with the advent of the space program, which demanded highly complex research and a cooperation between scientists and engineers.

As a result, engineering has become much more scientific and mathematical since the 1960s, opening up a whole new field, engineering technology, to fill the void. The interaction between science and engineering is particularly prevalent in physics, chemistry and geology.

Many areas a scientist wants to pursue may not be feasible without the help of an engineer. Russell R. Dutcher, dean of the College of Science, sees new areas of cooperation between science and engineering that have great possibilities of expanding in the future. "One of the areas is material science," says Dutcher.

"How, for example, does a glue work in sticking one kind of material to another? With a problem like this, you're worried about a whole host of applications. What we need are more physicists and chemists in the material technologies area."

Dutcher, a geologist, also advocates stronger cooperation between engineering and geology. Engineers may build a dam across a fault line or attempt to straighten a waterway—both without regard to geology.

In the last five years or so, industry and society have demanded more utilitarian ends from scientific research. John H. Yopp, dean of the Graduate School, says the trend doesn't really worry him. Most research continues to fall in the great middle ground between pure and applied. "The push in the sciences today," he says, "is in molecular science and DNA research. This has been brought about by the 'new technologies' of genetic engineering and immunological breakthroughs. These advances are significant not just in medicine but also in zoology, botany, and chemistry."

So it seems that as engineering has become more abstract and mathematical, science has become more pragmatic and applied.

Report from the Front

Science and engineering have always been collateral, says John C. Crelling, associate professor of geology and a coal researcher. Science generates the ideas and methods, and the engineers make it work. He describes his research on coal with a simply analogy: "You're raw materials into a black box operated with buttons and dials. The goal is to get a uniform material out of the box. You've got two choices. The scientist can make the input material uniform, or the engineer can change the buttons and dials to get a uniform output."

Creling calls coal the "common thread" that creates an informal network among University researchers. He now works with physicists and engineers more than geologists. There are coal physicists and coal chemists. Researchers are a special breed. "There's just no feeling like finding the answer to some problem that no one has been able to solve before,"
Crelling says. "Everybody I know who does research is self-motivated. To find the answer they're looking for, research people ignore everything—hierarchy, administration, departmental boundaries."

Even within one field, the lines between specializations tend to blur. Bruce A. DeVantier '75, MS '77, an assistant professor of civil engineering and mechanics, is working with another researcher at the Materials Technology Center to develop a computer model that predicts the process of combining carbon-carbon composites. The process creates graphite, a material that because of its cost is now found mainly in high-tech military applications. If its production costs could be decreased, graphite would be a much better material than asbestos for use in automotive brake shoes, for example.

Computer modeling eliminates processes that won't work, thus saving money, material, and equipment time. DeVantier says this is unusual work for civil engineers. "It's more typically mechanical engineering work," he says, "but we both have backgrounds in process engineering. There's less segregation among fields today."

Where the Action Is

The early 1970s—the blackest hour for engineering employment—featured headlines about aerospace engineers who were driving cabs and pumping gas. Although the headlines were misleading, the adverse publicity caused engineering enrollments to decline. Since the end of the 1970s, however, increased needs of industry and the increased complexity of systems has created a new demand for engineers.

At SIUC and nationwide, engineering education is on the upswing. The demand is so great that the College of Engineering and Technology's admissions and retention requirements are stiffer than other University colleges and schools. The College of Engineering and Technology is just plain out of room, says Kenneth Tempelmeyer, dean of the college. "We need space. We need classrooms, modern labs, and more offices." The college has proposed a 35,000-square-foot, $13 million addition to its building complex on the south edge of campus. The addition is listed fifth in priority on the fiscal 1988 University budget request for campus improvements.

Far and away the engineering student's choice among the four departments and six programs at SIUC is electrical engineering. One out of two University engineering students studies electrical engineering, a trend that is "marketplace driven." Parents read about the great demand and high starting salaries for electrical engineers and encourage their children to choose the field.

But Tempelmeyer is not so sure about pushing the bright-eyed future engineer in this direction. "Today's freshman will come out of school in four or five years behind a stream of EE grads. If I had children starting college now, I'd encourage them to go into civil or mechanical engineering," where shortages may well exist in the future.

"To find the answer they're looking for, research people ignore everything—hierarchy, administration, departmental boundaries."

