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Willie Herenton's Road To Respect



Inside: Alumni Profiles, Homecoming Schedule, Class Notes, Southern Sports, and more...

Carbondale Family Continues Support of SIU School of Law

*T*he Southern Illinois University School of Law will use a \$240,000 donation from a prominent Carbondale family to establish a permanent professorship in its health law policy program.

Created in 1996 by the Garwin Family Foundation, the Dr. Arthur Grayson Memorial Distinguished Professorship of Law and Medicine has brought experts to the SIU School of Law for teaching and research stints. This latest gift from the foundation allows the professorship to continue on a permanent basis.

Originally from Oklahoma City, the Garwin family now has deep roots in southern Illinois. Marsha (Garwin) Ryan, a Carbondale surgeon, earned an SIU law degree in 1987. Her brother, Mark J., is a Carbondale anesthesiologist. Their father, Leo, a retired chemical engineer who also holds a law degree, now lives in Carbondale. Ruth, their mother, was a retired professor of sociology. The professorship is named for her brother, a Los Angeles surgeon who died in 1990.

"Our family has very strong feelings about the quality of the SIU School of Law," says Marsha Ryan, who is also president-elect of the SIU Foundation. "SIU's health law program is one of the few programs of its kind in the country. We know the money will be well used, and that the results will be readily visible."

The arrangement marks the first time in the history of the law school that a private entity has established a permanent professorship. It brings the total donated to the law school by the Garwin family to more than \$500,000.



From left, Marsha (Garwin) Ryan, Leo Garwin, and Mark Garwin.

Bryan A. Liang was named to the professorship after serving as the Dr. Arthur Grayson Memorial Distinguished Visiting Professor for the 1999-2000 academic year. His appointment to the position takes effect in the fall 2001 semester.

Liang holds a law degree from Harvard Law School, a medical degree from the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, a doctorate degree from the Harris School of Public Policy Studies at the University of Chicago, and a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Students in SIU's joint M.D.-J.D. degree program study in the law school for the first two years and in the medical school for the next four years. The fourth-year sequence includes a specially designed group of electives in law, medicine and health policy.

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ON THE COVER:

Willie Herenton stands in front of the Memphis, Tenn., landmark Hernando DeSoto Bridge. Herenton is in his third term as mayor of this major United States city.

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The Mayor Of Memphis



Willie Herenton is now in his third term as mayor of Memphis, Tenn. His many accomplishments in this major city have been duly noted in the South, and now he is receiving national recognition as well. Herenton, who was recently named one of the "100+ Most Influential Black Americans" by *EBONY* magazine, reflects on the road that has led him to his success.

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Nurturing The Spirit



When Kathleen Fralish moved to Carbondale years ago, she soon became immersed in how to assist individuals who had experienced trauma associated with brain injuries and strokes. After long discussion and planning with colleagues, a nurturing and effective approach was made available to those afflicted when the Center for Comprehensive Services opened its doors. Fralish explains that understanding the participants on a personal level makes all the difference. "That's the human spirit," she says. "We can nurture that spirit if we know what it is."

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The Beat Goes On At The Daily Egyptian



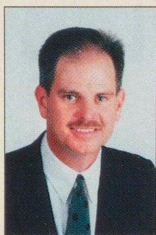
The talented students at the *Daily Egyptian* have been turning heads recently, claiming various national awards in writing and photography. This current group continues a legacy in place for many years, as the *D.E.* takes a back seat to no one when it comes to the pursuit of a news story. Also explore the origin of the "oldest employee" at the newspaper, venerable Gus Bode.

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Teamwork And Passion



Rickey McCurry brought some impressive credentials with him when he recently arrived on campus from the University of Tennessee. Perhaps the best tools he has to succeed in his role as SIUC Vice Chancellor of Institutional Advancement, however, is a commitment to teamwork and a passion to make the University prosper. McCurry shares his views on various campus issues in a Q & A discussion.



by Gene Green

While it is exciting to profile SIUC graduates who accomplish great things and have interesting experiences to share, it is also exhilarating to feature current students who are making a difference. One such group is the staff at the *Daily Egyptian*.

Because of my background, I probably follow the *D.E.* closer than most. During the past few years I've often found myself making comments about how impressive these students are. When studied a little closer, it is obvious that professionals in the industry more than agree!

The awards garnered by the *D.E.* are staggering – and an impressive legacy continues.

As a former journalism student at this University, I had ample opportunity in the mid-1970s to be published in the *D.E.* and get to know many staff members. Although I never actually worked there, I was around the environment enough to be influenced and inspired.

While Lance Speere now runs the ship, Bill Harmon served in that advisory role when I was a student at SIUC. I had Harmon as an instructor, and although he has no real reason to remember me, I have *vivid* memories of him.

Often gruff but always fair, Harmon had little use for sloppy work or lack of preparation. He was an instructor who made it known immediately that you were in his class to work, to do the assignment correctly, or face the wrath of his infamous red pen. It wasn't until years later that I truly appreciated men like Harmon, Harlan Mendenhall, Ralph Johnson, Tom Wood, Manion Rice and others who were helping mold journalists back in that era.

That same commitment to training is still evident at the newspaper, and each issue illustrates this point well. As you will see in an accompanying *Southern Alumni* feature, the *D.E.* continues to help SIUC graduates earn writing and photography positions across the country.

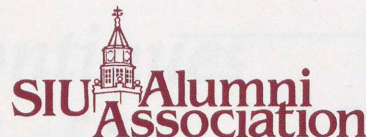
Never a mouthpiece for the University or a political party, the *D.E.* is staffed by students who take their jobs just as seriously as anyone does at a major city newspaper. When you combine independent thinking with pride and ability, some impressive things can happen.

Perhaps the best way to appreciate their skill is to compare products. When travelling around the United States, try to find copies of other student newspapers – you just might be amazed how far Gus Bode and his colleagues are out in front of the rest of the pack.



The Springfield Salukis

The *State Journal-Register* newspaper in Springfield, Ill. has an extraordinary number of SIUC alumni, many of whom worked – or now work – at the *Daily Egyptian*. A few of them are shown in this photograph. In front, from left, Tim Landis '85, Jay Schwab (summer intern in the sports department and now *D.E.* editor-in-chief), and Ryan Sponsler '97. Standing, from left, Rich Saal '82, Ryan Keith '99, Natalie (Boehme) Morris '92, Paul Povse '70, Dale Lael '70, Sarah (Anderson) Antonacci '92, Eric White '77, and Cindy (Arnold) Bedolli '93. On the stairs, from bottom, is Jayette Bolinski, (summer news reporting intern), Dave Kane '81, and Greg McCully ex '70. Other Salukis who were not available for the photo include Robert Burns '77, John Supinie '84, and Jeff Stearns '98.



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Stories In Southern Alumni Benefit Motivational Speaker

Thank you for providing such rich, well-edited, illustrated stories of successful SIU alumni. I have used several of your stories of successful people in the talks that I give around the nation.

As a motivational speaker, I specialize in topics that would help people improve their physical and mental health, and their business practices.

I have been a keynote speaker in 36 separate states. It is important to leave individuals with research-based information, but also to give them examples that will help them improve their lives.

The stories of some successful SIU alumni have proven to be excellent examples of overcoming financial hardships, emotional hurdles, and disabilities. Life can be ever challenging, and resilient individuals often learn from another person important to them.

Recent examples I have utilized in my speaking engagements include the young man (Leroy Wright) who was raised by blind grandparents and is now CEO of his own communications company, and the executive who was a basketball team manager (Tim Lindgren) who became a vice president for Hyatt Hotels.

Both individuals set high goals and were aided in their achievement of those goals. What a wonderful message they have shared through your publication.

Thank you again for introducing us to fascinating SIU Alumni. You have provided excellent stories to help motivate and inspire other people.

Dianne Boswell O'Brien, Ph.D., '77
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Alumna Publishes Poem About SIU

I recently have published a poem entitled "Night on the campus of Southern Illinois University." This poem can be accessed at www.poetry.com.

"Night on the campus of Southern Illinois University"

*Orion grazes in the dark blue fields
Of undermined depth and heights,
Its scatter reaping imminent delights
The cries of geese are gone.
The silence of the forest traps the night.
The dreams of youth and beauty are confirmed.
The dark abyss holds shivering birds.
The star detaches slowly and describes
The apogee of essence spent and done.*

Susanna Rudofsky '80
Chicago, Ill.

Alum Glad Shryock Auditorium Is Still Appreciated By University

I read with great interest and more than a little nostalgia, your beautiful article on Shryock Auditorium. It is gratifying to learn that this beautiful building is still appreciated.

I recall with affection the hours I spent in Shryock as an undergraduate, as it was the center of campus activities then. We were required to attend chapel once a week; furthermore, large classes sometimes met in the auditorium, as did clubs, and the faculty. For more important occasions, such as the installation of the University presidents, both the local and academic communities came together there. President Roscoe Pulliam's

funeral was held in Shryock Auditorium.

During the school day you could often find students studying there, as it was always cool and quiet inside. The only noise to be heard was the squeak of a wooden seat being raised and lowered, and sometimes distant sounds from a small monk's cell backstage

and a truthfulness of its lines, and serves as a silent salute to the past. I recall well the cordial, welcoming arches out front, the integrated facade, the color and texture of the building materials. To me, it looked inviolable and so civilized.

The interior was no less impressive: soaring space controlled and defined by a series



that Helen Matthes used as her piano studio.

That stillness – plus the vastness of the dome and the mystifying decor – created a reverence seldom violated. This was especially the case, since the President's office was just off the lobby entrance.

From the moment I saw this building, I was captivated. It symbolized many of the qualities I had associated with a university – and still do. It has dignity, solidity, a sense of propor-

of moldings decorated with bead and pellet configurations. The beckoning stage was enclosed with wider, acoustic-friendly moldings filled with honeycombing, stylized foliage, and gadrooned shells. Hovering about it all was a wondrous circle of lights.

We had nothing quite like it in Christopher, Ill.

In the 1940s and 1950s, Shryock was for most southern

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Dear Readers...

Your SIU Alumni Association is always eager to hear your opinions of *Southern Alumni*. As with all alumni magazines, we can only improve if we are being responsive to you, our readers. Therefore, we encourage you to take some time after you've read this issue of *Southern Alumni* to let us know what you're thinking. **Please mail your letters to:**

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You can e-mail your letters to alumni@siu.edu. Letters are sometimes edited for length and style.

We also invite you to send items and photographs of interest for the class notes section as well as submissions for *Southern Memories*. You can mail this information or send it by e-mail to the above addresses.

We are looking forward to hearing from you! Thank you for your continued support of the SIU Alumni Association.

Dr. James E. Walker Named SIU President

Dr. James E. Walker, who has spent two decades in higher education administration, will become president of Southern Illinois University Oct. 1. Walker was appointed to the position recently by the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees.

He comes to SIU from Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), where he has been president since 1991. Frank E. Horton, interim SIU president, will remain in his position until Sept. 30.

"Dr. Walker has the leadership qualities and experience that are needed to guide SIU into the future," says A. D. VanMeter Jr., chair of the SIU Board of Trustees. "His professional accomplishments in higher education are most impressive, and we are excited to have him here and excited about the future of SIU."

Walker looks forward to meeting the challenges and opportunities that are ahead for him and SIU. "The opportunity to come to Southern Illinois University and lead

such a diverse institution with an outstanding history and vast potential is truly exciting for me," he explains.

The appointment comes as a result of a vigorous national search and assistance from an advisory committee composed of students, faculty and staff from SIU's campuses. At MTSU, Dr. Walker has overseen the operation of the fastest-growing public university in Tennessee. Fall enrollments at MTSU have jumped nearly 20 percent during his tenure as

president and ACT scores for incoming freshmen have ranked above the national average for the last six years.

Walker has increased admission standards for students and enriched academic programs by raising funds for scholarships and endowed Chairs of Excellence at MTSU. He worked to establish the first Honors College in Tennessee and has worked to enhance the Japan Center of Tennessee, which is located at MTSU and provides assistance in the area of Japanese

Thanks for Writing (continued)

Illinoisans the main – if not the only – access to good music. At one time or another many of the great musical artists of the first half of the century performed there in Carbondale's Community Concert Series: Serkin, Traubel, Primrose, Piatigorsky, Francescatti, Barrere, to name a few. It is the place where Charles Laughton read to us from great literary works, his voice precise and clear. It is where Carl Sandburg, dressed up like a cowboy, nodded rhythmically or patted his big boots on the stage door as he read poems, played the guitar or sang.

When I sat on that same stage in the student orchestra, or stood there playing recitals after I became a member of the faculty, I would look out at the many faces ranged elliptically and illuminated under the circle of lights. I was never less than in awe as I thought of the fine artists who had experienced the auditorium from this perspective. Shryock Auditorium had become for me not only Carnegie Hall and the Cloisters,

but also The Pantheon.

Years later when I came back as a professional musician with the Longines Symphonette, and again as principal flutist of the St. Louis Symphony, I would look outward from the stage to admire the fine proportions of the hall while contemplating the familiar architectural design. I knew my memories had been right – as were the memories of two professional musicians from New York I once overheard reminiscing about performing in Carbondale years before.

They recalled two things: "that old hotel next to the railroad station, where if you left a candy bar out, the ants would swarm over it in a minute," **and** "that magnificent auditorium on campus where we played our concert."

The old hotel has long been gone, but the magnificent auditorium is still there holding its own with some of the best!
**Carl W. Lutes '48, M.S. '59
Somers, N.Y.**

Malaysian Alum Says Magazine Makes Him Feel Like Returning To Campus

Thank you very much for *Southern Alumni*. Looking at the photographs and reading the wonderful contents of the magazine makes us feel like going back to SIUC, as we were there from 1981-84.

Even though I graduated in political science at SIUC about 16 years ago, I personally feel as if I left Carbondale only yesterday. We really enjoyed the campus environment – especially the friendly people we met during our three years' stay at Southern Hills Family Housing. Our son, Glen Racha, born at the Murphysboro Hospital, is now 16 years old and is a senior in a nearby high school where I work.

I am working as an assistant manager at First Integrated Pulp and Paper

Manufacturing in Sabah, Malaysia, located in the northern part of Borneo Island. I have been working for the company since I returned from Carbondale in 1984. You can see how the education I had at SIUC has helped me!

After returning to our country these many years, my wife and I still talk about the good times spent in Carbondale. Some of the most unforgettable experiences we had in that area included time spent fishing the man-made lakes of southern Illinois, driving in the countryside, and even how we lost our way back after picking some apples in the nearby village.

If time permits, or if we live long enough, we hope to bring our American son to visit the place where he was born.

Once again, we thank you and really appreciate the *Southern Alumni*. Please give our regards to all the SIU Alumni Association members.
**Ricky Ganang '84 and family
Sabah, Malaysia**

business, educational and cultural matters.

Walker spearheaded a successful capital campaign at MTSU, which reached its goal two years early and during his presidency the university received the largest gift in the history of public higher education in Tennessee. He has worked effectively with state and federal legislators to secure crucial funding for MTSU programs, including \$34 million for a recently completed state-of-the-art library.

Prior to becoming president at MTSU, Walker was Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Northern Colorado. He has moved through the ranks from assistant professor, department chair, dean, provost, and vice president for academic affairs to President. He began his higher education career as an assistant professor at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

A graduate of Pennsylvania State University's doctoral program in education, Walker is co-author of a book, *Behavior Management: A Practical Approach for Education*, which is in its seventh edition. He has authored several journal articles related to special education and educational psychology.

Walker earned his bachelor's degree in biology from Alabama State University and



Dr. Walker addresses the media at a press conference held to announce his selection as president.

a Masters in Special Education from Atlanta University. Walker was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Alabama in Higher Education Administration from 1974-1975. He is also a graduate of the Harvard University Institute for Educational Management.

Walker is a member of numerous higher education professional organizations and has served on the boards of several of these associations, including the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. He currently serves as chair of the NCAA Division I Athletics Certification Committee.

The 58-year-old U.S. Navy veteran and his wife, Gwendolyn, have two grown daughters, Jamell and Jabrina. ■

Walker sent this letter to the *Southern Illinoisan's* "Voice of the Reader" on August 9:

Wednesday July 26 began a new era for Southern Illinois University and for me and my family. As indicated in various news stories, I am elated to have been chosen as president of Southern Illinois University. I look forward to beginning my duties on Oct. 1.

I greatly appreciate the many kind expressions of congratulations and welcome that have come my way since the announcement. The confidence that has been placed in me as leader of this fine institution will not be taken lightly.

It has always been my desire to excel in what I undertake, and my commitment to Southern Illinois University will be 100 percent. I will use the coming months to learn more about the university and the university communities. Your support, encouragement and counsel are my greatest resources as I begin my new responsibilities.

Again, thanks to each of you. I look forward to working with you for the betterment of Southern Illinois University.

James E. Walker
President designate

Friends Of WSIU Honor Key Supporters At Annual Meeting

WSIU recently honored volunteers, underwriters, key supporters and other public broadcasting enthusiasts at the Friends of WSIU Annual Meeting, held on Thursday, July 20 in the SIUC Communications Building Courtyard. The event was catered by Martha & Mary's Restaurant in Murphysboro.

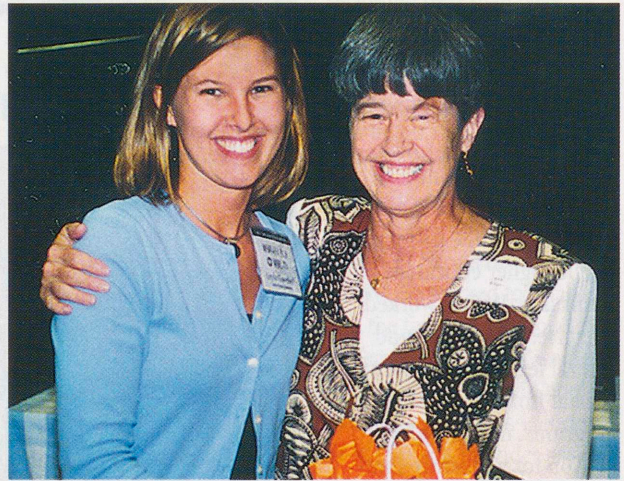
The WSIU-TV Booster of the Year award was presented to First Cellular of Southern Illinois. Ron Kemm, vice-president of marketing, accepted the award on the company's behalf. The Booster of the Year Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of a business or company. First Cellular has been an underwriter since the company name changed from Contel to First Cellular of Southern Illinois in May 1993. They have traded cell phone equipment and have underwritten WSIU-TV's student-produced news program, "River Region Evening Edition."

The WSIU-TV Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Jim Mueller, Director of the Carbondale Science Center. Jim often volunteers at WSIU as an on-air host and schedules Science Center staff to work as phone groups during pledge drives. In addition, last summer the Science Center worked with WSIU to coordinate a series of fun kids events around the PBS children's series "Zoom."

WSIU-FM presented its Booster of the Year award to the SIUC School of Law, represented by Beth Savage, Director of Development and Alumni Affairs. The School of Law is a major underwriter of WSIU-FM, supporting programs like "Morning Edition," "All Things Considered," "Car Talk," "Living on Earth" and "Zorba Paster On Your Health." Tom Guernsey, Dean of the School of Law, and Savage have volunteered as on-air hosts during WSIU's pledge drives. Michael Ruiz, Assistant Dean of the School of Law's Admissions and Student Affairs department, has appeared on WSIU/WUSI-TV's local series, "SIUC Connections."

The WSIU-FM Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Robert and Gina Thomas of Carbondale, who host a weekly local blues program, Blues and R & B with Mr. and Mrs. Sweethang, on WSIU-FM on Saturday nights. In addition to WSIU-TV/FM's Booster & Volunteer of the Year awards, special awards were presented to other key supporters.

Dr. Joe Foote, former Dean of the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, and his wife, Jody, a former Associate Professor in Library Affairs, were honored with WSIU's Distinguished Service Award for their strong support of WSIU and public broadcasting in the river



Ann Ruger, right, pictured with WSIU representative Leyla Goodsell, received recognition as outgoing secretary of the WSIU Friends Board. Ruger is also a contributing writer to *Southern Alumni* magazine.

region. Foote now serves as director of Arizona State University's Walter Cronkite School of Journalism.

Mrs. Buren Robbins and her daughter, Mary Jane were presented with a special award as charter members of WSIU's Leadership Circle. The late Buren Robbins was the founder of the SIUC Broadcasting Service and Department of Radio-Television.

Outgoing officers of WSIU's Friends Board were also recognized. Jean Pulliam was recognized for her two-year term as president of the board. Under Jean's leadership, a new outreach committee was established, WSIU's Fantasy Auction enjoyed tremendous success, and two community outreach grants from the Southern Illinoisan and Southern Illinois Healthcare were awarded to

WSIU. Ann Ruger was also recognized for her term as secretary of the board. Ann served as Chair of the Outreach Committee and wrote the two community outreach grants previously mentioned.

Both Jean and Ann will continue to serve on the WSIU Friends Board.

Finally, Jim Renshaw received the Board Service Award for his two-term service. New officers were recognized, including Barbara Lesar as President and Jane Dycus as Secretary. Betsy Naumer continues as Vice President. New Board members included Bob Brown, Carbondale; Dr. Mary Ann Kellerman, Cape Girardeau; Mike Lawrence, Carbondale; Susan Phillips, Murphysboro; and Sheila Simon, Carbondale. ■

On The Side

COBA Alum Pledges \$1 Million Bequest

John Heakin of River Forest, Ill., has pledged \$1 million to SIUC's College of Business and Administration. The gift will come in the form of a bequest left through his will.

