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ACCORDING TO JIM

ABC-TV sitcom star Jim Belushi says early days at SIU helped prepare him for a career in Hollywood

Inside: Your Membership Makes A Difference, Class Notes, Honor Roll of Donors, and more...
Bill Hill returned for Southern Illinois University's 2002 Homecoming weekend to observe the 60th anniversary of his graduation and to present the University with a $100,000 gift, establishing the William C. Hill Zoology Scholarship Endowment.

"The education I received at SIU qualified me for a rewarding and interesting career," says Hill. "I guess this scholarship is a way of paying back what SIU gave to me."

The first scholarship from the Hill endowment will be awarded in the Fall of 2003 to a junior or senior achieving a 3.0 GPA in all zoology courses, and a 2.0 overall who exhibits financial need.

Hill knows what it's like as a student to struggle financially. "When I was at SIU it was during the Depression years. My folks had been working hard to get me through college. They wanted that in the worst way."

His parents' membership in the American Legion resulted in a loan that got Hill through his last year, when his dad was out of work. "Mom worked with someone in the American Legion Auxiliary and got a loan to get me through my senior year," recalls Hill.

Also pitching in to help sustain his education, Hill worked at a small family store in Carbondale over the lunch hour. "I was paid 25 cents for the hour, which I would then give back for my lunch of a hamburger, bottle of milk and Twinkie," he recalls. His summer farm job consisted of 10-hour days at 15 cents an hour, allowing him to save enough money for tuition and clothes for the next school year.

Hill, who played the piano and saxophone, recalls his mother encouraging him to go into music. "My heart just wasn't in it," he recalls, "so I went into zoology." The memories of his college days are of Altgeld Hall, where most of his classes were held, and the few other buildings that made up the small campus.

After graduation in 1942, Hill served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and after the war taught general science and biology at Albion, Ill., Community High School for a year and a half.

In 1948 he joined the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, where he worked until retiring in 1984 as director of the agency's San Francisco District. At the time of his retirement his office had jurisdiction over Nevada, Hawaii, most of California, the territories of Guam and American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, and the Pacific Islands belonging to the United States.

Hill and his wife, Mary Ellen, recently sold their home in California and moved to Lee's Summit, Mo., to be close to their daughter, Vicki Thompson, who lives in Independence, Mo. He is a member of the SIU Alumni Association.

If you are interested in more information concerning such a scholarship, contact Yvonne Spencer, director of planned giving, SIU Foundation, 618-453-4907.
According To Jim
When ABC-TV star Jim Belushi was at SIU in the late 1970s, his life revolved around the University's speech department. Gleaning on experiences afforded him at Southern, he says his approach and work ethic was firmly shaped in Carbondale. Although now a major network star, Belushi wants you to know that he is much like the average guy he portrays on his show, According To Jim.

Master On The Links
SIU Alumni Association Life Member Jock Olson was recently selected as the Professional Golf Association's "Professional of the Year." A member of the Saluki Golf Team until he graduated in 1972, he now manages one of the most prestigious golf courses in the United States. Despite that responsibility - and the national accolades recently received from the PGA - Olson is quick to express one thing that remains important in his life. "There is nothing like getting together with my golf buddies from SIU."

From WIDB To National News
Chris Bury is known to millions as the lead correspondent on ABC's Nightline. While covering the most explosive and controversial stories on the globe has now become a normal occurrence for the 1975 Southern grad, one early experience on the SIU campus helped guide him to his current status. Bury recently returned to campus to be honored by the SIU Alumni Association as a "Distinguished Alumnus," sharing the spotlight with fellow honorees Albert Kern, Edward Moore, and Bill Norwood.

An International Legacy
It has been more than three decades since Sinan Enc received a degree in design at SIU. Now a successful businessman back in his native Istanbul, Turkey, he looks forward to the day that his daughter, Ayse, can step into the family business. Thanks to a legacy scholarship provided by SIU's International Programs and Services, his daughter is well on her way to making the dream come true.
If you are a fan of the ABC-TV hit sitcom According To Jim, it is easy to be convinced each week that SIU alum Jim Belushi is just a normal, fun-loving guy you would enjoy spending some time with.

After sitting in on Greg Scott's interview with the 1977 Southern grad, I found myself duly persuaded that the veteran actor – and the jovial characters he often plays on screen – may not be all that different from one another.

When conversation regarding a cover story for this issue of Southern Alumni was first broached with Belushi publicist Jill Bushinsky, she was positive and prophetic. "I do think he'll want to do it, and if so, you'll enjoy talking with him," she noted. "He's laid back and will immediately put you at ease."

To say the least, that was the case.

Chatting from his home in Los Angeles, Belushi willingly took time for a lengthy interview. Plenty of SIU memories came pouring out, and it was soon apparent he was having as much fun as we were. "Hey, is Booby's still on the strip?" he asked. "Man – I loved that place. Surely that old Dairy Queen with the concrete steps is long gone. How about Jim's Pub?"

I was pleased to give him the update: Booby's and the Dairy Queen are still alive and kicking (Belushi can enjoy a Dairy Queen retrospective on page 90), but Jim's Pub is no more. With that bit of information tucked away, he spelled out a routine used 25 years ago to unwind from a long week of school work, performances, and rehearsals.

"I would eat at Booby's first, later walk up and get dessert at Dairy Queen, then continue down Illinois Avenue to have a few beers with my friends at Jim's Pub. That was my routine. I'd get my paycheck from working at the Speech Department, pay Marion Kleinau (former SIU instructor) back for any money she might have loaned me that week, and then the rest was in my pocket on the strip."

It was obvious Southern memories were rushing back in a manner he hadn't experienced in some time. The only break in his "trip down memory lane" was when his three-year-old daughter, Jamison, would occasionally leap in his lap to take over the conversation.

Fun-loving, laid back, and now a family man – art was imitating life, and he was quick to note the irony in it all.

An ABC-TV news release explains Belushi's role on his hit show as "a husband who knows that the key to a good marriage is nodding when your wife talks. He relates to his kids because he's a big kid himself. And he struggles with the same issues as every other dad – how to achieve the ideal picket-fence life, yet keep a firm grip on manhood."

That fictional narrative hits close to home for the former Saluki, and as you'll see in Scott's story, that's just fine with Belushi. I hope you enjoy our inside look at one of Southern's truly unique graduates.

Belushi cuts up on the set with TV daughter, Ruby.
Dear Salukis Everywhere:

Many alumni, especially those of you who haven’t returned to campus since your graduation 50 or 60 years ago, often ask me to describe the changes at the University. As you would imagine, the SINU of 1940 is not the “Southern” of the 1960s or the SIU of today.

Fortunately, visionaries such as President Pulliam, President Morris and those who followed understood that an ever changing campus was necessary to assure that the most important aspect of our alma mater’s heritage doesn’t change – the ability to alter and often significantly change lives. And those lives, like the many we portray in this publication, now make a difference in our lives.

The next time your son or daughter comes home from school and shares their excitement about a forensics class, don’t be surprised if the teacher is an SIU graduate. The next time you are viewing a newscast – either local or national – don’t be surprised if the newscaster walked the same paths through Thompson Woods you did a few years ago. The next time you check into any major hotel, don’t be surprised if the general manager or regional vice president rode the same elevators you and I did as we sought the quiet solace of Morris Library. The next time you fly on any airline, don’t be surprised if the pilot you’re entrusting your life to is a Saluki.

Simply put, SIU graduates are 200,000 strong, living in nearly 130 countries and impacting the lives you and I lead each and every day.

The SIU Alumni Association is also about making a difference in our lives. Our quest is to involve alumni in the life of our alma mater and each other, primarily through membership in the SIU Alumni Association.

Your membership in the Association truly makes a difference. For example, through alumni membership, the Association sponsors some 40 student scholarships each year and sponsors approximately 25 campus student and alumni recognition events like those on pages 80 and 81.

Association members also bring SIU to you by hosting some 35 off-campus alumni gatherings annually. Recent alumni events in Detroit and Tampa, for instance, are shown in our Association News section of this edition of the magazine.

One of the very best ways we keep you abreast of campus is through what you are now reading, Southern Alumni. It has been the Association’s privilege to send complimentary issues of this magazine to alumni through the years. Maybe you are one of those alumni who received periodic issues, but are not a dues paying member of the Alumni Association. You might have been a contributor to the University, or participated in activities which resulted in some complimentary issues being sent to your home.

Regrettfully, increasing costs now necessitate that the complimentary issues be curtailed. So Southern Alumni has been restored to its original intent – to communicate with SIU Alumni Association members. Only dues paying members of the Association will continue to receive six issues per year of the Southern Alumni magazine and Saluki Pride newsletter after this issue.

If you are not sure of your membership status, check the address label affixed to this issue (and see the illustration below). If you are not yet a member, please join by sending your dues payment in the postage paid envelope available in this issue, or join as a member on-line at siualumni.com.

Please continue to return to your University through the pages of our Southern Alumni magazine and Saluki Pride newsletter. Your support and interest in your alma mater is crucial to the University’s future, and our mission is to keep you connected to Southern Illinois University. I hope you will continue to enjoy our two fine publications as members of the SIU Alumni Association.

Yours for Southern,

Ed Buerger ’70
Associate Vice Chancellor
Executive Director
SIU Alumni Association

Are you a member? Take a look at your mailing label to find out. Join today with the convenient enclosed membership envelope!
Look For The Pre-Paid Envelope

Included in this edition of Southern Alumni is a pre-paid envelope for your use if you wish to join the SIU Alumni Association. This envelope is located in the middle of the magazine for your convenience.

We also invite you to take a few moments to tell us what has been going on in your life. This information may be used in a future magazine as part of our popular “Class Notes” section.

Please also consider buying that special student in your family a membership in the SIU Alumni Association membership as a graduation gift. This is a special deal indeed, as the $40 annual membership is only $15 for all graduating seniors and all current SIU students.

If you prefer to join the SIU Alumni Association on-line, we invite you to go to our web site at siualumni.com and become a member utilizing our secure server. Click on the membership diploma icon on the main page and just follow the instructions. Of course should you ever have any questions, please call our office at 618-453-2408 and we will try to assist you in any way we can.

‘Always A Saluki’

During the 2001-02 basketball season, an influx of Saluki Pride spread rampantly across the United States. The Dawgs advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16, gained national prominence, and helped a nation find out just what the heck a Saluki is!

At the same time athletic success was claiming the spotlight, Southern's tradition continued to grow in other areas. Excellence in the classroom was highlighted by countless student awards and prized programs. From an SIU product being the top female student pilot in America, to the Automotive Technology program being the best in the land, Southern's alumni had plenty to smile about last year.

As we enter 2003, you can rest assured that the pride meter is still on the rise. From high-profile alumni like Jim Belushi and Chris Bury (featured in this issue of Southern Alumni), to countless other Salukis who are making a difference in their given fields, SIU products are 200,000 strong and succeeding in all walks of life.

In this issue of the magazine you will find an opportunity to demonstrate your pride in SIU. In honor of the University tradition, the SIU Alumni Association is proud to present “The Official SIU Class Ring.” Your days as a student may be over, but as you noticed during last year's Sweet 16 run – you're always a Saluki!

By joining the SIU Alumni Association today, those ties to the Southern will always remain strong. Be part of a proud tradition.
Membership Has Its Privileges

Check Out The Benefits!

This listing is subject to change. Be sure to show your membership card to receive your discount.