John Crelling

The sciences, too, are market-driven. Current interest (and research dollars) in DNA and genetic engineering are reflected in student enrollments. For the 1,000 or so undergraduate majors and 327 graduate students in the College of Science, the most popular fields are biological sciences and zoology.

A further change is in the amount of education a science major now needs. A bachelor's degree is no longer sufficient to pursue a science career. "The handwriting for students is on the wall," says William G. Dyer, associate dean of the College of Science. Many SIUC science grades do go on for advanced degrees here and elsewhere. Some go to medical school. Still others go on to a variety of federal and state jobs. "The job market is a lot better now than it was a few years ago," Dyer says, "and many grads today test the employment waters after completing their masters' degrees, then come back in a year or two to complete their Ph.D.'s."

The Computer Revolution

In the last ten years, the sciences and engineering have been reshaped by the computer and its sheer "number-crunching" capability. In order to manage complex equations and solve problems in the "dark ages" of slide rules and calculators, engineers and scientists had to leave out marginally important data. Just five or ten years ago, computers were limited to only ten to twenty percent of engineers.

Computers dragged engineers into a new age. More and more engineers have personal computers on their desks. The computer has opened up whole new vistas for engineering. They have changed the teaching of engineering from the traditional "rules of thumb"—or what has worked in the past—to fundamental physics. When DeVantier teaches a classes, he places more emphasis on theoretical mathematics. "But I tell my students, 'If you come up with a design that is very different from the rules of thumb, you've got to be really careful.'"

Although engineers can now solve more complex problems by using computers, "This doesn't mean that we've given up equations," Tempelmeyer says. "They are still necessary for conceptual understanding of engineering problems."

Engineering and Technology's computer lab has expanded twice since opening in 1978. The latest addition cost $460,000 and added twelve graphic workstations and thirty-two standard computer terminals, bringing the total to about ninety terminals and minicomputers. The college is now adding terminals to faculty offices and connecting them to the department minicomputer to build a self-standing computer facility. Technology wings A and D are slated to be completed during this academic year, C and D in 1987-88. There's no end in sight, according to Tempelmeyer. "We've got to continue to push computer development."

Computers also are important in the sciences. "They have allowed us to collect and generate more data and to be more precise," says Dutcher. Through modeling, a computer can simulate anything, from the Mississippi River to a cold front.

When Paul Robinson, an associate geologist, worked on his master's degree thesis twenty years ago, he had to make
three-dimensional drawings of a certain crystal structure. It took him four months to complete his thesis. Now, using the Department of Geology's new X-ray machine and associated computers, he could do the whole project in a morning.

Although computers create tremendous advances, they have their downside, too. "You're talking about $150,000 worth of machinery there," Dutcher says. "From an administrative point of view, you're concerned with greatly increased costs to run a department because of computer technology today."

Dutcher is also interested in the possibilities of Computer-Aided Instruction (CAI). At one university, scientists have successfully wedded computer technology to videotape. This makes it possible for students to see on a television screen the effects of, for example, mixing one chemical with another. The marriage of computers and video make for less expensive laboratory experiments, more efficient use of lab space, and less need of instructors to run the labs. Dutcher stresses, however, that CAI will be used as a supplement to laboratory work but not replace traditional scientific lab experience for students.

The Communication Gap

Engineering and the sciences have a communication problem with the general public, due in part to the complexity of information that cannot be presented clearly and simply. But scientists and engineers have problems communicating within their own fields, too. Employers rate communication abilities of engineers and scientists as their greatest deficiency.

One controversy in engineering concerns computer graphics. What is the use, some people ask, of teaching students old-fashioned paper and pencil graphics when computer graphics are faster and more precise? Given the general level of speaking and writing abilities of the engineer, "We're going to continue to teach technical sketching," says Tempelmeyer. "If you take away the sketch on the back of an envelope, you've taken away one of the engineer's strongest communications media."

There is hope, though, for a more articulate scientist and engineer. The necessity of strong writing and speaking skills is recognized by faculty members and students alike. In spite of all that a computer can do, communication abilities remain in the human domain.

One of the most promising approaches for improving the communication abilities of scientists and engineers is called "writing across the curriculum." Using a workshop approach, writing specialists train engineering and science professors to integrate writing into technical courses. This teaches students how to communicate within their particular disciplines.

The Department of English offers a 400-level advanced expository writing course that focuses on writing master's degree theses and longer technical reports. A new 300-level technical writing course allows science and engineering students to sharpen their skills by writing on subjects within their own fields of interest. The University Honors Program also offers a 400-level science writing course.

