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The photograph was taken in front of Pulliam Hall by University Photographer Philip Bankester.

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University Photographer Steve Buhman took this photograph of four prominent alumni broadcast journalists. They are, from left to right, Jim Bitterman, ABC, Roger O'Neil, NBC, Chris Bury, ABC, and Walter Rodgers, CNN.
Alumni Make the Difference

by J. Robert Quatroche, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement

Who are Southern's most outstanding alumni?

This is the question I am most often asked when graduates and friends of SIUC find out what I do at the university. I imagine most people expect me to talk about alumni who have achieved impressive heights in their careers whether that be in business, television or journalism.

Make no mistake that these well-known alumni are invaluable members of the SIUC community and bring great pride to the university through their accomplishments.

But they are not the first people I think of when asked that pointed question. Instead, when I hear the words "outstanding alumni" I think of the thousands of alumni who have made the commitment to be dues-paying members of their SIU Alumni Association.

For the past several years, the SIU Alumni Association has focused on increasing our membership base and increasing membership benefits, enhancing and building alumni chapters nationwide, and increasing alumni involvement in the life of the association and university. As the SIU Alumni Association celebrates a century of service to alumni, we feel the time has also arrived for us to emphasize alumni service to Southern.

In this issue of Alumnus, we welcome Donald Beggs to his new position as chancellor of SIUC. One of Chancellor Beggs' priorities is to increase the participation of alumni in the recruitment of students. You will be hearing more in the fall issue of Alumnus about how you can become more actively involved in recruitment efforts.

Competition for students is intense, and increasing scholarship dollars is also crucial in attracting and retaining good students. The new Cornerstone Endowed Scholarship Program is one way we are addressing this pressing need. In the coming months, we will be providing you with more information on this and other programs that you can support. Just as when you were a student here, there are still numerous ways in which you can make a difference at your alma mater.

Until then, encourage prospective students and their parents to visit our beautiful campus. Share your experiences with them and tell them how SIUC has made a difference in your life. Broadcast the good news about your alma mater—who better to tell the Southern Illinois University story than its graduates?

I urge you to join your fellow alumni, Chancellor Beggs and the SIU Alumni Association staff in reinforcing the accomplishments and achievements that have made your alma mater a great university. With your continued and increased support, you can make your alma mater even greater than it is today.
The Guyon Legacy

After nine year tenure, Guyon resigns as chancellor

When Molly D'Esposito joined the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees in 1989, she didn't know John Guyon very well. Her initial impression of Guyon was of a reserved man. But she soon discovered that there is more than one side to John Guyon.

SIUC was enjoying a proud day in its history, celebrating the formal opening of a $5.1 million, 73,000-square foot addition to the Student Recreation Center, paid for by student fees. When she attended the dedication, D'Esposito saw a different John Guyon than she had seen at board meetings.

"John was very animated and enthusiastic," she says. "He was so pleased that the students were receiving an opportunity to enjoy the expansion of the Recreation Center."

Guyon also remembers that day well. He still speaks with pride of the students who had the foresight to pay for the addition.

"That was a great thing," Guyon says. "The building is exciting because it attracts new students as well as being good for the health and welfare of all of us who are here."

J. Robert Quatroche, vice chancellor for institutional advancement, agrees that Guyon may at first appear low key, but he has also observed that first impressions can be deceiving. "One of the things I have always enjoyed in my association with John is his incredible sense of humor," Quatroche says. "John also really cares about people and wants to make sure they succeed. He makes sure we think through a situation very carefully when it may affect someone's direction here at the university."

As Guyon embarks on a new direction in his own life, moments like the dedication of the center addition are what he will miss most. Those close to Guyon say his genuine affection for the university and its staff and students is what sets him apart as a leader.

Arnette Hubbard, a commissioner with the Chicago Board of Elections and former president of the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors, writes: "The Guyon Era was characterized by a strong, effective leader, who shared his stage and supported personal development of others as he made a lasting mark on the university, its people, and its programs."

Brad Cole, a former student body president, says Guyon was always willing to listen to the opinions of students.

"Dr. Guyon wants to see this university do as much as it can for students," Cole says.

"There were a lot of ups and downs in my administration. But he was there unwavering ... I would consider him to be a mentor to me. He has given me personal and professional advice on several occasions."

Guyon came to SIUC in 1974 from Memphis State University, where he was chairman of the chemistry department. After a two-year stint as dean of the College of Science, he became the associate vice president for academic affairs and research. He also served as vice president for academic affairs and research.

As Guyon reflects on his career at Southern, Guyon says he feels positive about
innovations in international programs (particularly the SIUC-Nakajo campus in Japan), about the growth of the research program and about recent developments in information technology. He is certain progress will continue in each of these areas.

Another of Guyon's primary goals was to establish a unified institutional advancement effort. In addressing this issue, Guyon formed a division that coordinates the efforts of the SIU Alumni Association, SIU Foundation and University Relations. Quatroche, who heads this division, says Guyon deserves a lot of credit for this undertaking. "There is a tremendous amount of potential for Southern Illinois University that is untapped. John Guyon has tried to open the door to that potential."

Guyon has also been applauded for his commitment to generating advancement equal opportunity for all students and employees. "The idea is to just keep advancing to the point where we adequately represent the citizens of the state of Illinois in staff and student population," he says.

Seymour Bryson, an executive assistant to Guyon and SIUC's affirmative action officer, says Guyon's commitment comes from the heart. "It wasn't dictated by the courts, statutes or law ... Dr. Guyon just wanted to do the right thing.

"A lot is the essence of the man. You have to be appreciative of the type of man who provided this moral leadership. That's where it all starts," Bryson observes.

In his retirement, Guyon plans to spend more time visiting grandchildren, playing golf and doing some personal travel. But he isn't stepping away from SIUC. During the next year he will work with SIU President Ted Sanders to enhance SIUC's international relations programs and economic development in the Southern Illinois region, to develop a Phi Beta Kappa chapter at SIUC, and to assist the university in preparing documentation for the North Central Association's next accreditation review.

Guyon emphasizes that he didn't do the job he's leaving alone. He credits his wife Joyce for her support. "Jobs like this one are really two-person tasks. I certainly would have been a failure without Joyce being that second person," he says.

D'Esposito joined the Guyons on a visit to SIUC's campus in Japan in 1995 and says it was a highlight in working with Guyon. "I observed Dr. Guyon to be a true ambassador for SIUC. He was knowledgeable about all the intricacies of international education," she says. "Dr. Guyon has left a positive legacy of openness and growth for SIUC."

- Greg Scott
Alumni Peter Michael Goetz (center) and Judith Helton (on the left) returned to SIUC this past summer to perform the play Love Letters. Proceeds from the evening's production went to the refurbishing of the Christian H. Moe Laboratory Theater, renamed in honor of the retiring theater professor (on the right).

Project Lays Foundation for Future Giving

The College of Mass Communication and Media Arts has launched a project to increase current funding of scholarships and equipment as well as to inform alumni about the importance of annual giving to the college. During the upcoming year the college will be conducting a campaign to build a Communications Courtyard, located north of the building and just outside the McLeod Theater doors. Alumni and friends of the college will participate in the campaign by purchasing bricks that, when laid in the courtyard, will be inscribed with the donors' names.

The Communications Courtyard Campaign was devised and approved by the college's Advisory Board, Joe Foote, the college's dean, the department chairs and Jim Hawkinson, the college's development director. In addition to funding needed scholarships, proceeds from the campaign will purchase equipment crucial to maintaining the quality of the college's nationally ranked programs.

Donors may participate in this campaign by purchasing bricks at several different giving levels. More information may be obtained by calling the dean's office at (618) 453-4308.

Vagner Appointed Foundation Director

Bryan C. Vagner has been named the executive director of the SIU Foundation. In announcing his appointment, J. Robert Quatroche, vice chancellor for institutional advancement, said, "Bryan brings proven experience and expertise to this job. We have called on him to serve in this position in an acting capacity in the past, and he has proven his worth to the university community."

Vagner has been with the Foundation for 11 years, serving as controller for the last 10. He is a two-degree SIUC graduate and a licensed certified public accountant.

"Bryan Vagner brings a wealth of experience in fundraising and is well-suited to this important job. I look forward to working with him," says John Moody, president of the SIU Foundation's board of directors.

Vagner is eager to serve his alma mater: "This is an exciting time for fundraising and I am confident that with the support of volunteers, staff and university administration the level of private support for SIU will increase. It is especially gratifying to know the successes we achieve in SIU fundraising will also have a positive impact on the Southern Illinois community where I've spent my entire life."

Delano Scott received the first John C. Guyon Scholarship and hopes to become the first African-American pediatrician to practice in Carbondale. Scott, a 1996 graduate of Carbondale Community High School, plans to major in chemistry. The scholarship is funded by an endowment raised from the annual golf scramble conducted by the chancellor's office for the past eight years.

SIUC ranked fifth nationally for the number of African American students earning bachelor's degrees at traditionally white schools during the 1992-93 academic year. The rankings were released in the May issue of Black Issues in Higher Education. SIUC has ranked in the top ten since the journal began its study five years ago.

Nancy Quisenberry is the interim dean of the College of Education. Quisenberry, the associate dean of the College, takes the reins from Donald Beggs who was appointed SIUC's chancellor.
New Dean Leads Law School

(Thomas Guernsey, former associate dean at the University of Richmond Law School, officially became dean of the SIU School of Law on July 1. Soon after, he spoke about his position and the future of the school.)

Before he was nominated to become its next dean, Thomas Guernsey did not know a great deal about Southern Illinois University School of Law. But after one visit and talking to the school’s faculty and students, he was all but certain that this was the place for him.

He explains: "When I began thinking about being a dean I knew that I wanted to go to a school that was good, but had an interest in becoming better. I was not interested in coming to a school and making sure the trains kept running on time."

Guernsey found that a similar determination was held by the faculty and administration at the young law school. During his visit and after doing some background research, he also discovered that the faculty at the school is exceptional, with several nationally known scholars, the clinical program is strong and the library is first rate.

As impressed as he was with what he now knew about the law school, Guernsey says that it was the school’s attitude toward the future of legal education that was probably the crucial factor in his decision to accept the position. Almost two centuries ago, the goal of legal education was to teach students the skills they would need to practice law. In the latter half of this century, law schools have turned toward the graduate aspect of legal education, focusing on providing students a broad theoretical framework from which to make decisions and take action.

Guernsey is interested in seeing legal education balance the two approaches. "One of the things that attracted me to SIU," he says, "is that it was clear to me that the school was committed to turning out lawyers who knew how to practice law. Having said that, this is also a school that is committed to high quality graduate education, a school that has made a commitment to bringing these two orientations together."

Continuing to move the school forward in this effort will be central in Guernsey’s administration. But his number one priority will be the recruitment of students from Illinois and the nation. The school’s current enrollment, approximately 350 students, is stable and strong. While Guernsey would like to see that number increase slightly, his primary concern is to retain and improve the quality of future students. The challenge, he says, is getting the word out on the school.

Guernsey began to address this issue months before he assumed his official duties by appointing a task force to formulate a recruitment plan. While getting the word out may be a challenge, Guernsey believes SIU’s law school has many positives that make it easy to promote. He again cites the school’s high quality education, which balances the professional and graduate aspects of the legal field. The school’s programs in health and environmental law also set it apart. The faculty-student ratio here is another plus when compared to that of other law schools where students rarely encounter anything but large lecture classes. Finally, he sees the school’s geographical location, its low tuition and cost of living, and its great clinical opportunities as convincing marketing points.

With the school moving in positive directions, Guernsey feels confident that it won’t be long until SIU gains a well-deserved reputation as having the best small public law school in the country. He knows that he and the school’s faculty and administration will settle for nothing less.

- Maureen Manier
Saving Thompson Woods

A retirees forestry professor's gift will help restore Thompson Woods. But he warns that you shouldn't be expecting miracles. "It's like building a building," says James S. Fralish. "When you first start out, there's just a terrible-looking hole in the ground, but when you're done, there's something beautiful."

Thompson Woods, one of the university's most beloved landmarks, has been in trouble for several years. With its oak giants dying of old age and so-called invading trees killing the new oaks off, the price tag for restoring the woods came to $55,000.

Fralish will be donating $15,000 to the project as well as his extensive expertise. His restoration plan includes the use of weedkiller and fire. Neither method is particularly popular with environmentalists, but, Fralish explains, that's the difference between bringing the woods back or letting it be.

Fralish predicts that it will take six to ten years for all traces of the restoration project to disappear. Fralish acknowledges that may seem like a long time, but time is the unnamed part of the cost of restoring the oak and hickory grove. And, he says, "It won't just look better—it will look very nice."

This summer children came from all around the state and country to participate in numerous educational, music and sports camps held on the SIUC campus. One of the summer's most popular camps is Kid Architecture, in which students both study and practice what they learn. Above camp participants and professors work to build a geodesic dome based on the designs of Buckminster Fuller.
University Celebrates Distinguished Alumni

More than 6,000 graduate and undergraduate students participated in the spring commencement ceremonies. Dignitaries ranged from the chief executive officer of National Public Radio to a West Frankfort, Ill., native who helped develop the official World Wide Web site for the White House.

Ten alumni received Alumni Achievement Awards, the highest honor bestowed by the SIU Alumni Association.

Harold A. Kuehn '51 received the prized award from the College of Agriculture and delivered the college's commencement address. Kuehn, who is from Du Quoin, Ill., has spent many years farming over 1,000 acres. He has headed up the Jackson County Farm Bureau, presided over the American Soybean Association and founded and directed the Land of Lincoln Soybean Association. Kuehn sits on the SIU Foundation Board of Directors and, with his wife Nora, has endowed a scholarship for plant and soil science majors.