Heakin says the promise of a substantial donation helps him express his profound appreciation to influential SIUC professor Donald L. Perry. During the busy years of building a successful business, Heakin lost touch with Perry, his former marketing professor.

But he never forgot him.

"Dr. Perry helped me during a challenging time in my life, and I haven't forgotten that. If it hadn't been for him, I might not have graduated. I want him to know how much I appreciate his faith in me," Heakin says.

Heakin served as senior vice president of Heakin Research Inc. until the company was purchased last year. Heakin Research introduced the concept of "mall intercept interviewing" – a process of gathering marketing research for products and services in shopping malls. Founded by Heakin's mother in 1963, Heakin Research Inc. included more than 36 offices in 20 cities nationwide by the late 1990s.

Perry, an associate professor of marketing at SIUC until his recent retirement this summer, is pleased with the success of his former student and his pledge to share some of what he's earned with the University. "I think it's been a wonderful experience for all involved," he says.

SIUC Interim Chancellor John S. Jackson expressed his thanks for the gift.

"I have visited with Mr. Heakin, and his story is inspiring. SIUC and the College of Business played a crucial role in his life, and that, along with his hard work, led to tremendous success. We appreciate his remembering us in this way," Jackson says.

Inducted into the business college's Hall of Fame in April, Heakin served as executive-in-residence for a week to impart some of what he has learned in the business world to students at SIUC.

Heakin, formally of Flossmoor, Ill., resides in River Forest with his wife of 21 years, Maureen.

Rowley Named Chair of Cinema and Photography Department

R. William "Bill" Rowley, formerly an associate professor of film at Ohio University, has been chosen to chair the cinema and photography department at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Rowley will begin his new job in mid-August. He takes the helm from Daniel V. Overturf, who is stepping down to devote himself to full-time teaching in the department.

A tenured associate professor at Ohio University's film school since 1998, Rowley has taught courses on such topics as digital film editing, the history of experimental film, experimental filmmaking, and the aspects of film postproduction.

Previous to that, he taught classes in film production, screenwriting and experimental film from 1986 to 1998 at New York's Ithaca College. Rowley is the former manager of a film lab and sound studio at Ohio University's film school, a job he held from 1983 to 1986. He taught between 1974 and 1981 at State University of New York College at Brockport.

He belongs to the University Film and Video Association and held a 10-year membership in the Association of Independent Video and Filmmakers. A three-degree graduate of University of Iowa, he earned a bachelor's in broadcasting and film (1966), a master's in photography and film (1970) and a master of fine arts degree in multimedia (1974).

Homecoming 2000

"Mardi Gras, Saluki Style"

Daily Schedule

Tuesday, October 3

10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. King and Queen Elections, Student Center and Recreation Center.

Thursday, October 5

6:30 p.m. SIUC Alumni Association Executive Committee Dinner/Meeting, Wabash/Vermillion Rooms.

Friday, October 6

8:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting, Student Center Video Lounge, 4th Floor.

10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Class of '50 Registration, Student Center, Ballroom A.

12:00 p.m. SIUC Alumni Association / SIUC Foundation Board of Directors & Class of 1950 Luncheon, Student Center, Ballroom B.

Afternoon Open House and tour of facilities, College of Applied Sciences & Arts.

1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Guided tour of campus and Carbondale for Class of 1950.

2:00 p.m. SIUC Distinguished Alumni Reception, Alumni Lounge, SIUC Recreation Center.

2:30 p.m. Tour of Chemistry Department.

3:30 p.m. Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry reception, outside Neckers 224.

Annual Alumni Lecture follows in Van Lente Auditorium, Dr. Scott Cowley, Professor of Chemistry at Colorado School of Mines.

5:00 p.m. College of Applied Sciences & Arts Barbecue, Campus Boat Dock. In honor of the college's 50th birthday, alumni are invited to attend a get-together featuring world famous barbecue from 17th Street Bar & Grill.

5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Homecoming Roundup, College of Agriculture Alumni, Agriculture Building, front lawn.

6:00 p.m. Chemistry Alumni Hall of Fame, dinner and induction ceremonies for 2000 Chemistry Alumni Hall of Fame inductees. Reservations required.

6:00 p.m. Half-Century Club/Class of 1950 Reception, Student Center Gallery Lounge.

7:00 p.m. Half-Century Club Dinner, Student Center Ballroom D.

7:00 p.m./9:30 p.m. SPC Film, TBA, Student Center Auditorium, \$2 admission.

7:30 p.m. Concert — "Matchbox Twenty," with special guest Shelby Lynne, SIU Arena.

Tickets go on sale Saturday, September 9. For more information, call 618-453-5341.

Saturday, October 7

7:30 a.m. College of Liberal Arts Alumni Society Alumni Network Members Breakfast, Vermillion Room, Student Center.

9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Homecoming Parade, Downtown Carbondale.

10:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Alumni Reunion Activities, Big Tent, east of McAndrew Stadium

Register at the tent to enjoy prizes, beverages and a complimentary lunch provided by the SIUC Alumni Association and the colleges.

11:30 a.m. All college deans should report to their tables under the tent. (We will be introducing the deans and prizewinners shortly thereafter).

1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Saluki Football Game vs. Western Illinois, McAndrew Stadium.

4:00 p.m. College of Liberal Arts Alumni and Guests Happy Hour, home of Dean Shirley Clay Scott

4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Black Alumni Group meeting, Saline Room, Student Center.

8:00 p.m. 29th Annual Miss Ebony Pageant, Shryock Auditorium. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show and are available only at the Student Center Central Ticket Office.

To charge by phone call (618) 453-3493. Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha.

7:00 p.m./9:30 p.m. SPC Film, TBA, Student Center Auditorium, \$2 admission.

Evening Reception and dinner for VTI/STC/CTC/ASA alumni.

Sunday, October 8

Morning College of Applied Sciences & Arts Brunch and guided bus tour of Shawnee Hills Wine trail. Includes wine tasting at area wineries.



Visit the SIUC Alumni Association tent prior to the football game!

Against All Odds

BY GREG SCOTT

Overcoming the obstacles of an impoverished childhood and racial tension in the South, Memphis Mayor Willie Herenton has emerged as one of the most influential leaders in the United States.

When Willie Herenton reflects on growing up in the South, he remembers boarding a bus to Arkansas and chopping cotton for \$3 a day. He also recalls riding in the back of the bus, not being allowed to enter the front door of many public facilities in segregated Memphis, Tenn., and joining Dr. Martin Luther King in protesting the city's mayor.

Today, Willie Herenton is the mayor of Memphis.

While visiting with young adults in the community, he often tells them to "be focused and not allow society's conditions to impose barriers on your ability to dream, to aspire to achieve." Herenton can speak from experience. As a matter of fact, his political career commenced because of barriers in the city he now leads.

Herenton was retiring after 12 years as superintendent of the Memphis School System in the early 1990s, and the mayoral election was approaching. Speculation was circulating regarding Memphis breaking the color barrier to elect a black mayor. He was approached



Willie Herenton takes a break from his busy schedule and stands on a patio outside of his office. Featured in the background is The Pyramid, a facility that graces the Memphis skyline and is used for various concerts and sporting events.

by five young men who said they were confident that he was the man for the job. An overjoyed, but politically inexperienced Herenton was their choice to run for office. And in 1991, he made history by upsetting a two-term officeholder and becoming the first African-American elected to lead the largest city in Tennessee.

"This election was about changing Memphis because several other cities

African-Americans felt that I was going to be a savior and solve all problems of the black community. Conversely, many whites were apprehensive that I would be prejudicial and only address issues related to black people," he says. "But I've demonstrated that I represent all of the citizens of this city, regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, or socioeconomic condition."

Herenton's mayoral victory wasn't the

grandmother and mother as strong forces in his life. He remembers the strong work ethic of his grandmother, and also three principles his mother taught him: the value of work, believing in yourself, and believing in God.

At the age of 11, he started working as a neighborhood grocery boy. He also rode the bus from Memphis to Arkansas to chop and pick cotton.

"I grew up with a strong work ethic. I've had several different jobs. All work is honorable," he says. "Many young people today

"It really doesn't matter where you come from – the difference is where you're going."

had elected African-American men and women. People felt the time had come for Memphis to reach a new level of enlightenment," he says. "Political wisdom had already ordained that we wouldn't win. We didn't have any money or experience in the political process. So we pulled one of the biggest upsets in political history."

Nine years later, Herenton is serving in his third term as mayor. His vision and accomplishments have gained the confidence of the city – in particular, a resurgence of commerce and expanding tax base in downtown Memphis. Also, for the first time in the city's history, the per capita income of Memphians exceeds the national average.

"Once a person demonstrates that he or she can be an effective leader with integrity, race is no longer a dominant factor," Herenton says. "People get over this apprehension of a minority being in a top leadership role. At that point, you're judged on your ability, performance, and background. That is all I've ever asked for."

But perhaps Herenton's most important accomplishment was establishing himself as the mayor for the people — *all people*. Memphis is 55 percent black. But Herenton says that even though he is African-American, his decisions are made to positively influence the city's entire diverse population.

"When I first became mayor, many

first time he overcame barriers. He was also the first African-American to serve as superintendent of what was once a segregated school system in Memphis, and the first black to serve on a corporate board in the state. A humble Herenton admits that he takes pride in blazing the trail for others.

"I'm proud that God has given me abilities that have enabled me to break barriers. It also allows me to demonstrate to young African-Americans that with preparation they can also be successful in life," he says. "I'm also thankful for the confidence people have demonstrated in me. I just keep forging ahead and working hard."

Perhaps the success he's attained after such humble beginnings instilled the faith Herenton has in himself, and inspired his mission to influence those around him. Herenton's mother raised him and his sister in a small two-room apartment located in a poor, inner-city neighborhood in South Memphis.

"When I was growing up, I didn't know anyone in my neighborhood who had completed high school," says Herenton, whose educational background includes three colleges degrees, including a doctorate from SIUC in 1971. "My parents didn't receive a formal education beyond the eighth grade."

While no one explained the value of education to him, Herenton describes his

think success comes easy, but it doesn't work that way. They don't know what struggling means in terms of trying to reach a goal and aspire. A lot of them get frustrated easily."

Despite deriving from poverty, Herenton was focused at an early age and never doubted whether he could be successful. He says hard work was the key factor for him. And he doesn't mind sharing his feelings with young African-Americans in the Memphis community.

"My message to young African-Americans is it really doesn't make a lot of difference where you come from in terms of socioeconomic background. The difference is where you're going," he says. "I tell kids to be focused on your future and don't let conditions in society impose barriers on your ability to dream, aspire, and achieve."

Herenton's mother and grandmother encouraged him to further his education. He began his college career at LeMoyné College (now LeMoyné-Owen College) in South Memphis. After receiving his degree in elementary education, he taught fifth grade for four years. But seeking another challenge, Herenton decided to pursue a career in administration.

He enrolled in the master's program at Memphis State University, while teaching full time, and it took two hectic years to complete his degree. After completing his master's, Herenton became the first black

Herenton Named One Of *EBONY* Magazine's 100+ Most Influential Black Americans

As a young man growing up in Memphis, Willie Herenton says he was always determined. Despite some obstacles along the way, he never doubted his ability to succeed. That same focus has earned him the respect of Memphians, who have entrusted him to serve as the mayor of his hometown since 1991.

But his leadership has also been noticed outside the city limits.

In the May issue of *EBONY* magazine, Herenton was selected as one of the 100+ Most Influential Black Americans. The magazine annually honors a dynamic mix of African-Americans who are performing at the pinnacle of their professions. This list was compiled by the editors of *EBONY* in consultation with power brokers and opinion leaders. Two criteria guided experts and editors in making

When Herenton won the prestigious "Horatio Alger Award" in 1988, he was pictured in front of this small, two-room apartment where he grew up. Herenton says the photo, taken in an impoverished, inner city Memphis neighborhood, assists him in maintaining his focus as mayor.

the final recommendations: Does the individual transcend his or her position and command widespread national influence?

Does the individual affect in a decisive and positive way the lives, thinking and actions of large segments of the African-American population, either by his or her position in a key group or by his personal reach and influence?

(Being featured on the list does not necessarily constitute an endorsement of any particular individual or ideology).

Herenton says ascending to the mayor's post in one of the largest cities in the South can bring one such national recognition. As opposed to speaking about the individual honor, he would rather discuss the impact these individuals could have on young African-Americans.

"The American media doesn't portray the Horatio Algers of the black community. The only success stories our youth often hear about are movie and sports stars," he says. "There are many success stories of men and women who may have grown up in poverty, but they are educated and have worked hard. This (100+ Most Influential Black Americans) demonstrates to young African-Americans that they can also be successful."

Herenton says whether he was superintendent of schools or in his current role as mayor, as a public servant, he has a responsibility to lead by example.

"Young people have a lot of distractions in our society today. I

certainly don't want to be one of those," he says. "You're challenged every day to be a moral and upstanding citizen. In a high-profile position, you're also challenged daily to perform competently.

"That has always been a focus for me. I've always wanted to be the best in whatever opportunity I was presented. I can't be a fair, mediocre mayor. I've always set high standards for myself."

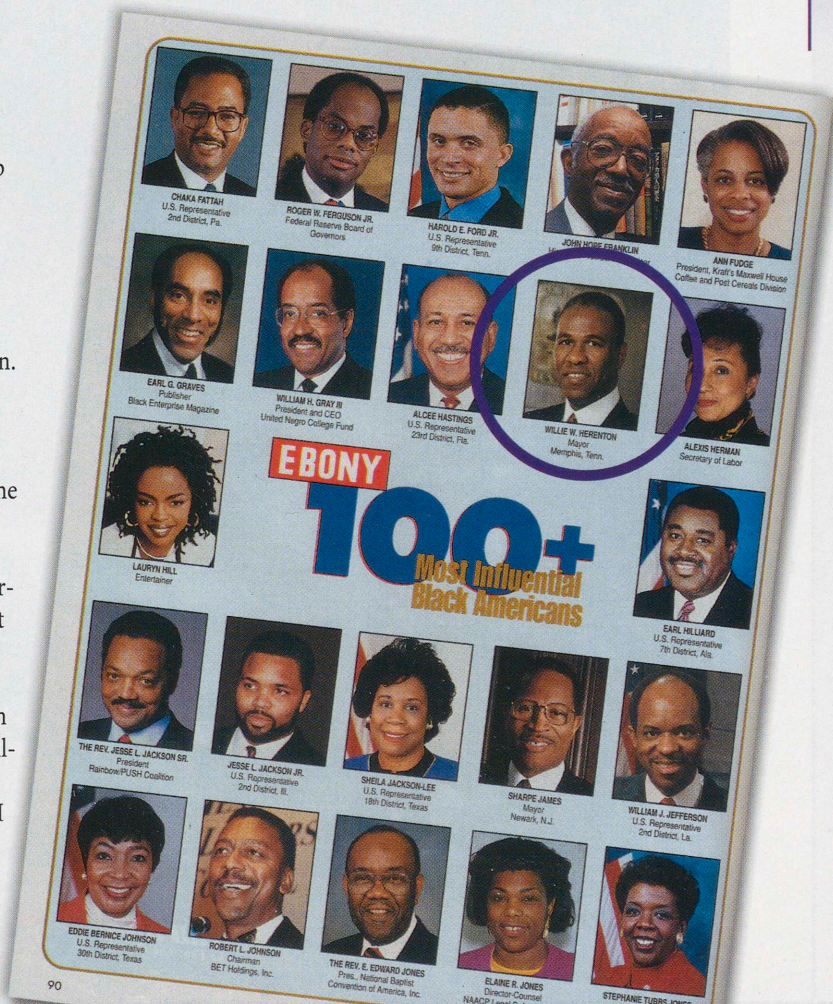
Memphis has thrived under Herenton's leadership. The growth of downtown Memphis is unprecedented, but he sees the future getting even brighter. Some of his goals include developing the city's riverfront, strengthening its neighborhoods, improving public school systems, enhancing infrastructure, and creating opportunities for African-American businesses to prosper in the community.

Herenton's work ethic and focus have impacted his children. His oldest son, Duke, is a Federal Express manager in St. Louis. Herenton's second son, Rodney, is an investment banker in Memphis; and his daughter, Andrea, is a teacher. He also has five grandchildren.

"During moments of reflection, I'm proud of my achievements and take pride in breaking barriers as a school superintendent and mayor. I keep forging ahead and raising the bar," he says.

"I'm just an ordinary guy who has worked hard and achieved. Anyone can achieve similar goals if they work hard and believe in themselves."

-- Greg Scott



male principal in Memphis, heading Bethel Grove Elementary School at the age of 28.

With aspirations of becoming a school superintendent, he decided to pursue a doctorate degree. Memphis State didn't welcome African-Americans into its doctoral program at that time, but two professors who had taught Herenton at MSU were SIUC graduates. They told him SIUC would be a good place to continue his education. Herenton says this is how he first heard of SIUC.

"These professors felt that I had the ability to pursue a Ph.D. But they also felt that Memphis State was not ready for a black," he says. "SIU had a history of being an equal opportunity University. One of the professors drove me to Carbondale and introduced me to Dr. King, the chairman of the department.

"I'll never forget what my professor told Dr. King. He said, 'Willie Herenton is

a student of mine at Memphis State. He is academically talented, and if your department admits him, I guarantee that he'll make you proud.' At that point, he just left me in the room with Dr. King."

This was a particularly hectic period in Herenton's life. He was teaching full-time, was married, and two of his three children were born while he was at Memphis State. Once he was admitted to Southern in 1969, Herenton moved his young family to Carbondale. They lived in Southern Hills family housing near campus, and Herenton received a teaching assistantship at SIUC.

"They paid me \$315 a month for my teaching assistantship and \$600 monthly for sabbatical leave. So my family had \$915 a month," he says. "We ate a lot of pork and beans, hot dogs, and hamburgers. But we made it."

Herenton says pursuing his doctorate meant making some sacrifices. "My kids were young and attended the University School. They would be asleep in the morning when I left and sleeping when I came home at night," he says. "I remember hard work and long hours as a full-time graduate student, teaching assistant, and trying to pass my language proficiency exam."

Despite a busy schedule, a determined Herenton completed his doctoral course work in two years, graduating from Southern in 1971. "There were a number of African-Americans who were already in the program when I arrived at SIU. I left them there," he says. "I was focused. People treated me well there, but I worked hard."

Ironically, when he returned to Memphis after graduating from Southern, Herenton received a surprise job offer. Memphis State, which didn't accept him into its doctoral program, offered him a position teaching in its education department. But this time, it was Herenton who rejected Memphis State. "It felt great saying no to them," he says.

Herenton, who was a principal when he left Memphis, was hoping to take another step in his career upon receiving his doctorate. However, upon his return to Memphis, he didn't receive a warm welcome from the city's educators.

"I was a young guy who returned to Memphis with a Ph.D at 31, and the hierarchy of the school system was threatened by my presence. There was some resistance to giving me upward mobility," he says.

Instead of giving him a promotion, the school system officials reassigned him as principal of his childhood school, LaRose Elementary. He was succeeding his own principal, and his parents had also attended LaRose. "It was an honor. At



Pictured here with assistant Nakeesha Jenkins, Herenton prepares to begin a busy day in his office.

the same time, it was a disappointment that the system didn't offer me upward mobility after working so hard," he says.

Herenton headed LaRose for two years before receiving a prestigious Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship. The fellowship attained national recognition for him as an elite education professional. He went to Washington, D.C., and Baltimore, Md., and received training to become a superintendent.

After graduating as top fellow in his Rockefeller Foundation class, Herenton received several job offers nationwide. However, determined to become the first black superintendent of schools in Memphis, Herenton returned home to pursue his dream.

Herenton was a deputy superintendent four years before his dream became a reality in 1979. He was named superintendent of schools and held this post for 12 years.

While his success in education – and now as mayor of the 18th largest city in the country – would demonstrate that he is far removed from his poverty-stricken childhood, Herenton's humble beginnings remain a driving force in his life. As he strolls toward his office, which features a picturesque view of the Mississippi River in downtown Memphis, he points out a photograph that was taken of him when he received the prestigious Horatio Alger Award in 1988. The award has been presented annually since 1947 to honor the accomplishments and achievements of outstanding individuals who have succeeded in the face of adversity.

The photographer had selected an alternate location, but Herenton asked that the photo be taken in front of the apartment he grew up in. The photograph symbolizes what Herenton believes that "one must remember where they come from to know where they are going." As he enters his office, Herenton says, "That photo helps me maintain my focus when I walk in here and go to work."

Focus has never been a problem for Willie Herenton. ■

In Good Company

Being honored as one of *EBONY* magazine's 100+ Most Influential Black Americans has placed Memphis Mayor and SIUC alumnus Willie Herenton in elite company. Here are some of the notables who joined him in receiving this prestigious honor:

BILL COSBY - Entertainer, Educator, Philanthropist

MARIAN WRIGHT EDELMAN - President, Children's Defense Fund

ANN FUDGE - President, Kraft's Maxwell House Coffee and Post Cereals Division

EARL G. GRAVES - Publisher, *Black Enterprise* Magazine

WILLIAM H. GRAY III - President and CEO, United Negro College Fund

LAURYN HILL - Entertainer

REV. JESSE L. JACKSON SR. - President, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition

QUINCY JONES - Musician, Entertainment Executive

MICHAEL JORDAN - Sports Icon, President, basketball operations, and Part-owner, The Washington Wizards

WILLIAM E. KENNARD - Chairman, Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

KWEISI MFUME - President and CEO, NAACP

COLIN POWELL - Chairman, America's Promise; Retired Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

HUGH B. PRICE - President, National Urban League

DAVID SATCHER, M.D. - U.S. Surgeon General

JESSE WHITE - Secretary of State, Illinois

OPRAH WINFREY - Talk-Show Host, Entertainment Executive

Ten other city mayors also joined Herenton on the list. They are Dennis Archer (Detroit), Sharon S. Belton (Minneapolis), Lee P. Brown (Houston), Willie L. Brown Jr. (San Francisco), William Campbell (Atlanta), Sharpe James (Newark, N.J.), Marc H. Morial (New Orleans), Wellington E. Webb (Denver), Michael R. White (Cleveland), and Anthony Williams (Washington, D.C.).