SIUC sponsors an annual technical communication conference that brings together people from other universities and from industries to share ideas on effective communication. Areas include agriculture, medicine, English, engineering and the sciences.

The Crystal Ball

Science and engineering will no doubt continue to grow in complexity and cooperation. Yet there is a dark cloud on the horizon. All signs point to a mid-1990s shortage of professors across the board in the American university.

The shortage will be particularly acute in engineering and the sciences. By 1995, engineering schools nationwide will have lost roughly one third of their faculty by death or retirement. And "American industry is consuming the seed corn," says Tempelmeyer. Ph.D. graduates in engineering can command roughly twice the salary in industry that they can in the university.

Unless engineering colleges change how they do business, the situation could become critical. "First, we need to put more money into salaries," says Tempelmeyer. "Even now, engineering salaries have gone up more than those in the rest of the University. This creates resentment in the sciences, liberal arts, and social sciences. In the future engineering colleges may bend current rules of making the Ph.D. a union card. We may have industry members coming to the university to teach."

The sciences will be dealing with the same looming shortage of professors and researchers. "If the situation continues as it is," Dyer says, "we're going to face another science crisis in 1990 or 1991, similar to the Sputnik era of the 1950s. Unless we rely more and more on foreign students, we're going to face a real shortage of scientists."

The expected shortage of professors is matched by the dilemma of the curriculum, which many feel must continue to expand. In the 1960s and 1970s, the buzzword of "relevance" led to a compression of courses. Today, the trend is to increase the number of hours required for university graduation. "We're going to see a new emphasis on science," predicts Yopp, "and a return to the basics in liberal arts and math."

DeVantier would like to see engineering become a five-year degree. "It's been needed for years. It makes sense for engineering to be a five-year degree and at the same time to make that fifth year a step towards licensing. This is done in some European and South American schools, but it won't happen in this country until some of the big-name schools start doing it. Once this happens, the others will follow suit."

Yopp also sees more melding of education and research at the University, which already has a tradition of tight relationship between the two. "I don't know of any cold, analytical scientists here. Research relates to and permeates classroom instruction. I feel very strongly about the coupling of research and education. I hope we never lose that commitment, that sense of mission, of keeping research and education together."
Albert Somit Resigns as President; John Guyon Named as Interim

Albert Somit, president of the University since 1980, announced his resignation on Oct. 28, effective Jan. 10. After a year-long sabbatical, he will return to the University as a Distinguished Service Professor in Political Science.

John C. Guyon has been named as interim president while the SIU Board of Trustees and the SIU Chancellor conduct a nationwide search for Somit’s replacement.

Guyon has been vice president for Academic Affairs and Research since 1981 and has served in the past as acting president when Somit’s duties took him out of town.

For more about Somit’s presidency and reactions to his resignation, see the article beginning on page 2, this issue.

Trustees Call for 13.4 Percent Budget Hike

Approving a $226.5 million budget that includes $160.3 million for the Carbondale campus, the SIU Board of Trustees has put together a spending request package for fiscal 1988 that is 13.4 percent higher than the current fiscal year.

The request has been sent to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, which in turn will send its recommendations to the governor. Final approval of the fiscal 1988 budget is expected in July.

The board also approved a $75 million priority list of capital improvements it said are “greatly needed” on the SIU campuses. Close to the top on the list are the third phase of a $5 million remodeling program at Pulliam Hall; $300,000 to buy or build a laboratory building for the School of Art; and $1.3 million to complete the inside of a second-floor wing of the Communications Building.

Small Business Incubator To Be Located at SIUC

A $6 million small business incubator facility will be constructed on the Carbondale campus as part of the Build Illinois Small Business Incubator Program. On Oct. 13, Illinois Governor James R. Thompson announced half of the allocation, which will come through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.

The 30,000- to 40,000-square-foot building will be a center for new and growing small businesses in the Southern Illinois region. “As new businesses are established in the incubator and move out into the local communities,” said Thompson, “more employment opportunities will become available for area residents.”

The University will own the building and lease space to small business firms. Rhonda Vinson, director of the Office of Economic Development at SIUC, heads up development of the incubator program. Two other University offices also will be located at the incubator: the Technology Commercialization Center and the Small Business Development Center.

Other incubators located around the state reported an average of 42 new jobs created as a direct result of their first-year operations. That number doubled in the second year.