The College of Business and Administration selected Larry R. DeJarnett '62, MBA '63 of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., to receive the Alumni Achievement Award and deliver the commencement speech. DeJarnett, vice president of A.T. Kearney Inc., an international management consulting firm, previously worked in consulting, financial and systems management positions with Ford Motor Co. He is a member of the College of Business and Administration's external advisory board and the SIU Foundation board.

Marion, Ky., resident James R. Forner '60, MS'60, founder and chairman of the board of Res-Care, Inc., was chosen as the College of Education Alumni Achievement Award winner. Forner's company is a leading provider of residential, training and support services for people with disabilities. Both Forbes and Business Week magazines have called Res-Care one of America's best small companies. The university also awarded Forner an honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

College of Engineering alumnus Jerry W. Leman '65 of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., received its Alumni Achievement Award. For the past 30 years Leman has overseen metal fabrication operations at General Motors Corporation plants. He sits on the board of directors of the Industrial Management Association, the United Way of America and the Engineering Society of Detroit.

SIU President Ted Sanders addressed the SIU School of Law commencement at which Karen L. Kendall '67, MA '76, '81 was presented the school's Alumni Achievement Award. Kendall is a partner in a Peoria law firm and handles appeals for the firm's offices in five Illinois appellate districts, the Illinois Supreme Court and the U.S. Court of Appeals. She is also the editor-in-chief of the Appellate Law Review.

Carole Brandt Ph.D. '76 addressed the College of Liberal Arts and received its Alumni Achievement Award. Brandt is dean of the Meadows School of the Arts at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. She also chaired theater departments at Illinois Wesleyan and at universities in Florida and Pennsylvania. She has received four national medals—three from the Kennedy Center and one from Exxon—for her contributions to theater education.

The College of Mass Communication and Media Arts bestowed its Alumni Achievement Award on Douglas A. Anderson Ph.D.'77. Anderson directs and teaches at the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Telecommunications at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz. He also heads the Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication.
James Wright AA’72 received the College of Technical Career Alumni Achievement Award. Wright, who resides in Reston, Va., manages the data center of the Executive Office of the President at the White House and was on the management team that created the White House website on the internet. He is a three-time recipient of The Distinguished Service Award, the highest employee award bestowed on members of the Office of the Administration at the White House.

Barbara C. Weber Ph.D. ’82 received the College of Science Achievement Award. Weber is associate deputy director for research for the U.S. Forest Service, based in Washington, D.C. She previously headed the agency’s Pacific Southwest Forest Research Station in California and its North Central Forest Experiment Station in Carbondale.

The School of Social Work honored Patrick A. Auman ’77, MS’80, Ph.D.’84 as its speaker and Alumni Achievement Award winner. Auman is chief operating officer of Sun Belt Regional Medical Center, a 289-bed acute care medical center in Houston, Texas. He has held other senior hospital administration positions in South Dakota and Illinois.

Provost Resigns, Returns to Teaching

Benjamin A. Shepherd, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, recently resigned his administrative position to return to teaching zoology in the College of Science.

“I think everyone recognizes that Chancellor Don Beggs will want to put his own team together,” Shepherd said in speaking about his decision. “I want to make the transition as smooth as possible and, after more than eight years in this position, I’m looking forward to returning to the classroom.”

SIU President Ted Sanders praised Shepherd’s contributions, “Provost Shepherd has served SIU well and has earned the respect and recognition of the campus community.”

Chancellor Emeritus John Guyon has known Shepherd since he came to the College of Science as a junior faculty member. “It has been a pleasure watching him move up the academic ranks to achieve his professorship and at the same time make major administrative contributions to the university,” Guyon said.

SIU law school students will benefit from a $100,000 memorial gift that endows a scholarship for third-year law students as well as an ethics award. The gift memorializes the late Judge Richard E. and Lois A. Richman.

GTE has opened a $125,000 scholarship account at SIUC. Over the next three years, GTE plans to fully fund the scholarship, which will first be awarded in 1997. GTE has a long history of philanthropy to SIUC and to higher education nationwide.

B&L Photo has made a commitment to fund an annual $2,400 scholarship for photography majors. The shop is co-owned by Brian T. Schaffner and his father, Lee A. Schaffner. Brian, who earned a bachelor’s degree from SIUC in cinema and photography in 1984, hopes the scholarship will attract talented still photographers to Southern’s nationally respected program.

Number 1 is the ranking given to the faculty of SIUC’s Rehabilitation Institute for the quality and quantity of their research. The ranking, awarded by the Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling, recognizes the accomplishments of one of the oldest and most respected rehabilitation training facilities in the nation. The Rehabilitation Institute was also ranked number two nationwide for the overall quality of its master’s program.
Jack and Muriel Hayward's love affair with chamber music began during their courtship and has continued through their long marriage and into a very active retirement. This love has taken them to chamber music festivals around the world. Most recently, it has encouraged them to bring chamber music to Southern Illinois and to introduce others to what Jack Hayward refers to as "the most democratic form of music."

As the Haywards are fond of saying, almost in unison, "We like symphony, we like opera, but we love chamber music." They explain that from the listener's point of view they enjoy chamber music because they can hear what's going on, they can listen to each instrument.

But it is the democratic nature of the music which clearly brings them greatest pleasure. Chamber musicians, unlike orchestral musicians, have no conductor and must rely on each other, working closely together and finding and making great music from their compromises.

Mr. Hayward explains, "By listening to each other they find new ways of interpreting pieces they've played for years." The result of this democratic endeavor is that no matter how many times you hear a piece of chamber music you hear it played differently by each ensemble of musicians.

Much to their delight, the Haywards discovered that the Marlboro Chamber Music Festival, located in Vermont, had taken the democratic aspect of chamber music one step further by integrating it into the educational process. Each summer the most famous chamber musicians in the world come to this small Vermont town to play, not just with each other, but with younger talented musicians. The Marlboro twist is that the more experienced musicians do not formally serve as teachers. Instead, the musicians learn from each other as they explore and perform the music.

For many years the Haywards have philanthropically supported chamber music, notably through the endowment of a Marlboro scholarship. But it wasn't until the early eighties, after hosting several chamber music political fundraisers, that they began to pursue the dream of building a chamber music scene in Southern Illinois. That dream became a reality when, in cooperation with SIUC's School of Music, they established the Southern Illinois Chamber Music Society.

The society, which recently completed its fourth season, has what Muriel Hayward calls "the Marlboro Connection." Young musicians are attracted to SIUC through scholarships funded by the Southern Illinois Chamber Music Society. Once here they work with music professors from the university and perform with them in a series of recitals performed in the intimate environment of the Small Business Incubator atrium.

The Haywards say the society has flourished because of the support of the School of Music faculty and directors, current and retired, and a small but loyal and enthusiastic following. With its reputation established, the society has now turned its focus to building an endowment that will ensure its future. To that end, the Haywards have offered to match up to $50,000 in gifts received for the endowment. They have already matched close to $20,000, and they believe that before the fundraising is completed the society will have an endowment of several hundred thousand dollars.

For Jack, retired chair of the religious studies department, and Muriel, there could be no better legacy than a timeless gift of music to be played in their adopted, but beloved, home of Southern Illinois.

"-Maureen Manier
Determination Leads to Honors

Many marvel at college students who juggle all their extracurricular activities with their academic responsibilities. Ambar Zobairi has a simple philosophy that allows her to accomplish these tasks. "If you really want to do something, you can do it... it comes down to whether or not you really want to get something done," she says. "I want to do everything.

Zobairi did a little bit of everything during her collegiate career. From maintaining a 4.0 grade point average in her political science and history major to working several jobs to being active in both university and community activities, motivation has never been a problem for Zobairi.

She not only strives to be successful—she expects it from herself. From the time she entered Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Zobairi has been on the dean's list and has also picked up her share of scholarships. Her numerous scholastic honors include being the College of Liberal Arts Valedictorian and Senior of the Year for SIUC's Phi Kappa Phi chapter.

Zobairi also received the Frank L. Klingberg Youth Award for Excellence, an annual honor bestowed upon a student in the field of international relations and comparative politics.

Born in Algeria, Zobairi attended school in Nigeria before coming to Carbondale in 1983, when her parents came to SIUC. Active in chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, speaks about Zobairi's commitment. "Almost all of the students who apply have a perfect 4.0 grade point average, but Ambar does all kinds of other things outside the classroom," Donow says. "She exemplifies everything that Phi Kappa Phi is all about."

Donow, who helped Zobairi put her application together, says the best may be yet to come from Zobairi. "Ambar is a real star... she is one of those alums that is going to make SIU very proud."

Zobairi has put graduate school on hold for a year while she works in Illinois Governor Edgar's office. She plans to study international relations at John Hopkins University in Baltimore.

Zobairi wants to work for an international human rights agency after she finishes her master's degree. "My strength is writing, so I would like to make human rights abuses known throughout the world and international communities," she says.

While others may marvel at Zobairi's accomplishments, she continues to expect even more from herself.

- Greg Scott

Student Elected to Illinois Board of Higher Education

Troy Arnoldi, a senior in speech communication from South Roxana, Ill., has been elected as the student representative to the Illinois Board of Higher Education for the 1996-1997 academic year. Arnoldi will represent nearly 700,000 students at public and private universities and colleges in Illinois.

"To represent well you have to know what students are going through and what kinds of needs they have," says Arnoldi. "My goal is to travel across the state as much as possible, to different campuses.

"I am a representative of the students of Illinois, but I see myself as an ambassador from SIUC because this is where my heart is, and I love this institution," says Arnoldi. In addition to representing the needs and concerns of Illinois students, Arnoldi hopes to educate the public about SIUC through his actions and leadership.

"I try to lead by example," says Arnoldi. "My biggest impact for SIUC is to be a good ambassador by showing people what SIUC is really about."

Having served in the military in Panama and the Persian Gulf War, Arnoldi feels the discipline he learned has served him well. But he feels certain it's his education at SIUC that has been the major factor in his success.

-Todd Hillman
Beggs Appointed SIUC Chancellor

Alumnus Looks Forward to Serving Alma Mater

by Maureen Manier

Growing up in nearby Harrisburg, Ill., Donald Beggs always planned to attend Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He also planned to teach high school mathematics one day. But he admits he didn’t exactly plan for what his future has held for him. Two SIUC degrees. A doctorate from the University of Iowa. A career at Southern as a tenured professor and as dean of the College of Education. This summer his career took yet another unplanned, but equally exciting turn when he was selected as SIUC’s 15th chancellor.

Although Beggs never imagined he would have the chance to lead SIUC, it’s an opportunity he’s assumed with his trademark enthusiasm and energy. “I know what you can get from this place if you’ll give to it,” he explains.

Beggs believes strongly that, as much as SIUC has changed since he arrived on campus as a freshman in 1959, there are certain constants to the university he has loved all his life. He speaks fondly of his own university experience, which he began as a resident of Thompson Point. Like many students then and now, he held down a campus job. He also continued to work on the weekends at a department store in Harrisburg.

He says that in many ways the staff members he encountered as a student worker influenced him as much as his professors: “The people I worked for were very important to me. They were genuinely interested in me as a person as well as interested in the kind of job I did. They were a real support system. Their reaching out made me feel closer to the university.”

He believes feeling that same warmth and friendliness is central to students having a positive experience at SIUC today. “The worst
thing, I think, that can happen to a student is to come here and be isolated," he observes. "There's more that goes on at a university than what goes on in a classroom."

SIU's rapid growth has made the task of reaching out to students more difficult, but not, Beggs believes, impossible. "When you grow you have more opportunity to make mistakes and more opportunity to help," he says.

As chancellor, he will work closely with departments to identify problem solvers who can provide that important personal touch, what he calls "the connect," with students, alumni and others who associate with the university.

SIU President Ted Sanders says that it was the combination of experience, integrity, enthusiasm and optimism that put Beggs on almost everyone's list of candidates to replace the retiring chancellor, John Guyon—including his own. Sanders, who knew and worked with Beggs for almost a decade before coming to SIU, says that while Beggs was on his list from the beginning, it was only after a month of non-stop interviews with the leader of every university constituency as well as the colleges' deans and numerous alumni, faculty and staff members that he made his final decision to recommend Beggs' appointment to the Board of Trustees.

When the Board appointed Beggs to a two-year term as chancellor, he agreed not to return to his former position as dean of the College of Education and not to be a candidate in the search for a permanent chancellor. President Sanders asserts, however, that there is nothing interm about Beggs' term, "This title—chancellor—should convey to the university community and to the public that he will function with full authority and responsibility."

Beggs voices a similar conviction: "I realize that it's a two-year appointment; that is not how I'm going to behave in this position. I'm going to use the position to create the kind of environment where we can use the abilities of the people here to move us to the next level ... I'm going to keep my perspective well beyond the two years in terms of the actions I'm taking. It's very clear Dr. Sanders expects me to use my experience to determine why we are where we are and how we can get to where we want to go. That's what I intend to do."

He says that, contrary to what people might think, he is extremely positive about the timing and circumstances of this opportunity for him personally and professionally. After 15 years in the position, he had recently contemplated stepping down as dean of the College of Education: "I have been watching the college change and grow and become more stable. There are significant changes happening in education, and this faculty is ready to move forward to meet that new set of expectations ... And I had gotten to the point where I was believing the college would benefit from having another set of eyes [look at it], benefit from a change of leadership."

Although he admits that it's uncharacteristic of him, Beggs also says he's not concerned or even thinking about his own future beyond July 1998. Still a tenured professor of education, Beggs may not be certain where his next professional step will take him, but as an alumnus he knows he will always be strongly connected to SIUC.