Nurturing the Spirit

by Ann Ruger

*L*eroy Klug had everything going for him in 1985 when he drove onto the exit ramp of an interstate near his home in West Bend, Wis. The handsome, blue-eyed 35-year-old lived happily with his wife and young daughter in the town he'd grown up in, surrounded by family and friends.

His career was going well – he worked for a large regional grocery chain and had recently been recognized as one of the company's top salesmen. On weekends, he played baseball and football with friends, took his daughter to the park, and cheered for his beloved Green Bay Packers.

Then a blood vessel burst in his brain, causing immediate and permanent damage. His car careened wildly down the exit ramp and into the path of an oncoming UPS truck. Upon impact, a bowling ball from the passenger seat – he'd played in a tournament the night before – catapulted across the seat and full-force into his body, shattering his hip and causing massive internal injuries.

The next thing Klug remembers, a year had passed, and he was struggling to re-learn almost everything he'd

once known how to do – like walking, talking and thinking like an adult.

Fifteen years before Klug's accident, Kathleen Fralish had moved to Carbondale from Wisconsin when her husband, Jim, a plant ecologist with a brand-new Ph.D., joined the faculty of the forestry department. By 1977, Fralish had two young children and her own brand-new Ph.D. – in speech pathology and audiology from SIUC.

Her particular academic focus was with people who had experienced traumatic brain injuries or strokes that affected their ability to communicate. Fralish remembers spending quite a bit of time talking with faculty members John Anderson and Dick Brecht about how difficult it was for people to find adequate help after their injuries as they tried to regain a normal life.

"The three of us felt strongly that the rehabilitation available then was too fragmented," Fralish recalls. "People who had experienced brain injuries would be released from the hospital and sent home without enough support."

Fifteen months after his accident, Klug returned home to live with his wife and daughter. He couldn't walk, he couldn't care for himself, and his behavior – punctuated now by frequent bursts of anger as a result of the brain injury – were frightening to his family.

"My little daughter didn't understand at all what was going on," he remembers. "She thought I didn't love her anymore, because I couldn't play with her the way I used to."

Klug also remembers therapists who would yell at him when he couldn't do what they asked.

"They thought I was just goofing off, but it was because I had so much pain in my arms and legs. I just couldn't move much at all. It was awful!"

The long hours of collegial discussion eventually bore fruit. Fralish, Anderson, and Brecht began developing their own philosophy of rehabilitation, in which people with brain injuries would be supported by a new, more comprehensive approach.

"We imagined an after-hospital residential program where people would actually be supported and nurtured for 24 hours a day, rather than going into a therapy room for an isolated hour here or there," Fralish recalls. "We envisioned a system in which participants would be respected for who they are as people, rather than treated simply as a set of tragic disabilities."

These discussions, which started as a purely academic exercise, took a more practical bent once Fralish finished her degree. The three colleagues began to wonder if there was any place in the country that approached rehabilitation in this new way. They asked Ed Breen, a former SIUC faculty member who had become the director of rehabilitation for Home Insurance Company, about their idea. Did he know of other facilities that were using this approach?

His answer was unequivocal, Fralish remembers.



Fralish releases balloons at the block party celebrating the community of the Center for Comprehensive Services.

"He told us he didn't know of any place else in the country that was doing this, and he couldn't imagine why not."

It soon became clear that Klug's family could not care for him at home. Even with help from his mother, father, and five siblings – and daily visits from many loyal friends – his problems were too severe to be handled by non-professionals. The decision was made to place Klug in an institution – the beginning of the darkest years of his life.

"I went first to a place in Wisconsin that I hated," he says. "After I'd been there

awhile, they told me my family wanted nothing to do with me because of the accident. I was so unhappy that they sent me home after a few months, but that didn't work out, and I had to go back. Then I moved to a rehab center in Boulder, Colo. I thought I'd like that because it's in the mountains, but they put me in a unit where no one could talk. I love to talk, and I was bored to death. The last place I tried was Houston, Tex., but that was just as bad as all the others.

"Those places were all just rat holes," Klug recalls bitterly.

In the fall of 1977, with encouragement from Breen – and his prediction that insurance companies would pay for their approach – Fralish, Anderson, and Brecht decided to open the first residential after-hospital rehabilitation program in the United States for persons with acquired brain injury. They called their new company the Center for Comprehensive Services (CCS).

It was a gutsy move for three research-oriented clinicians with no business experience and no models on which to base their program. But they charged ahead, convinced that what they were doing was right.

“Our motivation came very much from our hearts,” Fralish remembers, “and that served us well.”

The first year was especially rough. Brecht was killed in an auto accident,

and by the end of 1978, the program, which was housed in the wing of a Carbondale nursing home, did not even have enough participants to support the small staff.

If you have to tell people their jobs are being eliminated, December is probably the worst month in which to do it, but Fralish and Anderson had no other choice.

“We concluded that our approach wasn’t something that was wanted or needed,” remembers Fralish, “and just before Christmas, we decided to close our doors. Ironically,” she laughs, “that’s when we began to get calls – and they haven’t stopped since!”

Within a few months, Fralish and Anderson found another place to house the program, this one much more suited to their philosophy of community inclu-

sion. They rehired the staff, built the necessary ramps, and opened the doors for a second time, this time on the first floor of a dormitory right across from the university. Fortunately, this second start took.

Twenty-three years after its founding, CCS now enjoys an international reputation as one of the finest rehabilitation facilities in the field, providing state-of-the-art services for persons with acquired brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, and related disabilities. With its current staff of 360, the program now serves, at any one time, about a hundred participants who come to Carbondale from all parts of the country to benefit from this unique program of rehabilitation “from the heart.” (For more information on services and staff, go to CCS’s web site at www.ccs-rehab.com.)

In 1986, a year after Klug’s accident, Fralish and her new co-owners, Mary Kay Moore ’78, M.S. ’81 and Thomas Corpora ’73, M.S. ’81 (Anderson had retired in 1984), added a new division, designed to serve participants whose injuries were so severe that they would probably never be able to return to their families on a permanent basis. CCS purchased a small residence in the midst of some student apartments and opened it as a supported living unit.

Klug’s family, desperate to find a place that would meet his needs, heard about CCS from another Wisconsin accident victim who had been helped by its programs. They had almost given up, convinced they might never find a place where their beloved husband/son/brother would be well-cared for and happy.

“I moved to Carbondale on February 20, 1991,” Klug says, his eyes twinkling with pleasure. “It’s been nine years and six months now, and I’m so happy here.”

He’s wearing a bright red shirt proclaiming “IT TOOK ME 50 YEARS TO GET

Klug and Fralish are all smiles during a recent outing. Klug says Fralish has always supported him and fellow participants in every way – “Kathie’s just a super lady.”



THIS HANDSOME” – no exaggeration, by the way – and his good humor is infectious. He sits in the attractive living room of the home he shares with two other men. On the wall, a Packers poster shares space with family portraits, including one of his daughter at her high school graduation.

“You know, when I came to CCS, I was a really screwed-up little puppy,” admits Klug. “But I’ve come a long way since then. This place saved my life!”

What is it about CCS that can generate such enthusiasm and affection from its participants?

Fralish points to the philosophy upon which it was founded, still the cornerstone of the organization.

“We honor the people in tragic circumstances whom we serve. This underlying respect for our participants is the guiding principle behind everything we do.

“The very basis for our work is that people and their families have experienced tragedy. Never a day goes by that we are not reminded of this truth. We can choose, then, how we wish to interact with people who are in these tragic circumstances, how we might bring dignity to that experience. Rehabilitation begins with respect and admiration for the human spirit – for the true person who lies inside of what we might see – whether the person’s brain injury has resulted in physical problems, impaired cognition, or unwanted behavior.”

Without this respect, rehabilitation is often reduced to mere treatment – of a limb, a slurred speech pattern, or a “bad” behavior. Fralish is proud that at CCS, participants are never identified by their disabilities.

“We just don’t see the people we meet here in that way,” she says. “We want to know who they are, what their passions are, what their dreams are, what they don’t like. We want to know about their families, where they’ve been, where they want to go. That’s the human spirit, and we can nurture that spirit if we know what it is.”

“My daughter’s 20 now. That’s her pic-

“We all know how much we learn from those we serve, not only about how to do our work, but also about courage and the human spirit. We learn that we must examine our own values and beliefs in order to respect the values and beliefs of others. We are challenged to condition rehabilitation interventions to respond to values that may be culturally different from our own, while refraining from making judgements about them – and our hearts and minds are changed.”

... from an address that Fralish gave last month in Chicago at the 20th Annual Symposium of the Brain Injury Association. She was there to receive one of the association’s most prestigious awards, “The Sheldon Berrol, MD, Clinical Service Award,” presented “to an individual who, through a long clinical service career, has made outstanding contributions to improving quality of care, professional training and/or education.”

ture over there in the white dress,” Klug says proudly. “She’s going to be an elementary school teacher. We’re very close. She’s the reason I’m living. I love her so much.

“Next week, I’m going to visit my mom. I’ll stay about four days. My dad passed away a few years ago, and that’s been hard. When I’m there, I’ll probably go out to dinner with some of my friends. And I’ll see my brothers and sisters, too. We’re all very close.

“I like my visits to Wisconsin – I go about four times a year – but CCS is really my home now. My housemate, Greg, is my best friend. He’s like a brother to me. I hope we can stay together forever.”

Another defining tenet of CCS’s approach is what Fralish calls being in profound relationship.

“We understand here that we don’t do rehabilitation for people or to people,

but rather in partnership with them. We’ve done a lot of work trying to transform the organization so that relationship is the foundation of what we do.

“Relationship requires deep and heartfelt listening. By being a listener not only for the individuals we serve, but also for their families, and by feeling people’s vulnerability and pain, we create a deep relationship with them. Upon that foundation of relationship we can have the difficult conversations, request cooperation, gain trust, challenge physical capabilities, and in many other ways work hand in hand to achieve goals that are mutually set. By listening we can appreciate an individual’s reality, the way it is for him.”

“Bill (William Rodgers, ’80, M.S. ’86) is my caseworker,” Klug explains, “and we get along real well. He calls my mom and

“There really is something about this community that is very special...” – Fralish speaking about Carbondale

takes care of my scooter and makes sure I have my medicine.

“He listens to me, and I can tell him things that bother me. I know I screw up sometimes, I make mistakes, but he’ll always work with me until I get things worked out. I can trust him.

“I like everybody here. We’re like a big family.”

Another thing that sets CCS apart from other rehabilitation programs is its close relationship with Carbondale. From the beginning, Fralish and her partners have believed that the power of healing lies within the community. As a result, they have purposely chosen to locate their facilities near the center of town, within walking – or wheeling – distance of major attractions and services, including the university. CCS now has 13 separate residences, as well as administrative and therapy facilities, all within the central city core.

As participants work to become independent again, it is tremendously valuable for them to be able to test their skills in the real world. They can go shopping or to the movies, take in an SIU ball game, or get easily to a job site. According to Fralish, this inclusion is not something that would be possible in many other towns or cities.

“Carbondale’s a community that’s extraordinarily accessible, not only architecturally, but attitudinally,” she says. “People in this community are comfortable with people with disabilities, and I don’t think that’s so in very many places. In fact, I’d go so far as to say there’s a real pride here about our diversity, a willingness on the part of all citizens to be connected with people who

are diverse – whether it’s color or disabilities or ethnic origins.

“There really is something about this community that is very special in that way, and it was very fortunate that John and I were living here when we chose to do this, because we could not have found a better place.”

Fralish gives the University – and particularly former SIU President Delyte Morris – much of the credit for creating this unique environment. She cites Morris’ commitment to returning war veterans – and his conscious design of the campus to accommodate their needs – as the impetus for Carbondale’s progressive decisions.

A green motorized scooter sits unobtrusively in a corner of Klug’s living room, a visual reminder of his connection to the community.

“It’s worked much better for Leroy than a wheelchair,” says Rodgers, “mostly because it’s less defining.”

Two mornings a week, Klug rides the scooter to the Carbondale Public Library, where he is a minimum-wage employee, scanning books and making labels. On other mornings, he heads for the CCS administrative offices, where he does clerical work. These jobs give him a sense of self-worth and community involvement – and provide some extra spending money for him.

In the evenings, Klug, his housemate Greg, and a group of other CCS participants often head to one of Carbondale’s favorite night spots, where they’ve developed friendships with the other regulars.

“We like the Tuesday pizza night at Mugsy’s, and we always try to get to Tres Hombres to watch the big games,” he says. “Once we came in to Tres and everyone cheered. We thought maybe the Packers

had just scored, but then we realized it was because we’d finally arrived – their favorite Cheeseheads!

“I like going to Pinch Penny, too, and Murphy’s. The managers are both good friends of mine. I don’t drink anymore, since my accident, but they both know I like Cherry Coke.

“People in this town are real nice to me. I feel like I’m a native now – and I thank God for that.”

Fralish and her partners believe strongly in the philosophy that has guided the organization throughout its 23-year history. They are convinced that this particular approach to rehabilitation – with its emphasis on respect, relationship, and community inclusion – really works. And they also believe that they have an obligation to share what they’ve learned.

“There are so many people in this country – and internationally – who need the kind of support we’re providing,” says Fralish. “We’re not going to go out of business because we talk about what we do – and just maybe somebody else will be helped by it.”

CCS’s executive team takes this obligation seriously. All are active researchers, prodigious writers, and frequent speakers at national and international conferences. This tradition of sharing what’s been learned, established early by CCS’s original founders, continues to be led today by Fralish’s energetic example.

In addition to authoring “Innovations in Head Injury Rehabilitation,” a massive text which serves as the standard for practical approaches to treatment, Fralish has made more than 100 major presentations to colleagues, served on numerous professional committees, task forces and boards, and recently completed a term as president of the prestigious American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine (ACRM).

It was through her work with ACRM in the early ‘80’s that she became involved with efforts to establish the country’s first standards for brain injury

rehabilitation; she later served for several years as a survey consultant for the accrediting commission.

In 1999, the University presented Fralish with one of its highest honors, the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award, in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the field of brain injury rehabilitation throughout her career and her groundbreaking work in the establishment of accreditation standards for the field.

Two years ago, seeing an opportunity to make the CCS approach available to many more people, Fralish and her partners decided to join MENTOR, a national human services delivery organization whose core belief – people naturally thrive in communities where relationships evolve in normal settings – is shared by CCS.

“When we were approached by MENTOR about becoming part of their network,” Fralish recalls, “helping people

with brain injury was a very small part of their business. We saw our affiliation with them as a way to grow that facet of their network – and it’s worked. It was a great decision for us!”

Fralish made another significant decision a few months ago – to retire as president of CCS.

“I realized that I felt complete with what I had to contribute to this organization,” she says. “My job had been to inspire people to do this work and to do it in a way that is loving, respectful, effective, efficient and all those kinds of things. That job is done, and CCS will now go on doing this work without me.”

She’s made no definite plans for what she’ll do next – other than giving herself the gift of some unstructured time to think, read, and learn – but she knows that she’ll stay actively involved with CCS and MENTOR.

And she’ll stay in close touch with the friends she’s made over the years, like Leroy Klug, whose extraordinary courage has been an inspiration to her.

“When we look at the faces of people and into their eyes, what we really want to see – what we really need to see – is their hearts,” Fralish says. “Only then can we truly touch them and be blessed in return.”

When Klug is asked about Fralish’s leadership of CCS, he grins broadly and, with no hesitation, launches into a detailed report of all the wonderful ways she supports him and his fellow participants.

“And she’s a good friend of mine, too. We have a lot of fun together. I feel so privileged that I’m going to be in the same article with her!”

He pauses for a breath, grins again, and then sums it all up.

“Kathie’s just a super lady!” ■



Rodgers talks with Klug prior to an excursion on the scooter. Rodgers, Klug’s caseworker, handles maintenance of the machine and assists Klug with various personal matters.

Daily Egyptian's Beat Goes On

by Marianne Lawrence

It is easy to see why fledgling journalists at the *Daily Egyptian* consistently win awards in every arena they enter. They work hard.

Take Friday afternoons, for example. Although the paper doesn't publish over the weekend or on Mondays in the summer, editors, reporters, photographers, and the faculty managing editor gather soon after the lunch hour for the first of two of meetings that might last for hours.

Their "budget" meeting is designed to line up story and photography assignments for the coming week. As editors weigh in on their specific areas, new story ideas emerge and other issues surface - staff shortages, errors, schedule conflicts, overload.





Students bounce ideas off one another during an editorial board meeting.

Sometimes there's a short break before the editorial board begins to hammer out the newspaper's position on a selection of topics presented by the editor-in-chief. If the board members aren't arguing their point or voting on the editorial position, they might be interviewing a new dean, visiting professor, or, like on a Friday afternoon last July, SIUC's new athletic director.

Their awards over the past five years have steadily increased in number and prestige in both editorial and advertising. In March, the newspaper raked in more first-place awards than *any* other school at the Illinois Collegiate Press Association Convention, which draws entries from Northwestern University, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Eastern Illinois University, Western Illinois University, Illinois State University and Northern Illinois University.

The awards and the experience combine to create a powerful laboratory for future journalists.

"For the first time ever, the *D.E.* beat the University of Illinois' *Daily Illini* in the general excellence category," boasts Donald W. Jugenheimer, director of SIUC School of Journalism.

The *Daily Egyptian* has won awards from the National Hearst Foundation,

College Media Advisers Inc., Associated Collegiate Press National Contest, Student Society of Newspaper Design Contest, Illinois Press Photographers Association, College Press Network Online Awards, National College Newspaper Business and Advertising Managers Awards.

Lance Speere, faculty managing editor, says hopes are high as they submit entries for the nation's top student press general excellence award – "The Pacemaker" – which will be announced in November. The *D.E.* was a finalist for the prestigious award in 1998, which is given annually by the Associated Collegiate Press.

Awards are nice; however, the greatest reward for most *D.E.* workers and alumni seems to boil down to the experience gained – good or bad – while working in the newspaper office.

Bill Harmon, longtime faculty managing editor who retired in 1986, calls the *D.E.* a valuable adjunct to journalism education. "The most important thing

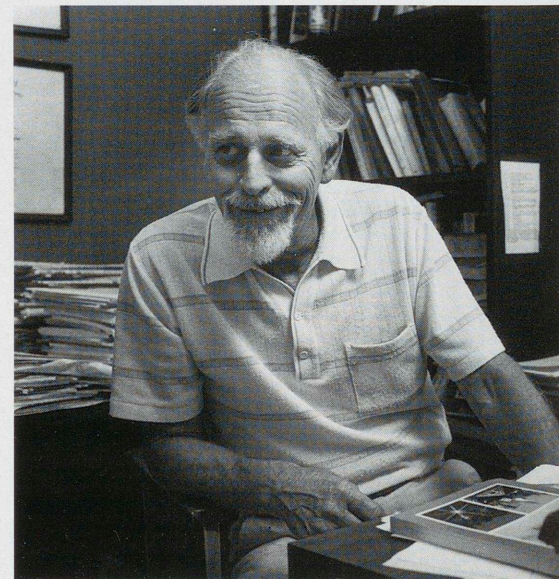
Bill Harmon, who retired as faculty managing editor over a decade ago, is still remembered fondly by countless *D.E.* alumni. As one former employee still notes, "Harmon was our hero."

that the *D.E.* produces are graduates. The kids walk out the door at the end of their career there ready to go to work. They are well-prepared and seasoned."

Harmon is fondly remembered for his "red ink" critiques and occasional tirades. "We put out some good newspapers. We learned really tough lessons about accuracy, balance, and fairness, thanks to red ink and Bill Harmon's red-faced scowl," says Terri Fleming ex '81 editor of *The Gazette*, Colorado Springs, Colo. "Harmon was our hero."

Kathy Best '79, assistant managing editor of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, recalls a Harmon story: "When I was working as the night news editor, I got a story from a reporter that involved Judge Brockton Lockwood. I was in a hurry and was thinking more about whether the head count would fit than about the words I was writing. As a result, the next day's paper carried a story with a headline about Judge Brockton.

"When I showed up for work that night, Harmon called me into his office and asked how long I'd been friends with the judge. When I said I'd never met him, he tossed the paper on his desk – the offending headline circled in red wax pencil – and asked why the *HELL* I felt



compelled to call him by his first name in a headline. It was a lesson I never forgot.”

According to Joe Sobczyk, '80 assistant editor of the *Washington Post*, “Bill Harmon was absolutely the best.” Sobczyk and his wife, Jackie Koszczuk '81, were recently named “Alumni of the Year” by the School of Journalism. She was editor-in-chief for the *D.E.* and is now national congressional correspondent for Knight Ridder Newspapers.

Speere, who has been faculty managing editor since 1994, agrees that the daily writing and the lessons that come with that responsibility are key in preparing students for the “real world.” He nurtures each new crop of *D.E.* staffers with a firm hand. He is quick to point out to new faculty and administrators that they should call the reporters or editors, not him.