Honors Program Is Host to Four Top Speakers

Harvard University paleontologist and science historian Stephen Jay Gould, author of prize-winning books that include The Panda’s Thumb and The Mismeasure of Man, presented the first address in the 1986-87 University Honors Program Lecture Series. His talk, “Evolution and Other Matters,” was held on Oct. 15 in Shryock Auditorium.

The program also featured Pauline Kael, movie critic for The New Yorker magazine, on Nov. 7. She is regarded as America’s leading movie critic. Many of her books have been best-sellers.

Paule Marshall, a poet, novelist and educator, will read from her recent works on Feb. 5. Her visit coincides with Black History Month.

The final speaker in the series, Issac Bachevis Singer, a Nobel Prize-winning author, is scheduled for April 22. He is considered by some critics to be the greatest living Yiddish writer.

First Lap. A 1,500-meter swim opened the Fourth Annual Little Grassy Triathlon, held on Sept. 20 at SIUC’s Touch of Nature Environmental Center. Out of 119 starters, 114 finished the event, which included a 10-kilometer run and a 20-kilometer bicycle ride.
Twice in a Row for the Law School in Moot Court

A two-man team from the School of Law has won the American Bar Association's national,moot court competition for the second year in a row.

Ronald Vance JD '86 and Michael G. Parkinson, a third-year law student, claimed the title during the championship finals held Aug. 8-10 in New York City.

After their 1985 first-place win, the team members asked Howard B. Eisenberg, faculty advisor, on how they could top the victory. "I told them, 'We could win again,' and that's just what we did," Eisenberg says. "The competition was tougher this year. The Ivy League was represented, but from what I saw, we were clearly the best team."

The University team competed against 20 teams in the contest and won all five rounds, defeating Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles, South Texas College of Law in Houston, Baylor University, the University of Toledo, and Gonzaga University School of Law in Spokane.

$1,000 Prize Offered in New Beethoven Solo Competition

The University will be host to a new solo competition for pianists this spring, thanks to a $2,000 endowment to the Beethoven Society for Pianists.

Eric Friedheim, editor and publisher of Travel Agent magazine, gave the money to the society, through the SIU Foundation, to establish the Arthur Friedheim Awards Competition in honor of his father, one of the most renowned pianists of the 20th century. Friedheim had studied under master pianist Franz Liszt in the latter part of the 19th century and served for a time as Liszt's personal secretary.

A Pony and a Pony Tail. Carol Sharp grooms Mighty Saluki, one of three standardbred yearlings offered for sale this fall by the University's Horse Science Program.

The national competition is open to 18- to 22-year-old pianists who are high school graduates. Finalists will compete for a $1,000 first prize from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, in the School of Law auditorium. The finals are open to the public at no cost.

The winner will perform in a concert that will mark the finale of the competition.

National Tournament for Flying Students Set for Carbondale

For years, the Dogs have been soaring via the student Saluki Flying Team, regional winners and highly ranked nationally in the National Intercollegiate Flying Association.

This spring, the canines hope to prove their thoroughbred status by serving as co-hosts of the 29th Annual Tournament of Champions at their own "kennel": the Southern Illinois Airport.

Scheduled for April 20-25, the national fly-offs are expected to attract 300 student aviators from 26 colleges and universities, winners of regional events. The 1986 tournament was held in Texas.

The Saluki Flying Team is sponsored by the School of Technical Careers. Many of the members eventually become commercial pilots. The tournament emphasizes safe, precise landings, takeoffs and instrument readings.

Foundation Severs Ties to S. Africa Through Divestiture

The SIU Foundation has sold its stock in 12 blue-chip companies engaged in business with South Africa. The companies include General Electric Co., Eastman Kodak Co., Wang Laboratories Inc., General Motors Corp., Tenneco Inc., IBM Corp., Xerox Corp., Bristol-Myers Co., and Pfizer Inc.

"It was the right thing to do," said Anne Carman, president of the Foundation. "The economic situation in South Africa is uncertain, and many of the corporations are pulling out."

A year ago, the Foundation began limiting its ties to South Africa by avoiding investing money in businesses unless they had complied with the Sullivan principles of equal employment.

University Wins National Award for Blood Drives

The American Association of Blood Banks has presented its 1986 Award of Merit in the Educational Facilities category to SIU for the University's "significant contributions to blood banking and voluntary blood donation."