Beggs' connections to SIUC run deep. His grandmother attended SIUC in the late 1880s and his mother was the first in the family to complete a degree here. His wife Shirley earned two SIUC degrees and taught elementary school in Carbondale for many years before retiring in 1994. Their two children, Brent and Pamela, also hold SIUC degrees, as does Brent's wife, Jeri. Beggs says his entire family, like him, is extremely excited about his new responsibilities. He laughs as he adds, "They are supportive, proud and full of advice."

An active alumnus and life member of the SIU Alumni Association, Beggs will be posing an important challenge to his fellow alumni: "I full well intend to ask the alumni to help in the outreach activities to communicate to others what's so special about this university ... What I hope is that alumni will share what they've gained from this institution that has made them successful with potential students and their families. It's one thing for me to read about a university, but it's much more meaningful for me to hear about a university from someone who went there."

Beggs enthusiastically speaks about his alma mater, citing its rapid and, in his view, remarkable growth from a regional college to a major player on the national and international educational stage. He says that this rise to prominence can be seen in every area and activity of the university, from a burgeoning research program to the quality productions staged by the theater department to an alumni population, 160,000 strong, who boast impressive achievements in every imaginable field of endeavor.

He says one challenge is to find the language to speak about the university's strengths and to inform people about what they will find at SIUC: "To have such high quality of faculty and graduates from a university in a rural area should convey that we have something unique here. I experience it every day; our alumni have experienced it. That's why all of us are the best people to tell prospective students why this could be the right match for them."

Beggs looks forward to forming a closer relationship with alumni as they work toward the common goal of building an even stronger university. He describes his management style as inclusive and intends to give every idea a chance to be heard. But he emphasizes that he won't hesitate to make the decisions that will move the University forward: "I think any decision you make at the chancellor level is hard, because you impact so many people's lives, now and in the future ... I imagine I will make some decisions that will be difficult and not necessarily popular, but they will always be decisions focused on meeting the needs of our students."
At 30,000 feet everything is different. In 50 minutes you can travel 350 miles and pass over millions of people. And yet during that time you feel as if there is no one on earth except you and the people on that plane.

For Deborah Winters flying is an everyday occurrence and today is just like any other day. She wakes up in her hotel room, gets ready and reports to work for United Airlines.

But today is anything but an average day for 16-year-old Julie Savage. "I got up three hours ahead of time because I'm so excited," says Savage.

On this day, however different their lives may be, Winters and Savage are doing what they both love best, soaring above the clouds. Participating in the third annual Aviation Career Day, sponsored by United Airlines and SIUC's aviation management and flight program, the two joined 25 SIUC alumni, who are also United employees, and 88 minority and female high school students. The day-long visit to Carbondale showcased SIUC's program and facilities as well as its strong relationship with United Airlines. United and SIUC signed an internship agreement in 1987 that has resulted in 45 aviation students being hired by the airline. Four of them have already been promoted to captain.

Winters knows a lot about both SIUC and United. The 1991 alumna is only one seat away from fulfilling a dream she has held since high school. "I was hired..."
when I was 23 years old, with only 1,400 hours of flight time," says Winters. "(SIUC's internship program with United) really gave me a leg up on everybody else. I'll be captain by the time I'm 30." Few people are lucky enough to be hired as a pilot for a major airline like United by their mid-thirties, much less to make the rank of captain.

For Savage, whose father is an airline mechanic, the desire to fly is also a lifelong ambition. "I've had this dream since I was a baby," says Savage. She has completed her ground classes for a pilot's license and already has a good start on her flight lessons.

During the day the participants divided into small groups. Each group was guided by a current aviation student and an SIUC alumnus or alumna who was also a United employee. The groups stopped at the maintenance department, flight systems rooms and the flight simulators. "They answered all my questions," says Savage. "I saw what SIUC aviation is all about. I was really impressed."

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Taking the Time

by Maureen Manier

An eighth grade teacher who emphasized precision and achievement.

A high school English teacher who brought great works of literature alive for his classes.

An SIUC administrator who helped students stay in school with a revolving $5 loan.

A superintendent of schools who saw potential in a young high school counselor and guided him to a career in educational administration.

As he begins his newest challenge as the superintendent of schools for the city of St. Louis, Cleveland Hammonds, Jr. '59 remembers and credits each of these individuals for taking the time to make a difference in his life.

He speaks about the powerful and resonant influence of his eighth grade teacher Irene Sanders. Hammonds says that while he was a good student, he sometimes lacked motivation. But not in Mrs. Sanders' class: "There was no question in my mind that she was serious about what she was doing. And she seemed to know what each of us could produce and pushed us to achieve it."

Hammonds found that same kind of encouragement when he arrived in Carbondale: "I felt like SIU was very friendly. And the university always seemed to find a way to keep you there if you wanted to stay." He fondly recalls an administrator who was well-known among Hammonds and his friends. Every week Mr. Stacey would lend students $5 that they would repay the next week, only to borrow it again a week or so later. "That $5 made a huge difference in the lives of hundreds of students, including me," Hammonds says.

After graduation, Hammonds and his wife Yvonne, whom he met at SIUC,
returned to his hometown of Alton, Ill., where Hammonds began his career in education—a career that he frankly didn't believe would last terribly long.

Since high school he had hoped one day to attend law school. He harbored that plan throughout his undergraduate years, through a brief stint in the Army, during subsequent years teaching in Alton and Madison, Ill., and even as he completed a master's degree in counseling.

He says that he still thought that law school would be in his future on the summer day he and his wife were driving to Danville to look into a job offer. As they were driving through Champaign his wife admired the town and suggested he apply for a job there. "I told her that I wasn't going to get a job just walking in the door. But I went ahead and went in and talked to the superintendent. He told me that they didn't hire in that building and then he took out a piece of paper and pencil and told me to go talk to the principal at the local high school."

A few hours later Hammonds had a job offer in hand. "We never did make it to Danville," he says.

Hammonds loved teaching history in the local high school, although he still sometimes thought about obtaining a law degree. He says the pivotal moment in his career came when Martin Luther King was assassinated and the Champaign school superintendent focused on attracting more African Americans into administration and offered him a job.

Getting that first taste, and later earning his doctorate in educational administration at the University of Illinois, finally convinced Hammonds to abandon any lingering thoughts of law school. He says that from that time forward he was hooked on being a superintendent.

In 1975 he received his first opportunity to take the superintendent's reins when he was hired by the Inkster, Mich., school system. From Michigan he went to Durham, N. C., and then to Birmingham, Ala. In those 21 years he has observed dramatic changes in schools as well as in the role of superintendents.

He notes that the most profound changes occurred when students began staying in school longer. "It used to be," Hammonds explains, "that we didn't talk about students dropping out. A lot of students would just leave school after the eighth grade and get good-paying jobs and support themselves and their families. But technology has wiped out most of those jobs."

"The good old days people remember were when a select group made it to high school and the curriculum was designed for that select group. With this change, we've been struggling to adjust school systems to serve this new, more diverse population."
Striving to respond to this cultural transformation has affected the nature of the superintendent's role, a job that's become more like a revolving door in recent years.

"There was once an unspoken cardinal rule that you didn't make education a political issue," Hammonds says. But all that's changed in recent years, and superintendents now regularly sit in the hot seat. "Problems society as a whole have been turned over to the schools," he observes. "You couldn't solve have been turned to the schools," he observes.

Urban educators like Hammonds have directly experienced this increased pressure. A highly politicized situation in Birmingham ended with the school board buying out Hammonds' contract. Hammonds says that two things protected him from feeling the brunt of the situation's stress: the psychological wall and the strong community reputation he had carefully built over the years. Both made him feel secure about his future.

Hammonds was right not to worry about his future. The day the school board announced Hammonds' resignation he received a phone call from the University of Alabama at Birmingham making him a job offer. Within a month, the St. Louis school system also called to see if he would be interested in the superintendent's job. Hammonds knew he could stay at UAB, but feeling he still had a role to play in urban education, he accepted the St. Louis position. He began his new job on July 1.

Coming to St. Louis meant moving closer to home; it also meant assuming responsibility for a school system with serious problems. Hammonds emphasizes the positives about St. Louis' schools: a renovated physical plant and a supportive community. But he acknowledges the system's list of challenges: low test scores, high dropout rates (over 50 percent), and increasing school violence. Months before Hammonds officially began his job, he appointed a citizen's task force that began looking at these issues.

"The things we're dealing with here you can't change overnight," Hammonds warns. He admits there is a lot of pressure on someone in his position. "But I insist on a process," he asserts. "I've been around long enough to know that unless you get a plan in which the community takes some ownership you're not going anywhere."

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Being around a long time also means that Hammonds knows the importance of his relationship with the media. "I know that perception is just as important as fact—a miscue with the media can throw a whole strategic plan out the door." In St. Louis, as in his other jobs, Hammonds will make himself accessible to the media and to the public. He will host a weekly radio talk show and he will make communication a top priority of his administration.

Emphasizing communication blends in well with Hammonds' philosophy about the kind of relationship schools and communities must form for both to succeed. Although it is too early in his tenure to specifically discuss actions he will be taking in St. Louis, Hammonds says he believes in early intervention. He plans to build relationships with area preschools as well as to strengthen the system's outreach programs.

Hammonds learned from his own upbringing and education that an adult can make all the difference in a child's life. "You either try to involve the parents or another significant adult in that role. Children need someone who tells them that school has a high value and then demonstrates that to them," he says.

Hammonds' own experience has also led him to serve as a mentor to others: "You owe other people the same thing you received. So whenever I see people with potential, I try to reach out to them. I feel like I am where I am today because people did that for me." Hammonds says that support leads to higher achievement and, he stresses, "Successful people don't drop out of school."

Cleveland Hammonds has known success; but he has also known hardship. He's had the privilege of signing all three of his daughters' high school graduation certificates. But he also learned years after it happened that his older daughter was harassed by a teacher during a controversial strike in the Champaign school system.

Being a superintendent has given his family a secure lifestyle. But Hammonds knows that his wife, who taught kindergarten in Birmingham, and his daughters, who had to read the newspapers and listen to the news reports, endured tremendous stress during his final difficult months as superintendent when his every action was placed under a microscope.

Now, more than ever, superintendents lead a precarious and often difficult existence. Still, Cleveland Hammonds and his family know that he is right where he belongs, working to ensure that today's and tomorrow's children succeed and have a chance to meet the people who might make the difference in their lives.
The goals were lofty, the realities practical.

The general education program, long a staple of academic life at SIUC, was lumbering into the nineties, outdated, overburdened and institutionally entrenched. Addressing its future was, to say the least, complex.

Despite these very real problems, however, the general education program was also still expected to achieve its lofty goal: to educate students to be informed and thoughtful citizens of the world.

Throughout the last decade there had been little doubt in anyone's mind that the goal and the reality of SIUC's general education program were out of sync. General education requirements were viewed by students and many faculty members as obstacles to be sidestepped or hurdled rather than opportunities to be taken.

David NewMyer, an associate professor of aviation management and recording secretary for the 1992 General Education Faculty Senate Committee, gives his perspective, "It all came down to the 'T' word—turf that is." He says that while they acknowledged the program's problems, departments were loathe to make changes because that would translate into a loss of students and money.

And so, with revisions made in 1985, the program continued operating on automatic pilot until 1991, when the state passed legislation making change no longer a choice but a requirement. The bill's language specified that all publicly funded schools must have a general education curriculum that deals with improving human relations. Confronted with this legislation and fueled by widespread dissatisfaction with the program, the university began to formulate its response to the state's and its own unique challenges.

A Lilly Endowment-funded team took the first pass at making recommendations. Their 1992 report strongly criticized the general education program for its lack of depth and coherence and proposed significantly redefining the program's structure. They suggested a general education program that would be interdisciplinary in nature, encouraging students to synthesize information learned from various disci-
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plines as well as prompting more collaboration among faculty from across traditional department borders.

“They weren’t thrilled with it,” Ann-Janine Morey straightforwardly answers when asked how the faculty responded to the report. Morey, a professor, the leader of the Lilly Team and a member of the general education committee, can smile now when she remembers the reaction the report received, but admits it was somewhat discouraging at the time. Through town meetings conducted in every college, however, Morey says they discovered that the ambivalence faculty expressed was rooted in valid concerns. She says many faculty members felt the proposed changes focused too much on interdisciplinary work that they felt unprepared for and uncomfortable teaching.

The Lilly report also called for increasing the number of required hours as well as declaring that no substitutions would be permitted. Both changes, faculty argued, limited important scheduling flexibility and made it more difficult for students to complete their undergraduate degrees in four years.

The faculty senate committee ultimately submitted a proposal for the revision of the program that, while it included only remnants from the Lilly report, definitely carried forth that report’s spirit of change. And, as the Lilly report had, it encouraged professors to make their courses academically rigorous and to place emphasis on increasing their courses’ reading and writing requirements.

The proposal recommended the following constitute the core of every SIUC student’s education.

- Foundation Skills: composition, math, speech communication
- Disciplinary Studies: fine arts, human health, humanities, science, social science
- Integrative Studies: multicultural diversity in the United States, interdisciplinary studies

The committee also recommended that a faculty member be appointed as director of the general education program. A later point, to help dispel some of the negative connotations associated with the title general education, the general education executive council formally proposed that the program be renamed the university core curriculum.