“Lance Speere has raised the level of *D.E.* newsroom performance to a new level,” according to Joe Foote, former Dean of the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts.

As author of the “Daily Egyptian Handbook: A Journalism Primer,” Speere offers his charges a comprehensive guide to ethics, libel, suggestions for a rookie reporter, interviews, how to measure stories, and lots of good writing tips, in addition to a history of the newspaper.

The seeds for a student newspaper were planted in 1888, when for only one year, the *Normal Gazette* was published. Seventeen years later, *The Egyptian* appeared on campus covering mainly athletic and social events. Its first issue had a pyramid and palm trees on the front page with articles about the upcoming Halloween Mardi Gras celebration, the university’s president Henry Shryock, and Anthony Hall. Offices for the paper were in Old Main and it was subsidized with student fees.

The newspaper had to leave Old Main sometime in the 1940s and published from basements, old residences, and a war surplus army barracks before set-

Alumni Remember The *D.E.*

The students who work at the *Daily Egyptian* today are heirs to a great tradition. Many successful alumni give credit to the experience they gained at the *D.E.*:

“The *D.E.* is the place where I truly took into my heart and soul the basics of journalism.”

Joe Sobczyk '80 assistant editor of the *Washington Post*

“While the journalism school professors were fabulous, I always felt I learned my profession putting out the *D.E.*”

Natalie (Boehme) Morris '92, reporter for the *State Journal-Register* in Springfield, Ill.

“I gained a lot of education through the *Egyptian.*”

Don Phillips '56, retired

“The *D.E.* gave me my passion for journalism. It was the foundation I took with me when I graduated and headed to Los Angeles on a magazine fellowship. It is what has brought me to where I am today – a reporter at *The Washington Post.*”

Jackie Spinner '92 in an article written for the *Southern Alumni*

“I was in charge of generating a sizable amount of revenue and overseeing about 10 advertising representatives as advertising manager. Not too many recent graduates could claim to have that experience. That automatically placed me and my peers in a class by ourselves.”

Landon Williams '99, market research analyst, Burrell Communications Group, Chicago, Ill.

“I liked the fact that the *D.E.* was also circulated off campus. For a school newspaper to have that sort of power and influence is incredible.”

Marcia Bullard '74, CEO, president, and editor of *USA Weekend* from an article in a *Southern Alumni* magazine interview

“I remember the *D.E.* newsroom as a place where I learned how much fun putting out a newspaper can be, and how close newsroom colleagues can grow. I fell in love with newspapering there.”

Terri Fleming ex '81, editor, *The Gazette*, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Gus Bode: A Resident Free Spirit

Gus Bode is a free spirit on the pages of the *Daily Egyptian*. He can pop up in virtually any section of the paper with a wry comment on a front page story or back in classified hawking ads.

Gus was the brainchild of a group of students in the 1950s that included Jim Stumpf '58 and was named after a church janitor who lived in Stumpf's hometown of Valmeyer, Ill.

Bode was sort of a town character and a friend of Stumpf's. Before long he and his campus friends began writing "Gus Bode was here" on tiled walls and mirrors around campus. Gus had become the "Kilroy" of southern Illinois.

He seemed to have found a home when his message, "Gus Bode Says, 'Beat Eastern,'" appeared on a University marquee. Then, on April 13, 1956, Gus moved onto the pages of the *Daily Egyptian* and has hardly had a day off since.

Gus was merely a comment in the newspaper until 1962, when the late Dee Alexander gave him a physical persona. His comments are usually penned by editors in the daily front page meeting and drawn by someone on staff.

Gus keeps pretty busy with his daily editorial comments, display advertising appearances and his own Gus Bode Reader Survey that appears on the *Daily Egyptian* web site.

According to Bill Harmon, longtime faculty managing editor,

Gus had his trials growing up. He really raised a ruckus in May of 1972 with this comment:

"Gus says he's not excited about co-ed housing - he's shackled up with chicks in his dorm room for years."

In one several retaliatory actions, members of the Women's Liberation movement stormed the newsroom and set loose a live chicken to show Gus just what a "chick" looked like.

"He was really kind of rascally," laughs

Harmon. "But Gus grew up, he matured, his consciousness was raised." Although he has reformed somewhat, he still pokes fun at political situations and ideas, but never at people.

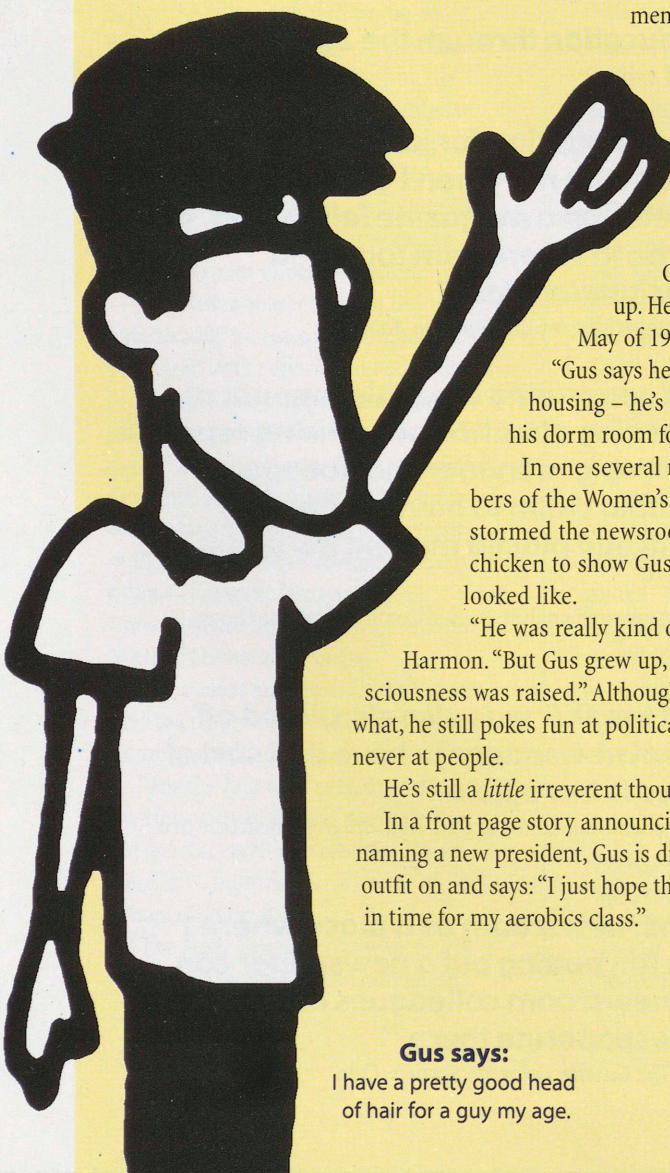
He's still a *little* irreverent though.

In a front page story announcing the Board of Trustees naming a new president, Gus is drawn with his workout outfit on and says: "I just hope the BOT meeting is done in time for my aerobics class."

—Marianne Lawrence

Gus says:

I have a pretty good head of hair for a guy my age.



ting into its new home in the Communications Building.

Don Phillips '56, editor when *The Egyptian* was published twice weekly, worked in the run-down residence where the paper shared its limited space with the only journalism classroom. "I remember the long, long hours," says Phillips. After articles were written and edited, he recalls taking copy and page layout dummies to the *Southern Illinoisan* plant in Murphysboro to get the paper printed.

Phillips, a retired publisher for the Illinois Agriculture Association, says that as editor he "tried to put some integrity into the *Egyptian* instead of the more sensational things. We tried to be a little more responsible."

Phillips credits Howard R. Long, who came to SIUC in 1953 as chair of the journalism department, for leading the newspaper in a new and exciting direction. Long eventually moved the newspaper under the School of Journalism, where, according to Phillips, "it grew like gangbusters." On April 19, 1962, the paper became a daily, and a new press and the permanent home soon followed.

Long also broadened the scope of the paper. According to an article published in the *D.E.'s* 75th anniversary section, the paper's mission was officially defined in 1961 as providing daily news, opinions, and interpretation for the entire University community, which included students, faculty, administrators, civil service employees and their families. Today's newspaper is widely circulated in Carbondale. You can pick up a copy in the grocery store, at the mall, and in restaurants all over town.

Another important milestone in the growth of the *D.E.* was the designation of a student editor-in-chief, who is responsible for the paper's content. The Policy and Review Board, composed of students and professional representatives, selects the editor for each semester and the summer.

Lloyd Goodman reinforced this as faculty managing editor. "One of the first

things I did was let editors know I was available to advise, coach, train, be their advocate and critic, but approving content – stories, editorials, or anything else – was part of the editor's authority, not mine."

Goodman recalled some dicey times during his watch. After the *D.E.* staff covered an episode during the Halloween riots, the paper and other area media were subpoenaed to turn over all unpublished film taken during the weekend. The *D.E.* resisted but ended up having to surrender the film. Goodman remembers that it was hard on students, because much of the decision-making on the issue was taken out of their hands.

However, Goodman praises the *D.E.* students. "Regardless of what's going on around them, they come to work, do their jobs every day, and give the SIUC and Carbondale community a good newspaper."

In the summer of 1999, a shakeup in SIUC's administration offered a new challenge for the *D.E.* The story broke during the newspaper's down time between the spring and summer semester. "Students saw the biggest story they could be covering and they couldn't even publish," says Speere. "So, we came up with the idea to use the Internet as our daily publication. We could publish with only five people and without having to run the press." In addition, the web site allows the newspaper to publish additional background material.

The web site serves more than 12,000 readers a month, a convenient way for

About The Photographer

Kerry Maloney, a senior cinema and photography major, took the photos for this feature. She is the *Daily Egyptian* photo editor for the fall term. The daughter of Jerry Maloney '73, Washington, Ill., and Judy Norris, Peoria, Ill., Kerry recently won first-place in the *National Press Photographers* features contest.



Although current faculty managing editor Lance Speere (standing) nurtures the *D.E.* staff with a firm hand, he promotes ample expression of ideas and responsibility to prepare students for the "real world."

alumni to keep track of what's happening on campus.

Bob Jarosse, general manager, is proud of the business side of the operation, which reaches into the community to bring in close to \$1 million annually in advertising revenues to pay salaries for the students and seven full-time employees. This makes the newspaper almost totally self-sufficient. Jarosse runs the business and production side, which includes advertising, classified, accounting, the late night press runs, and distribution of the 22,500 copies.

He notes many of the pressmen are aviation majors and more mechanically oriented. "It gives them the chance to work on a big piece of machinery." He especially likes to see students from disciplines outside journalism have opportunities to share in the real world work experiences offered by the *D.E.*

Jarosse, Speere and Jugenheimer are a strong support system for today's staff, which results in a good product and

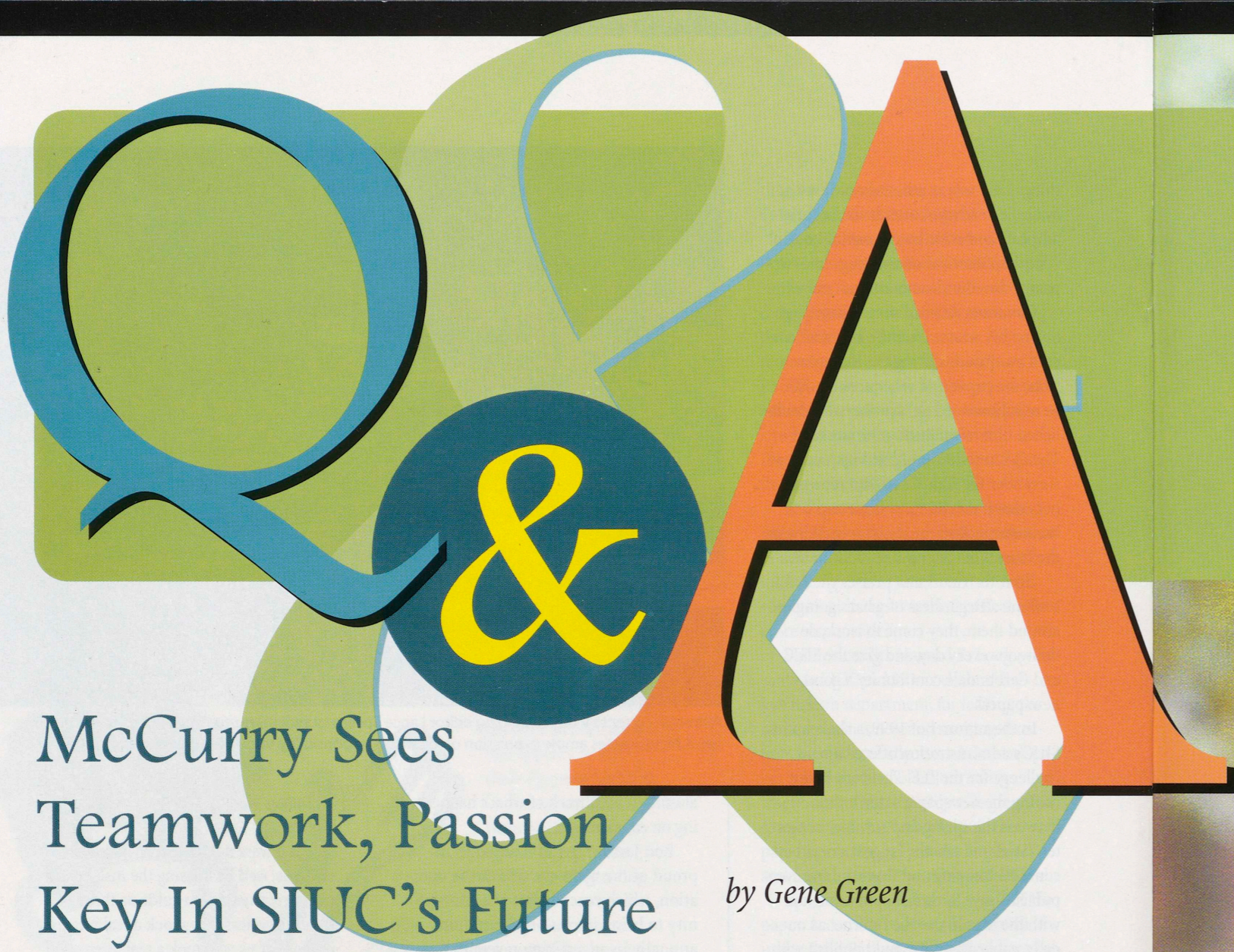
graduates who find the best opportunities in their fields.

"If it were not for their personal interest in us, we'd be missing the insight and experience needed to guide us through troubled waters. They took a real interest in those of us who took a real interest in our jobs," says recent graduate Landon Williams '99. He worked in both editorial and advertising and is now a market research analyst for Burrell Communications Group in Chicago.

Best's memories undoubtedly capture feelings many *D.E.* alumni have for the newspaper.

"The *D.E.* staff in 1978 and 1979 practically lived there. The coffeepot was always going. Cigarette smoke always hung in the room," says Best. "We worked on stories, planned parties, crammed for tests, and pulled all-nighters inside the *D.E.*'s ink-stained walls.

"It was more my home than the place I lived in Carbondale, and remains the place on campus I feel most comfortable when I come back to visit." ■



McCurry Sees Teamwork, Passion Key In SIUC's Future

by Gene Green

When Rickey McCurry recently became Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Vice Chancellor of Institutional Advancement, the 41-year-old Tennessee product expected challenges and excitement to descend on him daily. He has not been disappointed.

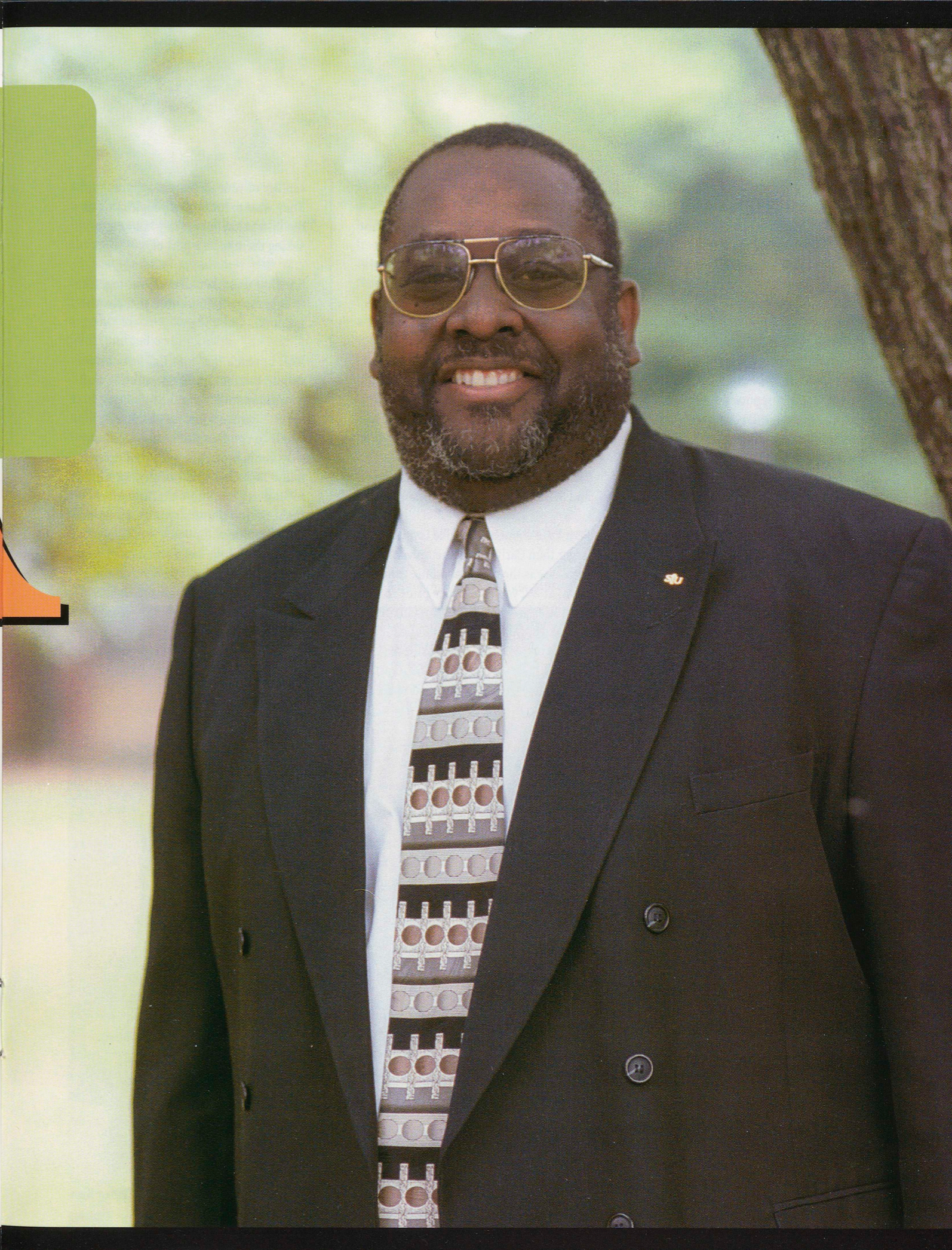
Getting acclimated with the campus and his position required him to "hit the ground running," and has fashioned itself in the form of 12-hour days. His initial sense, however, tells him it is time well spent.

"There is so much potential at SIUC, so many things that the institution has to offer," he says. "I have been surprised that we haven't perhaps done a good job of spread-

ing that message. I see a number of real opportunities for this University to soar, or I wouldn't be here."

McCurry, who came to SIUC after serving as associate vice chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs at the University of Tennessee for the past seven years, will play a key role in the University's plans to launch a major capital campaign. He has a proven track record in this area, leading a UT "21st Century Campaign" that raised \$235 million – exceeding the actual goal of \$175 million.

Recently he discussed his thoughts on alumni involvement, campus togetherness, and University leadership – and how all are crucial to advancing the institution.



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● **SOUTHERN ALUMNI:**

What is the first thing you feel SIUC must do to strengthen and improve itself?

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● **RICKEY McCURRY:**

We need to strengthen ties with the local area. Most items reported on by the media revolve around controversy or something negative in nature. I want the area communities and all of our alumni to know about – and take pride in – the many positive things happening on this campus.

I've been impressed with people in the community who have approached me with unsolicited kind words, who have offered to help in any way they can. Unfortunately, when I talk to some people in the SIUC community, I am surprised that I don't sense the same level of excitement.

Maybe that surprised me because I do not have the full history of everything that has happened at SIUC over the last few years, but I always feel there is plenty of good in everything. No institution is perfect, and we have to all work toward a common goal of overcoming some challenges. Sometimes, however, you can spend too much time centering on things that are wrong instead of building on positive things that are already in place. That approach normally helps you master most of the challenges.

SA: How important is it to SIUC to emerge from this transition period into an era of established leadership?

RM: The University has taken great steps recently to find talented adminis-

trators who are committed to seeing this institution succeed. I think you will see a great deal of teamwork in the near future – and that should send a real signal to the campus and alumni around the world. Chancellor (John) Jackson has worked extremely hard to mold a team of professionals who not only come to the table with skills and expertise, but who also fit together well as a unit. Now we have a talented new president joining us (Dr. James Walker), so there are many reasons to be excited.

SA: How is the University of Tennessee and SIUC both similar and different?

RM: Even though Knoxville is much larger than Carbondale, the university in each case is the main economic game in town. At UT, you experience pride in the institution from small children in area schools to adults who have aligned themselves with the school all of their lives. We have that passion at SIUC as well, but have to build on it and make it even stronger.