The University was nominated for the honor by the Missouri-Illinois Regional Red Cross Blood Services in St. Louis. Award presentations were held on Nov. 6 in San Francisco.

The University holds several blood-bank drives each academic year. A November 1985 blood drive at SIUC set a new national peacetime campus record.

Enrollment Climbs to Five-Year High at 23,261 Students

Fall 1986 semester enrollment has posted a total that stands as the highest since 1981. With 23,261 students enrolled at SIUC (20,422 on campus, 2,839 off campus), the University's new recruitment efforts are paying off.

The total reflects an 8.8 percent increase of freshmen, a 9.5 percent increase of transfer students, a 2.5 percent increase of graduate students, and a 7 percent increase in off-campus students.

The College of Engineering and Technology, with 2,544 students, ranks highest in total enrollment, followed by the College of Business and Administration (2,439).

Sprechen Sie Deutsch? So Let's Make a Deal!

A new bachelor's degree program in foreign language and international trade is aimed at turning out graduates who can close business deals in any of four major foreign languages.

Program director Eugene F. Timpe, professor of foreign languages and literatures, said the new emphasis meets a growing need for students trained equally well in business and foreign language. Most graduates of
similar programs at other universities find quick placement in the international wing of corporations that have extensive import-export operations.

Students complete 120 credit hours of courses, about one-fourth in business. During their last year in school, they go abroad for on-the-job internships. Languages offered in the program are French, Japanese, German and Spanish, with the emphasis on language and culture, rather than literature and linguistics.

Agriculture Names James Tweedy as Its New Dean

The associate dean for agriculture research, James A. Tweedy '62, has been named the new dean of the School of Agriculture, effective September 8.

Tweedy has held many administrative and professional positions since joining the University. He replaces Gilbert H. Kroening, who resigned as dean to work in international development projects. Kroening held the deanship since 1974.

Tweedy earned his master's and Ph.D. in horticulture from Michigan State University. His research specialty is chemical weed control.

"Agriculture is going to see some dramatic changes in the next 10 years—more, I think, than in the last 20 years," Tweedy says. "It will be a challenge to provide leadership to SIUC's agriculture school during these important years."

Popular J-School Professor Establishes New Scholarship

A retired professor of journalism who taught 15 years at SIUC has established a scholarship fund to further the field of study he loved.

Harry W. Stonecipher PhD '71 and his wife, Helen, have established a $10,000 endowment fund that will fuel annual scholarships for undergraduate students who are planning careers in newspaper journalism.

The Harry W. and Helen M. Stonecipher Scholarship, to be awarded for the first time next fall, has been established through the SIU Foundation.

Stonecipher came to the University in 1968 after 12 years as a newspaper publisher and editor. He is a recognized authority on the First Amendment.

Air Force ROTC Celebrates Its 35th Anniversary

Each week on campus in the 1950s, male students donned "Rot-Cee" dress uniforms to take part in drills.

This year, SIUC's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps celebrates its 35th anniversary. Lt. Col. James Crehan, detachment commander and professor of aerospace studies, says he's grateful to the University for "putting up with us for all these years."

Over 1,000 officers have been commissioned at the University, including Jacqueline R. Clark '82, the first woman in SIUC's program, commissioned in 1974; William R. Norwood '59, a United Airlines pilot and member of the SIU Board of Trustees; and Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Baker '57, now commander of Air Force operations in Spain.

Recruitment Puts More Emphasis on Hispanic-Americans

Demographers predict that by 1990, Hispanic-Americans will be the largest minority population in the United States. And at SIUC, a new recruitment drive, headed by an Hispanic-American, is helping to raise the number of Hispanic undergraduates.

William Baily Jr., assistant to the president for affirmative action, is spearheading the drive which has already attracted almost 100 new Hispanic undergraduates to the University, from 240 in the fall of 1985 to 339 last spring.

Hispanics make up more than 55 percent of the population in three state legislative districts in Cook County, Ill. The State of Illinois defines Hispanics as persons of Spanish or Portuguese cultures with origins in Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

Social Work Program Attracts More Graduate Students

Enrollment in the School of Social Work's fledgling Master of Social Work (MSW) program has increased nearly 500 percent, from four students last fall to 19 this fall.

Established in September 1985, the MSW program was approved in July for candidacy for accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education. The candidate status, says Mary E. Davidson, director of the School of Social Work, means the program "is considered to be sound and has full potential for accreditation."