KEEPING IN TOUCH
- Southern Alumni magazine
- Nationwide Alumni clubs
- Special events & ceremonies
- SIU Alumni Association decal
- Saluki Pride newsletter

NATIONWIDE BENEFITS
- Discounts at Six Flags Amusement Parks
- Insurance benefits

RECREATION, TRAVEL AND ENTERTAINMENT
Hotel/Motel discounts:
- Best Inns/Best Suites of America (15%)
- Carbondale Super 8 Motel (15%)
- Carbondale & Marion Comfort Inn Hotels (15%)
- Carbondale Days Inn (10%)
- Ramada Inn Limited (10%)
- Ho Jo Inn West Frankfort (10%)
- Seasons Resort located in Rend Lake (10%)
- McLeod Theater (20% off adult/senior citizen tickets)
- European Auto, Air and Hotel discounts through
- Alamo, Avis, Budget, Hertz, and National
- Destination Europe (1-800-650-6222)
- Friendship Inn, Econo Lodge, Rodeway Inn, and Sleep Inn locations (Up to 15%)

Southern Illinois Area Discounts
Carbondale
- Big Boys Q’n (10%)  
- Old Main Room-SIU Student Center (10%)
- The Pasta House Company (20%)
- El Bajo (10%)
- Garfield’s (20%)
- KD’s Cakes, Cones & Catering (10%)
- Enterprise Rent-a-Car (10%)
- Saluki Central (15%)
- Mastercuts ($1.00 off all haircuts)
- Stiles Corporate Express (10%)

• Show Me’s ($1 off any size order of chicken wings)
• Vogler Ford (10% off any car rental)

Marion
- Ruby Tuesday (10%)
- Ms. Patty’s Inn & Suites (15% off room rate)
- Carlsson’s Travel Agency (5% on all preferred cruises & vacations) in Marion & Herrin
- Walt’s Pizza (10%)
- Okney
- Papa Mikes (10%)
- West Frankfort
- Coleman-Rhoads (15% off all accessories)

Car Rental Discounts:
- Alamo, Avis, Budget, Hertz, and National
- European Auto, Air and Hotel discounts through Destination Europe (1-800-650-6222)

CAMPUS PRIVILEGES/DISCOUNTS
- McLeod Theatr (20% off adult/senior citizen tickets)
- Morris Library privileges
- Shryock Auditorium ($3 off ticket to Celebrity Series)
- Touch of Nature (20% off lodging; 15% off programs)
- University Press Items (20%)
- Saluki Bookstore discounts (20% life members, 15% annual and student members)
- University Bookstore discounts - SIU imprinted apparel (20%)

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AREA DISCOUNTS
Carbondale
- Big Boys Q’n (10%)
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Other
- SIU Credit Card
- Bloomington, Ill.
- Davis Manor Bed & Breakfast (20% off room rate)
- Chicago, Ill.
- Meyers O’Donnell Comm. (15% off banners and signs)
- Austin, Texas
- Keller Williams Realty (ask for Steve & Judy Scott)
- Phoenix, Ariz.
- Hometown National Property Inspections Office (20%)

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Holden Still
A Role Model
You could not have selected a better role model for graduates and ambassador for the University than your recent cover story subject, Arizona Highways Publisher Win Holden. It was my good fortune that Win was one of my first acquaintances when I originally came to Phoenix just weeks after graduation from SIU.

Then the VP/general manager of one of the Valley's leading advertising and public relations firms, Win reviewed my portfolio of Daily Egyptian clippings and took a chance on a green public relations position writing newsletters and press releases. This grew into a full-time opportunity that introduced me to new industries, disciplines and people that positively altered my career path. More importantly, I met a true friend and mentor that I appreciate to this day.

Win's tireless energy and commitment to charities and service organizations in this area is well documented. While he has been recognized as Advertising Man of the Year, Fiesta Bowl president and board member of countless non-profit groups, former employees would most remember his tradition of buying ice cream bars for the staff on a hot summer day and playing left field on the company softball team.

Twenty years after our introduction, we share season tickets to the Arizona Diamondbacks baseball games, where we greet each plate appearance of fellow Saluki Steve Finley with cheers of "S-I-U!"

Thanks for an excellent article on a high-character alum. Rod Smith '81
Association Life Member
Phoenix, Ariz.

Alumna, SIU Employee Was Committed To Carbondale
The last issue of Southern Alumni listed Betsy Leenig as one of the recently departed SIU alumni. Although her hometown was simply listed as Carbondale, there is a much deeper story to tell.

Betsy was born and raised in St. Louis, but later started college and a subsequent wonderful life in Carbondale. She met her husband, Larry, during their junior year at SIU, with both completing undergraduate degrees in 1972. Larry was from Teaneck, N.J., but he and his wife shared many things, not the least of which was a love for the quality of life in Carbondale.

They committed to live a lifetime in Carbondale, where Betsy served SIU in a variety of administrative positions for more than 25 years. (She had worked at Morris Library, Health Services and was the business manager at the SIU School of Law at the time of her passing.) She completed her graduate degree at SIU in 1984, while Larry initially managed the McDonald's on Illinois Avenue before eventually working his way to his current position as a history teacher at the Carbondale Middle School.

Over their 26 years of marriage, they produced twin daughters Tracey and Jennifer, along with their younger brother, Brian – all raised in the Carbondale community. While Tracey and Jennifer attended college out of state (SIU can't have 'em all), Brian is currently enrolled at Southern.

Life was good to the Leenig family and to SIU alumni friends who would find a welcome home when visiting their residence on a trip back to Carbondale. Yet all good things seem to come to an end; when Betsy was diagnosed with cancer earlier this year, it tore the heart out of us all.

She lived out the commitment to live her life in Carbondale, and Larry continues this vow with no plans to leave. We are proud of them and only wish that lifetime could have lasted longer for Betsy.
Jon Gice '72, MA '75
Deb Gice '73
Avon, Connecticut

A Breath Of Fresh Air In Pro Baseball
I read with great interest Gene Green's recent story on Baltimore Orioles infielder Jerry Hairston. In a summer filled with news of impending baseball strikes and work stoppages, it was a breath of fresh air to read about someone who seems to be playing the game because he enjoys it.

I'm sure Green is correct when he says that it is rare to find someone playing pro sports these days who actually knows the history of the game they play, but I'll admit that after reading this feature, I was impressed and will follow Jerry's career more closely from this point on.

It is also my hope that years from now, Jerry will continue to remember the words he used when noting his distaste for players not signing autographs and interacting with fans. When he said, "before we were big Leaguers, we were Little Leaguers – and I never want to forget that," it made me proud he is a Saluki.

Thanks for this personal look at a young man from SIU who is now representing our University well as he makes his mark at the highest level in professional sports. Jim McDermott 'ex 78
Milwaukee, Wis.

SIU-Niigata Celebrates 15 Years
In Tokyo recently over 50 alumni, parents, and SIU faculty and administrators gathered at a reception to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of SIU-Niigata. An official ceremony commemorating the historic event was held at the Illinois-Niigata Friendship Hall on the Nakajo campus. Dr. Nobuo Kumakura, Mayor of Nakajo, presented a speech which was followed by a slide show depicting the history of SIU-Niigata.

Attendees representing Southern's home campus included Vice Chancellor Larry Dietz, SIU Director of International Programs and Services Jared Dorn, and SIU-Niigata Associate Director Kathy Bury Swindell.

During the official ceremonies, a valuable scroll was presented to the University by distinguished alumna Dr. Suzuko Mita, former President of Obirin Junior College in Tokyo. The illustrious scroll, portraying a classic Japanese folk tale of loyalty, courage and generosity, will be prominently displayed at the Student Center.
Vitello Leaves Proud Legacy At Southern

by Rod Sievers

When Elaine Vitello was named dean of Southern's College of Applied Sciences and Arts in 1990, she had no idea that her job would be in jeopardy just two years later.

"In 1992, the Illinois Board of Higher Education recommended that the entire college be eliminated," says Vitello. "It was part of a move to reduce the number of associate degree programs offered at the state's universities and move those programs to community colleges."

Vitello, an SIU Alumni Association Life Member who retired as dean this fall, recently talked about the experience while looking back at her 25-year career at SIUC.

"It took a lot of work, but we were able to restructure the entire college and convince the board that our new programs were consistent with those offered by the other colleges on campus," she says. "It sounds like a fictional story today, but to those of us who were fighting to keep the college in place, it was very real."

Success came in 1996, when the SIU Board of Trustees approved a restructuring plan, reflecting a shift in emphasis from associate to bachelor's degrees. So why did Vitello decide to ride the rough waters when others might have bailed out?

"I'm an alum," stresses Vitello, who earned a Ph.D. from Southern in 1977. "I believe in this University and in this college; I didn't feel bailing out was an option. Plus, I wanted to stick around to see how things worked out."

Today, with an enrollment approaching 3,000, the College of Applied Sciences and Arts offers 14 bachelor's and four associate degree programs. "It's one of the things I'm most proud of," notes Vitello. "Today, the college is leaner with excellent faculty who continue to prepare our students for the workplace."

Even though now retired a week, she is still pushing hard for a project that she hopes will soon showcase some of the college's most successful programs. "The effort to create the Transportation Education Center is something that needs to move forward. Our aviation and automotive programs are among the top in the nation, and they deserve the best possible facilities," she explains.

The center would house both of the programs at a state-of-the-art facility at the Southern Illinois Airport. The $35 million project has been in the planning stages since the late 1990s. Southern is in the process of ironing out the funding details.

Before becoming dean in 1990, Vitello held a number of positions at the University. Hired as a visiting assistant professor in 1977 in what was then known as the College of Technical Careers, she was named associate professor in 1982. She was promoted to full professor in 1988 and became director of SIUC's Division of Advanced Technical Studies.

"It's almost unbelievable," says Vitello of her 25-year stint at Southern. "It's been a high-energy career."

On Dec. 1, Vitello began a new career of sorts with the Southern's Center for Rural Health. "It's a project that looks at tobacco-use prevention and control among college-age women, funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health," says Vitello, the program's principal investigator.

In a college that has had only four permanent deans since its inception in 1950, Vitello has words of wisdom for her successor: "You can't do it alone, and you'll be a short-timer if you try to do it without teamwork. Trust people; believe in their capabilities."

Good advice from someone who has been the driving force behind positive change at the University for more than a quarter of a century.
Isberner Named Acting Director of Broadcasting Service

Candis Isberner recently became acting director of SIU's Broadcasting Service and general manager of WSUI-TV. She succeeds Robert Gerig, who will become the communication college's assistant dean for external affairs.

In her new role, Isberner is responsible for daily operations of University-run public radio and television affiliates, educational broadcast programs, associated outreach activities and satellite services.

The SIU Alumni Association Life Member has won numerous awards for her work in education, broadcasting and in the community. On campus, she won a University Woman of Distinction Award and the Outstanding Administrative Professional Award, both in 1994.

Patton Wins AP/Staff Award

Brent Patton, associate director of Plant and Service Operations at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, is the winner of the 2002 Administrative/ Professional Staff Outstanding Service Award. He receives a $2,000 cash award, a reserved parking space and a plaque.

Patton, who has worked at the University for 18 years, says it was an honor to be included in the group of nominees. “Each one is just as deserving as I am,” he notes.