SA: When a capital campaign is underway, how important is it for the University community to be an active player?

RM: It is maybe the most crucial part of the whole process. When we raised \$235 million at UT, \$2.3 million came from employees of the university. More than 70 percent of the employees thought enough of the institution to make an investment – and it made all the difference in the world.

I've been in this business for 16 years, and I've yet to call on a corporation or a foundation where I'm not immediately asked two questions: what percentage of your alumni support you, and what per-

centage of your employees support you? They want to know that people close to the institution believe in what we are asking them to be a part of.

SA: How will you pull everyone together to help move SIUC forward in a positive fashion?

RM: I preach the “four Cs” – communication, collaboration, cooperation and coordination. This is the message I spread. Institutional Advancement needs to *communicate* who we are as a division, both internally and externally. To do this successfully, we have to let everyone know that advancement of this University is everyone's responsibility.

We must have *collaboration* and *cooperation* in this effort, involving administration, faculty, staff, students and alumni. They must believe what is planned can indeed become a reality.

I want to be out in front of that effort, helping turn things around and creating some passion. If I didn't think this campus was ready to grasp something positive, I wouldn't be here. My job is to help *coordinate* those involved and help SIUC take that next step. I really believe we are on the verge of something pretty remarkable.

SA: In your current position, you oversee the SIU Alumni Association, the SIU Foundation, Public Affairs, and Special Events and Projects. How will you manage these various departments?

RM: I like to use the ship analogy. We can operate like a fleet of ships, but then we are not functioning at full strength. If one ship goes down, the rest could simply continue to sail along without a problem. Or we can operate as a single ship with multiple compart-

ments. If one compartment takes on water, we could all go down – so it behooves us to work together and bail the water out and fix the hole.

That teamwork approach is what we will utilize, and I feel it could serve the entire University well. We want to work together to make certain we all stay afloat and sail on to victory.

SA: How did your initial professional experience at your alma mater (Lane College) provide you with a solid base regarding alumni relations?

RM: I was assistant director of development and coordinator of alumni affairs at Lane College, and the experience served as the foundation for everything

I now do. Most of my colleagues in this profession enter either through the fund-raising door (foundation) or the friend-raising door (alumni). I was fortunate to come through both doors at the same time.

The two areas have to work together and co-exist, as good fund raising is really a product of solid alumni, faculty, staff, student, and community relations. If you are to successfully raise money for a university, all of these groups must be on the same page to maximize the potential.

SA: How do you build trust and commitment in these groups?

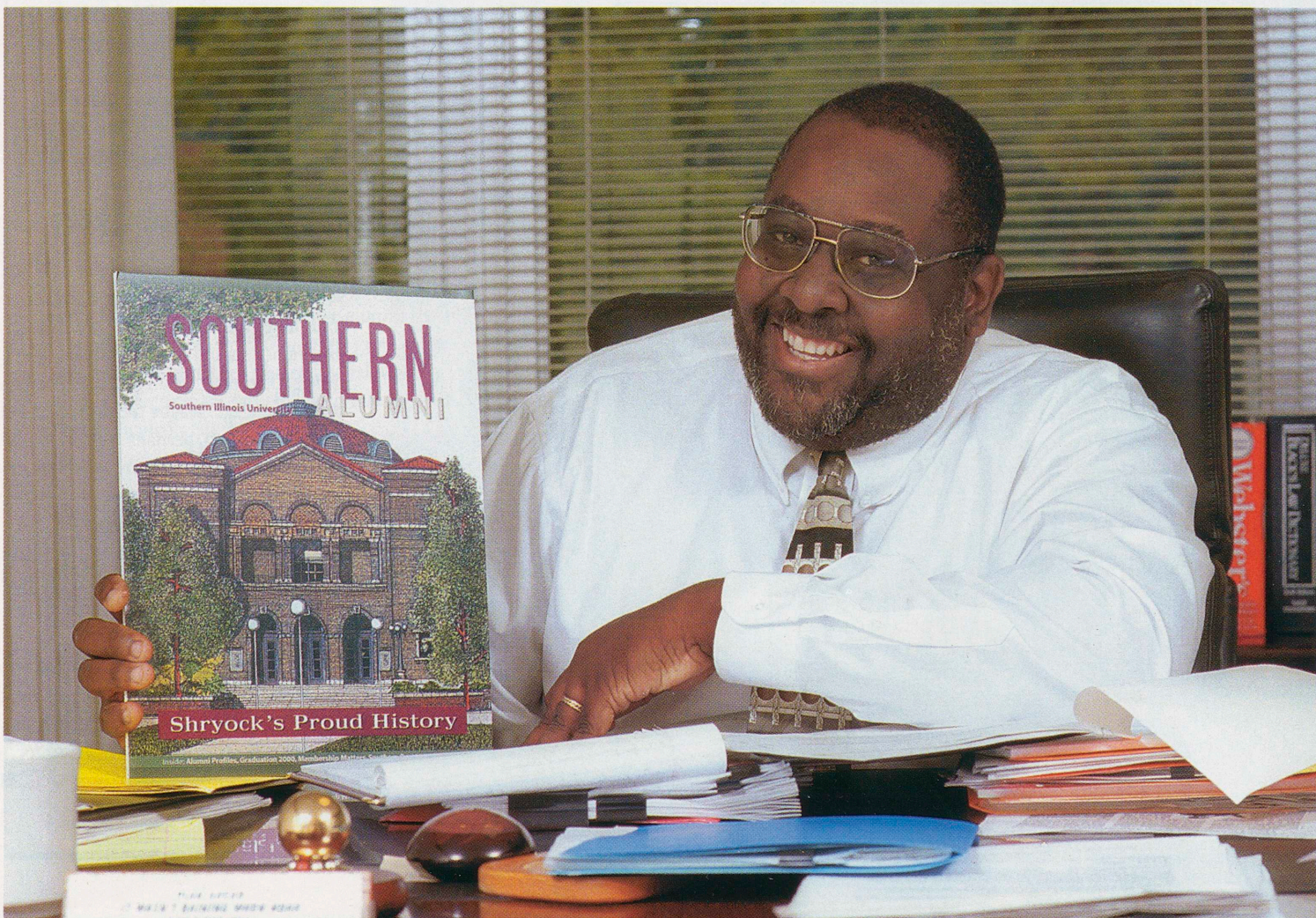
RM: I hope that our current leadership

on campus is approachable, available, and interested in issues and concerns that our employees and students have. Dealing with these things in a positive manner builds trust and boosts morale.

I sense people at SIUC and alumni around the world are crying for the opportunity to sit down and be asked what they can do to help make this University the best that it can be. They should now be seeing added stability in key positions, with an effort in place to bring everyone to the table to formulate a real dialog on helping the institution succeed.

There appears to be an excitement around campus right now that perhaps hasn't been here for some time.

McCurry proudly displays the cover of the June issue of *Southern Alumni*, featuring historic Shryock Auditorium.



Time Was Right For The McCurry Family

When Rickey McCurry accepted his position at SIUC, timing played a key role in the decision.

He had long ago made a pledge to his wife, Sandra, that by the time any of their children reached high school age, the prep experience would not be disrupted by his pursuit of a job. With oldest son Neal (13) soon ready to start high school, the time – and the opportunity – was just right.

“Being able to make this move when we did made all the difference,” he says. “Plus we are all really enjoying Carbondale. We are actually closer to our relatives in western Tennessee than we were when we lived in Knoxville.”

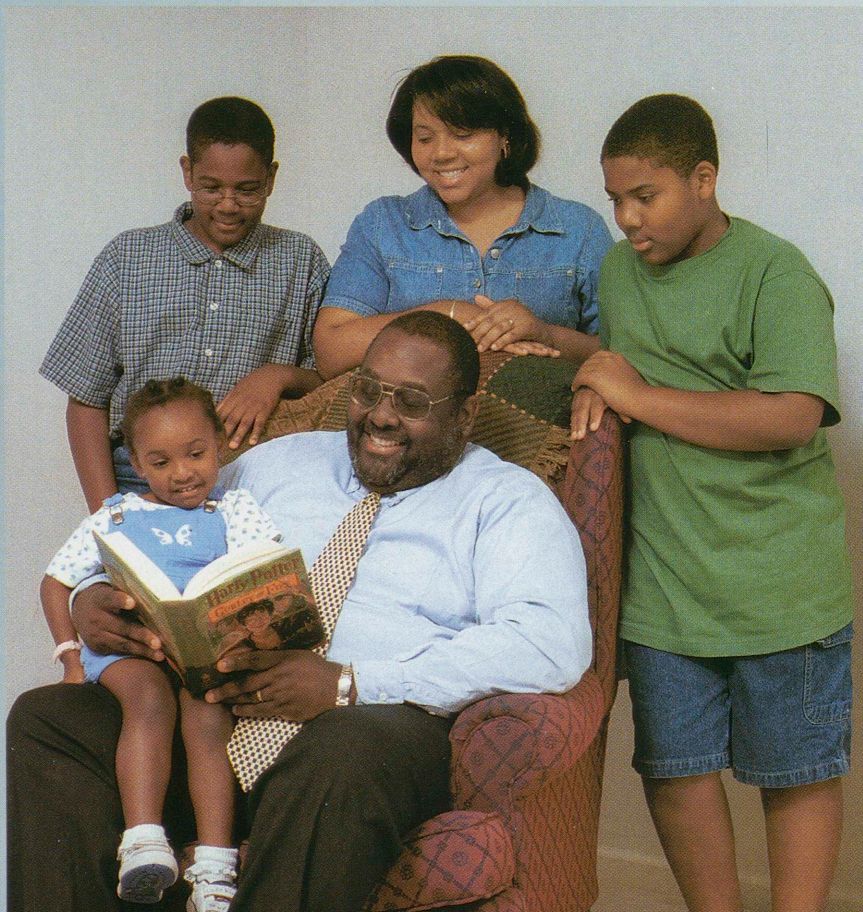
McCurry says his children – Neal, Eric (11), and Chelsea (3) – have made the transition with ease. “They are pretty easy to please – as long as some key elements are in place. They love to read and were really fired up when one of the first stores we saw in town was Barnes and Noble. They love seafood, so they liked the fact that there was a Red Lobster in the area. And they enjoy swimming and were delighted that we were able to get a house with a pool.”

One of the first purchases made in Carbondale was a trip to buy the new “Harry Potter” book, a favorite genre of the McCurry children. “Neal read the 740-plus page book in one day, and Eric finished it in three days,” he says. “They just devour the Harry Potter series.”

Reading those books will be down the road for Chelsea, who for now will simply have to be satisfied with “running the house,” McCurry laughs.

— Gene Green

With daughter, Chelsea, on his lap, McCurry reads the newest “Harry Potter” book with, from left, Eric, Sandra, and Neal looking on.



SA: Have you been inspired by what you have heard about this University’s history?

RM: Without a doubt, one of our challenges is to be inspired by and take a great legacy left by someone like Dr. Delyte Morris and use it as a foundation as we move forward. There are only so many people like Dr. Morris who walk on this earth, and SIU was fortunate to have one of them.

We must learn from what – and how – he accomplished things, and do everything possible to make certain the legacy is not lost.

SA: How can alumni help advance this institution?

RM: There is a way for every single SIUC alum to be utilized in this process. If you are in the position to financially contribute to your University, that is wonderful – but it certainly is not the only way to serve your alma mater.

I’ve always been impressed with alumni who volunteer, help recruit students, or simply spread the word about the good things the institution has to offer. All are of tremendous value.

They need to feel good about this place and say good things about it. When you look back on life, there are certain milestones that stand out – your college experience should be one of those things. Obviously we all had some bad times in college. Maybe the meals weren’t what you wanted, perhaps the registration lines moved too slowly each year, or maybe it was that one instructor you had who simply drove you crazy!

But that is all a part of it. The institution itself is much larger than all of those things, and the fondness for the University helps us all connect.

I can assure all of our alumni that we are working hard to make them feel great about SIUC, and I hope they will join us in wearing their Saluki Pride *openly* for all to see. ■

Williamson County Scholarship Banquet

The Williamson County Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted its scholarship banquet June 9 in Marion. The chapter raises funds through its annual telefund drive and presents \$1,500 scholarships to a recipient at each high school in Williamson County.

This year's scholarship recipients are: Allison Lee Chamberlain of Cartersville; Brandon J. Zanotti of Johnston City; Kimberly Kemp of Marion; and Michelle L. Miller of Herrin. Also honored during the program was Ronald Nagrodski, the Distinguished Alumni Service Award winner.

Cleveland Hammonds And Leroy Wright Join Alumni Board

St. Louisans Cleveland Hammonds and Leroy Wright are the newest members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors at SIUC. Both began four-year terms on the national board July 1.

Hammonds, a 1959 graduate of SIUC, is the superintendent of schools for the city of St. Louis. Wright, a 1992 SIUC graduate, is president and chief executive officer of TLC Next Generation, the largest wireless communications company in Missouri.

The 39-member national board of directors governs the activities, programs, and services of the SIU Alumni Association. It represents 185,000 SIUC graduates living in more than 120 countries worldwide.

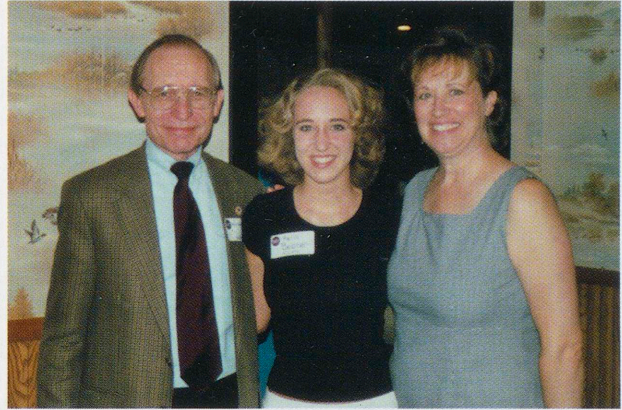
Detroit Area Alumni Meet

Over 60 alumni met in the Spring at the inaugural Detroit/Southeastern Michigan Alumni Club Dinner Party. The event featured not only automotive alumni from SIUC, but other disciplines as well. Joining the group (inset) was SIUC Automotive Technology Chairman Jack Greer and Dean Elaine Vitello. The group recently followed this activity with a Summer Family Picnic in late August which attracted an even larger turnout.



Jackson County Barbecue

The Jackson County Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted more than 100 alumni and guests gathered at a barbecue dinner at the Mississippi Flyway Restaurant in Carbondale. The group attended a Sunset Concert at Carbondale's Turley Park afterward.



Pictured is Kelly Belcher, recipient of a \$1,500 scholarship presented by the Jackson County Alumni Chapter, with her mother Jill Belcher, and Dr. John S. Jackson, SIUC Interim Chancellor.

Family Donates \$6,000 To Alumni Association

Elizabeth Lewis of Melbourne, Fla., was an Alumni Association secretary from 1949 through 1963. In honor of her service to the University, and to celebrate her 90th birthday in July, Ms. Lewis' six children donated \$1,000 each to the Alumni Association. The \$6,000 donation will support alumni and student activities, along with scholarship programs.

The Association saluted Ms. Lewis' loyalty to SIU with an engraved plaque and a framed photograph of Old Main.



Pictured (left to right) behind Ms. Lewis are: Sally Williams (Carbondale), Winston Lewis (Burlington, Vt.), John Lewis (Melbourne, Fla.), Mary Kountze (Omaha, Neb.), Raina Lenzi (SIU Alumni Association representative), Kate Wharton (Concord, Mass.), and Beth Kamm (Belleville, Ill.).

SIU Alumni Association/ Alongi Legacy 4th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament

One hundred and forty golfers participated in the SIU Alumni Association/Alongi Legacy 4th annual golf tournament at the Red Hawk Country Club in Pinckneyville. Proceeds from the tournament support two \$1,000 scholarships for students living in Perry County to attend SIUC. Thirty-five teams competed in the four-person scramble, with tee-off times in the morning and afternoon. Golfers also enjoyed a delicious lunch, provided by Alongi's Restaurant of Du Quoin.

Standing left to right are: Ed Buerger, executive director of the SIU Alumni Association, Guy Alongi, and Dave Ardrey, assistant director of the Association. Seated are John Alongi and Doris Rottschalk, immediate past president of the Association.



Chicago

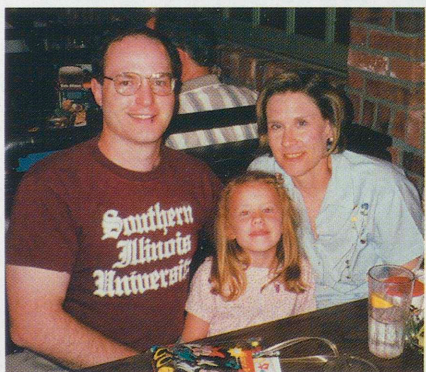
Sixty-five alumni and guests enjoyed a rendition of Puccini's Madame Butterfly, performed by SIUC student vocalists with the accompaniment of the Chicago Chamber Orchestra.



Pictured are (from left) student vocalists Kelli Evans and Joseph Bolin, with SIUC alumni Steve and Jeanette Olson.

Lake County Chapter

The Lake County Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted 19 alumni and family members for a reception at Pizzeria Uno in Gurnee. Pictured are Sheldon Halterman '86 and his wife Deborah with future Saluki, Marissa.



Chicagoland SIU Saluki Golf Scramble Draws 145

One hundred and forty five golfers participated in the 11th Annual Chicagoland SIU Saluki Golf Scramble in July at Arrowhead Golf Club. The event, sponsored by SIU alumnus George Loukas, raised over \$30,000 for Saluki Athletics. Following the scramble, golfers enjoyed a dinner, raffle, and silent auction. SIUC representatives in attendance included Rickey McCurry, vice chancellor for institutional advancement; Bruce Weber, SIUC men's basketball coach, and Rick Walker, SIUC swimming coach.

The SIU Alumni Association and Saluki Athletics would like to thank the following individuals for their support: Bob Richter, who donated Nike shirts to each golfer; Mike Kochniarczyk of Budweiser for donating beverages during the scramble and dinner, along with the grand raffle prize. Also, we extend a special thanks to each of the hole sponsors and our new "Premier" hole sponsors: Bob Chamberlin, Paul Conti, Gray Magee of Specialty Alloys, and SIUC's Department of Institutional Advancement.

Two foursomes tied with a winning score of 15 under par.



Pictured (left to right) are: Ray Griffith, Jeffrey Headean, William Payne, and Denzil Walker.



The second winning team included (from left): Jerry Peroutka, Bud Hamer, David Currier, and Bob Chamberlin.

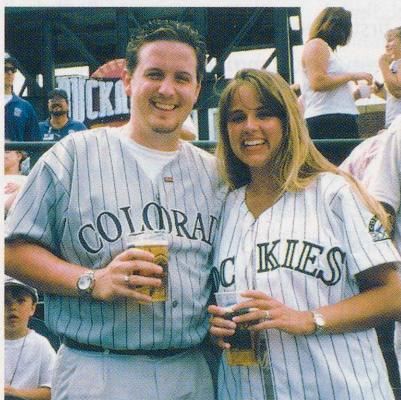
Windy City Salukis

The Windy City Salukis gathered for a reception in June at the Sports Corner Bar and Grill. Pictured (from left) are Remy



Billups, assistant director of the SIU Alumni Association, Nora Minarik, Eric Podewell, and Steve Warnelis, chapter president.

Denver



The SIU Alumni Association hosted 36 alumni and guests at its annual SIU Alumni Day at Coors Field in Denver. The group attended a pre-game reception at Jackson's All-American Sports Bar and Grille, before watching the

game between the Colorado Rockies and Cincinnati Reds. Pictured are David Gray '98 and Christine Dohl '00.

Upcoming Alumni Member Appreciation Events

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2000 - Alumni Member Night with the Southern Illinois Symphony.

Celebrating Aaron Copland's 100th Birthday! Chicago Chamber Orchestra, Southern Illinois Symphony and Youth Orchestras with Heidi Williams at the piano.

Friday, Dec. 1, 2000 - Alumni Member Night at Shryock Auditorium. "A Christmas Carol."

Special discount tickets are available to Alumni Association members. Tickets are limited. For more information, call the Alumni Association at (618) 453-2408.

SAC Corner

My name is Kari Harwood and I am in my fourth year on the Student Alumni Council (SAC). This year I have the pleasure of being the SAC President.

Many of you may not know what SAC is and the role it plays on campus. We are a Registered Student Organization and a student branch of the SIU Alumni Association. We provide programs to students that allow them to have a better understanding of how alumni play an integral role in the university.

I am excited about some of the upcoming events that SAC will be participating in this year. SAC will be involved in the Half Century Reunion Dinner and Alumni Association Big Tent during Homecoming; the Extern Program, that places students with alumni and friends of the University to work in their career field during spring break; the Super Student/Top 25 Seniors program, that provides scholarships and recognition; and Adopt-A-Spot, a community clean-up program.