Technology Dept. Chooses Barbay as New Chairman

Joseph E. Barbay, associate professor of technology, took over the chairmanship of the Department of Technology on Aug. 18. He replaces Dale H. Besterfield, who returned to teaching.

Barbay received three degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia. His specialties include computer research and instrumentation.

David Sharpe New Chairperson of Geography

A former chairperson of the Department of Geography, David M. Sharpe PhD '68, resumed the lead role in the department on Sept. 1. Sharpe had been the chairperson from 1976 to 1982. He replaces David G. Arey, who was named acting assistant director for program development and governmental relations at the Coal Research Center.
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Respect and Honor, Not Money, Keep Itchy's Team Motivated

At the end of October—with the World Series standing 3-2 for the Red Sox—SIUC baseball coach Richard "Itchy" Jones '61, MSEd '66 was putting his troops through a relaxed practice. Obviously, they aren't the pampered college athletes who grab so much media attention these days. They'd just run two miles and were carrying equipment from Abe Martin Field to the Arena.

No one complained about the manual labor. "They know if they don't move the equipment, it won't get moved," Jones said. "Besides, it's part of the discipline."

The Saluki baseball coaches and players share a healthy mutual respect. They have to. Because of budget restraints, SIUC's Intercollegiate Athletics allocated the Division I-A baseball team only six and one-half scholarships this year, half of the 13 allowed by the NCAA.

Nobody on the team has a full ride, and many of the players don't get any University support at all.

In the weight room at the Arena, Jones stops to pick up the hats of the players who are carrying the equipment. Winter practice is difficult, he explains, for a northern university that can't compensate with a fancy indoor facility. In the winter, when it's above 20 degrees, his players practice outdoors on a blacktopped "play lot." When it's just plain too cold, they practice inside the Arena.

"We start our season in March by playing Miami," says Jones. "While the southern teams have been practicing outside for months, we've just been simulating in the gym. We're not a wealthy program in money. But we're wealthy in tradition. Our alums don't forget us, either."

Steve Finley, a senior in physiology from Paducah, Ky., came to the University because of the reputation of Jones's program. Last year, he was an 11th-round draft choice of the Atlanta Braves. They even offered him a $25,000 signing bonus. But he decided to stay in school and finish his degree in physiology.

Finley admits it was a tough decision to turn down the offer. There was some compensation, though. He was tapped to play on the USA team—the off-year equivalent of the Olympic baseball team—and he played in Holland last summer. The Dutch apparently are no strangers to the great American pastime. "There were 10,000 fans out for the games," says Finley, "and they were just as loud as American fans."

Finley gives Jones the credit for both the pro offer and his improvement as a player. "Scouts come to see us because they know Coach Jones runs a good program. He's a great hitting coach. He developed me as a hitter, made my swing more compact."

Finley still hopes to play pro ball. But he'll do it with a University degree, completed within four years, a real feat these days for a major college athlete. Jones stresses academics, Finley says. Even though the team plays a 60-game season, Jones arranges the schedule so each player misses only four days of school.

And that's not all, according to Jones. "We don't take them out of class even for home games. If a game starts at 1:30 p.m. and the starting shortstop gets out of class at 2 p.m., then you'll play shortstop or I'll play shortstop until he gets here." If a player is having a hard time academically, he remains on campus while the rest of the team goes on the road.

Both Jones and the players have high hopes for the upcoming season. Last year's dramatic, season-ending four-game sweep sent the Salukis to the NCAA Regionals in Austin, Tex. The eventual national champions, the University of Arizona, came out of that regional. "Our guys have a different attitude now," Jones says. "They've been to the playoffs and have seen what it's like to win. You've got to learn how to win."

A tribute to the respect players and former players have for Jones is the fundraising effort he's put together to build a clubhouse at Abe Martin Field. Jones says that all of his former players who have gone on to big league careers, such as Dave Steib of the Toronto Blue Jays and Jim Dwyer of the Baltimore Orioles, gave $10,000 each to the project. Other former players have contributed $1,000 apiece. Each clubhouse locker will bear the name of a major contributor. SIU Foundation records show that Jones himself chipped in $4,000 to the project.

Jones asked only former SIUC players for contributions. Even so, fans have voluntarily joined the effort, and local labor unions have agreed to donate all the skilled work necessary to construct the new facility. Jones hopes the clubhouse...
A New Campus Tradition Is Born: The Annual Great Saluki Tailgate

It's not often that you get to witness the start of a tradition. But that's exactly what 20,000 starved, thirsty and enthused Saluki faithful got to do at the first annual Great Saluki Tailgate on Saturday, Sept. 27.