Here are the other finalists:
- Nanditha Balasubramanian, assistant director of annual giving, SIU Foundation;
- Jill Kirkpatrick, bursar; and
- Thomas Thibeault, director, College of Liberal Arts New Media Center/Language Media Center.

Young Wins Civil Service Award

Southern recently honored Carole Young for her exemplary work with the 2002 Outstanding Civil Service Award.

A program administrative assistant for the Rehabilitation Institute, Young will receive $2,000, a designated parking space for one year, and have her name added to the permanent plaque.

Young, who has worked at the University since 1973, says it is “an honor to be nominated with the other people who were in the running for this award. I’m retiring at the end of December, and this caps off a wonderful year and a wonderful career at the University.”

The other finalists were:
- Ruth Bernhardt, human resource officer IV, Human Resources;
- William Null, bowling and billiards manager, Student Center;
- Ruth Pommier, clerk, University Housing; and
- Donna Williams, accountant IV, Financial Aid Office information system and the student payroll system in administrative information system (AIS).

Chancellor Awards 20 Scholarships

Hard work in high school is paying off for 20 Southern Illinois University Carbondale students. They are recipients of Chancellor's Scholarships, a $4,865 award that covers this year’s in-state tuition and fees. The scholarship is a four-year award as long as students maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

Last year, three students received these scholarships.

As part of Chancellor Walter Wendler’s commitment to channel revenues generated by a tuition increase into more scholarships and student assistance, this year the number of awards grew by 17. High school class rank and test scores were the criteria used to select recipients, listed here by hometown.

Alto Pass – Joshua Boone, Cobden High School; Bonnie – Dana Gill, Waltonville High School; Bradford – Bethany Kieser, Stark County High School; Carmi – Andrew Smith, Carmi-White County High School; Champaign – Megan Nelson, Judah Christian High School.

Chester – Tori Craft,
- Herrin – Jennifer Finney,
- Libertyville – Sean Lynch,
- Murphysboro – Evan Hale,
- Nashville – Drew Ibendahl,
- Okawville – Molly Shubert,
- Petersburg – Kristen Spath,
- Pittsfield – Erinn Fry,
- Rantoul – Joshua Chumbley,
- Stillman Valley – Amy Clay,
- Sullivan – Alexis Allen,
- Woodson – Drew Lautemann,
- Zeigler – Stefanie Moyers,
- Chesapeake, Va. – Sean Nailling,
- American High School.
The Southern Illinois University Foundation recently added five new members to its board of directors. Each will serve a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2005.

The five new members are:

**Juh Wah Chen** of Murphysboro is dean emeritus of the College of Engineering at Southern. A native of Shanghai, China, Chen began his career at SIU in 1965 as a faculty member in the College of Engineering and was named dean in 1989. During his tenure, he oversaw a $14 million campaign for the addition of a new Engineering Building wing.

He is married to Han-Lin Chen, a University alumna and a professor emerita of the SIU College of Engineering. Chen and his wife recently established the Han Lin Chen Engineering Scholarship Endowment.

**John Dosier** of Carbondale is president, CEO and a founding partner of First Southern Bank. He previously held similar positions with the Magna and Union Planters' banking operations in the southern Illinois region.

Dosier has served as president of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce and as a member of the SIU College of Business and Administration's External Advisory Board and the Southern Illinois Research Park Board of Directors. He has also served on the boards of the Carbondale Business Development Corporation, Jackson County Business Development Corporation and S. I. Edge. Dosier is a member of SIU's 20/20 Vision Committee and the Southern at 150 committee.

He and his wife, Kay, are members of the SIU Alumni Association.

**George Loukas** of Riverwoods is the owner of many businesses, including George Loukas Real Estate and various restaurant and entertainment centers in the "Wrigleyville" area of Chicago, including the Cubby Bear Lounge.

Loukas earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from SIUC in 1973. While a student at SIUC, Loukas joined the football team as a walk-on and became a starting fullback. A life member of the SIU Alumni Association, Loukas served as a member of the association's board of directors from 1989 to 1997.

He was instrumental in establishing what today is known as SIU Day at Wrigley Field and has been generous with aiding in the organization and sponsorship of the SIU Chicagoland Golf Outing. He is married to Patricia Loukas.

**F. Lynn McPheeters** of Peoria is vice president and chief financial officer of Caterpillar Inc. and serves on the board of directors of RLI Corp., an underwriter of selected property and casualty insurance products.

McPheeters earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from SIU in 1964. He has held memberships with the American Club in Hong Kong Board of Governors, the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong and the Governing Committee of the American International Association.

He is also a member of the SIU College of Business and Administration's External Advisory Board, has served as the body's chair, and in 1988 was inducted into the college's Hall of Fame. A life member of the SIU Alumni Association, McPheeters is married to Susan McPheeters.

**Dr. Thomas Nielsen** of Bloomington is in active practice as a doctor of emergency medicine. He earned his medical degree from the SIU School of Medicine in 1981 and is a graduate of the school's Family Medicine Residency program.

Nielsen served two terms as president of the medical school's Alumni Association Board of Governors and was a member of the body from 1994 to 1999. During his tenure as president he initiated a new fund-raising program, asking alumni to contribute to a Student Resource Fund, and the White Coat Ceremony for entering medical students.

He is married to Dr. Kathy Bohn, a 1983 graduate of the SIU School of Medicine. The two are life members of the SIU Alumni Association.
A myriad of activities took place during a recent celebration of the 25th anniversary of Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Student Recreation Center.

Alumni and friends gathered in early November to share old stories, visit with former co-workers, and meet Salukis who converged to the facility from across the country. Approximately 100 people took part in the celebration, making for a special weekend, according to SIU Rec Center Director Bill McMinn.

"It was just a terrific weekend," McMinn says. "I saw some of my former students that I hadn't seen in 20 years. It was exciting and somewhat emotional to speak with each of them and meet so many of their children.

"The staff worked extremely hard to put this event together and I could not be more proud of them. The office of Special Events and the SIU Alumni Association were also helpful in providing us with direction and ideas. We will certainly do this again."

McMinn says if alumni and friends didn't get to come back to this reunion, but are interested in being a part of a future event of this type, they can e-mail him at billmc@siu.edu or Gary Tisdale at gtisdale@siu.edu for more information.

One Rec Center veteran who returned was Mike Dunn, now the Director of Recreational Sports at Ohio State University. He was coordinator of the building and facilities the first year after it opened, and then served as the director replacing Bill Bleyer.

"The neat thing about the weekend was that there were people we hadn't seen in 20 years or more, but we also got to interact with current student workers and staff," he says. "I hope students and the faculty realize how great the current staff and facilities are."

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The Saluki Spirit 2003 Wall Calendar is now available. It will be a 28-page, four-color calendar perforated for hanging. It will feature photos of the SIU Cheerleaders, Shakers and Saluki Dog Mascots. The monthly grids will include all of the Saluki Sports Team Schedules available at press time.

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Life According To Jim

Jim Belushi has come a long way since performing on SIU's Calipre Stage. But he is still just the “Ordinary Joe” that Americans seem to know and love.
While the character he portrays on the ABC television comedy *According to Jim* often gets his kicks by hanging out in a garage with the guys in his neighborhood, Jim Belushi freely admits that it's women who have provided most of the inspiration in his life.

Since his days growing up in a Chicago suburb, the 1977 SIU graduate's actions indicate a fondness for the female population. He wasn't a bit bothered by the fact that the girls greatly outnumbered the boys in high school. As a matter of fact, he was the only male in his home economics class and "absolutely loved it."

But this also got him into trouble from time to time. In school, he was a safety patrolman and often stopped traffic every time he saw a girl reach the street corner. Belushi's actions often caused traffic jams, which eventually led to him being relieved of his duties. Also, it wasn't unusual for this former doorman at a Chicago blues club to allow women to line up first, making men wait to enter the nightclub.

Belushi's explanation for his actions is quite simple. "What can I tell you? I loved the girls. Women are great," he
Shown with Thorne-Smith, Belushi has nothing but respect for his female co-stars. "If my daughter grew up to be an actress," he notes, "I would want her to be just like Courtney and Kimberly."

"They have led me to great levels of success. Some of the greatest leaders in the entertainment industry are women."

While his older brother, John, was beginning to make a name for himself with Chicago's famed Second City improvisational comedy troupe, Jim didn't initially have designs on following in his footsteps. But a high school drama teacher was impressed with his improvisational skills and gave him a role in the school play.

"My teacher didn't even know about John. So I got into theater and acting my own way," Belushi says. "I started doing plays because there were a lot of girls doing it. The female-to-male ratio at my high school was wonderful."

But once he stepped in front of an audience, it wasn't just the girls he was fond of. Belushi fell in love with performing and became devoted to the craft. And today, it's easy to see why he says women have led him in the right direction.


Belushi has now returned to television — and he is making an impact. In his current endeavor, According To Jim, (Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. CST on ABC), he portrays a family man who works as a contractor to support his wife and three young children.

His role actually derives from another character he played, that of Joe Dayton from the feature film Return to Me (2000), directed by Bonnie Hunt and starring Minnie Driver and David Duchovny.

Return To Me centered on a family in Oak Park, Ill. Hunt's character was married to Belushi, and the couple had five children. ABC was taken by Belushi's role in the film.

"I really liked the character I portrayed in that movie, and they were looking for more family-oriented programming. They thought I would make a great father," he says. "We put together a team of writers, shot a pilot, and everyone loved it."

Ironically, this program mirrors reality for Belushi to an extent. He and his wife of four years, Jennifer Sloan, are raising a young family. The couple has a 3-year-old girl, Jamison, and a 10-month-old son, Jared. Belushi also has a 21-year-old son, Robert, who made an appearance on According To Jim in October.

Upon reading the initial scripts for According To Jim, the program received a ringing endorsement from Belushi's wife.

"My wife told me this is the one. She said, 'I just really have a good feeling about this one, and you know why, Jim? You had nothing to do with it,' Belushi says.

According To Jim, now in its second season, features a talented ensemble. Joining Belushi on the cast are (wife) Courtney Thorne-Smith, who formerly starred on Melrose Place and Ally McBeal, and (sister-in-law) Kimberly Williams, a Northwestern graduate who made her mark in Father of the Bride.

Belushi says casting the right mix of performers is a challenge for any program. However, a chemistry has developed amongst the three performers, which has allowed According To Jim to become an instant hit with viewers.

"If my daughter grew up to be an actress, I would want her to be just like these two women," he says. "Courtney and Michelle are powerful and intelligent women. Both are straight forward, hard-working, gracious and beautiful. They..."
are a perfect fit for this program.”

Some observers would say that Belushi has found a perfect fit for himself as well. In many of his successful film roles, the 48-year-old has portrayed a blue-collar, “Ordinary Joe” striving to make it in middle-class America. These are attributes he learned growing up in the far west suburbs of Chicago.

James Belushi was born June 15, 1954, in Chicago, the middle son of Adam, a restaurant owner, and Agnes Belushi. As a youth in conservative Wheaton, Belushi was viewed as a “wild child” who had his share of run-ins with the authorities.

“I was the crime rate in Wheaton. There was one cop who kept getting promotions because of me,” he says. “It was a very dry and religious town. Anything you did could be construed as being wild.”

Belushi did get in his share of trouble, but it was primarily for minor offenses, including driving without a license one Christmas Eve. Although he was dressed as Santa Claus and was spreading cheer for the holiday season, he soon discovered that the Wheaton police didn’t even bend the rules for Old Saint Nick.