If you know of a current SIUC student who may be interested in SAC, or if you would like more information about SAC, please call our office at 618-453-2444. ■

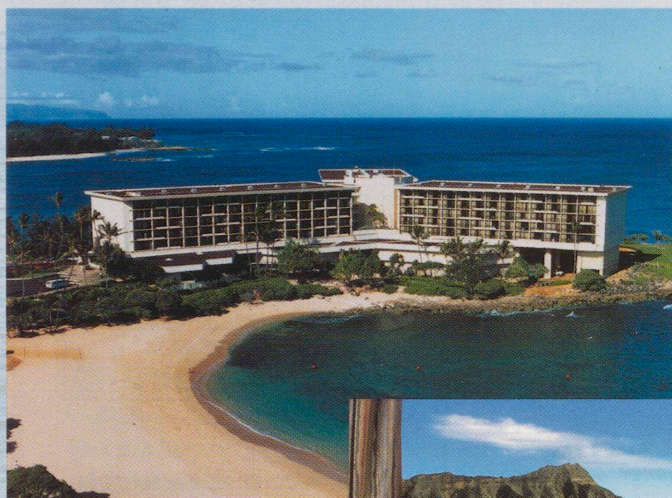
Peoria

Thirty-seven golfers participated in the third annual Peoria Tri-County Chapter Golf Scramble in July at Lick Creek Golf Course in Pekin. The chapter raised over \$1,000 for its legacy scholarship fund. Pictured is the winning foursome which posted a score of 11 under par (left to right): Steve Munge, Remy Billups, assistant director of the SIU Alumni Association, Mark Bradley, and Mike Munge, chapter president.

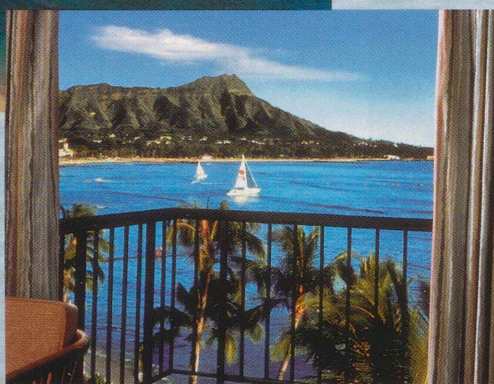


Spend Pre-Christmas In Hoop Paradise!

Join the Men's Basketball Salukis for the Pearl Harbor Invitational December 18-24, 2000



An aerial view of the Turtle Bay Hilton shows the spectacular beach and surroundings.



The Sheraton Waikiki affords a grand view of Diamondhead.

ACCOMMODATIONS and ACTIVITIES

- 2 nights/3 days at the Sheraton Waikiki on the world famous Waikiki Beach
- 3 nights/3 days at the Turtle Bay Hilton on Oahu's spectacular North Shore
- Choice of Ocean- or Mountain-view rooms
- Fresh flower lei greeting

COMPLETE TRANSPORTATION

- Round-trip air via American from St. Louis (other Midwest cities available upon request)
- Round-trip airport transfers and baggage handling
- Round-trip transportation for SIUC basketball games December 21, 22 & 23, 2000.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES (through hotel concierge)

- Recreation options: Golf, Tennis, Horseback Riding, Snorkeling, Island Tours, etc.
- Tour of USS Arizona WWII Memorial and Honolulu

Package Rate:

	* Alumni Member Rate	Non-Member Rate
Ocean View Room (5 nights/6 days)		
double occupancy	\$1,695 per person	\$1,850 per person
single occupancy	\$2,250 per person	\$2,400 per person
Mountain View Room (5 nights/6 days)		
double occupancy	\$1,595 per person	\$1,750 per person
single occupancy	\$2,150 per person	\$2,300 per person

The SIUC Alumni Association is offering an attractive package to see the SIUC men's basketball team play in late December in the Pearl Harbor Classic in Hawaii.

Alumni and friends will depart from St. Louis on Dec. 18, and return home from Hawaii on Dec. 24. The first three days on the islands will feature accommodations at the Sheraton Waikiki, followed by three days at the Turtle Bay Hilton.

SIUC opens up the tournament Dec. 20 playing the University of Mississippi at 3 p.m. Other teams in the tournament are Iowa State, Southern California, Brigham Young, Boise State, Troy State, and host Brigham Young-Hawaii.

There will be a special dinner for alumni and the Saluki basketball team on Dec. 19 at the Sheraton on the oceanfront.

Your Holiday Package Includes:

- Air Transportation
- 2 Nights at the Sheraton Waikiki
- 3 Nights at the Turtle Bay Hilton
- Game Tickets
- Ground Transportation
- An Evening Banquet with the Saluki Coaches and Players

For additional information, contact the SIUC Alumni Association at 618-453-2408.

For your travel information and booking, please call Crys or Judy at Seven Seas Travel (309-662-8711). Reservations are limited! Please book early.

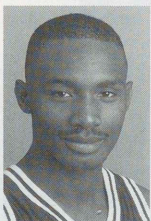
Six Individuals, '67 NIT Team Enter SIUC Sports Hall of Fame

The SIUC Sports Hall of Fame inducted six individuals and the 1967 Saluki men's basketball team, making it the first time a team has been honored in this fashion.

The Jack Hartman-coached Salukis finished the 1966-67 season 24-2 and won the National Invitation Tournament over several basketball giants. Walt Frazier and Dick Garrett were members of that team who would go on to careers in the National Basketball Association, with Frazier earning a spot in the NBA Hall of Fame.

This year's class was inducted during a banquet prior to the Saluki home football opener on Sept. 9. The six individuals included **Marcus Timmons**, former men's basketball player from 1992-96, and **Mark Newman**, a former baseball player and coach at Southern.

Former SIUC men's basketball coach **Rich Herrin** and current sports information director **Fred Huff**, were inducted for their staff contributions, while the veteran's committee selected **Wayne Williams** and **Dick Gregory**, both SIUC "athletes of the year" in the mid-1950s.



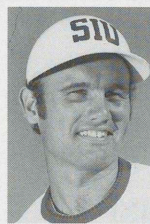
Marcus Timmons

Timmons, who now plays professional basketball in Australia, scored 1,434 points during his four-year career placing him in the top 10 scorers in Saluki history. He is also fourth all-time with 1,001 rebounds, and paced the team in rebounding two straight seasons.

Newman played at SIUC from 1973 to 1976 and went on to become an assistant coach at SIUC from 1972-80. During his



The NIT-bound Salukis get on an airplane in 1967. From left, assistant coach Jim Smelser, Ralph Johnson, Craig Taylor, Willie Griffin, Walt Frazier, Chuck Benson, George Iubelt, Jay Westcott, Dick Garrett, Ed Zastrow, Creston Whitaker, head coach Jack Hartman, Clarence Smith, Roger Bechtold, and trainer Kent Biggerstaff.



Mark Newman

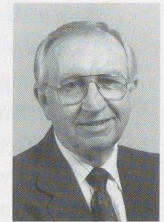
years with the Salukis, the team averaged 37 wins per season, qualified for eight NCAA Tournaments, and played in five College World Series events. As pitching coach, he mentored seven of the team's all-time top 10 winners. Newman is currently the vice president and director of baseball operations for the New York Yankees.



Rich Herrin

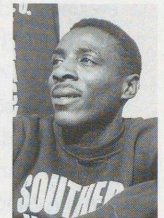
Herrin was the men's basketball coach from 1985 to 1998. He won more games in the SIUC Arena than any coach in history (117), and is second all-time in overall wins (225). Herrin led the Salukis to post-season action in seven straight seasons, including three straight trips to the NCAA Tournament. He came to the Salukis following a stellar prep career at Benton High School.

Huff is in his 35th year at Southern this fall. In addition to his stint as sports information director, he also spent 10 years as an assistant athletic director. Huff received the "Scoop" Hudgens Sports Information Award in 1999 from the All-American Football Foundation during ceremonies in Chicago.



Fred Huff

Gregory was one of Southern's early track and cross country stars and set a record in the 880-yard run in 1953 and 1954. He garnered the school's



Dick Gregory

"Henry Hinkley Award" in 1952-53 as SIUC's top athlete. Gregory, who was awarded an honorary doctorate by Southern in 1987, has earned national recognition as a comedian, humanitarian, nutritionist, and social activist.

Williams was a standout player in both football and baseball and went on to a coaching career at the high school and college level. Following his coaching duties, he advanced to administrative positions in the athletic departments at both the University of Illinois and SIUC.



Wayne Williams

Williams lettered four years each in both baseball and football, serving as captain of the football team in 1955 when he finished fourth in the nation with a 39.9 punting average. He had a .303 lifetime batting average and was MVP of the 1954 Salukis. Williams won the University's "Henry Hinkley Award" in 1955-56.

Battle At Indiana Highlights Non-League SIU Hoop Action

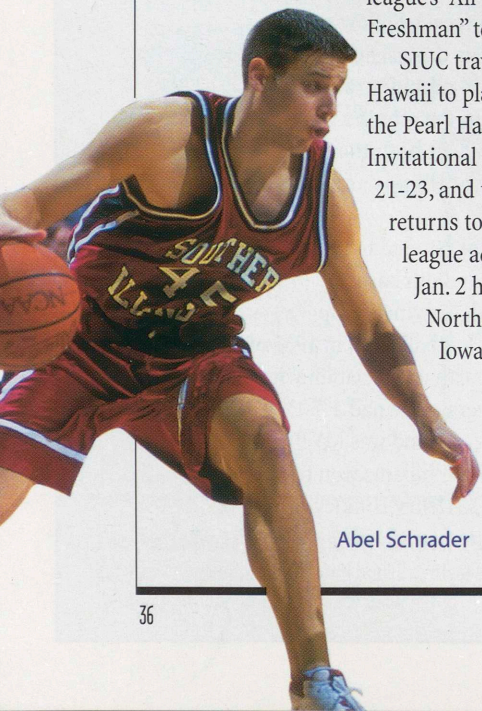
An early December meeting with Bobby Knight's Indiana Hoosiers highlights the non-conference portion of the 2000-2001 SIUC men's basketball schedule. The action with IU serves as the first road game of the year, as the Salukis open the regular season with three straight home games – the first a Nov. 17 encounter with Long Beach State.

Bruce Weber's club is coming off an impressive 20-13 season, but must replace three starters from the team that earned a spot in the National Invitation Tournament. There is, however, plenty of talent returning.

Missouri Valley Conference "Freshman of the Year" Kent Williams starts his second season in the maroon and white, after leading the team in scoring (13.3) last year. Abel Schrader and Josh Cross provide senior leadership, while junior Brandon Mells and sophomore Jermaine Dearman bring quality minutes to the floor. Cross was the MVC's top "Sixth Man" last year, and was a member of the "All-Bench" team. Dearman was a member of the

league's "All-Freshman" team.

SIUC travels to Hawaii to play in the Pearl Harbor Invitational Dec. 21-23, and then returns to open league action Jan. 2 hosting Northern Iowa. ■



Abel Schrader

2000-2001 Saluki Men's Basketball

Nov. 17 LONG BEACH STATE
Nov. 21 ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY
Nov. 25 BALL STATE
 Dec. 2 @Indiana (ESPN Regional)
 Dec. 5 @Southeast Missouri State
 Dec. 9 @Illinois-Chicago
Dec. 17 MURRAY STATE
 Dec. 21-23 @Pearl Harbor Invitational (12-21 vs. Mississippi. Remaining match-ups TBA. Other schools in the tournament will be Southern California, Brigham Young, Boise State, Troy State, Iowa State and BYU-Hawaii)

Jan. 2 *NORTHERN IOWA
 Jan. 6 *@SW Missouri State
Jan. 10 *BRADLEY
Jan. 14 *ILLINOIS STATE (MVC TV)
 Jan. 17 *@Wichita State
Jan. 20 *INDIANA STATE
 Jan. 24 *@Bradley
Jan. 27 *DRAKE
 Jan. 31 *@Creighton
 Feb. 3 *@Evansville
Feb. 7 *SW MISSOURI STATE
Feb. 10 *CREIGHTON (ESPN)
 Feb. 12 *@Drake
 Feb. 15 *@Illinois State
 Feb. 17 *@Northern Iowa
Feb. 21 *WICHITA STATE
Feb. 24 *EVANSVILLE (MVC TV)
 Feb. 26 *@Indiana State (MVC TV)
 Mar. 2-5 @Missouri Valley Conference Tournament

*Indicates MVC Contest.
 Exact games times for all contests TBA

Listen to the games live on the internet at www.siu.edu/godawgs or at www.wxlt.com

2000-2001 Saluki Women's Basketball

Nov. 18 @Illinois-Chicago
Nov. 25 @Louisiana-Lafayette
Nov. 29 TENNESSEE TECH
 Dec. 1-2 @Southern Methodist Tournament
Dec. 6 DePAUL UNIVERSITY
 Dec. 9 @Missouri
 Dec. 16 @St. Louis University
Dec. 19 TENNESSEE- MARTIN
 Dec. 30 *@Evansville
 Jan. 5 *@Bradley
Jan. 8 *NORTHERN IOWA
Jan. 11 *SW MISSOURI STATE
Jan. 13 *WICHITA STATE
 Jan. 18 *@Drake
 Jan. 20 *@Creighton
Jan. 25 *INDIANA STATE
Jan. 27 *ILLINOIS STATE
Jan. 31 *BRADLEY
 Feb. 4 *@Northern Iowa
 Feb. 9 *@SW Missouri State
 Feb. 11 *@Wichita State
Feb. 15 *CREIGHTON
Feb. 17 *DRAKE
 Feb. 22 *@Indiana State
 Feb. 25 *@Illinois State
Mar. 3 *EVANSVILLE
 Mar. 8-10 @Missouri Valley Conference Tournament

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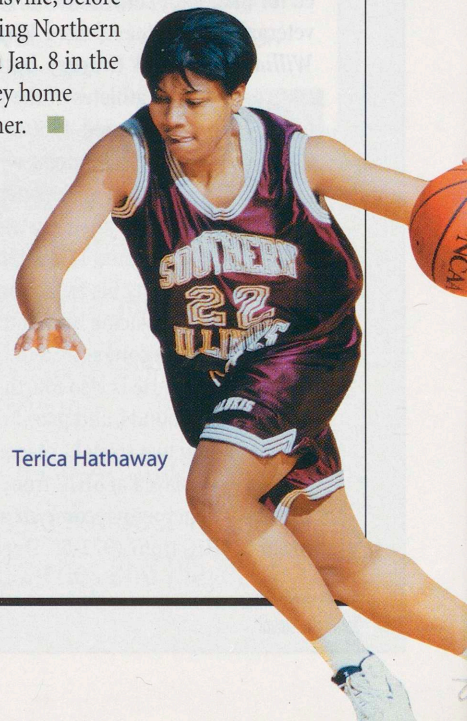
Saluki Women Hope To Climb In The Valley

With three of the team's top four scorers returning, new SIUC women's head coach Lori Opp hopes to see her first squad make some strides in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Salukis feature non-league action against the likes of Illinois-Chicago, Louisiana-Lafayette, DePaul, and Missouri, as well as a berth in the Southern Methodist Tournament in early December.

Leading the way for SIUC will again be Terica Hathaway, who looks for her senior season to be her best. She paced the squad in scoring last year (11.0), starting all 28 games for the Salukis and logging the most minutes. Also back is sophomore guard Molly McDowell (7.3), and senior center Kristine Abramowski, who was second on the team in rebounding last year (6.6).

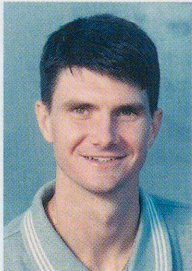
Other seniors returning include Courtney Smith and Maria Niebrugge – each who will be trying to sidestep injury problems that have hampered them in recent seasons.

Opp, an assistant for former head coach Julie Beck, will lead her team into league action Dec. 30 at Evansville, before hosting Northern Iowa Jan. 8 in the Valley home opener. ■



Terica Hathaway

Wright Named SIUC Men's Track And Field Coach Replacing Cornell



Cameron Wright

SIUC Director of Athletics Paul Kowalczyk recently named Cameron Wright head coach for men's track and field. The 27-year-old Saluki product becomes the sixth head coach in

Saluki history replacing Bill Cornell who retired from the post after 16 years.

"I was extremely pleased to be able to hire a quality individual like Cameron, one who has already given so much to SIUC," says Kowalczyk.

"I am confident he can make the successful transition from assistant to head coach and lead our men's track and field programs back to the top of the MVC."

Wright is thrilled to get the opportunity at a place he loves.

"This is where I have lived all my life," he says. "I grew up here, played here and graduated. Being able to lead my alma mater's team is a great honor," Wright says. "SIUC has been my life since high school. This is my dream job."

A 1996 graduate of SIUC, Wright spent the last five seasons as an assistant coach for the Salukis. As the team's top assistant – specializing in jumping events – Wright coached 21 all-Missouri Valley Conference selections, nine MVC champions, seven NCAA qualifiers, including one All-American, two school record holders and a national record holder. In 1998, Wright established SIUC's first instructional camp for jumpers. He was also the recruiting coordinator and has bolstered the men's squad with 11 newcomers for the 2001 season.

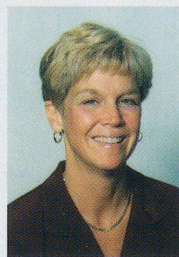
As an athlete, Wright was a state champion in the prep high jump at Marion, Ill., before becoming a Saluki in

1991. At the University, he was a five-time NCAA All-American, four-time MVC champion and the conference's outdoor most valuable field athlete in 1993. Off the track, Wright received MVC Scholar-Athlete honors for three consecutive years.

Following his successful collegiate career, he made the USA Olympic Team as a high jumper and represented the country at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games.

Wright and his wife, Elissa – also a former Saluki athlete – reside in Carbondale. ■

Beck Resigns; Opp Named Head Women's Basketball Coach



Julie Beck

Julie Beck, SIUC's head women's basketball coach the past two seasons, resigned effective August 31. Beck informed Saluki athletics director Paul Kowalczyk of her recent decision

and he soon announced that assistant coach Lori Opp will serve as the team's head coach for the 2000-2001 season.

"While we will dearly miss Julie, we are delighted and feel fortunate to have an



Lori Opp

individual of the caliber of Lori available to step in and take over the program. She has outstanding experience, is well-respected by her players and is simply a quality person," Kowalczyk says.

Beck, who served 16 years at SIUC as an assistant under Cindy Scott prior to being promoted in July of 1998, says the decision to step down was not a difficult one. "I like to ask players to give me 100 percent and when I looked in the mirror in the morning and honestly knew that I was unable to give them 100 percent in return, I knew it was time for a change.

"I'm looking forward to a new challenge. I do regret leaving my players and

my staff and not having competed better in the Missouri Valley Conference the last two seasons," she adds. In her two seasons as head coach at SIUC, the Salukis posted 6-21 and 8-20 records.

Beck's father died suddenly earlier this summer, and the fact that she is looking forward to spending more time now with her mother, who is seriously ill, was a factor in her decision.

At Western Illinois University, Opp was a member of the basketball team and served as co-captain and tri-captain of teams there in 1986 and 1987, respectively. She also was named the team's most valuable player in 1987.

At WIU she served as a volunteer assistant coach while completing her undergraduate degree in 1988 and as a graduate assistant while completing her master's degree in 1990. In the fall of 1990, Opp joined Eastern Illinois University's women's basketball staff as the only assistant and served as recruiting coordinator in addition to handling team travel, scouting responsibilities, practice planning and game preparation. Following three years with the Panthers she took a similar position at Indiana State.

In the fall of 1994, Opp joined Murray State's staff where she continued handling recruiting and team travel in addition to various other responsibilities.

She accepted her position at SIUC in 1998, and now becomes the program's third head coach in the past four seasons. ■

1950s

John A. Ziegler '55, M.S. '56 has published a new book, "In Search of the 'Special Relationship' with Britain." Ziegler bases the book on his 40-year personal experience in Britain and explores the aspects of family, government, education and other elements of British culture. He is the Harold and Lucy Cabe Distinguished Professor of History and Politics, Emeritus, at Hendrix College in Conway, Ark., and a Winston Churchill Fellow of Westminster College in Fulton, Mo.

1960s

Robert F. Cullum '60 is recipient of the 2000 Anton Boisen Professional Service Award, given by the Association of Professional Chaplains. He recently retired after serving as chaplain in the San Antonio, Texas, State Hospital for 30 years and, prior to that, as chaplain coordinator for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Retardation. Cullum has

dedicated his life to support those who suffer mental illness and retardation.

Allan A. Hodges '62 has been selected a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners. Hodges, who has 33 years of experience in urban, regional and environmental planning, works for Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade and Douglas Inc. in Boston as a project manager and senior professional associate.

Gail J. Mrkvicka '64, M.S. '66 has retired from the Rensselaer Planning and Development Agency in upstate New York and has moved to Sarasota, Fla.

Charles A. Gauer '67 has joined Associated Bank Illinois in Aurora as vice president of business banking. He has more than 30 years of experience in lending and commercial credit.

Margaret Hicks '67, M.B.A. '70, chair of the Department of Accounting and professor in the School of Business at Howard University, Washington, D.C., was recently awarded the 36th Arthur Andersen Professorship. The professorship recognizes professional

Hometown Reunion

James Franklin Sharp, who studied pre-engineering at SIUC from 1954-56, gave a short graduation talk as class president of the Chester, Ill., Community Grade School in 1950. Fifty years later, he returned to the same school to speak to the class of 2000. The title of his talk was "Keys to Your Future Financial Success."

Sharp received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois, then a master's and Ph.D. from Purdue



University in industrial engineering. He was a professor at Rutgers University and New York University before working for AT&T. He is founder of Sharp Seminars, a provider of training to Wall Street portfolio managers and security analysts, and Sharp Investments, an investment management company in New York City.

Wedding Bells

Judith (Bell) Halliday '67 and **William Knapp '66**, both history majors, were married on Jan. 1, 2000, in Peace Dale, R.I. Both librarians, Judy is director of the Jamestown Philomenian Library, the public library of Jamestown, R.I., and Bill is librarian at the Walt Whitman Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library. The newlyweds especially remember the SIUC History Department and send regards to all.