Morey’s leadership on the Lilly Team and the faculty senate’s general education committee, as well as her reputation as one of the university’s outstanding teachers, led to her appointment as director of the university core curriculum. Morey believes there was something ironically apropos about her selection. Formerly a tenured professor in the religious studies department, Morey had transferred her tenure to the English department. “The English department has been a wonderful academic home for me,” she says, adding, “But I don’t think I have the same disciplinary loyalty as someone teaching in her degree field. Maybe that makes it possible for me to be as objective as any faculty member can be about this issue.”

NewMyer confirms that the objectivity shown by Morey and faculty senate general education committee chair Peter Carroll made all the difference in the ultimate success encountered by their report. “We put everyone’s concerns on the table and discussed them thoroughly,” NewMyer says. “We tried to do everything we did by a process and do the best we could for the university.”

NewMyer says important yet controversial issues, such as the Capstone Option that expedites and simplifies the transfer process from community colleges, were dealt with fairly. “I think the members of the committee worked hard and did a pretty good job of leaving our own turf issues at the door,” he says.

The faculty senate’s proposal, submitted in 1993, passed unanimously. The next three years were spent working out the painstaking details of instituting a new curriculum, details that included issuing a call and then reviewing proposals for new courses. The new university core curriculum was officially inaugurated this past summer.

Morey believes the new curriculum adds depth and distinction to SIUC students’ education. Virginia Rinella, director of pre-major advisement, agrees: “What the core curriculum does is provide students with the skills they need to operate personally and professionally. These courses help them to look at themselves, to look at others, to look at the nation and at the world.”

NewMyer asserts that the changes in the core curriculum benefit all students, even those from his own college who are vocationally-oriented. “I put it this way,” he explains. “United Airlines likes the fact that students who come from here are well-rounded, that they have an understanding of the world, not just aviation, and that they can talk and write and have strong communication skills.”

Morey believes the programmatic revamping has invigorated the core curriculum. She says the process itself, although full of pitfalls and compromises, was positive for the community because it heightened the general awareness of the core among faculty. She was particularly pleased at the quality of course proposals submitted by faculty members and intends to sustain that quality by implementing an assessment process that will evaluate the courses’ success.

In years past, teaching general education courses has lacked prestige. But Morey believes this new era of the core curriculum offers the university a chance to uplift the status of these professors and the courses they teach. As Rinella points out, former SIU President Delyte Morris, who first initiated the core, envisioned full professors teaching the courses, signaling to everyone the significance of core requirements.

Although students often appear to rush through their core requirements to take their major classes, Rinella says that studies have shown that 10 years after graduation it is general education courses that students remember most vividly. Not surprising to Rinella, since it is in these courses, she says, that students gain their most frequently used life skills and knowledge.

Morey states it simply. “What we do at SIU in the core curriculum is more important than what any liberal arts college does because we have contact with so many more students. We have a chance to win the battle of teaching people how powerful a tool an education can be.”
Alumni correspondents share experiences from the network battlefield.

by Maureen Manier

Their jobs control their lives and yet they can't imagine any job they'd rather have. They have met presidents, reported from war fronts and been present at some of the century's most historical events.

In April, four of broadcast's leading network correspondents returned to where their all-consuming careers began: Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Above, Walter Rodgers, on the right, discusses their evening newscast with WSIU's student reporters.
Walter Rodgers '62, '64 earned bachelor's and master's degrees at SIUC in history. After a career that has taken him to every corner of the world, he currently serves as CNN's Jerusalem bureau chief.

Jim Bitterman '69 graduated from the School of Journalism and is a correspondent with ABC News. From a home base in Paris, he covers a wide range of European stories.

Roger O'Neil graduated in 1968 with a degree in radio-television. As an NBC news correspondent, O'Neil serves as the bureau chief in Denver.

Political science graduate Chris Bury '75 is an ABC Washington news correspondent currently assigned to the late night news show Nightline.

The four correspondents recently came back to Carbondale to speak about the jobs to which they've dedicated their lives. They also contributed chapters based on their experiences which will be collected in a book on network correspondents. Sponsored by the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Mass Communication and Media Arts, The Paul F. McRoy Symposium Network News Correspondent Conference was attended by students, faculty and staff as well as by members of the local media and community.

During the day-long conference each man spoke of his climb to success as well as his view on the future of their shared career. Veteran newsmen Rodgers credits his own success to studying in SIUC's first-rate history department, "I owe very much, if not all of it [his success], to the instructors I had at this university who opened my head."

O'Neil similarly praises his academic background: "It provided a foundation that I have been able to build on for the last 25 years or so. And it provided me with a base that has been rock solid."

Although they praised their education and the jobs they held along the way, the correspondents readily admitted that luck played a role in their ultimate success.

And, like all journalists worth their salt, they enjoyed telling their stories of how unfortunate twists of fate translated into opportunities.

O'Neil jokes that he still sends Christmas cards to the hijacker whose failed attempt at Chicago's O'Hare Airport led to O'Neil's eventual hire by NBC News. Although he had certainly paid his broadcast dues working at stations in Peoria, West Virginia, Louisville and Houston, it was the day after he covered a hijacking crisis live for 13 hours that O'Neil was hired by NBC's Chicago bureau.

Although the early seventies witnessed a decline in campus unrest across the nation, Bury was glad there were still a few riots at SIUC during his first years at the university. It was by covering the evacuation of a dorm and sending the tape to a large Chicago radio station that Bury discovered he could be paid for doing something he found so exhilarating.

But, like O'Neil, Bury feels good fortune played a major role in his own big break. While he was working in Houston a producer was trying to get a job at the network and sent in a resume reel that contained several of Bury's pieces. Bury got the call; the producer didn't. As he explains, "It was a lucky break. And I have been with ABC News in a variety of positions ever since."

The day all Jim Bitterman's belongings were stolen from his car can hardly be called his big break, but he does regard it as a pivotal life experience: "When I got my clothes stolen my first night in Washington, D.C., I didn't realize that was necessarily an advantage. But, in the end, a year later, I had been exposed to a whole different way of thinking. I'd been exposed to something beyond the horizons of Illinois ... I saw a lot of things I hadn't seen before. And suddenly I just realized there was more out there. So, sometimes what turns out to be a very fortunate experience starts out as a very bad experience. You just never know."

The correspondents also addressed the current state and future of their much-maligned profession. O'Neil cited a survey done in Denver revealing most people place the media in the same category as politicians and used car salesmen.

Bitterman, who only returns to the United States once or twice a year, expressed concern about the surge in quasijournalists and their disconcerting influence on the credibility and direction of the major networks.

Rodgers, the self-proclaimed "old man" of the panel, traces modern journalism back to the years of Watergate: "I can
tell you that journalism in Washington was at its worst...most bare-knuckled barroom brawling at the time of Watergate and the end of Vietnam. We savaged our presidents, presidents who probably didn’t need to be savaged. And, again, as someone who feels a little senior, I regret that we did.”

Ironically, the correspondents say they think much of the distrust that’s currently directed toward them flows from the distrust they’ve engendered in politicians. Increasingly, the public links the media with politicians. Some journalists see potential danger in the closeness of that relationship and feel strongly about maintaining distance from the people and issues they cover.

Bury speaks frankly about this challenge that faces him and other journalists: “I think that as long as there is a professional industry engaged in spin or in manipulation, we are going to play this role of trying to get behind it and be the folks who aren’t manipulated and who aren’t spun.”

Economic changes in the way networks run their news operations have also posed new challenges to journalists. Bitterman speaks wistfully of what he calls the best of times: “By the mid 80s a lot of things had changed the other way. Corporations took over companies that had for many years been run and created, in fact, by individuals. The Bill Paleys and Sarnoffs disappeared, and you had corporate boards to report to. And the way of thinking up and down the management line and eventually up and down the line for all employees at any of the major media corporations today is essentially related to the bottom line. Money became a factor in everything ... I think today most of the networks cost out stories ahead of time ...

Although their opinions of their industry were often skeptical, even cynical, the correspondents spoke almost poetically about their lives as broadcast journalists. O’Neil makes the point: “What other job can you think of that allows you to travel throughout the world, rub elbows with presidents one day and bums on the street the next and gain insight into what makes our country and world tick?”

“It’s all a trade-off,” says Rodgers. “My wife has lived in London, Moscow, now Jerusalem. And it’s a wonderful life, but there is a price to be paid for it.”

Four years ago Bury found himself in the seemingly enviable position of following the Clinton campaign. He remembers: “They wanted me to join the Clinton campaign in Atlanta. It was only going to be a short assignment until Super Tuesday a couple of weeks later. And Clinton kept winning and winning and winning. And I didn’t get home until about a week after he was elected...it was great to be on the national campaign and great to see history in the making. But I missed a lot at home, too.”

Ultimately, however, the trade-offs have paid off for these highly regarded correspondents whose longevity alone distinguishes them in their major network careers. And although each harbors his own concerns about the profession, they are on the whole united in the opinion voiced by Roger O’Neil: “I think there is a huge, bright future for network news and for correspondents. It is just that it is going to be redefined.”

From top to bottom, Jim Bitterman, Roger O’Neil and Chris Bury.
Three years ago an internal study revealed that a student could complete a bachelor's degree at SIUC and never know where an information technology laboratory was located. That disturbing news only further strengthened Michael Williams, executive director of budgeting and information resources, that he and his team were steering the departments under his management in the right direction.

When former Chancellor John Givon identified information technology as a major university priority four years ago, he promoted Williams from director of budgeting to his present position, where he oversees the offices of budgeting, information technology, institutional research and studies and university document editing. Emphasizing customer satisfaction as its first priority, budgeting and information resources incorporated Total Quality Management (TQM) philosophy into its operations, with a mission to become the best institutional support organization on campus. They also completed an extensive internal examination of their goals and procedures and developed short-term and long-term strategic and financial plans to meet those goals.

While the same management and planning tools have been applied to all four departments, Williams admits that information technology (IT) has faced an uphill battle as it has struggled to change an old image of being a cooperative and become known as a positive force within the university community. Williams believes, however, that IT is slowly making that change happen.

For many years, IT classified its primary responsibility as being more of a utility company. Williams explained, "You expect your lights to come on; now people expect to get information the same way. The utility is the technology infrastructure and our electricity is the information. That's what information technology is about now, getting your information anytime, anywhere, 24 hours a day."

"One of our primary goals is to get students out of line. Why should students wait in line for information? Why shouldn't they be able to go to any computer on campus and use their social security and pin numbers to get any information they need about their grades, registration, financial aid and anything else that's available by computer?"

As IT has undergone internal changes, it has also made a serious commitment to addressing and investing in the need of students, faculty and administration. Historically, IT had almost exclusively supported administration. Williams' goal is to establish a more balanced focus through the initiatives and projects.

One such project is IT's leadership in recycling resources wherever possible and entering into partnerships with university departments and groups. In February of this year IT donated 31 computers to 11 student organizations and signed a memorandum of understanding with Undergraduate Student Government and the chancellor's office. Funds from each of the three offices were used to upgrade the computers' memory and provide campus network access.

Williams also cites a recent collaboration with the College of Education during which IT staff and the college's administration and faculty met over a six-month period to address such issues as upgrading labs, working on connectivity between Wism and Pullman Halls and creating a departmental server. Williams looks forward to forming many such partnerships with colleges and departments throughout the university, asserting, "We will be a partner with anyone on campus who wants to work with us."

Believing that students have for too long been IT's most underserved constituency, Williams has redirected major resources, both human and financial, to rectifying the situation. In addition to operating a customer service center at IT, the department also plans to train and staff a student help desk at each of the campus's computer learning centers. The project, called Helping Students, has initially been funded through donations, amounting to over $30,000, in hardware, software and cash from private individuals and from such corporate sponsors as GTE, Oracle, IBM, Compaq and Copy Duplicating Products.

The first student help desk opened this past spring in Fanner Hall. Student employees from computer science or engineering departments provide basic support to students on a walk-in basis. IT's strategic plan calls for the establishment of six computer learning centers around campus, and Williams hopes student help desks will become a feature of each lab.

The administration of SalukiNet is another IT attempt to respond to student needs. The Internet service lets students do everything from obtaining important information on their financial aid to communicating with their professors to registering for classes. The continuing refinement of this service and of the university home page are major IT priorities in the coming year. IT will work closely with many departments and individuals on campus to improve their ability to share access information on campus and on that information superhighway.

Williams is also proud of a pilot computer-leasing program that is being initiated because so many of SIUC's students have limited financial resources. The program, which may be implemented as soon as spring 1997, will lease students a laptop computer overnight or over the weekend. Williams hopes the program will grow to include a larger number of people that would enable students to use a computer over the course of their years at the university.

Perhaps IT's most powerful expression of its new customer orientation came from a community outreach project organized by Michelle Rushing, Williams' administrative assistant. Last spring approximately 400 area school students and their teachers attended "Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail," a hands-on session held on campus. The sessions were conducted over several days and received overwhelmingly positive feedback. The project also provided IT staff members and student employees an opportunity to work as a team and make a difference in the education of area children. Next spring IT hopes to expand the sessions to include training opportunities for teachers as well as more sessions to respond to the student interest.

Williams, who has worked at SIUC for 20 years, knows as well as anyone that change can sometimes come too slowly. He isn't taking any chances. In addition to devising strategic and financial plans, measurements have been put into place to make sure those objectives are being met and exceeded in a timely fashion.

Williams says that time is crucial because SIUC can't afford to wait any longer to make improvements in its information technology network and services. If you want to know how IT is progressing on its ambitious course, you won't have to wait for the next Alumnus article. Within a few months, all you'll have to do is turn on your computer and connect to IT's home page where they'll be posting their progress on at least a quarterly basis. As Williams says, not only is IT now responsible to its customers, it's accountable as well.
Playmaker

Photography by Scott Panella
Damon Jones is Southern’s Top Dawg

by Greg Scott

Having earned a reputation as one of the nation’s premier tight ends, Damon Jones knows he is a marked man. That is just fine with him.