“They were tough on me. Can you believe I was busted while playing Santa Claus?” he recalls. “I was pulled over because they knew my car. As I was taken to jail, I heard some poor kid screaming, ‘Mommy, Mommy, they’re arresting Santa Claus!’”

While Belushi worked his way in and out of trouble in Wheaton, his brother, John, five years his elder, was asserting himself in the fields of theater and debate. His parents hung newspaper clippings on the wall showcasing John’s talent. Although he looked up to his older brother, their outward show of pride was at times a tough pill for Jim to swallow – especially since there weren’t any articles about him on the wall.

Knowing this bothered his younger brother, John – perhaps displaying the clever humor for which he would become renowned – suggested the family hang some of Jim’s arrest warrants on the wall.

Little brother’s response wasn’t laughter.

“I ripped every one of his clippings down, and he hit me,” Belushi says. “I told him when I got bigger and older that I was going to kick his ass.”

Many years later, after John became a movie star, Jim got a measure of revenge. “I got one pop into his mouth, it cut his lip a little bit, and he said, ‘OK, you win.’ He said, ‘I’m an actor; you don’t hit an actor in the face.’ It was actually a fun fight, and then we went out and had a great time.”

Belushi’s interest in theater and acting occurred by accident. He was prepared to pursue a career as a graphic artist, or, if this didn’t work out, take over his father’s restaurant. But by his own admission, he wasn’t a model student at Wheaton Central High School.

It was Moratorium Day on Oct. 15, 1968, and Belushi was supposed to give a speech in class. However, he hadn’t prepared one, and this is when his improvisational skills initially benefited him.

“I wore an armband to class that day, walked to the front of the class and pretended to be a hippie. I started screaming at the class,” he says. “I guess it was a pretty good character because I got an F on the speech, but the teacher cast me in his play that night.”

After watching his brother perform with Chicago’s Second City improvisational comedy troupe, Belushi knew he...
Shown with TV son, Kyle, Belushi sees many similarities between his television role and real life.

wanted to pursue the acting genre. Upon graduating from Wheaton Central, an inspired Belushi enrolled at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn. He attended DuPage primarily because of its “great theater department.”

He spent two years at DuPage, and at the urging of his friends, Belushi decided to continue pursuing his dream at Southern. “Rich Newman and Rob Curtis were going to SIU. They asked me, ‘Hey, you want to go?’ I said, ‘Sure,’” he says.

Belushi enrolled at Southern in 1974, majoring in speech communication. He still has great affection and appreciation for Marion Kleinau, a former professor in the department. She hired Belushi as a student worker to help run the Calipre Stage, a small theater she created in the Communications Building.

In addition to working behind the scenes on technical aspects of Calipre productions, Belushi continued to polish his skills as a performer. He recalls performing in Megan Terry’s “Tommy Allen Show.” Belushi says he kept a busy schedule at Southern.

“Between rehearsing, performing and running shows on stage, I worked very hard at SIU,” he says. “I’m grateful to Marion Kleinau for allowing me the freedom to work 12 to 14 hours a day in that building. She is another example of a woman mentor who got me to places I needed to be. She was wonderful.”

Belushi admits that he didn’t forget how to enjoy college life in Carbondale. When he wasn’t busy working at the Calipre Stage, Belushi would hook up with buddies at Jim’s Pub on the Strip. But other than an occasional journey to Illinos Avenue, he was focused on the goal at hand.

“I lived and breathed the speech department while I was at SIU,” he says. Soon after graduating from Southern in 1977, Belushi became a member of Chicago’s Second City, the famed venue that launched his brother’s career. By this time, John had become an international superstar, primarily through his exploits on Saturday Night Live, and for the comedic havoc he created in the 1978 film, Animal House.

The comparisons appeared to be inevitable. But Belushi says he didn’t feel added pressure to follow in his brother’s footsteps.

“It was never a problem for me because John’s footsteps were so huge. He was just so outside of this world. I mean, John was a freaking genius,” Belushi says. “He was just different.

“John led the comic edge during that time period. It was more of a standard to reach than a pressure to fall under.”

Belushi was a resident member of Second City until he left for Hollywood in 1980, after writer/producer Gary Marshall spotted him on stage in Chicago and cast him as a co-star in the Paramount Television pilot Who’s
"Paramount was looking for someone to fill a role in this show," Belushi says. "Marshall told them that he remembered seeing this guy Belushi in Chicago. They said 'Belushi's not available. He's doing movies.' Gary responded, 'No. No. I'm talking about the brother; he's very funny.'

"He flew me out to California, and that was really the start of my career."

The Belushi brothers appeared to be on top of the world. John had become a household name. Little brother Jim, who had also received a part in the national touring company of *The Pirates of Penzance*, was blazing a trail of his own in the industry.

But on March 5, 1982, while Jim was backstage in the middle of a voice rehearsal at the Shubert Theatre in Chicago, he received word that John had died. He initially thought it was a joke, but the report was confirmed. John was only 33.

Jim proceeded to do his *Pirates* show that evening because he said John's death "still didn't seem real to me."

"I still thought it was a joke, but it eventually hit me," he says. "Death of a loved one is not something you can prepare for under any circumstances. It's difficult to begin with, but a public death is really weird. Everywhere I turn, people know about it. It's been 20 years, and I'm still talking to people about it."

"I loved my brother. I loved what he did and who he was. His shadow is always there and I don't want it to go away."

John's shadow was even more prevalent when Jim joined the *Saturday Night Live* cast in 1983. A two-year stint with the program led to his earning a role in *About Last Night*, the film that Belushi says launched his career, starring alongside Demi Moore, Rob Lowe and Elizabeth Perkins.

He reprised a role from a character in the play *Sexual Perversity in Chicago* and the film version - and Belushi - were big hits.

"About Last Night was absolutely the movie that took my career to the next level. That was a terrific movie," he says. "It changed my life."

After *About Last Night*, movie offers began to swirl. With movie credits too numerous to mention, some roles have worked better than others. Belushi has fond feelings for every character he's ever played.

"I love every role. They're all like children to me, and each character has a piece of my heart. I embrace all experiences - good or bad."

And now a nation's television audience is embracing Jim Belushi.

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Discovering A New Talent At The House of Blues

Most know Jim Belushi for his film and television performances, but he is also becoming quite the musician.

Belushi and Dan Aykroyd are partners in the House of Blues chain. Years ago, Aykroyd told Belushi he wanted them to team up to reprise the Blues Brothers act as a means to promote the opening of every House of Blues facility. The Southern product was initially reluctant.

"I said, 'Danny, I really don't do that. I have a bit of a trained voice, but not a beautiful one.' Then he said, 'Well, you better learn.'"

In preparation for his musical role as "Brother Zee," Belushi began singing with the Sacred Hearts, the official House of Blues band. That endeavor soon grew to new heights, and last year the band did 60 shows across the United States. Over the years they have performed at various festivals, benefits, casinos and private corporate events. The Sacred Hearts even did concerts for former U.S. President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore.

The House of Blues chain currently includes establishments in Cambridge, Myrtle Beach, Orlando, New Orleans, Anaheim, Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Chicago.

Singing the blues provides a nice change of pace to Belushi's offerings on the silver screen. "I am thrilled with this band," he beams, "and am having the time of my life performing with them."
SIU Instructors And Classmates Say

Belushi Had A Passion For Performing

by Greg Scott

Jim Belushi credits several mentors for providing him with guidance that helped his rise to stardom, and encountered one of these teachers while a student at Southern.

Marion Kleinau, a former professor who taught, directed productions and wrote scripts for what is known as interpreters, or student at Southern.

While most fans know Belushi for the characters he portrays in Hollywood productions, he has never forgotten the opportunities afforded him while working and performing at Calipre Stage.

"It was obvious to me that Jim was nervous and unsure that he could make it here. He did, however, look excited about studying at another level."

Once he enrolled at Southern, Belushi was a student in Kleinau's debate class. However, he soon discovered that this wasn't his cup of tea.

"I did not do well in his class. I wasn't a debater," Belushi says. "But he was always nice to me."

Kleinau says Belushi's struggles with debate weren't due to a lack of effort. "Jim took a bull-in-a-china-closet approach. He just had a great affection for these things," he says. "Debate probably wasn't an area he had much interest in, but he tried." Such effort became indicative of the young SIU student.

"It was incredibly moving. I remember so clearly the silence in the room when he finished," says Mitchell, now director of Interpreters Theatre at the University of Northern Iowa. "To this day, when I teach that poem to my students in performance classes, I still see the expression on Jim's face and hear the emotion in his voice: 'Rage, rage against the dying of the light.' That is my best memory of Jim Belushi."

Belushi's passion for performing is evident when he reflects on his days at Southern.

"Marion Kleinau and the speech department at SIU remains a huge part of the backbone of what I do today," he says. "I found my home there. Everywhere I turned, I could find work in some aspect of theater. I gained as much experience as I could while in school. SIU was great for that."
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DiMeo Has Stayed One Step Ahead In The Advertising Game

by Marianne Lawrence

Long before Michael Jordan left the Chicago Bulls, Bernie DiMeo and his staff were thinking about how to deal with it.

As president and CEO of DiMeo & Co., a Chicago advertising agency, the 1971 SIU radio and television graduate knew that someday the championship team and its superstar would be gone. He persuaded the Bulls' organization, one of his agency's largest clients, to develop a strategy for the post Jordan seasons.

DiMeo & Co. got the go-ahead and before Jordan left produced the "Most Valuable Ticket in Town," a highly successful campaign that encouraged people to get on a waiting list for season tickets. The fans' response created a huge database.

After Jordan left, DiMeo used the database for a direct mail piece containing a three-dimensional replica of the United Center, videotape, and brochure offering the chance to buy season tickets. The campaign won an International Mobius Award for Excellence and helped keep the United Center full of fans, in spite of the Bulls' continued losing seasons.

As his agency celebrates its 15th year, DiMeo reflects on his college days. "I enjoyed my days in radio at SIU," he says. "I hosted programs called 'Music in the Air' and 'Music Southern Style' in addition to spending time in the newsroom."

DiMeo particularly recalls the infamous riots of 1970 as a student worker in the newsroom. "When things escalated with tear gas it was tempting to report something like 'my God, they're attacking us!' but instead we had to be more objec-
Radio was my dream," DiMeo admits. But advertising has proven to be his calling.

Radio was my dream—but reality set in and I realized after graduation that radio jobs were not too secure and for the most part not too lucrative," DiMeo recalls. He instead took a position as public relations specialist for the Chicago Park District and, while with another agency, did work for the political campaigns of Chicago Mayor Michael Bilandic and Illinois lieutenant governor Neil Hartigan.

In 1987 DiMeo struck out on his own with one really big client—the Chicago White Sox. At first he worked with freelancers to get the job done, but soon hired a secretary, then slowly added more staff and more clients. The agency of 15, still comparatively small, is a powerful award-winning enterprise.

From its White Sox "Good Guys Wear Black" television campaign to billboard designs for the Schaumburg Flyers minor league baseball team, DiMeo & Co. has won more than 50 awards since its inception. Other clients include Amtrak, Mercedes Benz USA, Merlin Muffler & Brake Shops and Wendy's as well as numerous Chicago area businesses and restaurants.