Their wedding invitation featured a photo of them taken in Carbondale in the spring of 1965. Larry Coughran, far left, and Mike Harty, right, flank the couple.



excellence in academic research, teaching and leadership. Hicks formerly taught accounting at SIUC.

Bob Chamberlin '68 presents **Cherie LeFevre '69, Ph.D. '78** with a plaque



acknowledging her service as the 1997-2000 chair of the Chicagoland Advisory Board. Chamberlin is the incoming board chair.

Tom Philabaum '69 is this year's recipient of the \$25,000 Arts Award presented by the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona. The unrestricted award is given to an

individual artist for a body of work in the visual, literary or performing arts. Philabaum, who was awarded the Arizona Governor's Award for Artist of the Year in 1998, has maintained a glass art studio and gallery in Tucson for 25 years. He also was co-coordinator of the 1997 Glass Art Society Conference in Tucson.

1970s

Thomas Whittenberg M.S. '70 was recently named president of BroMenn Medical Group with offices in Blooming, Normal and Eureka, Ill. He was formerly vice president of Physician Management Services and has managed the offices of physicians in Indiana, Tennessee and Alabama. He also holds a M.B.A. in hospital and health sciences administration from Northwestern University.

Bob Dyer '71, M.S. '76, regional manager for the Illinois Farm Bureau, has earned the Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation from the American Society of Association Executives. Dyer lives in Kankakee, Ill.

Gae R. Johnson '71, M.S.'78, Ph.D.'91 is associate professor of elementary education, specializing in mathematics, at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff. She taught at Northwest Missouri State in Maryville before moving to NAU six years ago. Johnson spent 19 years teaching in Hamilton County, Ill., before she began teaching at the university level.

The Rev. Leo J. Hayes M.A. '72 received the John Courtney Murray Award from DePaul University's Center for Church/State Studies for his

work in helping inmates exercise their religious freedom while incarcerated. Hayes, who was formerly chaplain at Menard Correctional Center in Menard, Ill., has published a book, "The Sower," a history of

Coincidence At Sea

Early this year, **Cheryl Unger '83** and **Van Burgess M.S. '63** were seated at the same dinner table on a cruise from Istanbul to Athens and discovered they were both SIU alumni. Unger, a photographer in Denver, Colo., passed on the photo and remarked on their meeting: "What a coincidence - thousands of miles from home in the Aegean Sea!"



the parishes he served. Recently retired, he makes his home in Ava, Ill.

Kent Krueger '72 has been named national sales manager for Buddy Products, a Chicago-based manufacturer of office supplies and furniture. Krueger and his wife, Marilyn, live in Naperville, Ill. Their sons, Christian and Matthew, will also be students at SIUC. Christian will enter after completing his associate degree at John Logan College, and Matthew will pursue a degree in graphic design this fall as recipient of a talent scholarship given by the Art Department.

Mike Leary '74 has been named director of broadcast production for FCB Chicago, a worldwide advertising agency he has been with since 1990. Leary, an advisory board member of the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, formerly worked for Walter Thompson, Sive/Young & Rubicam, Willis Case Harwood and Communique Advertising.

1980s

William J. Florent '81 recently joined Colliers Turley Martin Tucker, St. Louis, as chief financial officer. He was formerly vice president-retail controller for Nine West Group Inc.

Gregory H. Frazer Ph.D. '82 is new dean of the College of

Allied Health Sciences at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich. Frazer had been at the University of Central Florida since 1994 and was an instructor at various military installations including Bethesda Naval Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and Camp Lejeune Marine Base in North Carolina. His is a well-known writer, presenter and consultant in the allied health field.

Jim McLean '82 was chosen by the National Oil and Acrylic Painters' Society to participate in Exhibit 2000, an internationally recognized art exhibition that will be held this fall in three locations in Missouri. It can be seen at William Woods University in Fulton until Sept. 30, at the Ella Carothers Dunnegan Galley of Art in Bolivar Oct. 7-27, and at Columbia College in Osage Beach, Nov. 5-19.

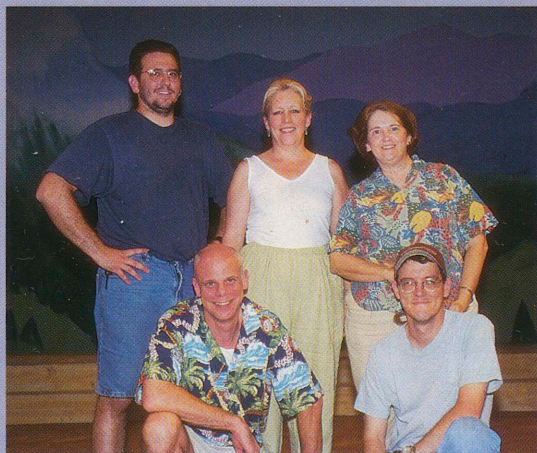
Robert D. Beck '83, news director of Wyoming Public Radio at the University of Wyoming, received awards for best hard news and best feature reporting during a recent meeting of the Wyoming Association of Broadcasters. The hard news award was presented for Beck's series on the Matthew Shepard murder trials; the feature award was for an investigative report on juvenile crime in Laramie.

Jeffery Scott Elwell Ph.D. '86 is professor and chair of the Department of Theatre Arts and executive director of the Nebraska Repertory Theatre at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. The University is one of 32 members of the University and Resident Theatre Association, and Nebraska Repertory Theatre is the state's only professional theatre. His play, "Evening Education," was selected for the Samuel French Off-Off-Broadway Festival in New York in July. Another play, "Death on the Doorstep," was published in an anthology, "Grand Entrances," by Dramatic Publishing earlier this year. He

Seven Alums Produce "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers"

Seven theater department alumni returned this summer to produce the last McLeod Summer Playhouse production of the season, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers."

Five of the seven who gathered at the technical rehearsal are pictured. Standing, from left, are Chip Haas '94 of Hickory, N.C., lighting designer; Hilary Chandler '99, Carbondale, set designer; and Barbara Mangrum '88, Decatur, Ill., costume designer. Kneeling are Thomas Kidd, Carbondale, director; and Dan Williams '93, Wichita, Kan., technical director. Jeanine Wagner '80, MA '81 was the vocal coach; and Tim Fink '93 was artistic director. Both are Carbondale residents.



lives in Lincoln with his wife, Edwina Gower '83, and their 3 7-year-old son, Preston.

Norman P. Fleming '86 received an M.B.A. in information systems from Keller Graduate School of Management last spring. Fleming is director of client services in the systems and technology department for the New York Times Company and commutes to New York

weekly from his home in Naperville, Ill. He formerly worked for the Chicago Tribune and Ameritech Corporation.

Berl D. Jones Jr. '86 is a senior manager in the Community Operations Group of America Online. He lives in Sterling, Va., with his wife, Briseida, and new son, Berl Nicholas, born Feb. 25, 2000. Jones is a member of the

Sterling Volunteer Fire Department – "one of the busiest and best volunteer departments in the state of Virginia," he says.

Gail J. Richard Ph.D. '87, professor of communication disorders and sciences at Eastern Illinois University, received the 2000 Distinguished Faculty Award, which is given to faculty who excel in teaching, research, professional development and service. The small monetary award will be donated by Richard to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's Foundation for a campaign to generate scholarships for doctoral studies in the professions of communication disorders. She has been at Eastern in Charleston, Ill., since 1981.

Lyndon Sommer '87 has been named a shareholder in the law firm of Sandberg,



1990s

Three SIUC alumni are among the 73 new physicians who graduated from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine last May and have begun their residencies.

Aline Gilbert-Johnson '96 is doing a psychiatry residency at Washington University in St. Louis. **Michelle E. Jenkins '92** has an internal medicine residency at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in Chattanooga, Tenn. **Jeffrey S. Kerr '96** is at Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital in Greensboro, N.C., for an internal medicine residency.

George L. Pettie '90 and **Dhana Kaye Jones '92** received degrees from Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tenn., last May. Both received master of science degrees with an option in public service management.

Michael R. Leonardo M.A. '90, Ph.D. '93 has joined Elizabethtown College as assistant professor of biology. A Chicago native, Leonardo has done research for the University of Alabama and the University of Wisconsin. He lives in Elizabethtown, Pa., with his wife, Lisa, and daughter, Katelyn.

Therese Kalat M.B.A. '91 is currently employed as a programmer/analyst for IBM. She recently married Walter Martineau and lives in Carol Stream, Ill.

Holly (Loy) Palmer '91 has joined the Atlanta law firm of Hall, Booth, Smith & Slover as a litigation associate. She graduated in 1998 from the University of Tennessee College of Law, where she was a member of the Tennessee Law Review editorial board, moot court board, and ALTA trial team. She is married to Malcolm (Trey) Palmer III, a systems support analyst at Georgia Tech.

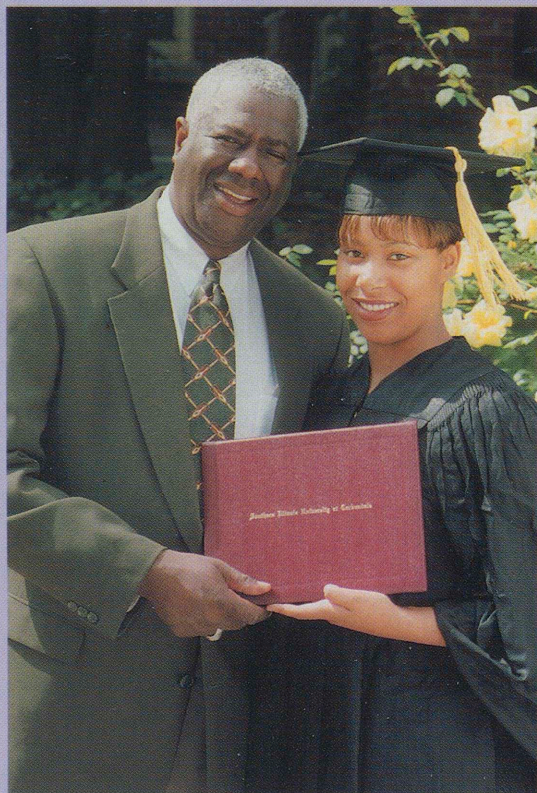
Michael G. Thompson '92 has been promoted to director

A Collection Of Degrees

The Bryson family's collection of SIUC degrees has grown to seven. Seymour Bryson, associate chancellor for diversity, presented his daughter, Keri Bryson Young with her bachelor's degree in hotel, motel and travel administration last May.

Bryson and his wife, Marjorie, have five degrees between them. In 1983, as dean of the College of Human Resources, he presented the couple's oldest daughter, Robin, with her bachelor's degree in administration of justice. Son Todd is due to complete his master's in health education and recreation in December.

"It's become a family tradition, and it feels pretty good," says Bryson, one of SIUC's all-time hoops scorers who still holds the school's rebound record. He directs the University's affirmative action office, disabled student services program, the Center for Basic Skills, Head Start programs, and more.



Phoenix and VonGontard, which has offices in Missouri and Illinois. He is located in the St. Louis office.

Richard Jurek '89, M.A. '91 has written a new book of poems called "Human Mechanics" that has been published by a Writer's Digest imprint of iUniverse.com Inc. Jurek, vice president and director of marketing for Northern Trust Co., was named SIUC College of Liberal Arts Distinguished Alumni last spring. He lives in Dyer, Ind.

of membership for the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, headquartered in Arlington Heights, Ill. The international organization of occupational physicians is dedicated to the health of workers and the environment. Thompson was formerly with the Chicago Medical Society. He lives in Lake in the Hills, Ill.

S. Bradford Cook '94 was given Tennessee Technological University's "Outstanding Faculty Award in Teaching" last spring. An asso-



ciate professor of biology, Cook joined Tennessee Tech in 1993. As part of his current research, he is assessing stream habitat and biological communities associated with bridges and culverts in Tennessee. He also works with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in brook trout restoration efforts.

Dr. Peter M. Hoffman M.S. '94 is a research fellow at the University of Oxford in Oxford, England. Hoffman, who earned a Ph.D. in materials science in 1999 from John Hopkins University, started as a post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Materials at the University of Oxford. He was married the same year to Patricia Ann Damanski, a painter/artist from Baltimore, Maryland.

Peter C. Riley '94, former professor and director of the SIUC interactive multimedia master's program, has joined Mediatech Inc. as director of training solutions. Mediatech designs and installs electronic classrooms and other electronic presentation environments. Riley will be responsible for development of technology solutions for military and education customers.

George '95 and Susanne '94 Taylor have recently purchased a home in Charlotte, N.C., and have started new jobs in the area. George is an accountant for Schaefer Systems International, and Susanne is a portfolio analyst for Wachovia Securities. Their new address is 14532 John Beck Dr., Charlotte, N.C. 28273.

John R. Grubbs '96 has earned his M.B.A. from LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. Grubbs is manager of employee development for Lone Star Steel and serves on the Occupational Health and Safety advisory board for Texas State Technical

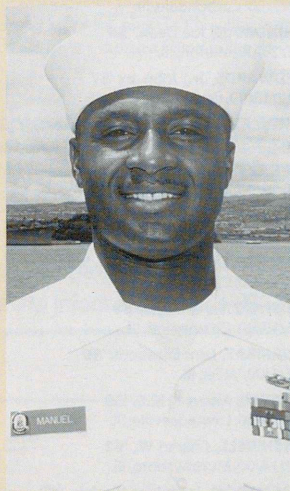


College in Marshall. He and his wife, Amie, and son, Cameron, live in Jefferson, Texas.

Michael Elkins Ph.D. '97 received the "2000 Teaching Award" from the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. His teaching specialties are multicultural

education, intercultural communication, interpersonal communication apprehension and speech. He is published in the "Journal of the Illinois Speech and Theatre Association" and the "Texas Speech Communication Journal."

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class **Walter F. Manuel '98** recently participated in an exercise known as Rim of the Pacific 2000 on board the



guided missile destroyer USS O'Kane. Manuel is an interior communications technician. His ship was one of more than 50 ships from seven nations participating in the exercise near Hawaii.

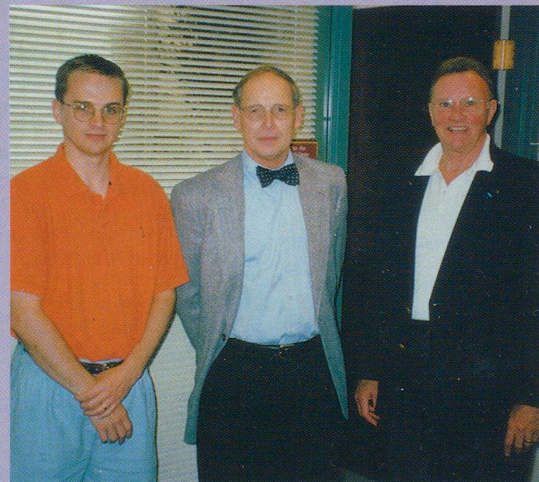
Kisha Clutts '99 recently accepted a lead teacher's position at the Allstate Little Hands Child Development Center in Northbrook, Ill. Clutts works for Bright Horizons Family Solutions Inc., a company specializing in work-site childcare services.

Navy Ensign **Richard C. Stacey '99** was promoted from division head to managed care department head, overseeing all TRICARE activity at the Naval Hospital in Guam. In addition, Ensign Stacey was also admitted to member status in the American College of Healthcare Executives, Chicago.

Stephanie Teasley '99 is a fifth-grade teacher at Maplebrook Elementary School in Naperville, Ill., where she received the first "Dr. Arlo Schilling First-Year Teacher Award."

Court Visit

U.S. District Judge Richard Mills, Springfield, Ill., at right, sat by designation with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in St. Paul, Minn., in June. While there he visited with former SIU Law School Dean Harry Haynesworth, center, now dean of William Mitchell College of Law. At left is **James B. Chapman II, J.D. '96**, who has been senior law clerk to Judge Mills since 1996.



Alumni Deaths

Summer 2000

CHEATHAM, Gladys Hickey, '21; '24
4/19/00, Ava, Ill.

McKINNEY, Jessie, ex '23
7/17/00, Naperville, Ill.

VanNATTA, Aline, '24
5/25/00, Carbondale, Ill.

LAMKIN, Olive Veach, '25; '32
5/19/00, Creal Springs, Ill.

LICHTENBERGER, Lena J., '27
3/30/00, Benton, Ill.

ALDRICH, Maurine Francis, '28
7/23/00, Cypress, Ill.

ENGELKE, Georgia, '31
6/22/00, Granite City, Ill.

WHIPKEY, Gladys L., '31
6/27/00, Du Quoin, Ill.

KOETHE, Vera Ruth, '32; '59
6/26/00, Centralia, Ill.

McDANIEL, Elnora Louise, '32; '35
7/24/00, Carbondale, Ill.

VALENTINE, Cecile M., '32
6/17/00, Kansas City, Kan.

ALLEN, Jessie Irene Cagle, ex '33
6/21/00, Henderson, Ky.

HILL, Orlene, '33
4/22/00, Golconda, Ill.

BOWERS, Frances Sadberry, ex '34
7/13/00, Aurora, Ill.

NEAL, Juanita Kinney, '34; '56
5/19/00, West Frankfort, Ill.

GODDARD, Alline, '35; M.S.Ed. '60
5/21/00, Huntington Beach, Calif.

LINDBERG, Almalee G., '35
5/14/00, Naperville, Ill.

TOWNSEND, Lucille Q., '35
4/11/00, Mechanicsburg, Penn.

MILLER, Ethel B., ex '36
3/14/00, Greenville, Ill.

BOVINET, Wesley G., '37
7/10/00, Fond Du Lac, Wisc.

BROADWAY, Charles Benjamin, '38
7/3/00, Marion, Ill.

GILLETTE, Florence Sweitzer, ex '39
4/8/00, Pittsburgh, Penn.

MERRITT, Robert Stewart, ex '39
3/23/00, San Juan Capistrano, Calif.

HUNTER, Clay Millington, '40; M.S. '52
5/28/00, Marion, Ill.

McGINNIS, Marion M., ex '40
4/25/00, Carmi, Ill.

RUSSELL, Margaret Clough, ex '40
6/19/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

RUSSELL, William H., '40
5/25/00, Satsuma, Ala.

SAMFORD, Arthur Auburn, '41
4/4/00, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

WHITE, Laura Lee, '41
4/20/00, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

GOODMAN, Carl, ex '42
5/2/00, Dongola, Ill.

ROVEY, Roberta K., '42
5/7/00, Springfield, Ill.

MILLS, Harold Jay, ex '43
5/24/00, Phoenix, Ariz.

GILL, Lester S., '45; M.S.Ed. '62
7/6/00, Galatia, Ill.

JOHNSON, Kathryn Rose, ex '45
6/12/00, Karnak, Ill.

HOUSE, Helen, '46
6/14/00, Herrin, Ill.

WILLIAMS, James L., '47; M.S.Ed. '52
5/31/00, Lewiston, Ill.

STINSON, Quentin P., '48
5/2/00, Morton, Ill.

CARLTON, Zelma, '49
7/15/00, Vienna, Ill.

COSGROVE, W.E. "Cotton," '49
1/1/00, Boulder, Colo.

OWENS, Albert, '49; M.S.Ed. '50
4/18/00, Rantoul, Ill.

READ-KLEIN, Rachel Clymore, '49; '54,
7/23/00, Vienna, Ill.

WHALEN, Charles B. Sr., '49
9/9/98, Mandeville, La.

BASS, John, ex '50
10/13/99, Clearwater, Fla.

JONES, Thurl "Coogan," ex '50
6/22/00, Granite City, Ill.

READHEAD, Otto R., '50
3/11/98, Taylorville, Ill.

ALEXANDER, Ruth, ex '51
6/2/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

MEEHAN, William Francis, '51
7/30/00, Benton, Ill.

CREWS, Karlyn L., ex '53
6/7/00, Carbondale, Ill.

HINDMAN, Joe Dean, '56
7/29/00, Marion, Ill.

EDWARDS, Jr., John, ex '57
12/13/99, Dupo, Ill.

STRICKLIN, Donald D., '57; M.S.Ed.
'62, 5/3/00, Carbondale, Ill.

WRIGHT, Leland Edward, '57
4/20/00, Marion, Ill.

STILLEY, Bobby Gene, '58
5/28/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

TREECE, Dorothy, '58; M.A. '60
5/15/00, Carbondale, Ill.

FISHER, Richard Lyle, '59
5/19/00, Champaign, Ill.

GAMRAT, Fern Elizabeth, '59
7/1/00, Valier, Ill.

MEYER, Albert F., M.S. '59
5/10/00, Lawrenceville, Ill.

ASHWELL, Charles W., '62
7/14/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

DAMERON, Josephine Virginia, '62
7/15/00, Harrisburg, Ill.

LAWRENCE, Janice, '62; M.S.Ed. '76
6/6/00, Carbondale, Ill.

WAITE Jr., Loren H., '62; J.D. '76
7/21/00, Mounds, Ill.

BASSE, Rosemary, '63
7/25/00, Anna, Ill.

NEWCUM, Sheila Rae, '63; M.S.Ed. '70
7/25/00, Herrin, Ill.

OZMENT, Donald L., '63; M.S. '69
4/2/00, Marion, Ill.

WILLIAMS, Brian R., '64
6/14/00, Herrin, Ill.

RENTFRO, Mary E., '69
4/3/00, Zeigler, Ill.

WARD, Bonnie Kean, '69
4/9/00, Paducah, Ky.