While the football players were gearing up to play Youngstown State, University alumni, students and friends were revving up to cheer on the Dogs. The event—sponsored by SIUC Intercollegiate Athletics, the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce, and Kroger Food Stores—offered prizes in four categories: Traditional Saluki, Southern Illinois Pride, Cut Rate Tailgate, and Student.

Under a steamheat, parbroil sun, the tailgaters set up east of McAndrew Stadium and by 10:30 a.m. were cooking—and cooking along. The main display area was packed with tents, stages, fancy cutlery, bands, mascots, costumes, cooks, kegs, campers, vans, and spectators.

A group called "The Classy Lake Gang" was named for the fact that "we represent the traditional Saluki who likes to go on the water, likes to have classy tailgates, and loves big cars," said Pierre Barrette, an associate professor of education, somewhat cryptically.

Not far away from the Classy Lakers, a crowd gathered in front of a rock-and-roll band set up under a tent on a make-shift stage. It's members were dressed up like pharaohs, and they shared the spotlight with real dogs: championship Salukis owned by the JoLinSco Salukis kennel in Chester, Ill.

"For the rest of our lives, we will always own a Saluki," said John Saunders '65, who with his family sponsored the tailgate booth. Salukis "are independent, aloof, sometimes stubborn, and constantly challenge your patience. But one look into the beautiful brown eyes of a Saluki, and what you see binds you to them forever." With dedication like that, it was no wonder that JoLinSco Salukis won first place in the Traditional Saluki category.

Elsewhere, the Carter's Cafe tailgate brought back fond memories for three decades of graduates. One alumna, Neva Isbell, said, "I got engaged in Carter's... twice." The tailgate featured food and a background painting of the cafe, which opened in 1925 and closed in 1954, or thereabouts.

"The Original Tailgators" were decked out in white pants, Great Saluki Tailgate T-shirts, and identical hats. They claimed nothing less than having brought tailgating to the University. Barbara
Besides Roggy, the men inductees are Chuck Benson (1965–69), basketball and track star who was a sophomore when SIUC won the National Invitation Tournament in 1967; Jack Hartman (1962–70), the coach of that championship team; and Harvey Welch Jr. (1951–55), the University’s first black basketball recruit, now dean of Student Life.

Women who were recognized this fall are Sandy Lemon (1976–80), the last University golfer to qualify for the national championships; Sue Visconage (1975–79), a standout in track; and Julia Warner (1977–81), two-time All American in diving.

The Sixties


The Seventies


The Thirties


The Forties


The Fifties

1. Tut, tut if you missed this one: King Tut. 2. Strontium 90, found in the fallout of A-bomb and H-bomb testing. It fell on pasture grasses, was consumed by cows and had a half-life of at least 17 years. 3. An increase in the student activity fee to construct the $4.8 million Student Center. 4. WSRV-FM. 5. 1951. 6. Maxine Vogely. 7. Old Science. 8. The old dairy barn. Fifty-one contented cows were moved to the new Dairy Teaching Center one mile west of campus. 9. I. Clark Davis ’39. 10. He received the first Ph.D. ever awarded at SIU.

The Sixties

1. a) Jack Hartman. b) Clyde. c) Clyde. d) 71–56. 2. SWIC was Southwestern Illinois Campus, with residence centers in Alton and and East St. Louis. The name Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville was adopted when the new, modern campus opened in 1965. 3. 1963. 4. The Tiltin’ Hilton, The Cardboard Jungle, and The Outdoor Recreation Center were three such nicknames. 5. The six-week outdoor concert series on the Edwardsville campus was called The Mississippi River Festival. Among those performing: Bob Dylan, Joan Baez, Buffy Sainte-Marie, Arlo Guthrie, Joni Mitchell, Van Cliburn, The New Christy Minstrels, the St. Louis Symphony, and The King Family. 6. At 10 a.m. or at 1 p.m. 7. $1 to $1.75 per hour, up from 85 cents minimum. Grad students could earn a maximum of $2 per hour. 8. Henry Dan Piper. 9. Harwood Hall. 10. Interrupted Melody.