DiMeo & Co. frequently does specialized work that is not handled by other agencies. "We've taken on assignments from large clients that their lead agencies can't do, don't want to do, or simply charge too much to do," says DiMeo. "Not all advertising assignments are sexy and they aren't always TV shoots and well-known athletes, but this kind of work is very important to our clients' business."

DiMeo stays deeply involved in his award-winning agency's creations. "The fun part of the job is seeing an idea come out of a brainstorming session—whether it's in the office or drinking beer with colleagues after work. I like seeing the ideas evolve into a campaign that makes a difference for our client.

DiMeo says he frequently runs into fellow Salukis from the production side of the SIU Radio-TV program. "They are always good to work with," he says.

The DiMeo family, his wife, Laura and three sons, Danny, 15, Michael, 13, and Anthony, 12, live in Wilmette.

After Michael Jordan left the Bulls, DiMeo's agency tackled the problem and won awards for a campaign that kept the United Center full of fans.

"Radio was my dream," DiMeo admits. But advertising has proven to be his calling.
Southern Students Part Of Dinosaur Research Project

by Rod Sievers

Working with a sharp knife and a pair of scissors, Joseph Peterson, a geology student at Southern, carefully cuts into a large plaster-covered package sitting on a table in the basement of Parkinson Laboratory.

Inside, carefully wrapped, is the humorous bone of a triceratops, a plant-eating dinosaur that roamed the earth 67 million years ago. This bone was found in eastern Montana's Hell Creek formation, a premier stomping ground for dinosaurs during the last hurrah of the prehistoric era.

"The triceratops was one of the last dinosaurs to face extinction," says Peterson, pulling away the protective covering, "so this really represents the final days of the dinosaurs." A junior from Pecatonica, Ill., Peterson and a group of other geology students will spend many months cleaning and preserving the specimen before sending it to the Burpee Museum of Natural History in Rockford.

SIUC's connection to the museum is alumnus Michael Henderson, who earned bachelor's and master's degrees in geology at the university in 1986 and 1989 respectively. He serves as curator of earth sciences at the museum and led an expedition to Montana this past summer where he and other scientists unearthed a complete skeleton of the Nanotyrannus lancensis, a small cousin of the Tyrannosaurus rex.

Some scientists have called the find one of the most important dinosaur discoveries in the past 100 years, since scientists have long thought the Nanotyrannus existed, but fossilized proof had never been discovered.

Peterson says the Nanotyrannus find directly benefits Southern. "While the folks at Burpee are wrapped up in that work, we're getting many of the projects they can't get to," says Peterson, who helped set up the partnership between SIUC and the museum.

The collaboration between the University and Burpee will enhance research opportunities for Southern students, one of the goals of the Southern at 150 initiative, a long-range
plan that focuses on the future of the Carbondale campus.

“Our undergraduate and graduate students will play a crucial role in this project. We are also using this opportunity to expand our outreach program for local junior and high school students,” says Harvey Henson Jr., a research project specialist in the geology department. “This is an incredible draw for local students interested in hands-on geology. They will work and learn alongside some of the top dinosaur researchers in the field.”

Hunter Bruns, a junior at Carbondale High School, is one of the lucky high school students involved in the program. “I’ve always been interested in fossils, and I’m looking forward to this project,” says Bruns. “It offers a lot of interesting work – work that I hope to continue when I come to Southern.”

Steven Esling, chair of SIUC’s geology department, believes the program is an excellent way to bring students into the study of science. “This is the kind of program that really wakes them up to the history of the earth,” he says, noting that paleontology, or the study of dinosaurs, is a branch of geology. “Many geologists entered the field because they developed an interest in dinosaurs when they were young.”

Henson notes that the preparation and casting work helps scientists around the globe. “The work we do here will benefit researchers and students at other locations,” he says. “It allows scientists to study these fossils without having to travel, and it gives students terrific opportunities to learn about dinosaurs and science.”

Junior and senior high school students interested in the geology department’s outreach program can call Henson at 618-453-7349 or e-mail him at henson@geo.siu.edu. To learn more about Southern’s ongoing search for evidence of dinosaurs in Illinois, visit http://www.science.siu.edu/geology/big_dino.html.

Radio-TV Student Wins Regional Honors

Christopher McHugh, a radio-television major at SIU, snared first place for his work on a television program in a collegiate competition put on by the Heartland chapter of the National Broadcasting Society.

The winning half-hour program featured a country music performance by the Mike Whitney Band. It is just one of the weekly, student-produced segments in the “Studio A” television series, which televises musical and theater performances by area artists.

McHugh is a senior specializing in television production and is from Chatham. He also works at the Broadcasting Service in TV post-production and master control.

Senior Is Lincoln Academy Student Laureate

Kenneth Keefe of Orland Park, a senior in computer science at SIU, is the University's 2002 Lincoln Academy Student Laureate.

The Lincoln Academy of Illinois honors one outstanding graduating senior from each college and university in the state. Selection criteria include showing a commitment to education, serving the community and exemplifying the principles for which Abraham Lincoln stood.

Illinois Gov. George Ryan presented Keefe with a Lincoln Academy Medallion and a check for $150 at an award ceremony in Springfield Nov. 2. Majoring in both mathematics and computer science, Keefe has been on the dean’s list in science every semester he has attended Southern. He is a member of numerous honor societies, including Golden Key, Alpha Lambda Delta, Gamma Beta Phi and Pi Mu Epsilon. He is a member of the Association for Computing Machinery and was recently appointed to an undergraduate assistantship in the Department of Computer Science.

Keefe belongs to the Marching Salukis and has served as drum major for the past two years. He has successfully auditioned for chairs in SIU’s most advanced wind ensemble, the top jazz band, the Saluki Pep Band and plays several instruments in the University Symphonic Band.
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A Master On The Links

Former Saluki Golfer Jock Olson Is Named PGA Professional Of The Year

by Marianne Lawrence

Before he was in grade school, Jock Olson could be found on the golf course working on his game. That work has paid off.

Last month, the Professional Golfers Association handed the master professional its highest honor — PGA Golf Professional of the Year. "It was really neat," says Olson '72, a life member of the SIU Alumni Association, who was recently honored during ceremonies held during the PGA's 86th annual convention in Philadelphia.

Minnesota has been Olson's home for the past nine years where he is head professional of Interlachen Country Club in Edina, site of this year's international Solheim Cup matches. "Hosting this event between the LPGA and European ladies competitions was a huge responsibility," says Olson, who coordinated the tournament. Solheim is the equivalent of the men's Ryder Cup and was nationally televised in September. "This has been the busiest year of my life — and one of the most rewarding."

Olson began playing golf with his parents when he was 5 years old at their small country club in Marshalltown, Iowa. "I always played with my parents," he says. Whether caddying, playing or helping around the course, he was always involved in the game and knew early on what he wanted to do. "When I was 8 years old, we made holiday cards for our parents at school. I signed mine, 'Jock, the pro.'"

When Olson remembers the beginning of his love for the game, he thinks of a Marshalltown golf pro named Joe August. "He was special in how he ran his club and the way he got to know people and serve them. I knew then that was something I wanted to do."

When the family moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Olson continued to play golf and came to Southern on the recommendation of a friend, B.J. Trickey, who was playing baseball for then Coach Itchy Jones. A radio and television major, Olson always thought that if his golf career didn't work out, he could do radio. Actually, he now does both. At Interlachen pro,
he hosts a weekly radio golf show with tips for listeners and produces training CDs and other media. "I really use the skills I learned in that major."

At SIU, Olson not only selected the best possible major and made the men's golf team, but he also met his future wife. The former Cherie Hill '71 of Mt. Carmel, Ill., also lived in Brush Towers. "I kept seeing her while we were at lunch and dinner," recalls Olson. It wasn't long before the pair became an item.

In recalling his days on the men's golf team, Olson says it was always fun to be with Coach Lynn Holder. "There wasn't a lot of money in the program, so we did a lot of driving to tournaments and ate a lot of Kentucky Fried Chicken."

He still sees friends from SIU, as well as people he has taught the game of golf to from all over the country. "However," he stresses, "there is nothing like getting together with my golf buddies from SIU."

One of those friends, Steve Heckel '70, remembers Olson from SIU days and still sees him in his role as a professional. Heckel is head pro at Crab Orchard Golf Club in Carterville, Ill., and is helping organize a special alumni reunion for golfers for Homecoming 2003.

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Heckel describes Olson as the consummate professional. "Jock has gone a long way and is at a prestigious golf club doing a great job," says Heckel, who was a member of one of SIU's NCAA tournament teams. "The people there (in Minnesota) think the world of him and his wife."

After graduating, Olson began his professional golf career a year later as an assistant professional at the Des Moines, Iowa Golf & Country Club. In 1976, Olson became head professional at Burlington, Iowa Golf Club, until 1982 when he was named head professional at Cedar Rapids Country Club.

In 1993 he became only the fifth head professional in the history of Interlachen Country Club, a course that hosted the 1930 U.S. Open — the third leg of legendary Bobby Jones' Grand Slam.

Olson's list of accomplishments within the PGA is long and distinguished. He achieved master professional status by continuing his education in the PGA schools and by writing a thesis. According to Olson, there are only 200 professionals out of 26,000 in the PGA who have achieved this status.

An active leader at all levels of the PGA, Olson is one of the most respected teachers in the association. He chaired the 1992 and 1994 PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit and is executive staff member of the Craft-Zavichas National Golf School, where he has taught since 1981.

Teaching—from the average member of his country club to more serious professionals—is something Olson really enjoys. "I like teaching people to enjoy the game. It means they will play in the future. There is great satisfaction in helping people become better—improving their game," Olson was selected by Golf Digest magazine in 2000 and 2001 as one of Minnesota's "Greatest Teachers."

Other honors include the Iowa PGA Golf Professional of the Year (1986), PGA Teacher of the Year (1985), and Horton Smith Award (1982 and 1999). He also received the Iowa Golf Association's 1983 Outstanding Service Award and was the IGA's 1986 Golf Professional of the Year.
His family is an extremely important part of Olson's life. For 27 years, his wife, Cherie, has been his partner in running golf shops where Olson has been pro. "She handles the clothes," says Olson, "and she leaves the golf clubs to me. It has really become a family business."

The couple has three daughters. Kristin, 28, played on the first ladies golf team at Northwestern University. She has a law degree and is practicing and teaching at the University of Minnesota. "She actually lives on a golf course," quips Olson.

Twenty-five-year-old Kelli's sports were tennis and volleyball. A graduate of Valparaiso, she is a union contract negotiator in Washington, D.C. Kalen, 22, is in graduate school at Washington University, St. Louis, working on a Ph.D. in developmental biology.

Ten family members were in Philadelphia to help Olson celebrate his big moment. In accepting the honor, he remarked, "winning this award was a huge surprise and a great honor. It is difficult to put into words."

Olson is always ready to give praise to the assistants he has had over the years, saying, "I've been fortunate to be in the right place at the right time in my career. I'm just one person. To be successful and to devote yourself to the game of golf and its future, you have to have tremendous support from your family and your club."

"I have been fortunate to have had many excellent assistants wherever I've worked," says Olson. "It has been rewarding to see them go on to great positions in golf and also to see junior players you've taught be successful in the game."

Olson is grateful to have the opportunity to do what he loves. The former Saluki won't be resting on his laurels this year either, but will more than likely begin planning and promoting the U.S. Women's Open that he will host at his country club in 2008.