“I know that there are going to be defenses gearing up for me,” Jones says. “I always like to have the ball in key situations.”

After transferring from the University of Michigan, the senior quickly became the keynote player in SIUC’s offense. Jones, selected as the team’s Offensive Player of the Year his sophomore and junior years, entered his senior year approaching SIUC’s all-time records. With 67 career catches, Jones needs only 19 to move into the top five in that category. Jones has also garnered 1,111 receiving yards, needing only 240 yards to move into the school’s top five. Jones, an all-Gateway Conference selection, has been praised for his blocking skills, prompting head coach Shawn Weist, who was a natural at playing the position, to say, “Damon is one of the most outstanding college football players in the country.”

Although he has established himself as a legitimate force who relishes the opportunity to make the big play, Jones is encouraged by the total look of the Saluki offense. He credits teammates like running backs Coe Bonner and Karlton Carpenter, along with wide receivers Reggie Fowler and Johnny Thomas and tight end counterpart Dave Smith. Jones says SIUC’s offense features several weapons this season.

“Our coaching staff has brought in a lot of athletes who can help this program,” Jones says. “Our running game is going to be tremendous and our receivers are going to be something to deal with on the outside. It will be more of a team effort this year.”

The team is Jones’ top priority. After posting impressive numbers in yardage, Jones is primarily concerned with racking up numbers in another category this season—the win column. If this means using his 6-6, 285-pound frame to open holes for his teammates to dart through, that’s also fine with him.

“That’s fun ... sometimes it’s just time to run the ball, and you have to drive that guy off the line of scrimmage to keep the drive alive,” he says. “I don’t mind blocking for Coe and Karlton. Sometimes the fan comes out and you want to just watch them run.”

T.J. Weist, who joined the Saluki coaching staff after mentoring receivers at Michigan for four years, says the attention Jones draws creates opportunities for teammates. “Defenses focus on him and that allows the side opposite him to become open,” Weist says. “That allows us the freedom to throw the football to other people.”

SIUC’s opponents aren’t the only ones taking notice. Several National Football League scouts have already made the journey to Carbondale and will no doubt be returning this fall. With his physical stature and 4.7 40-yard dash speed, many believe Jones has the tools to compete as a professional.

Jones could have foregone his senior season at SIUC to enter the professional ranks, but he opted to return to Carbondale so he could graduate in May.

“Coach Watson and I sat down and decided that it was best for me to get a degree from Southern,” he says. “There was no need to rush off and try to play professional football. I’d rather get another year of experience under my belt before I play at that level.”

When this highly recruited tight end from Evanston joined the Wolverines in 1992, Weist said he was a natural at playing the position. But Weist, who came to SIUC in 1994, says Jones’ best attribute is his ability to set a tempo of play that other players will follow. “Damon is so aggressive and dominating against the other man in front of him ... other players see that and want to play like that,” Weist says. “He can lead the offense like a quarterback because the players know he is going to back up what he says.”

Jones’ familiarity with SIUC and Weist and his first impression of Watson encouraged him to join the Salukis. He was convinced that life in Carbondale would be to his liking.

“It is more of a family-like atmosphere around here,” he says. “Coach Watson thinks of us as his sons ... SIU is really a good place and I am enjoying myself.”

As one of SIUC’s four team captains, Jones feels he has an enhanced role this season. He talks about providing senior leadership and showing the younger players what it will take to turn SIUC’s fortunes around. Jones refers to 1996 as a breakthrough season for the Dawgs.

“We don’t plan on going home for Thanksgiving. We plan on being here and preparing for the college playoffs,” he says. “I don’t see too many teams on that schedule beating us. We want teams to know that when they come to the Dawghouse, it’s going to be a long bus ride home.”

If Jones continues to prosper in his role as the marked man in the Dawghouse, those long bus rides will be a reality for Saluki opponents.
Women's Sports Information

Softball Scholar...

Southern Illinois University has the nation's top scholar-athlete in softball. Christine Knotts (pictured below), a senior center fielder for the Salukis, was recently named the 1996 GTE Academic All-American of the Year in her sport. Knotts (Edwards, Ill.) was singled out from more than 3,600 softball players at 203 NCAA Division I schools nationwide. She is the 31st female athlete at SIUC to be named a GTE Academic All-American since 1982, but only the second in school history to win the premier honor. Cheryl Venorsky (Belleville, Ill.) was the first in 1991.

Knotts, who will graduate in December, majors in mechanical engineering and maintains a near perfect 3.96 grade point average. On the diamond this past season, she was ranked as high as tenth nationally in hitting and finished with a .413 average, which was third best in the Missouri Valley Conference. She was a first-team, all-MVC and all-Great Lakes Region honoree.

The Salukis now have had first team GTE Academic All-America picks in softball five of the past six years.

Olympians One and All

SIUC was well represented at the Olympics in Atlanta, Ga., as three former female athletes matched talents with the world's best.

Connie Price-Smith, who starred in basketball and track and field for the Salukis from 1980-85, competed in her third Olympiad for the U.S.A. She finished fifth in the finals of shot put. Price-Smith's fifth-place showing is the highest finish ever by an SIUC female athlete in the Olympics. The previous high was recorded by Wendy Lucero, who finished sixth in three-meter diving at the 1988 Games in Seoul. Incidentally, Lucero, the 1985 NCAA diving champion in one-meter springboard, and Price-Smith were both inducted into SIUC's Hall of Fame in 1990.

Price-Smith holds 14 national track titles outdoors and three indoors. Her personal bests for shot (64-3 3/4) and discus (212-8) rank among the top performances in U.S. track history.

Dora Kyriacou, an eight-time Gateway Conference champion at SIUC in track from 1986-89, competed in the 200 and 400-meter runs for Cyprus in the Olympics. She advanced to the second round of the 400-meters, placing eighth in 52.26.

Kyriacou was on SIUC's 4 x 400 relay that finished 10th at the 1986 NCAA meet in Indianapolis. In 1988, she was SIUC's top scorer in track and field and still ranks in the school's all-time top 10.

Antonia Mahaira swam sprint freestyle for Greece at the Olympics. She competed in the 100, 200 and 300 meter freestyle events, along with the 400 freestyle relay. She won her heat in the 200 meter with a mark of 2:03.21, finishing 15th overall.

While at SIUC from 1988-92, Mahaira set a school record by winning nine conference titles in individual events.

Saluki Coach Also Olympic Bound

Dave Ardrey, SIUC men's and women's diving coach for the last nine years, was also at the Olympics as a technical or national delegate official. Ardrey, the current president of the Professional Divers Association, has coached at three Olympic Festivals and at the '94 Pan American Games in Argentina. At SIUC, he has had six divers make the NCAAs and seven earn All-America honors.

Tragically, Mitchell Parkinson died of natural causes at his home on Tuesday, August 20. As SIUC's women's sports information director since 1978, Mitch dedicated his professional life to expanding the quantity and quality of coverage for all women's sports. In honor of his accomplishments, he was inducted into SIUC's Hall of Fame in September.

We at the SIU Alumni Association feel privileged to have worked with Mitch Parkinson. He was a man whose talent and commitment made a tremendous difference for this university and we will miss him.
Lights Can Wait...
but it may be necessary to install additional seats in McAndrew Stadium’s press box if early reports from NFL insiders are accurate. Dave Thomas of the NFL Draft Office told us in late July to expect as many as a dozen or more scouts from the professional ranks requesting press box seating at each of SIUC’s home games this season to take a closer look at Damon Jones. Speaking of Jones, it is worth reporting that, in speaking about the 6-6, 285-pounder, Thomas said, “God created (Jones) to be a tight end in the NFL.”
Jones, for those not yet familiar with the 1996 football Salukis, is a premier prospect that Thomas called “a cinch to be one of the top 10 draft choices.”

If Jones is a Top Ten Choice ....
a few months from now, he’d become the third first-round selection to have played at SIUC. Lionel Antoine was one of two first-round draft choices of the Chicago Bears in 1972 while Terry Taylor was the first-round choice of Seattle’s Seahawks in 1984.

Talking About Football Pros ...
eight are featured on SIUC’s 1996 football media guide cover. Along with Antoine are Carl Mauck, Sam Silas, Houston Antwine, Jim Hart, Kevin House, Marion Rushing and Carver Shannon. Why not Taylor? A strong effort by area card buffs failed to produce a Terry Taylor pro card which was the connection with Damon Jones on the cover.

Directing Passes ...
to Jones this season will be one of two top quarterback candidates. Jeff Brune, a fifth-year senior from nearby Cape Girardeau, Mo., who has yet to attempt a pass in a game, emerged from spring practice as a top contender although he’s certain to receive stiff competition from junior college transfer, Steve Luce, who completed 65 percent of his passes for Mt. San Antonio College in Arcadia, Calif., last season. Things definitely appear to be headed in the proper direction for the Salukis under third-year coach Shawn Watson.

The Schedule...
is another factor pointing toward an exciting 1996 football season for the Salukis. For the first time in 66 years, since the 1930 season, SIUC’s football team will be staying home for seven of its regular-season games. And although this puts no points on the board at the start of a game, the 1930 team was the only unbeaten club in SIUC’s history.

Our Pre-season Prediction...
for “surprise player-of-the-year” in the Gateway Football Conference is SIUC’s running back Coe Bonner. Even though he gained a respectable 349 yards in 85 rushing attempts last season, few are going to be anticipating the Bonner they’ll see in 1996.

Basketball Dates...
handled by head coach Rich Herrin include home games with Northern Illinois, St. Louis University, James Madison and Utah State, with road contests at North Carolina-Charlotte, Southeast Missouri State and Austin Peay. That’s all in addition to a season-opening appearance in a new eight-team tournament being held in Fairbanks, Alaska, this season. It’ll be Nov. 22-24 when the Salukis compete against their first-round opponent, Baylor.

Saluki home football games can now be heard over the internet. Video highlights of the game will also be shown. http://www.siu.edu/godawgs. This service is sponsored by Saluki Athletics, Information Technology and WCIL Radio.
ASSOCIATION NEWS

**SIU Alumni Association Seeks Award Nominations**

The SIU Alumni Association presents an Alumni Achievement Award for Service each year at its Board of Directors’ Homecoming luncheon. This award is given for outstanding service to the association and, therefore, the university. Nominees may be graduates, former students, or friends of SIUC. The current president or current board members may not receive this recognition.

A five-member committee reviews the nominees and determines the recipient. Names remain in the active file for five years.

Association members are asked to submit names with resumes and background material of those whom they feel qualify for this honor. Send the material to SIU Alumni Association, c/o Nadine Lucas, Stone Center, Douglas Drive, Carbondale, IL 62901-4420.

**Wrigley Event Sells Out**

Over 500 SIUC alumni and friends attended this year’s SIU Day at Wrigley. Gathering before the game at the Cubby Bear Lounge, owned by alumnus George Loukas, the group then watched SIU President Ted Sanders throw the game’s first pitch.

This event is one of many recent successful efforts in the Chicago area. Alumni Association Assistant Director Remy Billups works out of SIUC’s office in Oak Brook, Ill., where he may be contacted at (708) 574-7774, extension 4.

**Jackson Chapter Hosts Social**

Nearly 100 Jackson County SIUC alumni gathered in July to socialize and enjoy a pre-concert meal at the Mississippi Flyway in Carbondale.

Many of the alumni walked to nearby Turley Park after the social to attend the last performance in the popular Sunset Concert Series.

Above, SIU President Ted Sanders throws out the honorary first pitch at SIU Day at Wrigley Field.

Enjoying a pre-game social at the Cubby Bear Lounge were, from left to right, Bert Ozburn, Julie Ozburn, Martin Scheldemose, Hilary Hudson and Carolyn Ozburn.
The Indianapolis chapter of the SIU Alumni Association sponsored its 7th Annual Golf Scramble and Banquet this summer. Held at Valle Vista Country Club, 27 alumni participated in the scramble and 44 attended the evening program.

From left to right: the scramble winners were Dan Choate '65, Charlie Choate '92, and Mark Pennell, who combined to shoot six under par.

Memphis area alumni gathered in June at Cozymel's Mexican Restaurant. Nearly 50 alumni attended the event, sponsored by the Memphis Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association. Shown above are, from left to right, Kathy Stark, Bob Allen, Becky and Steve Priddy and Bill Stark.

Over 50 Lake County alumni gathered at Mickey Finn's in Libertyville earlier this year. Among those in attendance were, from left to right, Mari Beth Abrams '85, Mike Doyle '83, Remy Billups '86, '92 (assistant director of the SIU Alumni Association), and Sheryl Barker '91.

From left to right: SIUC Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement J. Robert Quatroche speaks with Chuck Lofton '69 and Bruce Kopp '80. Lofton and Kopp, both local television personalities with WTHR-13, were the evening's emcees.
Alumni Join Association Board

Dawn Boma '76, Julius Johnson '57, Leonard Surina '60, and Mimi (Rosenblum) Wallace '62 were recently elected to the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Boma from Harrisburg, Ill., Johnson from Washington, D.C., Surina from Belleville, Ill., and Wallace of Beverly Hills, Calif., will serve four-year terms.

A native of Piper City, Ill., Boma is a postmaster at the Harrisburg Post Office. She is active in SIU’s Saline County alumni chapter, Phi Kappa Phi, Beta Gamma Sigma, and the National Association of Postmasters of the United States.