Roggy, Six Others Named to Sports Hall of Fame

The outstanding American javelin thrower, Bob Roggy, who died in an accident in Texas on Aug. 3, is one of seven SIUC sports stars of the past who have been added to the SIUC Hall of Fame. Roggy, 29, had finished fifth in the javelin throw at the U.S. Olympic Festival meet on Aug. 2.
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In skimming through 40 years of University publications to come up with questions for our nostalgia quiz (pages 11-14), we uncovered scores of historical tidbits.

For instance, in the long campaign to upgrade the curriculum here, a change of name was essential. "With the support of a group as large as that of the Alumni Association, Southern Illinois Normal University should be the University of Southern Illinois within the next year," said an article printed in 1942. University status wasn't granted until 1947, and we all know the outcome of the name change.

World War II brought other changes to campus.Servicemen were stationed and trained here. Women moved out of Anthony Hall and into private homes in Carbondale, and the women's dorm was turned into a barracks. Enrollment of men declined. "Girls dancing together are in the majority at Carter's now," said The Southern Alumnus in 1943. But one tradition did remain: "The freshmen are as gullible as ever."

A main attraction at the Du Quoin State Fair in 1948 was our zoology department's exhibit of what at the time were unusual critters: "live hamsters, tiny brown animals." In the years since, how many millions of hamsters have been cried over and lovingly buried in back yards?

Creatures of a different kind were found in a campus attic for over sixty years. According to a February 1953 article, "Fingers are crossed at Southern, awaiting spring to see if the summer colony of bats which makes its home in Old Main's attic will return."

The year before, a spraying of cyanide gas resulted in enough dead bats to fill six garbage pails. But if the bats did return, the University was ready to try another weapon: an assault on the cardrooms through 168 hours of radio music, with the volume set on "blare." Today, only five seconds of Twisted Sister would be enough.

We'll probably never run out of R. Buckminster Fuller stories. The geodesic dome house constructed by Jon Mullinax '70-2, yet another person who was influenced by Bucky, was featured in a St. Louis Post-Dispatch article on Aug. 17. Mullinax had enrolled in an SIUC engineering course taught by Bucky in 1969. "He inspired me," Mullinax said. "From then on, I carried the thought that someday I would have the opportunity to build a house like that."

Located on 1.2 acres in Maryland Heights, a St. Louis suburb, the 5,000-sq.-ft. house features an open, three-story wooden staircase, a wrap-around deck, and south-facing windows.

The house was up for sale at $237,000. Mullinax planned to use the proceeds to build an even larger dome home.

Fuller's World Game has returned to the University, where he first worked on the idea in the mid-1960s. Harry F. (Bill) Perk, a member of the Community Development faculty, will play the game in one of his classes beginning with a "State of the Planet Workshop" on Sunday, Jan. 25.

We hope to have more about the World Game in an upcoming issue. But here's a snapshot: 100 students, each representing one percent of humanity, standing on a huge map of the world laid out on the floor of the Arena.

Remember what you brought from home your first semester here? Some things change, some stay the same.

University News Service writer Sue Davis spotted a few student treasures the day the dorms reopened this fall: a gum ball machine, coffee pots, teddy bears, instant soup, peanut butter, half of a yellow cake, a blue wicker rocker, mini refrigerators, barbecue grills, popcorn poppers, and Cabbage Patch Kids.

What's new in the Gateway to Little Egypt? Some big doings at Giant City State Park. Both plain and fancy cabins were built north of the lodge, which itself got a facelift through a new wing.

The green thumb's "main man," Bob Thomson of the Victory Garden, came to WSIU-TV and Family Tree nursery this summer; not long ago, Mark Russell performed on campus as part of WSIU's 25th anniversary.

You can now make a left-hand turn into Arnold's Market without having to write your will, thanks to the widening of Illinois 51.

Finally, flea market buffs are happy to see the new auction-consignment building on the Giant City Blacktop by Wildwood Mobile Home Park.

New Facilities in Giant City. Construction work will be finished soon on a major addition to the Giant City Lodge and numerous new cabins on the park grounds. Bring on the fried chicken!
"Upon the education of the people of this country the fate of this country depends."

- Disraeli

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Staley salutes the alumni of Southern Illinois University, who have consistently illustrated that excellence.
Students stroll down pathways heading southwest to northeast by Neckers. In October, who can predict what next hour’s temperature will be? Perhaps the Saluki jacket says, “Let’s go, Dogs!” for Saturday or simply, “There’s a chill in the air” right now.