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SIU Men's Golf Team Planning Reunion Homecoming Weekend

If SIU Men's Golf Coach Leroy Newton has his way, SIU's 2003 Homecoming will be a special one for alumni who once played for Saluki men's golf teams. Newton '66 and Steve Heckel '70, the professional at Crab Orchard Golf Club in Carterville, Ill., are part of a nine-member committee planning the special reunion. "We are trying to get in touch with as many alums as possible," says Newton. "We want anyone who has been on our golf teams to come back and participate in the event."

Heckel explains that the goal is to create a major event that would honor the 1964 and 1965 championship teams. A dinner is planned for Thursday, Oct. 9, followed by the annual "Fund Day Scramble" on Friday, Oct. 10th. Planners hope to bolster this annual event with the attendance of professionals like Jock Olson, Jerry Tucker '77, Richard Tock '72, and many others.

Introduction of the championship teams of the 1960s during halftime of Saturday's Homecoming game is also in the works. The SIU golf team won the NCAA small college division title in 1964, and the 1965 team placed second.

Any alumni wanting more information on the reunion can call Coach Newton, 618-453-7248, or contact him by e-mail at lnewton@siu.edu.
Brandon Honored With Alumni Achievement Award

A Herrin man respected for his long-time devotion and commitment to his alma mater recently was honored with 2002 Alumni Achievement Award for Distinguished Service at Southern Illinois University.

Lee Roy Brandon received the honor at a Homecoming luncheon hosted by the SIU Alumni Association and the SIU Foundation Board of Directors. The award recognizes SIU alumni or friends for exemplary service to the Alumni Association and the University.

A longtime supporter and ambassador for Southern, Brandon served as an association national board member from 1982 to 1991 and was treasurer of the organization's board from 1983 to 1991. He was a member of several alumni association committees, including: budget, executive, finance, investments, long-range planning and money manager ad hoc committee. He earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University in 1958.

A life member of the SIU Alumni Association, Brandon has been a member of the Williamson County Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association since 1965, receiving the chapter's Outstanding Achievement Award in 1970. He was also a member of the advisory council for former SIU President Ted Sanders.

In addition to the time he commits to Southern, Brandon has been a volunteer for several other organizations. He has been active in the Boy and Girl Scouts programs, having served on the Shagbark Girl Scout Council management committee and the Eagle Scout Board of Review. He is a past president and board member in the Herrin Unit 4 School District.

Brandon, who served in the United States Air Force from 1952 to 1956, has received many awards, including "Scouter of the Year" award from Egyptian Council, the "Citizen of the Year" award from the Herrin Jaycees and the "Friend of Education" award from the Herrin Education Association.

An SIU College of Business Hall of Famer, Brandon's professional career included a stint as store manager of Kroger grocery store in Herrin from 1958 to 1962; sales manager for Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company in Marion from 1962 to 1967; executive director for Herrin Chamber of Commerce for five years; and senior program administrator for the Illinois Development Finance Authority from 1972 to 1997. After a brief retirement, Brandon returned to the workforce as the first full-time executive director of the Jackson County Business Development Corporation in fall 1999.

He and his wife, Jeanette, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July. They have three children, Eric, Yvonne and Leanne, all of whom graduated from Southern and met their spouses, who are also SIU alumni, at Southern. They also have seven grandchildren.

Jeanette and Lee Roy Brandon enjoy the SIU Homecoming Parade during the busy weekend celebration. He was honored the day before with the 2002 Alumni Achievement Award.

SIU Alumni Association Seeks Award Nominations

The SIU Alumni Association presents the 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 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 recipients. If you know someone - like Lee Roy Brandon - who is worthy of this award, please take a few moments to let us know. 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.
Southern Illinois University Foundation

Honor Roll

of Donors

Carbondale, Illinois

2002
The Honor Roll captures gifts made by individuals, corporations, foundations and organizations to SIUC through its foundation offices in Carbondale, Chicago and Springfield between July 1, 2001 and June 30, 2002.

In our giving societies (Allyn, Parkinson, Shryock, Pulliam, Morris, Old Main, and Chancellor’s Circle) which reflect cumulative giving, only those donors whose total giving reached a milestone level during the current fiscal year are listed. In past years, we have listed the names of donors whose cumulative giving reached a milestone in years other than the current year and have continued to list those donors whether they made a gift during the current year or not. These changes allow us to present a clearer picture of the fundraising activity of the current fiscal year.

Every attempt was made to ensure accuracy in the reporting of donors in this publication as well as to honor the wishes of anonymous donors. However, we wish to apologize for any errors which may have occurred in the omission or inaccurate listing of any name. If an error is discovered, please contact the Director of Advancement Services at (618) 453-4900, and we will correct the error.
At Southern Illinois University, we take great pride in the financial generosity and partnership alumni and friends afford this institution. While always important to the continued success of SIU, your current support has perhaps never been more crucial — or appreciated.

Monetary shortfalls passed down from the State of Illinois following last year's tragic Sept. 11 terrorist attacks have forced all agencies and institutions to cut budgets in a dramatic fashion. A key challenge we face at the University is to find ways to continue to provide a quality education for our student body, while meeting goals and edicts mandated by diminished funding for education.

On the pages that follow, you will see the names of alumni and friends who have partnered with us to advance the University during the past fiscal year. For those on this list, we thank you for the support and pride in keeping the legacy of SIU alive. For those who have often considered a gift, but have never made that decision, we need — and would appreciate — your help during this crucial time in our state’s economic history.

Providing support for our student body encompasses a myriad of areas. In addition to the conventional teaching and classroom setting, your support subsidizes scholarships, research assistance, technology upgrades, and countless other effects that allow our young people to thrive at Southern.

We respect that you have tough choices to make when considering financial contributions, but hope you will decide to assist Southern Illinois University in its pursuit for continued excellence.

Rickey N. McCurry, Esquire
Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement
CEO, SIU Foundation

Another year has passed, and alumni and friends of Southern Illinois University have opened their hearts with generous and essential support of the institution.

Although this year has been fraught with budget cuts and threatened cutbacks, the “2002 Honor Roll of Donors” listed in this issue of Southern Alumni is proof of a strong commitment by supporters of this University.

A visionary plan launched by Chancellor Walter Wendler, “Southern at 150,” promises to articulate a series of commitments and actions that will place SIU among the top 75 public research universities in the United States by the year 2019, our 150th anniversary.

This exciting venture will need even more support as it begins to build momentum, and I hope new supporters will join us to partner in this effort. It will be an exciting and important time as we strive to achieve this lofty goal.

Under the leadership of Chancellor Wendler, Vice Chancellor Rickey McCurry, and our alumni and friends, I am confident it can be reached.

Marsha Ryan ’87
SIU Foundation President
The following cumulative categories of giving have been established to recognize those individuals and businesses that have reached the respective cumulative giving levels during fiscal year 2002 (July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002).

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None

**Businesses**
None

**OLD MAIN SOCIETY**

$500,000-$999,999

The first building on campus was begun in 1870, completed in 1874, and destroyed by fire in 1883. It was replaced by Old Main, which was built during 1885 at a cost of $132,000. It burned in 1969 and was not replaced, but its memory lives on in Old Main Mall.

**Individuals**
Thomas Y. & Chery N. Chung

**Businesses**
None

**DELYTE W. MORRIS SOCIETY**

$500,000-$999,999

This cumulative gift club honors the eighth president of the University (1948-1970), Delyte Morris, who changed Southern into a major institution, the result of his vision and innovation. Both the curriculum and the number of buildings expanded significantly during his administration. During his administration, SIU won a separate governing board, as well as national and international fame. The University’s library bears his name.

**Individuals**
Bessie Brewster
John C. Ryan & Marsha Garvin Ryan, M.D.
Edward T. & Margaret R. Simonds

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**ROSCOE E. PULLIAM SOCIETY**

$100,000-$499,999

Roscoe Pulliam was the first University alumnum to become president (1935-1944) and the first president not to be selected from the faculty. In 1943 limited university status was granted to SIU, and three colleges - Education, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Vocations - were planned. Credited to Pulliam were the alumni office, religious foundations, a student health service, and expanded faculty benefits.

**Individuals**
John R. & Linda R. Cook
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**HENRY W. SHRYOCK SOCIETY**

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This is the 50th anniversary of the University’s library bearing his name.

**Individuals**
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Donna Rehm
Judy Frear Thorpe & William P. Thorpe, M.D.

**Businesses**

**DANIEL R. PARKINSON SOCIETY**

$25,000-$499,999

Daniel Parkinson, Southern’s fourth president (1897-1913), was one of the original faculty members of the University. During his tenure extensive changes in both the curriculum and the facilities were made. In 1907 the Illinois General Assembly approved the bachelor of education degree, the first being granted by Southern Illinois Normal University in 1909. Wheeler Hall, Allyn Hall, and Anthony Hall were built during his administration.

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Albert & Leyda D. Somm
Mike Sulzer

**Individuals**
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Harvey Welch, Jr. & Patricia K. Welch, Ph.D.
Brian E. Woodard, D.C. & Gena M. Woodard
Teresa V. Zitter

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Lewis County Health Department
Mitsubishi America Corporation
Orthopedic Center of Illinois
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**ROBERT ALLYN SOCIETY**

$1,000,000-$24,999

The University’s first president (1874-1892), Robert Allyn was inaugurated on July 1, 1874, one day before the first classes began at SIU. During his term, the library was established and a Model School was set up for teacher training.

**Individuals**
Daniel Mark Adair, M.D. & Nancy Adair
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Costello Secures Funding For University Research Park


A longtime supporter of the $40 million project, Costello has announced a $200,000 Rural Business Enterprise Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Office of Rural Development. The grant is to construct a building and provide infrastructure for four businesses in the research park, which will be built adjacent to SIUC’s Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center.

Only one other Illinois project – a $58,260 ferry service feasibility study in New Boston, southwest of Moline – is receiving funds in this round of USDA grants. The funding is part of more than $6.8 million in rural business loans and grants the federal agency is making available in 32 states to enhance economic development.

“SIU is a recognized leader in the development of technology. The research park will further this mission while supporting local businesses,” Costello says. “This is an important project that benefits both the local and national economies.”

A senior member of the House Science Committee, Costello understands the academic and economic benefits of research, according to SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler. “We appreciate Congressman Costello’s continuing support for the University and the research park,” Wendler says. “We share his goals of enhancing research and economic opportunities for the entire region.”

Costello has secured $450,000 in direct appropriations for the research park. He also enacted language directing the USDA to spend available funds on the project. Earlier this year, the federal agency approved $62,000 for research park construction.

Groundbreaking for the project was Nov. 26, 2001. The first phase of infrastructure work – including clearing and grading the site, construction of a detention pond and fountain, installation of sanitary sewers and water lines and construction and installation of a distinctive pyramid and signage at the park entrance – was completed earlier this year.

Raymond Lenzi, associate chancellor for economic development and research park executive director, says the grant “will help us make a substantial down payment on our new building complex. We have approval from the Illinois Development Finance Authority for a bond issue, and we hope to close the financing for that by the end of the year.”

Although the final figure isn’t set in stone, the bond issue will be in the vicinity of $4.2-$4.3 million, and will be repaid through revenues generated by the research park, not by the University.

When fully developed, the park will house about 236,000 square feet in 12 buildings. SIUC figures as many as 75 new businesses might one day call the park home, employing 800 to 1,200 people.