Johnson, a St. Louis native, retired from the United States Department of Labor as an administrative judge. He has been instrumental in assisting minority students at SIUC. He and his wife, Norma Holloway Johnson, endowed a scholarship to benefit African-American students in the School of Law. A member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Johnson has assisted his local YMCA as a committee chair and sat on its board of directors. He also served the Literacy Volunteers of America as a tutor and as the vice president of the board of directors.

Surina owns a life insurance brokerage business in Belleville. He has been involved with alumni club and chapter activities in Decatur and with the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

A native of Centralia, Wallace has been an office manager of a cardiology practice in Los Angeles, Calif., for the past 18 years. Wallace has been actively involved in Southern California alumni events and has served as president of the Los Angeles area alumni club. She is also a past president of the Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity Intern-Resident Wives Club and Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Doctors’ Wives Service League.

St. Louis area alumni and friends gathered for the annual SIU Day at Busch Stadium as the St. Louis Cardinals hosted the Chicago Cubs. More than 100 Salukis and friends enjoyed pre-game activities sponsored by the St. Louis Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association. Among those in attendance was the family of SIUC’s new chancellor Donald Beggs. From left to right, they are, Shirley Beggs, Pamela Beggs Jarvis, Chancellor Beggs, John Jarvis (holding his son Jacob), Brent Beggs (holding his son Brendan) and Jeri Beggs.

Brad Cole, on the right, an assistant director of the SIU Alumni Association, introduces Carl L. Schweinfurth Ph.D. ’64, to more than 100 Jefferson County alumni and friends in attendance at the opening of Dr. Schweinfurth’s magnificent new home in Mount Vernon, Ill. The home houses Dr. Schweinfurth’s vast collection of art and a world affairs library.
Association Awards Pulliam Scholarships

Two students who were high school valedictorians have been selected as the 1996 Roscoe Pulliam Memorial Scholarship recipients. The scholarships are funded by the Pulliam family and given in honor of the former SIU president. Students whose relatives are alumni and members of the SIU Alumni Association are eligible to apply for the academically-based $1,000 scholarships.

Timothy Joshua Chamberlain, whose parents Robert and Carolyn are SIUC alumni, is a sophomore marketing major and native of Warrensburg, Ill. He won numerous awards as a high school senior and was on the dean’s list of the College of Business and Administration during his freshman year. Incoming freshman Andrea Millar was also awarded a Pulliam Scholarship. The daughter of alumni Tom and Melas Millar, she plans to pursue a degree in mathematics education. Millar was a leader in her hometown high school in Grayville, Ill., and served as team captain of her volleyball team.

All Greek organization alumni planning to return to SIUC for the Homecoming festivities should call the Inter-Greek Council Office at (618) 453-2633 for details on their chapter’s activities.

Homecoming Schedule Announced

This year’s Homecoming will commemorate the SIU Alumni Association’s Century of Service. The weekend’s highlight will take place on Saturday night when the SIU Alumni Association celebrates its centennial with the successful culmination of its Campaign to Light Pulliam Tower. At press time over 500 alumni and friends of the university contributed to this project.

Grand Marshal for the Homecoming Parade is Ken Koonce ’80, who has numerous animation credits, including the television shows 101 Dalmatians, Casper, Tale Spin, Smurfs and Chip ‘n Dale Rescue Rangers. His work has been nominated for several Emmys, and in 1988 he won an Emmy for his work on Jim Hensen’s Muppet Babies.

The following is a tentative schedule for the weekend. For more information, please call the SIU Alumni Association at (618) 453-2408.

**Friday, October 18**

- **8 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Annual Dental Hygiene Alumni Weekend Contact Shirley Beaver (618) 453-7213 for more information.

- **9 - 11:15 a.m.** Class of ’46 Registration Student Center

- **11:30 a.m.** Class of ’46 Luncheon Student Center

- **2 - 3 p.m.** Guided Campus and Carbondale Tours for Class of ’46

- **3:30 p.m.** Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry Annual Alumni Lecture Neckers Hall: Dr. Janusz Pawlisyn Ph.D.’82

- **5:30 p.m.** Class of ’46 Registration Student Center

- **6 p.m.** Class of ’46 Reception Student Center

- **6 p.m.** School of Social Work 25th Anniversary Banquet Student Center

- **7 p.m.** Half Century Club Dinner Student Center

- **7 - 10 p.m.** Alumni Band Group Reception Student Center

**Saturday, October 19**

- **7:30 a.m.** Alumni Band Group Executive Board Meeting Student Center

- **9:30 a.m.** Homecoming Parade Downtown Carbondale

- **10:30 a.m.** Alumni Reunion Activities, Big Tent, east of McAndrew Stadium. Complimentary lunch provided by SIU Alumni Association and the colleges.

- **1:30 p.m.** Homecoming Football Game: SIU vs. Western Illinois

- **5 p.m.** Farewell reception for Christian Moe, retiring theater professor Small Business Incubator

- **6:30 p.m.** The Pulliam Tower Lighting Ceremony Student Center

- **8 - 10 p.m.** Student Center 35th Anniversary Celebration

- **8 p.m.** 25th Annual Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Miss Eboness Pageant Shryock Auditorium

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1930s
Richard V. Waldron '31 tells us he is retiring and closing his law office after many years of service. Waldron served as a judge of the District Court of the State of Maryland for many years of service. Waldron is closing his law office after practicing law from 1967 to 1977.

1940s
Professor Fred Basolo '40, Hon. Ph.D. '84, of Northwestern University, was chosen by an international team of prominent chemists to receive the 85th Gibbs Medal, surpassed in prestige to chemists only by the Nobel Prize, from the Chicago Section of the American Chemical Society. A student of the "Four Horsemen" of the SIUC chemistry faculty—professors Abbot, Neckers, Scott, and Van Lente—he is now Morrison Emeritus Professor of Chemistry at Northwestern.

Fred J. Meyer '40 of Olympia Fields, Ill., is at home, recovering from a stroke that occurred in August 1994. He would enjoy hearing from classmates.

C. Roy Rylander '42 joined the University of Delaware faculty in 1946 and served as head athletic trainer and men's tennis coach from 1953 until his retirement in 1988. In his 35-year tenure as tennis coach his teams compiled a record of 343 wins and 176 losses, and in 1996 he was inducted into the Delaware Sports Hall of Fame. At various times he also served as director of intramurals and coached varsity gymnastics and track. A training-room pioneer, Dr. Rylander has written and spoken extensively on sports medicine issues, and in 1986 he was inducted into the National Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame.

1950s
Russ Cloud '53 says he is enjoying retirement, spending time with grandchildren and friends throughout the country, playing more golf, and performing volunteer work for his community and church. Cloud recently retired as vice president of human resources for North American Healthcare in Monticello, Ill. He and his wife Ruthine live in Monticello.

E. Gale Castrale '75, MS '82, Ph.D. '89 in educational administration is currently the chair of the Department of Educational Administration and Supervision, Western Illinois University, Macomb. Her husband, Remo Castrale '55, MSED '57, Ph.D. '72 in educational administration is chair of the Division of Education and director of teacher education at McKendree College.

The Illinois Attorneys for Criminal Justice, a statewide association of criminal-defense attorneys, is has announced that Richard E. White '56, of Murphysboro, will be its president for 1996.

James R. H. Stumpf '58 is a member of the Red River Valley Fighter Pilots' Association "River Rats," and an alliance of air crews who have taken part in combat missions from Southeast Asian military actions to Desert Storm. The group, established in the Vietnam era, raises scholarship funds for children of MIA, KIA, and POW air crew members and crew members killed on active duty.

At the 15th annual Convocation of the Michigan Association of Governing Boards of State Universities, Thomas M. Gwaltney Jr., MSEd '59, Ph.D. '63 was honored with a Distinguished Faculty Award for service from the Eastern Michigan University Dean's Advisory Council. In 1993 he was awarded a teaching excellence award from the EMU Alumni Association and in 1992 received the Sigma Delta Pi Honor Key.

1960s
Elizabeth Sexson '60 has been elected president of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals. Sexson recently retired from her position as secretary to the superintendent and recording secretary to the board of education in Westchester, Ill., and is now employed part-time at SIUC's Chicago office. However, she continues to volunteer her time, assisting the board of education as recording secretary and sitting on the SIUC College of Applied Sciences and Arts advisory board.

The Karl Gardner Outstanding Undergraduate Adviser Award from the University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences was presented to Robert G. Hay's '61, MS '72, Ph.D. '76 at the college's annual recognition banquet.

In July 1995, Keith Sanders '61, MSED '62 was appointed senior vice president for administration in the University of Wisconsin system. He lives in Madison with his wife Carol '61. Sanders served from 1980 to 1983 as chief governmental relations officer for the Southern Illinois University System.

Nathel (Nat) Burtley '62, MS '64 of Flint, Mich. was honored as a Michigan State University distinguished alumnus during recent commencement ceremonies, "obtaining the highest standards of integrity and character to positively reflect and enhance the prestige of MSU." Burtley was one of five recipients for this year's awards.

Roy C. Pechous '64 is running for Cook County Circuit Court Judge. He has been a Cook County prosecuting attorney and a delegate to the 1970 Illinois Constitutional Convention, and has chaired the Illinois Civil Service Commission. He and his wife Vera live in Berwyn, where they have a private law practice.

Donald R. Ventetoulo '64, MA '66 of Cranston, R.I.,
Among American Teachers for 1996. In 1992 she received Teacher of the Year honors at Kaskaskia College in Centralia, Ill., where she has been an instructor for 10 years.

Recognized as a “creative, self-motivated exemplar of the ideal college professor,” Paul Blanchard MA ’68, a professor of government at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, has received an EKU Foundation Professorship. The foundation uses private resources to acknowledge outstanding classroom performance and contributions to the university community; the two-year professorship includes a salary supplement.

Deborah L. Storr-White ’68, MSED ’71 was recently selected a 1996 Woman of the Year by the American Biographical Institute. Dr. Storr-White is currently director of special education for the Oak Park School District in West Bloomfield, Mich.

Michael C. Barry ’69, MA ’74 tells us he is an offensive line coach for the University of Southern California–Los Angeles football team that won the 1996 Rose Bowl. From 1987 to 1992 he coached at the University of Colorado, which won the national championship in 1990.

Robert Doty ’69 was recently appointed chief operating officer for Computer Aided Systems of Hayward, Calif. He has also been appointed to the board of directors and is manager for the company’s operations in Germany and England. Doty lives in Oakland, Calif., with his family.

Writer Leonard Earl Johnson ex ’69 received the Press Club of New Orleans’ Award for Excellence in the 38th annual Journalism Award Competition for his May 9, 1995, front-page story “Death by Hate Crime.” Published in the New Orleans Weekly Gambit, it was a five-page account of a 1993 French Quarter murder of a tourist from Mississippi.

James Kerr ’69, who teaches geography, world affairs and world history at Triad High School in St. Jacob, received a 1995 Milken National Educator Award of $25,000 from the Milken Family Foundation and the Illinois State Board of Education. Kerr was cited for engendering sincerity, kindness and respect in his students and for encouraging them to take leadership roles on global issues.

Michael Livingston’69, MSED ’71 has been appointed vice-president of the new Division of Student Affairs and Human Resources at the University of Cincinnati.

Michael O’Bryen ’69 lives in San Juan Capistrano, Calif., with his wife Sheila Nicholas O’Bryen (SIUE ’65). He is western regional sales director for a hospital capital equipment manufacturer. Sheila is owner/president of The Glass Perspective S.J.C. Daughter Molly dances with the Joffrey Ballet and the Aspen, Co., Ballet Theater.

1970s

Clay Behm ’70, MA ’72 has undertaken the position of general manager for Output Technologies’ new Dallas initiative. He and his wife live in Plano, Texas.

Dean Krugman ’70 has been named advertising and public relations department head for the Henry W. Grady College of Journalism at the University of Georgia. He had previously served as director of graduate studies and has received several awards for excellence in teaching.

Illinois State Representative Terry R. Parke ’70 has for the second year received a 100 percent rating from the National Federation of Independent Business/Illinois, and has been named co-chairman of the Economic and Fiscal Commission, a bipartisan watchdog group of House and Senate members. He is also chairman of the House Commerce, Industry and

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Former Basketball Star Thrives in Leadership Role

Whether serving as co-captain of a national championship basketball team or completing Air Force Reserve Officer Training, Colonel Ralph Johnson '67 enjoys the challenges of leadership.

Johnson joined forces with Saluki greats Walt Frazier and Dick Garrett to lead SIU to the 1967 National Invitational Tournament championship. Guided by Jack Hartman's disciplined coaching style, the Salukis knocked off the likes of Louisville, Duke, Rutgers, and Marquette en route to a 24-2 record.

"Coach Hartman's organization and blending of players just provided an edge for us," Johnson says. "We learned to do things no one thought we could do...including ourselves."

After responding to challenges in the basketball arena, Johnson knew he had greater obstacles to overcome. During the Vietnam era war protestors created a tense environment for students with military aspirations.

Johnson graduated from Southern's Air Force ROTC detachment as a distinguished military graduate. Ten days later he entered active duty as a logistics plans officer at Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina. He served in a similar position in Vietnam before returning to the United States.

After a stint as an instructor at Southern, Johnson was reassigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C., where he served as an air logistics analyst and deputy branch chief. In 1986 he became the commander/chief of the 401st Supply Squadron in Spain. During this period the squadron went from being the worst in Europe to being in the top three. Johnson culminated his distinguished military career in 1992 as the deputy director of supply for the Strategic Air Command at Offut Air Force Base in Nebraska. Last spring he was inducted into SIUC's Air Force Detachment 205 Hall of Fame.

Currently the distribution manager for the Borden Italian Foods operation in St. Louis, Johnson was humbled by the honor. "Anyone who ends up in any Hall of Fame doesn't do it by himself," he says. "There are a lot of other people who play significant roles in helping to make that happen."