LEVY, Anne, '70
5/30/00, Skokie, Ill.

HAGER, Nancy S., M.S. '71
6/18/00, Carbondale, Ill.

MADDOX, Mary Pat, '71
7/17/98, Lindenhurst, Ill.

McSPARIN, Gregory Kestner, '71;
M.S. '72 7/12/00, Atlanta, Ga.

NEUBECK, Robert C., Ph.D. '71
6/20/00, Naperville, Ill.

O'LOUGHLIN, John "Jack," '71
6/17/00, Johnston City, Ill.

BRAMLET, John David, '74
5/16/00, Harrisburg, Ill.

ROBINSON, Robert H. "Bobby," '77
6/3/00, Herrin, Ill.

Teacher, Author, Community Leader Betty Mitchell Touched Many Lives



Southern Illinois University Carbondale lost a true friend this summer when Betty Mitchell passed away at the age of 72.

Mitchell, who retired from SIUC in 1997 after 51 years of teaching in the department of English, was also active in campus affairs, including committee work with the SIU Alumni Association, Morris Library, Intercollegiate Athletics, Greek and Student Affairs, the University Museum, and the SIUC Foundation. She was also a member

of Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity, and served as advisor to the local chapter for 46 years – in addition to serving as the alumnae chapter's permanent secretary and newsletter editor.

Mitchell published four books on local history, including *Southern Illinois University, A Pictorial History*, and *Carbondale, A Pictorial History*, which received the Illinois State Historical Society Certificate of Excellence.

She received numerous awards from both the University and the community, including the SIUC Distinguished Service Award, the Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Service Award, the COLA Outstanding Teacher Award, the Outstanding Greek Advisor Award, the Carbondale Panhellenic Woman of the Year Award, and was named the Carbondale Citizen of the Year.

Mitchell is survived by her husband, Ellis, sons Patrick and Timothy, daughter Sarah Merideth, and their families.

Former SIU Alumni Board President Walter Young Dies

Walter Young Jr., who served on the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors from 1961-73, passed away recently in Carmi, Ill., at the age of 76.

Young, in addition to his duties on the board, served as president of the SIU Alumni Association from 1964-65.

ADAMS, Ruth, M.S.Ed. '79

4/26/00, McLeansboro, Ill.

HUGHES, Mary Ellen, '79; M.S.W. '97

6/24/00, Carbondale, Ill.

SMITH, Leon Gary, '83

7/4/00, Carbondale, Ill.

CHIU, George, '84

4/26/00, Chicago, Ill.

HALEY, Michael K., '87; '91

7/3/00, West Frankfort, Ill.

CORDONI-ELY, Tara Lynne, '88;

M.S.W. '91 7/7/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

BAILEY, Judith Kay, '92

5/6/00, Marion, Ill.

DICICCO, Renee Nicole, '99

6/10/00, Carbondale, Ill.

LOGAN, Jennifer, student

5/14/00, Carbondale, Ill.

Faculty & Staff

ADAMS, Col. I.W. "Doc"

Former Assistant Dean of Students and Legal Counsel

4/2/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

BUNTON, David R.

Emeritus Civil Service, SIU Police Department, 5/20/00, Murphysboro, Ill.

EBERSOHL, Norval "Heavy"

Emeritus Civil Service, Physical Plant 5/31/00, DeSoto, Ill.

ELLIOTT Jr., Ivan

Former SIU Board of Trustee member

5/28/00, Carmi, Ill.

JONES, David Lloyd

Former professor, Department of Geology, 5/15/00, Green Valley, Ariz.

KELLY, Francis J.,

Professor Educational Psychology and Special Education, 6/12/00,

Carbondale, Ill.

MOEHLE, Margaret A.

Emerita Civil Service,

School of Medicine

6/20/00, Springfield, Ill.

SPILMAN, L. Neal

Emeritus Director of Purchasing

6/6/00, Carbondale, Ill.

TOWNES, Paul, '45

Emeritus Civil Service,

Purchasing Agent

5/20/00, Murphysboro, Ill.



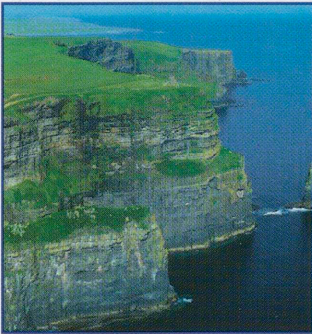
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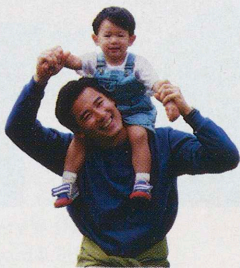
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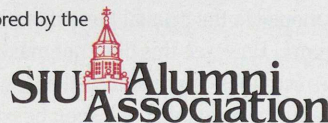
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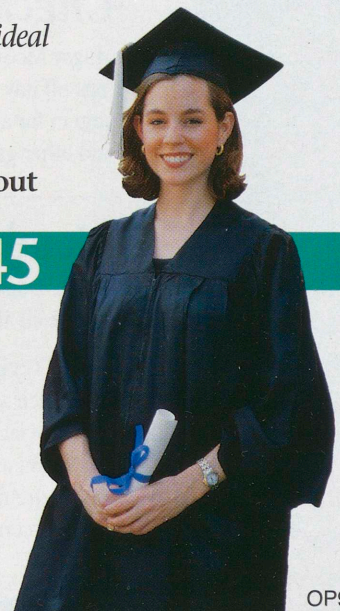
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Black Alumni Group News

It is about time again for the *8th Bi-Annual Black Alumni Reunion*, scheduled July 19-22, 2001 at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. The theme is "Connections: Building on our Legacy; Meeting Global Challenges."

The focus will be on legacy talents and creative ability. Expect more information in future *Southern Alumni* magazines. Mark it on your calendar as we hope to see you there!

The Black Alumni Group is also sponsoring its first-ever reception during Homecoming on Friday, Oct. 6, 2000, at the Admissions Reception Center, located at the North Annex of Woody Hall (formerly the cafeteria). This will be held from 5:30-7:00 p.m. The campus community is invited to become better acquainted with this constituency group.

The Black Alumni Group Executive Meeting is also scheduled Saturday, October 7, 2000, in the SIUC Student Center's Sangamon Room, from 4:00-6:00 p.m.



Check Out Our New Discount Benefit Partner...

Mugsy McGuire's, 1620 West Main in Carbondale, now offers all SIU Alumni Association members a 10 percent savings off any meal. Whether you want a full meal, or simply a pizza or deli sandwich, Mugsy's invites all alumni to stop in for a treat. Televised sporting events can be enjoyed at Mugsy's in an area that also features pool tables, darts and other games.

Membership Myth:

Myth: Donating to the Annual Fund makes me an automatic member of the SIU Alumni Association, and I will receive all alumni publications, correspondence and communication.

Truth: Giving money to the Annual Fund directly benefits the University and is an important way for alumni to show their support. However, this does not make you a member of the SIU Alumni Association, nor does it support the association's activities. For instance, the new *Saluki Pride* newsletter is a "members only" publication, highlighting Saluki and alumni events that will soon be coming up. Being a member is also the way to make certain that *Southern Alumni* magazine arrives four times per year. If you are unsure of your status, please check the mailing label, or contact us with any concerns.

New SIU Alumni Association Life Members

The SIU Alumni Association extends its gratitude to the following alumni and friends who demonstrated their support of the association by purchasing or completing purchase of lifetime memberships between May 1, 2000, and July 31, 2000.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Between 5/1/00 and 7/31/00

Mr. John S. Aleman
 Mr. and Mrs. Michael S. Andrew
 Mr. Gary D. Arthur
 Mrs. Margaret S. Ashbridge
 Mr. Lawrence L. Baker Jr.
 Mrs. Sally S. Baron
 Mr. William Birdo
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The SIU Alumni Association has a limited number of Obelisk yearbooks available for purchase. The cost for a yearbook is \$15, plus \$3 for shipping and handling. Illinois residents should add 7.25% sales tax.

Obelisk Yearbooks Available:

1971	236
1972	89
1982	16
1985	28
1986	111
1987	54

How Can You Assist Us?

If you are an alum or friend of SIUC who lives in southern Illinois, St. Louis, Indianapolis or Chicago, we welcome your suggestions on how to make our benefits program stronger. Please contact Kesha Williams, assistant director of member services, at (618) 453-2408 or via email at alumni@siu.edu.

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 who have demonstrated their commitment to alumni by their service. The current president or current board members may not receive the recognition while serving on the board.

A five-member committee studies the information given for all nominations and determines the recipient.

Members of the Association are asked to submit names with resumes and background material of those who they feel qualify for this honor. Send the material to SIU Alumni Association, c/o Nadine Lucas, Colyer Hall, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. 62901-6809.

OCTOBER

- 3 *Southern Illinois Symphony: Six Tenors—Italian Operas, Arias, & Pop*, Shryock Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 Saluki Volleyball vs. Drake, Des Moines, Iowa, 7 p.m.
- 6 **SIU Distinguished Alumni Reception**, Alumni Lounge, SIU Recreation Center, 2 p.m.
- 7 **SIU Alumni Association Homecoming Celebration**, pregame tailgate, east of McAndrew
- 7 Stadium. Homecoming game, 1:30 p.m., SIU vs. Western Illinois.
- 7 Saluki Volleyball vs. Creighton, Omaha, Neb., 7 p.m.
- 13 *Ballet Gran Folklorico de Mexico*, Shryock Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- 13 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Northern Iowa**, home, 7 p.m.
- 14 **Family Weekend, Saluki Football vs. Drake**, home, 1:30 p.m.
- 14 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Bradley**, home, 7 p.m.
- 16 *Jekyll & Hyde*, Shryock Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- 20 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Indiana State**, home, 7 p.m.
- 21 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Illinois State**, home, 7 p.m.
- 21 Saluki Football vs. SW Missouri State, Springfield, Mo., 1:00 p.m.
- 24 *Shaolin Warriors*, Shryock Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- 27 Saluki Volleyball vs. Wichita State, Wichita, Kan., 7 p.m.
- 28 Saluki Volleyball vs. SW Missouri State, Springfield, Mo., 7 p.m.
- 28 Saluki Football vs. Illinois State, Normal, Ill., 1:00 p.m. Pregame tailgate 11 a.m.
- 30 Saluki Volleyball vs. Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark., 7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 2 3rd Annual Obelisk Leadership Awards Dinner, Drury Lane, Oak Brook, Ill.
- 3 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Creighton**, home, 7 p.m.
- 4 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Drake**, home, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 **Saluki Football vs. Indiana State**, home, 12:30 p.m.
- 4 *SwingDance America*, Shryock Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- 10 Saluki Volleyball vs. Bradley, Peoria, Ill., 7 p.m.
- 11 Saluki Volleyball vs. Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa, 4 p.m.
- 11 Saluki Football vs. Youngstown State, Youngstown, Ohio, 12:30 p.m.
- 12 Jackson County Awards Banquet, Student Center
- 14 **Alumni Member Night with the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra**, Shryock Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Celebrating Aaron Copland's 100th Birthday! Chicago Chamber Orchestra, Southern Illinois Symphony and Youth Orchestra with Heidi Williams at the piano.
- 16 **Saluki Volleyball vs. Evansville**, home, 7 p.m.
- 18 Saluki Football vs. Western Kentucky, Bowling Green, Ky., 1:30 p.m.
- 24-25 Saluki Volleyball Missouri Valley Conference Tournament, Terre Haute, Ind., TBA
- 26 *The Nutcracker Ballet*, Shryock Auditorium, 3 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 1 **SIU Alumni Member Night at Shryock Auditorium.** "A Christmas Carol," 7:30 p.m.
- 1-2 *The Importance of Being Earnest*, McLeod Theater, 8 p.m.
- 7-9 *The Importance of Being Earnest*, McLeod Theater, 8 p.m.
- 9 SIU vs. Illinois-Chicago Basketball Pregame Gathering, Allstate Arena, Rosemont, Ill., TBA
- 9 *The Importance of Being Earnest*, McLeod Theater, 2 p.m.
- 18-24 Pearl Harbor Classic Basketball Tournament, Honolulu, Ha., TBA.



Come Show Your Saluki Pride!

Please plan to join us for the 2000 SIU Homecoming Weekend Celebration Oct. 6-7. A full schedule is featured on page seven.

Journey West Was “Not A Bad Move”

by Greg Scott

In the summer of 1989, Tom Davis was working on his master's thesis when Charlotte West, former SIUC associate athletic director, asked him to serve as marketing and promotions coordinator on a temporary basis.

With two marketing staff members departing from the University, the understanding was for Davis to serve in an interim role while the department searched for a permanent replacement. But Saluki Athletics discovered that this search wasn't necessary – he ended up staying in the position for six years.

Davis had credentials, having graduated cum laude from the University in 1988 with a degree in sports administration. He also eventually became a magna cum laude graduate from Purdue University, garnering a master's degree in sports management. However, at the age of 23, marketing sports in a Division I athletic program was quite a challenge.

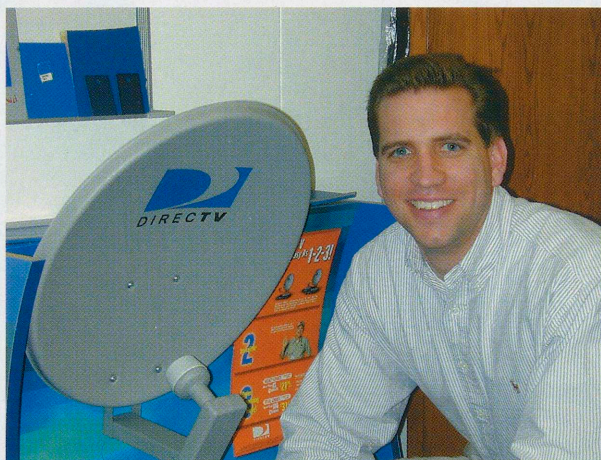
“It gave me an opportunity to make some mistakes and learn from those experiences. It really set the table for what I do now,” Davis says. “I was also fortunate to work with a person like Mike Trude (current marketing director), who headed the marketing area with me, and Jim Hart (former athletics director), who has been a positive influence in my career.”

Five years later, sitting in the lobby of the DIRECTV offices in Los Angeles, Calif., Davis appreciates SIUC as the place where he attained skills that now assist him in securing multimillion dollar sponsorship agreements. But he admits that attaining a position with the nation's leading digital satellite television entertainment service was totally unexpected.

While serving as an assistant athletics director at Marquette University two years ago, Davis received a call from Jayne Hancock, a longtime friend and vice president of DIRECTV. The two had previously worked together at a sports communication company in San Diego, and Hancock offered Davis a position with DIRECTV.

“Having worked with Jayne before eased the transition. Our relationship brought a comfort level,” he says. “It seemed like something I should do because the company is growing.”

Davis creates the sports sponsorship strategy for DIRECTV, having been involved in multimillion dollar sponsorship deals at major athletic facilities such as Staples Center in Los Angeles, Cleveland Browns Stadium, and Dodger Stadium's renovation.



He is responsible for negotiating and fulfilling the elements of the deals, while working closely with DIRECTV's regional offices and league partners such as the National Football League, National Basketball Association or Major League Baseball.

Launched in 1994, DIRECTV offers access to more than 210 digital-quality channels of popular television networks, movies, sports and entertainment directly to satellite mini-dishes installed in homes and businesses throughout the continental United States.

“We're doing things to differentiate ourselves from cable even more in terms of original programming and special events.”

It didn't take long for Davis, who served as a sports marketing and promotions coordinator in the SIUC Athletics Department from 1989 to 1995, to embrace his new role with DIRECTV. His first assignment was conducting a commercial shoot with college football legend Tom Osborne.

“Day two on the job, I'm standing next to Tom Osborne who had just won the

national championship (with Nebraska). At this point I'm thinking to myself, 'not a bad move,'" Davis says. “I've had the opportunity to meet sports celebrities through our efforts to promote our various sports packages. It's been interesting to meet people I've watched perform on television.”

Davis also recalls working with a list of athletes that would read like a “Who's Who in Sports.” Whether it's been NFL Hall-of-Famers Joe Montana and Ronnie Lott, or NBA great James Worthy, Davis, a lifelong sports enthusiast, has rubbed elbows with some of the elite athletes of modern times.

“It's interesting to find that sport celebrities encounter the same problems and concerns that the rest of us do,” he says. “They are held in high esteem and become multimillionaires when they're 23 or 24 years old. Therefore, some people have a perception that they are standoffish or petulant. But I haven't really encountered that. They really aren't all that different from your average everyday person.”

A Carbondale native, Davis would appear to be a long way from Saluki territory. But his responsibilities are a daily reminder of his days on campus.

“My job may appear to be a little more glamorous now, but I'm really working with the same skills that SIU helped me to develop,” Davis says. “I'm just adding a few more zeroes in sponsorship agreements — instead of dealing with Marcus Timmons, I'm working with James Worthy.” ■

A Step Back In Time



A 1956 Homecoming Gift ...

During halftime festivities at the 1956 SIU Homecoming football game, W.W. Vandever, president of Ashland Oil Company, donates two Saluki dogs to the University. Vandever, who served as president of the SIU Alumni Association from 1950-51, also donated the first Saluki, King Tut to SIU. Vandever is shown presenting the Salukis to, from left, J. Robert Odaniell (former director of alumni services), R.K. Billinger, and Sandra Unger.

Stellar Military Career Earns Johnson Slot In Hall Of Fame

Alex J. Johnson finished his coursework at SIU in December of 1955, and while waiting for his graduation ceremony to take place the next June, used his new skills to coach and teach math, science, and physical education in the public schools in Royalton, Ill.

The teaching stint, however, would be brief.

Shortly after receiving a physical education degree in 1956, Johnson volunteered for the draft, and started a long and distinguished military career.

Johnson recently joined an elite group when he was inducted into the U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Candidate School (OCS) Hall of Fame. His selection was based on combat record, rank attained, and outstanding service.

Of the approximately 80,000 graduates from the Field Artillery OCS between 1941 and 1973, he was *only* the 825th inductee.

During his first four years in the Army, Johnson graduated from Officer Candidate School and served three years as an officer in the 25th Infantry Division Artillery. He returned to SIUC and earned his master's degree in physical education in 1962.

As an SIU faculty research assistant in 1961, Johnson was assigned as a physical fitness consultant in the Pittsburgh Pirates minor league system, where he was responsible for baseball player fitness testing and injury prevention for three years. He also helped develop and administer a physical fitness program for the Illinois State Highway Police – the basis of their *current* fitness program.

In 1964 he rejoined the Army and began the first of two tours of duty in the Republic of Vietnam, where he was responsible for establishing more than three million meters of field artillery survey grids in a nine-month period.

During his second tour he served 18 months as a district senior advisor in the Ninh Hoa District, assisting in nation-building activities and in military operations against the Viet Cong.

On returning to the U.S. in 1972, Johnson played a key role developing and fielding two radar weapons-locating systems and the Standoff Target Acquisition System (SOTAS) concept, now known as Joint STARS, a target acquisitions system used in the Desert Storm conflict. All three of these systems filled critical voids in U.S. Army target acquisition capabilities and remain the most advanced weapons locating radar systems in the world.

As he moved up the ranks, Col. Johnson became Army Program Manager for Intelligence and Electronic Warfare, where he was responsible for development, testing, production, and fielding 55 intelligence, electronic warfare, and night vision systems and a budget of approximately \$750 million.

His career was capped with his selection as the first Army Program Executive Officer, Intelligence and Electronic Warfare. In this capacity he established a development philosophy and direction that today is a key aspect of the acquisition process for most Army systems.

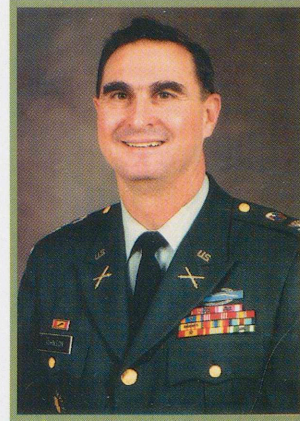
Col. Johnson's numerous awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with V and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Medal for Valor, Combat Infantryman's Badge and Gallantry Cross medals.

Johnson retired in 1988 after 28 years of active service and is president and CEO of JB Management, Inc., an Alexandria, VA company he founded in 1990. He and his wife, Ruth Ann, reside in Burke, VA.

Because of his contributions to his country *and* to his alma mater, the SIU Alumni Association proudly salutes Alex J. Johnson.

"The SIU Alumni Association is important to me because it provides me with periodic updates on activities at the University, allows me to monitor results of athletic teams, academic changes, and sends me news on former classmates. Articles on graduates and their accomplishments are also of much interest.

"I particularly enjoyed the recent article on University Drugs, where I lived for four years and will always remember with pleasure."

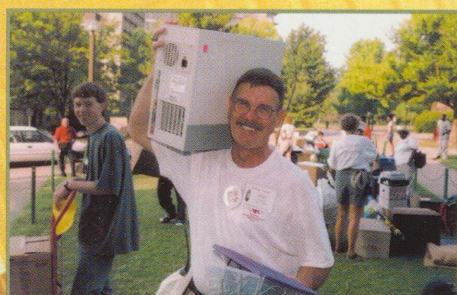


Alex J. Johnson '56, M.S. '62

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A Moving Experience ...

When students and their parents arrived on Aug. 17 to move belongings into campus housing, various SIUC administrators, faculty, and staff were available to lend a hand during "New Student Move-In." With temperatures near triple digits, teamwork, a sense of humor – and plenty of water – served everyone well.




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