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New SIU Softball Stadium Taking Shape

The new SIU softball stadium continues to progress as 2002 winds to a close. Groundwork began on June 1 under the watch of the SIU Athletic Department and Fager-McGee, the project supervisor. The stadium is on schedule to be completed soon and be ready for the start of the 2003 season.

The $1.5 million stadium will have a capacity of 500 and include chair back seating. The facility will feature dugouts, a concession stand, bathroom, locker rooms, two batting cages, lights, a press box, training room, laundry facilities and an irrigation system.

“We are extremely excited about our new softball stadium,” says Saluki Athletics Director Paul Kowalczyk. “When completed, this first-class facility will reflect our commitment to success and help our softball program compete nationally. Progress like this doesn’t just happen – it takes the support and hard work of many. We hope our alumni and friends will take pride in our efforts.”

The department also continues to welcome any contributions to this endeavor.

“Certainly, SIU Athletics will be most appreciative of contributions to the project,” Kowalczyk says. “If any one wishes to contribute to the softball stadium, they should contact Tommy Bell in the athletic development office at 618 453-3148.”
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outhern Illinois University Carbondale will be able to give more students scholarships thanks to a $2,500 donation from the J. Edgar Hoover Memorial Scholarship Program. Each year the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI makes seven donations across the country, and Southern's students benefit this year thanks to an alum who is a retired FBI agent.

"Each year, one member from each of the society's seven national regions is selected at random to choose a college or university to receive the award," says William Kucik of Chicago. "This year I was picked, and I felt Southern was a natural to receive the award."

Kucik, who graduated from SIU in 1965 with bachelor's degrees in English and physical education, was a member of the Saluki baseball team. Kucik and former Saluki Athletics Director Jim Hart roomed together during their days at Southern.

"Jim and I are old friends, and when the opportunity came up to make this donation, there was really only one place that came to my mind, and that was SIU," says Kucik.

Hart, who recently retired from the University and now lives in Naples, Fla., says he is delighted his old friend "chose to remember SIU in this way. Bill and I go back a long way and shared some great times as students and athletes here at Southern."

Southern Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement Ricky McCurry notes that the society has long supported excellence in education. "I want to thank the society for making this contribution," he says. "Donations like this help the institution attract the best and brightest students. I also wish to thank Bill for directing this gift to his alma mater This is an example we hope other alumni will follow."

The University will add the money to its general scholarship fund, which serves all SIU students. The Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI claims more than 7,700 members. Membership contributions help fund the scholarship program.

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William Kucik (second from left) and Peter Wacks (fourth from left), members of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, were at SIU recently to make the donation to the University's general scholarship fund. Pictured, from left, are Jim Hart, Kucik, Ricky McCurry, Wacks and Saluki Athletics Director Paul Kowalczyk.
New Music School Scholarship Honors Former Chair

A new scholarship established at Southern Illinois University Carbondale offers more educational opportunities to students in the University's School of Music.

When Mary Kesnar, the widow of a former SIU music department chairman and professor, passed away in December 1999, she left the School of Music $82,608 to establish an endowed scholarship. The music school will provide one or more scholarships for students using the investment income generated from Kesnar's gift.

According to Robert Weiss, director of the School of Music, the school will offer the need for the scholarship for the first time in spring 2003. Music majors who can demonstrate musical ability as well as financial need will be eligible for the scholarship, he says.

"One of our greatest needs in the School of Music is adequate scholarship support for the many talented students who audition and wish to come to SIU," Weiss notes. "The scholarships generated by this single gift will provide us with significant new resources that will greatly enhance our ability to recruit talented musicians."

Kesnar's husband, Maurit, expanded the music department during his tenure from 1946 until 1957, which led the National Association of Schools of Music to approve SIU's Bachelor of Science in music education in 1949. Southern honored Kesnar's contributions by naming a building for him. Kesnar Hall today houses the offices of Student Health Programs and the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps.

A native of Austria, Mary Kesnar received a bachelor's degree in education from SIU in 1954. After her husband passed away in 1957, she pursued a master's degree in education from the University of Illinois and became a schoolteacher.
Mitsubishi Gives SIU Auto Technology Program Six Cars

A donation to the SIU Automotive Technology Program at will give students the chance to gain valuable hands-on experience with some of the newest cars on the road. Marion Mitsubishi and Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc. recently presented the department with five 2002 Mitsubishi Lancers and a 1999 Mitsubishi Mirage.

"We are excited to donate these vehicles to help further the education of auto technology students at SIU," says Dan Sherman, a service technical training center manager for Mitsubishi and a 1990 graduate of Southern's Auto Technology Program. "These students are tomorrow's industry experts, and working on these vehicles will provide them with marketable skills upon graduation.

Jack Greer, program chairman, says the cars represent the largest single donation to the auto tech enterprise. "It will give us the ability to allow an entire class to do the same type of project on the same type of car," he notes. "It adds a whole new dimension to our class work."

Jeff Hampton of Mitsubishi's north central regional office, a 1995 graduate of the University's auto tech program, says his company knows the value of supporting SIU.

"Southern has the No. 1 automotive program in the country, and it's a great place to recruit new employees," says Hampton. "By making this donation, Mitsubishi is supporting a good program with excellent faculty and students."

From left, Dan Sherman, Jeff Hampton, Jack Greer and Michael Behrmann show off six cars donated to the program by Marion Mitsubishi and Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America.
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In addition, a planned gift can allow the donor to make a substantial contribution while still providing for, and sometimes even enhancing, his or her own financial security and that of his or her loved ones. Planned giving can also offer substantial benefit to the donor in the form of tax deductions, professional management of assets, and increased income.

It is also of tremendous importance to the University, as Yvonne Spencer, director of planned giving for the SIU Foundation, explains. "Outright gifts are the lifeblood of the university, since they help pay for the day-to-day costs of operating the institution. However, planned gifts are vitally important to the long-term success of the University, since they are usually larger gifts that we know we can count on in the future," says Spencer.

Following are the types of planned gifts accepted by the SIU Foundation:

**Bequest**

A Bequest is a charitable gift left to an institution through a person's will. It is the most common method of leaving assets to a charitable institution. An individual can leave a specific amount of money, a specific piece of property, a percentage of his or her assets, or the "residue" or what's left after providing for loved ones. Giving a percentage of one's assets is popular because it allows for fluctuations in the value of the estate. Keep in mind when considering a bequest to use the proper name of the institution you intend to give to. For example, bequests intended for the Southern Illinois University Foundation must contain the full name of the organization, not merely "SIU."

**Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust**

A Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust allows individuals to make gifts while still providing economic security for themselves and their loved ones. A donor transfers assets to a trust, from which payments are made to the donor and/or his designees. At the end of the trust period, the assets remaining in the trust become the property of the charitable institution. Some of the benefits of a donor can include increased income from low-yielding assets, the reduction or elimination of estate, capital gains, and gift taxes, and the diversification of investment assets. The charitable remainder annuity trust provides a fixed income based on the value of assets at the time the trust is created.

**Charitable Gift Annuity Agreement**

Charitable Gift Annuity Agreement offers the same benefits as the charitable remainder annuity trust but pays a fluctuating income based on a fixed percentage of the trust's annual value.

**Charitable Lead Trust**

A Charitable Lead Trust allows a donor's gift to provide immediate income for charitable purposes and lets the individual pass assets to his or her heirs at a reduced cost to the donor upon the termination of the trust. Charitable lead trusts have been used to pass substantial wealth from generation to generation.

**Revocable Living Trust Agreement**

A Revocable Living Trust Agreement provides for an eventual gift that can be revoked at the request of the donor during his or her lifetime. The donor receives no income tax deduction for the gift. However, savings can be realized in the form of an estate tax deduction for the amount passing to charity at the time of the donor's death. This type of planned gift offers a risk-free way to arrange for a charitable gift while still retaining the right to use the assets should the need arise.

**Life Estate Agreement**

A Life Estate Agreement allows for a gift of real property such as a house, farm or acreage. Under a life estate agreement, the donors may continue to live in and use the property for their lifetimes. The owner continues to be responsible for upkeep, insurance, and taxes on the property, and is entitled to any income it generates. The owner may take a tax deduction in the year of the gift equal to the value of the "remainder" interest. At the time of death, the charitable recipient may use or sell the property.

If you have questions about planned giving, contact Spencer at the SIU Foundation by calling (618) 453-4900 or reach her electronically at yvonnem@siu.edu.
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A Free Job Service For Alumni Association Members

In America's quest to attain economic stability, the job search continues to be a formidable task. However, a new employment initiative at Southern could make this duty a little less strenuous for members of the SIU Alumni Association.

In cooperation with SIUC Career Services, the Alumni Association is providing alumni members with an opportunity to receive assistance from their alma mater in finding a suitable employer—free of charge.

Career Services coordinates Saluki Recruiting, an interactive, computerized employment program that aids SIUC alumni and students in seeking job and internship opportunities. Saluki Recruiting enables job seekers to register personal, academic, and work experience information with Career Services.

Through this simple software application, registrants can search for job opportunities, upload their resume and cover letter for specific jobs, and schedule interview times. This job search network coordinates interaction between Career Services specialists, job recruiters, students, faculty, staff, and alumni to generate employment opportunities.

While Saluki Recruiting usually requires a $65 registration fee, the SIU Alumni Association, in partnership with Career Services, is now offering this service free of charge to all Alumni Association members. Non-members must either pay the mandatory $65 fee, or become a dues-paying member of the Alumni Association to enjoy this complimentary service.

Through this computerized program, employers can post their job descriptions electronically, focusing on information regarding desired qualifications, education, and experience. Various types of vacancies can be posted including full-time, part-time/seasonal, co-op, and internship opportunities.

In turn, upon registering to participate in the service, job seekers can complete searches with key words or specific job titles. If the potential employee qualifies for the position, they can submit their resume and cover letter online.

This provides potential employers with an opportunity to research candidates online. An interview date, time, and location can be scheduled between the employer and job seeker via e-mail. Career Services also sponsors annual career/job fairs and hosts on-campus visits for employers wishing to interview candidates.

Registrants have access to the service 24 hours daily, even when the Career Services office is closed for business. For more information on Saluki Recruiting, call 618-453-1045 or check material via their website at http://www.siu.edu/~ucs/.

Presenting The Official Southern Illinois University Class Ring

For the first time in Southern Illinois University Carbondale's history, SIU students and alumni can purchase and wear class rings with an identical design. SIU and the SIU Alumni Association are introducing an official class ring available to alumni and students who have made significant advancement toward attaining their degree.

The new Official Southern Illinois University Class Ring, designed to provide students and alumni with a symbol to forever commemorate their college experiences, was unveiled Dec. 3 and is now available for purchase. To place your order, call 1-800-355-1145 (operator 351). Or visit www.milestonetraditions.com/colleges/siu_rings.htm to view online.

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Southern Crowns 2002
King And Queen

Kelli Belangee of Dahlgren, Ill., and Michael Eagle of Chicago were crowned as Southern royalty at halftime of the 2002 homecoming football game.

Belangee, a senior majoring in business and administration, was elected queen from among eight candidates. Eagle, a senior majoring in psychology with a minor in English, was elected king from among four candidates. SIU students cast ballots for the homecoming court Oct. 1.

Belangee is president of the Inter-Greek Council and was a member of the Southern at 150 Task Force. Creating and supporting traditions that foster a lifelong attachment to the University, such as Homecoming, are among the goals of the Southern at 150 initiative, a long-range plan that offers guidance for the growth of SIUC.