Johnson credits his former basketball coach with being such a person. "Coach Hartman had a tremendous impact on all of us," he says. "We learned the value of discipline and learned to be able to focus and work with people. He has been a big part of my success."

During his induction speech at the Air Force ROTC awards ceremony Johnson discussed being in the Air Force. "You have to maintain a focus when you put on an Air Force uniform," Johnson says. "No one should ever question what wearing a uniform is all about. It is a commitment."

Johnson has received decorations such as the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf clusters, Vietnamese Honor Medal and the Republic of Vietnam Service Medal.

"I had a combination of leadership laboratory experience on the basketball court as well as what we did in the detachment," Johnson says. "The combination of the two was a great preparation for me. It made all the difference in my life."

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The Nevada Press Women, in Reno, named C. Steven Short '73 one of the Ten Most Watchable Men for 1996. His photograph is on the cover of the winter 95/96 issue of neon, the publication of the Nevada State Council on the Arts.

Rick D. Pullen Ph.D. '73 is the new dean of the School of Communications at California State University, Fullerton. He and his family live in Yorba Linda.

John W. Behrens '74 has been named director of logistics for ConAgra, Inc., a diversified food company headquartered in Omaha.

Diane K. Schumacher '74 senior vice president, general counsel and secretary of Cooper Industries, Inc., was elected to the board of directors of the American Arbitration Association at its annual meeting in April. The AAA is a public service conflict-management organization.

Warren L. McNab Ph.D. '75 has been chosen as one of the first recipients of the newly established UNLV Distinguished Teaching Award. McNab was recently honored at both the Honors Convocation and the Faculty Awards Reception in Las Vegas.

Robert H. Elezian '76 writes from Scottsdale, Ariz., "Last year one of my lifelong dreams came true: I bought an airplane. I have been a pilot for 20 years. When I did a title search I discovered that my new airplane spent several years as a Saluki. It was purchased by Woodruff Aviation Co. at SIU Airport in 1979."

A history faculty member at Lakeland College in Sheboygan, Wis., since 1991, Richard Wixon MA'76, Ph.D. '83 was recently chosen as the 1995-1996 recipient of the James Underkofler Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award. A student compared Wixon to an "interactive CD-Rom"—a user-friendly professor in contact with students.

English professor Larry Hartsfield MA'76, who "brings humor, energy and empathy" to his work, recently received the 1996 Alice Admire Outstanding Teaching Award, the highest honor Fort Lewis College in Colorado bestows on its faculty. He and his family live in Durango.

Melvin C. Terrell Ph.D. '78, of Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, has been reappointed national coordinator for the Minority Undergraduate Fellows Program, which encourages minority students to pursue careers in higher education, particularly in student affairs administration. He has been NEIU's student affairs vice president since 1988.

William Pyle '78, MD '81, at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, III., made the first local use of a ventricular-assist device that took over for the crippled heart of Wayne Benton for a week while his heart mended after bypass surgery. Pyle said, "Memorial has actually had the machine service."

Joseph Donelan MBA'79 was recently honored as Advisor of the Year at the University of Northern Colorado's Academic Honors Convocation. Donelan was nominated by students and alumni, who praised his efforts to assist disadvantaged students.

Vickie Hall '79, MA '85 reports that after graduation she taught for three years in Medellin, Colombia. Since
Tenor Randall Black '79 performed on campus this September in the Altgeld Performing Art Series. Black has won critical acclaim for his performances with orchestras and opera companies throughout the country. 

Edwin R. Harris Ph.D. '79, who, as we reported in the spring Alumnus, was appointed dean of Ferris State University's Timme Library in February, died on May 16, 1996. Teshome Abebe, provost and vice president for academic affairs, noted Harris' "thoughtfulness and his dedication in service to others." Harris received his doctorate in anthropology at SIUC, and from 1981-1984 was head of the database maintenance unit for LCS systems at Morris Library. He is survived by his wife Linda, his parents, one sister, and several nephews.

Cmdr. Roberto Quinones Jr. '79 recently attended a conference of the Association of Naval Services Officers, from the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, a group that focuses on professional development of Hispanics in the sea services. Quinones currently oversees the administration department and its personnel at the naval hospital in Jacksonville, Fla.

Kevin Woods '79 has been promoted to dealer relations manager for Ford Motor Credit in Dearborn, Mich.


1980s

Stationed with Branch Dental Clinic at Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek in Norfolk, Va., Lt. Cmdr. Scott A. Jensen '80, USN, was recently awarded the Navy-Marine Corps. Commendation Medal. Jensen joined the Navy in 1984.

Chief Warrant Officer George T. Wilson '80, who joined the Navy in 1967, has retired from the Navy after 28 years of service. He concluded his career as officer in charge, Fleet Implementation Team, Norfolk, Va. He and his wife plan to live in the Hampton Roads area.

Brian D. Goetch '81, a geologist, has been named president of the Steege Kingston & Associates Companies Worldwide, with offices in Houston, London, Singapore, and Caracas.

Lt. Cmdr. John K. Berry '83, who joined the Navy in 1984, has been assigned to duty at Naval Air Station, Sigonella, Italy.

Huls America Inc., a manufacturer of paints and other coatings, biocides, and specialty chemicals, has names David Kallal '83 area manager of the Colorants and Biocides division for the Midwest, overseeing sales activities from Ohio and Western Pennsylvania through Kansas. Kallal, his wife Mary and his daughter Miranda live in Nashville, where he serves as the chief election official of Davidson County.

Jeffery Scott Elwell Ph.D. '85 is making a name as a playwright and writer about theater. Two of his essays and two plays came out in the last year—one play in the Best Off-Off Broadway volume from Samuel French, the theatrical publisher.

Norbert A. Rock '85 writes that he is a captain for Great Lakes Aviation/United Express, based in Carbondale. His home is in Lincolnwood, Ill.

Lt. J.G. Karl J. Blau '87 has received the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal for superior performance while serving aboard the guided missile frigate USS Elrod out of Norfolk, Va. Blau joined the Navy in 1980. Former Chief of Fire
Academy Operations for the Chicago Fire Department Charles Burns Jr. '87 has been appointed assistant director of training at the Robert J. Quinn Fire Academy. Burns, his wife Violet and their daughter make their home in Chicago.

In April 1996, Laura Dyer '87 was named Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year at Belleville Area College.

Lt. Richard P. Franco '86, who entered the Navy in 1973, has received the Navy and Marine Corps. Commendation Medal for superior performance while serving with Marine Forces Pacific. Franco currently serves at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C.

For superior performance of duty while serving aboard the guided missile frigate USS Ethod, Navy Lt. Karl J. Blau '87 recently received the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal.

Richard L. "Dick" Griffin MA '87, a student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the U. of I. Urbana, received one of two $2,500 Dr. H.J. Hardenbrook Equine Scholarships in April. These scholarships are presented annually to two third-year veterinary students on the basis of academic ability and interest in veterinary medicine.

Lt. Scott A. O'Neil '87 recently reported for duty at Fleet Area Control surveillance Facility, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla.

Jill D. Vasquez '87 has received the M.S. degree in Park, Recreation and Tourism Management from North Carolina State, and will enter the doctor of recreation degree program at Indiana University this fall. She plans a university career teaching recreation programming.

CPT (USAR) Nathan J. Strock '87 received an M.S. in plant and soil science from UT Knoxville in May. His thesis topic was *Earthworm Population Dynamics as Influenced by Cropping And Tillage History*. He and his wife Marcy have moved to Trinidad, Col., where he will work as a soil scientist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

John F. Simpson '87 has been named manager of Equipment and Systems Development at Griffin Wheel Company, effective March 1, 1996. Simpson and his wife Becky live in Naperville, Ill.

Lt. j.g. Dean A. Barsaleau '88 recently reported for duty with Fleet CSSOS Development and Implementation Team, Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, Norfolk, Va. Barsaleau joined the Navy in January 1978.

Pamela K. Hunter M.D. '88, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May and entered a family practice residency in Carbondale in July. She earned academic honors in obstetrics and gynecology and received the Southern Illinois State Medical Society scholarship.

Chief Petty Officer James M. Haley '89 recently reported for duty at Enlisted Personnel Management Center, New Orleans. Haley joined the Navy in 1982.

Recently reporting for duty at the Navy Recruiting District in Chicago, Highland Park, Ill., was Chief Petty Officer E. Palmer '89. Palmer joined the Navy in 1981.

Ed Rahe '89 reports that he is writing for the Waterways Journal, a St. Louis-based publication that covers the shipping industry on the inland waterways, and living in St. Louis. He reports that his home town of Valmeyer (home, he says, of Gus Bode), is going through a very successful relocation made necessary by the '93 flood.

Edward Wojick '89 is a senior industrial engineer with Zilog Inc. in Nampa, Idaho. He resides in Boise with his wife Catherine.

1990s

James Black '90 has been awarded a Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship for 1996-97. Fifteen young American professionals each year spend nine months in Germany, working in branches of the federal government and in high-level internships relating to their professional experience. The foundation aims to contribute to the long-term stabilization of German-American relations.

Following a six-month overseas deployment aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Curtis Wilbur, which included duty in the Persian Gulf near Iraq, Chief Petty Officer Francis T. Gorman '90, who entered the Navy in 1983, has returned to San Diego, Calif.

One of four graduates to complete the dual law and medicine degree program, Kent E. Harshbarger '90, MD/JJD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. He will enter a pathology residence at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind.

Lawrence R. Hughes '90 and his wife Shelly announce the birth of son Benjamin in February. Hughes is a public records clerk with the Law Bulletin Publishing Company in Springfield, Ill.

Chief Warrant Officer Wilson E. Jones '90, who entered the Navy in 1964, has retired after 26 years of service, having served most recently at Service School Command, Great Lakes.

Martinez, Ga., is home to Leslie Kelley '90 and Robert Kelley '93. Leslie is the chair of the Computer Department at Augusta Christian High School and Robert is a self-employed training and safety consultant.

After completing a six-month overseas deployment aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, Cmdr. Henry G. Landry '90 has returned to Norfolk, Virginia. Landry joined the Navy in 1966.

Christine M. Lucas '90, MA '92, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. She will enter a family-practice residency in Carbondale.

Marie Oliver '90 tells us that she was recently promoted to branch operation manager of Ford Motor Credit in Woodridge, Ill.

Steve Rich '90 has been named director of alumni services for Eastern Illinois University. He has been acting alumni director for most of the last year and previously worked with alumni services for athletics at Eastern and at Murray State. Rich and his wife Cindy live in Charleston with their two sons.
Chicago Business Alumni Present Annual Awards

The 7th Annual SIUC Chicago Business Alumni Awards ceremony and dinner also saw the passing of the CBA board's mantle of responsibility.

This year Mark LaVelle '72 was honored as the Entrepreneur of the Year. LaVelle is president and chief operating officer of Calumet Paper and Wallpaper Inc. Executive of the Year was Thomas Keon, dean of the College of Business Administration, who is also a leader in business, politics and the community.

Dean Keon recognized the efforts of outgoing president Glen Follis, president of Miller Brothers Engraving Company. Michele Verebelyi of Alexander & Alexander takes over leadership of the CBA Board.

Scott A. Wilson '90, MA '92, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. He will enter a family-practice residency at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind.

Joining the law firm of Fowler, White, Gillen, Boggs, Villareal and Banker, Tampa, Fla., as an associate, Bruce Allen Aebel '91 will concentrate his practice in the area of insurance coverage litigation, insurance fraud litigation and extra-contractual remedies.

After completing a six-month deployment in the Persian Gulf and the Western Pacific aboard the carrier USS Nimitz, which was making its first tour with an integrated crew of men and women, Brown entered the Navy in 1981.

Lisa Stewart Davis '91 tells us of her recent promotion to group leader for order entry support at MCI Telecommunications in Rosemont, Ill.

Graduating as a doctor of veterinary medicine from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign College of Veterinary Medicine, George P. Langan, III '91 plans to enter a private small-animal practice.

Pamela S. Griffiths '91, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. She will enter psychiatry residencies at UCLA-affiliated hospitals in San Fernando Valley in July.

Petty Officer 1st Class Frank E. Johnson '91 recently took part in operations near Liberia while serving with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit aboard the ships of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. Johnson has been in the Navy since 1986.

Petty Officer 1st Class James S. Carmichael '92 recently received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Michael E. Frazier '92, who entered the Navy in 1982, recently reported for duty aboard the aircraft carrier USS Constellation, based in San Diego.

James L. French '92, who has been a health and safety engineer for Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation since his graduation, was transferred in January to the company's new $880 million Garfield Smelter as a facility environmental engineer. He is interested in forming a Salt Lake City or Utah alumni chapter.

Senior Chief Petty Officer Oscar R. Garrett '92 recently received the Navy and Marine Corps commendation Medal for meritorious service.

John C. Libbie '92 graduated from the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences, College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery. His residency will be done at Central Texas Veteran's Medical Center.

After recently completing a six-month deployment aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp in the Adriatic, Petty Officer 2nd Class David H. Masterson '92 has returned to Norfolk, Va. He has been in the Navy since 1988.

Chief Petty Officer Robert A. Norman '92, who entered the Navy in 1983, is serving a tour of duty at the Navy Recruiting District Chicago in Highland Park, Ill.

A fourth-year veterinary student at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine at Urbana, Kim Talley '92 was honored at the college's annual awards ceremony. Kim won one of ten Dr. J.E. Salsbury Scholarships and the American College of Veterinary Surgeons Award.

She plans to enter a Williamson County practice.

Brian J. Reach '92, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. He will enter a family-practice residency in Carbondale.

Graduate student Daniel Ward MA '93 "has a way with students, earning their respect and trust at the same time that..."
he brings his material to life for them,” according to a recent announcement from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va. Ward, studying for a doctorate in horticulture, recently received the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences’ Graduate Student Teaching Excellence Award.

Marcia L. Well '92, MD '96 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. In July she will enter a pediatrics residency at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

Frederick M. Brown Ph.D. '93 graduated from the SIU School of Medicine in May. In July he will enter psychiatry residencies at UCLA-affiliated hospitals in San Fernando Valley.

Petty Officer 1st Class William A. Cushing '93 is a member of the first crew to man the Navy's newest high-tech warship USS Oak Hill, a dock landing vessel based at Little Creek Amphibious Base, Virginia Beach, Va. Cushing has been in the Navy since 1982.

Following a six-month deployment in the Persian Gulf aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Peleliu, Senior Chief Petty Officer Mark E. Lichvar '93, who has been in the Navy since 1972, has returned to his home port in San Diego, Calif. First Data Corporation in Marietta, Ga., recently promoted Raymond DeBarros '93 to manager of the Payment Processing Center.

Based in Norfolk, Va., Petty Officer 1st Class Jason P. Rottink '93 has received his second Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal while serving aboard the submarine USS Jacksonville, based in Norfolk, Va. He has been in the Navy since 1984.

Tracey Anheuser '94, a first-year veterinary medicine student at the University of Illinois, received the U of I College of Veterinary Medicine Award for Academic Excellence in April.

Petty Officer 1st Class Arthur C. Austin '94, who joined the Navy in 1975, was recently selected Sailor of the Quarter and received a letter of commendation, while serving with a Navy environmental and preventive medicine unit at Norfolk, Va. Speech communications graduate Vincent S. Boyd '94 was awarded a Michael Curry Summer Internship through the office of the governor. Boyd recently received a master's degree in communications from the University of Illinois at Springfield.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Blake C. Browne '94 is serving aboard one of the Navy's newest high-tech warships, the USS Oak Hill, based at Little Creek Amphibious Base, Virginia Beach, Va.

Master Chief Petty Officer T. N. Englund '94 has returned from the six-nation "Rim of the Pacific" exercise aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Princeton. Sailors, Marines, airmen, soldiers, and coast guardsmen from the U.S., Chile, Canada, Australia, The Republic of Korea, and Japan took part in multinational training. Englund entered the Navy in 1974.

Ensign Leonard R. Lynch '94 recently completed the Information Systems Officer course at a training center in Newport, R.I. Officers learn to use basic communications systems and procedures, including operations security, cryptologic equipment, naval message drafting and basic electronics.


Pamela K. Terry Ph.D. '94 was recently named Outstanding School Health Educator in the nation by the American School Health Association. She teaches at Lincoln College.

Petty Officer 1st Class C. R. Randell '94 recently concluded a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf aboard the guided missile frigate USS Eldod, conducting maritime interception operations.

Petty Officer 1st Class Carl W. Ray '94, who entered the Navy in August 1980, has concluded a six-month deployment to the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Normandy. In early September the crew fired 13 Tomahawk cruise missiles at military targets in Bosnia. In early December the Normandy rescued a stranded 65-foot Italian fishing vessel that was sinking in the Adriatic during a violent storm.

Ensign Roy S. Hornback '95, who entered the Navy in June 1985, received his commission recently at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla.

Jeffery T. Menna '95 recently entered the Navy under the Navy Pilot program. He attended Aviation Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla. and will be commissioned an ensign after completion of AOCs.

Petty Officer 1st Class Anthony R. Molina '95 has concluded a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf and Western Pacific aboard the nuclear-powered attack submarine USS Portsmouth. Molina joined the Navy in April 1983.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Imad I. Saad '95 recently reported for duty with 3rd Dental Company, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Camp Hansen, Okinawa. Saad joined the Navy in September 1986.

Ensign Bryan G. van Veldhuizen '95, who joined the Navy in January 1990, was recently commissioned a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla.

After training at the Pensacola Naval Air Station, Lance Cpl. Michael J. Watson '95 was designated an air crewman in the C-130 Hercules helicopter. Wason entered the Marine Corps in May 1995.

Chief Petty Officer Janette Robinson '96 earned her degree through off-duty studies while she was assigned to the Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, Norfolk, Va.
Alumni Deaths

McGUIRE, Edward Davie
ex '17
Makanda, Illinois 1/19/96

BUTTS, Wilma '20
Machesney Park, Illinois 12/17/95

TEMPLETON, Floride '20
Pinckneyville, Illinois 7/26/96

STANLEY, Mabel '23
Marion, Illinois 7/25/95

HEADEN, Vera '24
Taft, California 11/16/95

WRIGHT, Agnes Lentz '24
Evanston, Illinois 5/14/96

BLAIR, Virginia K. '26
Belleville, Illinois

RICH, Grace '26
Salem, Illinois

CAPPs, Ruth W. '27 '39
McLeansboro, Illinois

HINDMAN, Glen R. '28
Anna, Illinois 12/6/95

TEA BEAU, Arline Winthrop '28
Du Quoin, Illinois 6/21/96

WEBB, Naoma R. '28
Mountain Home, Arizona 5/10/96

BUNGE, Albert G. ex '29
Du Quoin, Illinois 12/4/95

DENING, Ruth S. '29 '67, MSED '70
Carterville, Illinois 1/22/96

GORE, Susan Leone '29
Forest Park, Georgia 9/11/95

CHARLTON, Mary Leta '30
Mesa, Arizona 9/26/95

LOVERKAMP, Lester '30
Metropolis, Illinois 1992

MOORE, Ruth '30
Macedonia, Illinois 2/23/96

QUARTERMAN, Grace M. ex '30
Dix, Illinois 4/29/95

TRAVELSTEAD, Aline '30, '53, MSED '60
Marion, Illinois 6/24/96

McCORMICK, Mildred L. '31
Granite City, Illinois

DITTERLINE, Agnes '33
Phoenix, Arizona 7/25/95

PAYNE, J. Lacey '33
Mt. Vernon, Illinois 5/23/96

DICKSON, Jason Milburn ex '34
Makanda, Illinois 1/8/96

TANNER, Henrietta ex '34
Creal Springs, Illinois 9/11/95

HOLMES, Aubrey J. '35
Springfield, Illinois 2/28/96

MATHEWS, Charles W. '37, MA '39, Ph.D '47
Las Cruces, New Mexico 5/9/96

COON, Alice '38
Harrisburg, Illinois

DRANGINIS, Ellen '38, MS.Ed '53
West Frankfort, Illinois 10/2/95

PRESS, Oliver H. '38
St. Louis, Missouri 8/27/95

CRAMER, Kenyon ex '39
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 12/5/94

HENTZE, Melvin J. '40
Wilmington, Illinois 4/29/96

HOLLIS, Virgil A. '40
Carbondale, Illinois 12/31/94

PHILLIPS, Arvel ex '40
Herrin, Illinois 4/26/96

BORGER, Vera E. '41
Des Moines, Iowa 8/17/95

GAETZ, William '42
Maumee, Ohio

RODD, Norma J. ex '43
Marion, Illinois 5/31/96

ROSE, Mary Louise T. ex '44
Winter Haven, Florida 3/17/96

DUNN, Mary Lofus ex '45
De Kalb, Illinois 5/11/96

MURRAH, Lillian ex '45
Johnstown City, Illinois 5/2/96

COON, E. Ronald '47
Harrisburg, Illinois

WEBB, Annabel '47
Irvington, Illinois 8/5/95

GUNN, Harry Clifford '48
Boca Raton, Florida 4/6/95

HUDSON, Marjorie '48, MSED '64
Carbondale, Illinois 6/6/96

ASHDOWN, Larry W '61
Vandalia, Illinois 10/20/95

GLASSMAN, Michael L. '61, MS '62
Bethesda, Maryland 5/2/96

HILL, Robert W. ex '50
Anna, Illinois 12/11/95

OSOWSKI, Robert F. '50
Herrin, Illinois 4/2/96

PATTERSON, Patricia A. '50
Denver, Colorado 3/25/96

WHIT TENBERG, Jack C. ex '50
Herrin, Illinois 1/19/96

BLAIR, Clarence ex '51
Belleville, Illinois

CATES, Priscilla M. '51
Wolf Lake, Illinois 9/27/95

DIETZ, Herman William ex '51
De Soto, Illlinois 9/13/95

GRATOP, Catherine Rees '52
Daytona Beach, Florida 2/19/96

MARSHALL, Kenneth K. '53, '58
Columbus, Ohio 4/10/96

SHELTON, Donald Gene '53
Carterville, Illinois 4/18/96

ALEXANDER, Ola '55
Carbondale, Illinois 5/19/96

FARRELL, William '57, MSED '59
Parker, Colorado 3/91

FULLER, Ray W. '57, MA '58
Greenwood, Indiana 8/11/96

CARNEY, Douglas Ray '59
Carterville, Illinois 8/15/96

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## October

**October 1:** Shryock Auditorium, The Bobs, musical group, 8 p.m.

**October 4-13:** SIUC Theater Department, Angels in America, McLeod Theater

**October 4:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Drake, home, 7 p.m.

**October 5:** SIUC Football: Southwest Missouri State, away, 1:30 p.m.

**October 5:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Creighton, home, 7 p.m.

**October 5:** 7th Annual WUSI Fall Music Festival, Olney City Park, 1-5 p.m.

**October 11:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Evansville, away, 7 p.m.

**October 12:** SIUC Football: Indiana State, home, 1:30 p.m. (Family Weekend Day)

**October 12:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Evansville Invitational, away

**October 12:** Shryock Auditorium, Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, 8 p.m.

**October 18:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Southwest Missouri State, away, 7 p.m.

**October 19:** SIUC Football: Western Illinois, home, 1:30 p.m. (Homecoming Schedule on p. 37)

**October 21:** Shryock Auditorium, Can Can, musical, 8 p.m.

**October 25:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Illinois State, home, 7 p.m.

**October 26:** Shryock Auditorium, Corky Siegel's Chamber Blues, 8 p.m.

## November

**November 1:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Creighton, away, 7 p.m.

**November 2:** SIU Football: Western Kentucky, away, 1:00 p.m.

**November 2:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Drake, away, 7 p.m.

**November 6:** Altgeld Performing Arts Series: Sook Ryeon Park, pianist, 8 p.m.

**November 8:** SIU Alumni Association: Indianapolis Area Alumni Reception, Indianapolis Children's Museum, 6 p.m.

**November 8-9:** National Health Law Moot Court Competition, SIU Law School

**November 8-9:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Saluki Invitational, Davies Gym

**November 10:** Shryock Auditorium: Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra, 3 p.m.

**November 13:** Shryock Auditorium: River North Dance Company, 8 p.m.

**November 15:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Bradley, home, 7 p.m.

**November 16:** SIU Football: Southeast Missouri, home, 12:30 p.m.

**November 16:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: Northern Iowa, home, 7 p.m.

**November 16:** Friends of WUSI fundraising auction, Olney Elks Lodge. For more information, you may call (618) 395-3422.

**November 17:** SIU Alumni Association: Jackson County Alumni Chapter Awards Banquet, Old Main Room, 6 p.m

**November 22-24:** SIUC Women's Volleyball: MVC Tourney, Springfield, Mo.

**November 21-23:** SIUC Theater Department: A Christmas Carol, McLeod Theater

## December

**December 1:** Shryock Auditorium: The Nutcracker Ballet, 3 p.m.

**December 1:** SIU Men's Basketball: Drake, home, 7:05 p.m.

**December 3:** SIU Men's Basketball: Indiana State, away, 6 p.m.

**December 5:** SIU Men's Basketball: Wichita State, home, 7:05 p.m.

**December 6:** Altgeld Performing Arts Series: Robert Allison, trumpet, 8 p.m.

**December 8:** SIU Men's Basketball: Drake, away, 7:05 p.m.

**December 10:** SIU Men's Basketball: Bradley, home, 7:05 p.m.

(All dates are subject to last minute change and should be verified by those interested in attending the events. To have events of interest to alumni included in this calendar, please send them to Alumnus, Stone Center, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901-6809.)
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Southern Illinois University at Carbondale
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Your name __________________________

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Tom Blomquist has approached his career in Hollywood with the kind of adventurous spirit that characterizes the series he has written and produced. Currently the creative force behind the hit CBS series *Walker Texas Ranger*, starring Chuck Norris, he has also written for such series as *Hardcastle and McCormick, Riptide, Stingray, The A-Team, Star Trek: The Next Generation, SeaQuest, Quantum Leap, Hunter, MacGyver,* and *Murder She Wrote.*

In the midst of his busy career, Blomquist has devoted considerable time and effort to working with SIUC students interested in pursuing careers in television and film. Along with fellow alumni Robert Weiss and Diane Eaton and the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, he has developed the Hollywood Studies Program. For the past two summers the program has provided invaluable internship opportunities for almost 100 SIUC students.

Each year Blomquist, the 1994 Radio-Television Alumnus of the Year, returns to campus during radio-television week to visit with students and share his insights into this toughest of industries.

For his stellar career, his innovative support of current students and his gift of time and energy to his alma mater, the SIU Alumni Association is proud to salute Tom Blomquist—a shining star on and off campus.

"Continuing my relationship with Southern has been one of the most exhilarating experiences I've had. That's why I became a dues-paying member of the SIU Alumni Association. I would encourage anyone who had a positive experience at SIU to get back in touch with our alma mater."

Tom Blomquist '72
Television Producer and Writer
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