Eagle's activities include Student Resident Assistant, president of the Black Undergraduate Psychology Society, working with children at Carbondale's Eurma Hayes Center and the Carbondale Middle School and doing housework and odd jobs for the Women's Center.

Dawgs Beat Leathernecks 54-52
The SIU football team, riding the 261-yard, four-touchdown effort of Muhammad Abdulqaadir (at right), beat Western Illinois 54-52 in the Homecoming game, ending 18 years of frustration. The Salukis had not defeated the Leathernecks since 1983, and the win launched a celebration (shown above) that covered the turf at McAndrew Stadium.

'Saluki Luau'
Experiences At Southern Have Guided Chris Bury To National News Prominence

by Gene Green

An event that occurred over three decades ago still makes ABC News Nightline correspondent Chris Bury ’75 break into a wide smile. Recently honored with the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award, the nationally-respected newsman vividly recalls where his thrill of reporting first began.
SIU student Ben Lawson, who introduced Bury at the awards presentation, had an opportunity to talk to the Southern grad at the Wall of Fame ceremony.

"I was hanging around the offices at WIDB Radio in 1970, when we got word that there was a huge anti-war demonstration taking place downtown," Bury remembers. "I ran out of the office with tape recorder in hand, sprinted to Illinois Avenue, and saw some students trashing some stores and battling the National Guard and State Police.

"The authorities chased the students back toward campus, and the next thing I knew there was tear gas everywhere. I was standing there with no real strong feelings about the war – I was just hoping the batteries in my tape recorder were holding out!"

Bury recorded the heated event, taped some interviews, and excitedly hurried back to WIDB with his first real news story in tow. Moments after arriving, WLS Radio in Chicago called the student station to see if anyone there could supply them with a report of the riot they were hearing about.

For the Park Forest, Ill., native, the mere thought of the 50,000-watt giant using his material was almost more than he could imagine. Bury fed an audiotape to the Chicago station, called his parents, and screamed into the phone, "I'm going to be on WLS!"

That alone would have been thrill enough, but later that month he received a check from WLS for $7.50. "What a concept," he thought at the time. "They are paying me for doing something I would have done for free. It was my first professional taste of journalism, and it happened right here at SIU."

Those early days at Southern paved the way for what has been a remarkable career in the media.

Since January 1993, Bury has been a correspondent for ABC News Nightline, based in Washington, D.C., and since August 1999, he has served as a substitute anchor. Bury joined ABC in 1982 as a general assignment correspondent based in Chicago.

In Washington, he has covered many major stories, including the impeachment and Senate trial of President Clinton, the 1996 and 2000 presidential races, the Clinton White House, Whitewater, the Asian economic crisis, the political battle over health care reform, the American military policy in Somalia, gays in the military, and the siege of the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas, and its political aftermath.

Married to Catherine Catalane, the SIU graduate and his wife have two sons, Jack and Charles, and live in Maryland.
The early impetus for all of this, however, began in Illinois. The son of a corporate communications executive at the former International Harvester (now Navistar, Inc.) and an elementary school teacher, Bury grew up in the Chicago area and saw his interest in journalism blossom.

He produced newscasts on his high school’s radio station and excelled in “radio speaking” competitions on the speech team. When it was time to go to college, affordability and strong communications programs drew him to SIU. “I minored in radio-television, but majored in political science on the advice of my father,” he says. “I recall resenting it at the time, but he felt that an academic major such as political science or history would serve me better in the long run. He turned out to be right, of course, and the political science courses I took from such excellent professors as John Jackson and Richard Dale have provided a strong foundation for covering national politics and world events.”

Today, he offers good old-fashioned advice to kids who want to make it in the news business. “This sounds simplistic,” admits Bury, “but read and write as much as you can. Knowledge and writing ability never go out of style.”

He also feels the actual major is less important than “making certain you learn while you are in school. Young people ask me often what they should do to prepare for the real world, and I always tell them to make certain they learn to write. If they can do that, they’ll always be employable in this profession.”

Bury, who earned two degrees in political science—a bachelor’s at SIU and a master’s at the University of Wisconsin—remains forever grateful for his early years at the University. “SIU was a terrific place to start out in this business,” he stresses. “You could get your hands dirty here and actually do things that related to your goals. When you combine the experience I received at WIDB and WSIU, it put me in great shape to pursue my dreams.”
The SIU Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to up to five SIUC alumni on an annual basis as acknowledgment of their outstanding professional accomplishments and/or their exemplary history of service to the University. The awards are presented by the SIU Alumni Association at a Homecoming luncheon co-hosted by the Association and SIU Foundation national board of directors.

Recipients are invited back to campus for Homecoming weekend and their photographs and biographical sketches are showcased on the SIU Distinguished Alumni wall in the Student Recreation Center. A seven-member committee studies the information given for all nominations and selects the recipients.

If you would like to nominate someone for the 2003 SIU Distinguished Alumni Award, please submit names with background information (job title, career accomplishments, etc.) along with a biographical sketch no later than March 7, 2003 to: SIU Alumni Association, c/o Greg Scott, Colyer Hall, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. 62901-6809. For more information, call (618) 453-2408.

A means for fighting a pest that costs the world’s farmers billions of dollars each year is finally within reach, says SIU Distinguished Alumni recipient Albert Kern.

“Nematodes (microscopic roundworms that suck the life out of field crops, fruits, vegetables and even grass) are agriculture’s most significant, unmet pest problem.”

Kern, chief executive officer and chairman of Entomos Inc., a high-tech, pest-control development firm headquartered in Gainesville, Fla., adds, “Our little company has broken the code on how to make production of a well-known bacterium (that could disable the nematode) commercially feasible. This is probably the most exciting product I have worked on since Roundup herbicide in terms of a solution to a problem.”

Kern, a West Frankfort, Ill., native, says Entomos is focusing first on controlling the root-knot nematode, a subtropical scourge of peanuts, carrots, tomatoes and several other high-value crops. (The southern root-knot nematode was recently discovered colonizing soybeans, orchards and vegetable fields in several downstate counties.) Once it has whipped that one, the company will turn its attention to soybean cyst nematode, the chief cause for yield losses in Illinois soybean fields.

“We’ll be working with (SIUC nematologist) Jason Bond on that one,” Kern says. “He’s already begun sending me material.”

For Kern, developing natural bug killers has been nearly a lifelong career goal. “I’m not anti-chemical or anything; I just think there should be novel alternatives to synthetic pesticides and that we should harness nature’s own solutions.”

He began his career in 1974 at Monsanto, where he took charge of turning a newly developed weed killer called Roundup into a commercial product. But when he was offered a vice presidency at Mycogen Corp., a new agricultural biotechnology company in San Diego, Calif., in 1986, he jumped at the chance.

During his 12 years with Mycogen, the company became “the first in the world” to register a genetically engineered corn plant, one that could withstand European corn borers. Mycogen also was first to register a transgenic, microbial pesticide; its MVP Bioinsecticide controls caterpillars on a variety of crops.

Kern earned both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in plant science at Southern in the late 1960s, and has received both an honorary doctorate and an outstanding professional achievement award from SIUC’s College of Agricultural Sciences. He and his wife, Janice, a 1968 graduate in mathematics and physical education (and the 1966 Homecoming Queen), live in Del Mar, Calif.
Edward Moore Jr.

When Edward Moore Jr. graduated from Southern Illinois University in 1968, he embarked on a military career that would take him around the world. "I was a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve while a student at Southern," says Moore. "After I earned my degree, I became an officer in the Navy."

Moore, who earned a bachelor's degree in psychology, recalls that he found life in the military vastly different than what he experienced at the University. "We're raised in a democracy that values independence and divergent points of view," says the Little Rock, Ark., native. "In the military, there is a set of values that requires focus on group efforts and solving specific problems. I had to quickly learn how to be successful in that environment."

When he retired in 2001, Vice Admiral Moore was commander of the Naval Surface Force in the U.S. Pacific Fleet, responsible for training, maintenance, technology upgrades and personnel assignments needed to achieve combat readiness for the 84 ships of the Navy's Pacific Fleet. Moore won the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with four gold stars, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Bill Norwood

Bill Norwood, a retired United Airlines pilot and a former member of the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees, has won many awards and accolades over the years. But he says the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award is one of the best honors he's ever received. "It is an outstanding honor," says Norwood. "It's an award I'll cherish forever."

Norwood, who earned a bachelor's degree from Southern in 1959, was the University's first African-American quarterback and is a member of the Saluki Hall of Fame. After graduation he served in the U.S. Air Force and then began a 31-year career with United Airlines, becoming the company's first African-American pilot and the first to achieve the rank of captain.

"When I was a student, Glenn Sheets was the flight instructor at SIUC," recalls Norwood. "He was a perfectionist and helped me establish training habits that I've followed all my life. Those lessons really made a difference in my life."

When he retired in 1996, United honored Norwood by painting his name on the side of a United Airlines aircraft that is part of the "Take Flight" exhibit at the United Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. A founding member of the Organization of Black Airline Pilots, Norwood is also included in Black Wings, a permanent exhibit at the Smithsonian Institution National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

Norwood was a member of the SIU Board of Trustees from 1974 to 2001. "I was the first SIUC alum to serve on the board," he notes. "It was a great experience, and something I am proud of."

Today, Norwood spends his free time mentoring young people. "I made a lot of friends and established many relationships over the years, but I would have to say that meeting and getting to know students at the University is among the highlights of my career."

He and his wife, Molly, live in Carbondale. They are both life members of the SIU Alumni Association and the NAACP.
Salukis Announce New Hall Of Fame Class

The Southern Illinois University athletic department recently announced its Hall of Fame Class of 2002-03. The four-person class, which will be inducted in a ceremony on Feb. 21, 2003, features Mary Berghuis (Women’s Basketball, 1984-88), Stan Podolski (Men’s Track, 1976-79), Burnell Quinn (Football, 1976-79) and George Vukovich (Baseball, 1975-77).

Berghuis was a four-year starter at center for the Salukis and ranks in the school’s top 10 in career scoring (9th), rebounding (6th) and blocked shots (2nd). The team compiled a 90-25 record during her career and made trips to the NCAA Tournament in 1986 and 1987.

She currently resides in Kaukauna, Wis., where she works as a receiving manager for Copps Center.

Podolski was one of the best collegiate throwers in the world and qualified for the Olympics in 1980, although the USA team did not compete that year. At Southern Illinois, he was a two-time All-American in the indoor weight throw (1979 and 1980) and also earned All-America honors in the outdoor hammer throw (1980). In addition, he was the Missouri Valley Conference champion in the hammer and discus and broke school records in hammer, discus and weight. In 1980, he ranked third in the United States in the indoor weight and seventh in the outdoor hammer.

He won a silver medal in the indoor weight at AAU competition in 1980. Since his competitive career ended, he has moved to Fort Collins, Colo., where he is the CEO of a large medical practice and chairman and part owner of Fort Collins Radiologic Associates.

Quinn ranks among the best running backs in school history. He finished his career as the school leader in rushing yards with 2,798 yards and currently stands third in that category, surpassed in recent years by Tom Koutsos and Karlton Carpenter.

Quinn was a three-year starter and led the team in rushing each season from 1977 to 1979. For his career, he averaged an amazing 5.1 yards per carry.

He returned to his native Louisiana after graduation and currently resides in Gretna, La. He works with Northrup Grumman Corp. as a welder for Louisiana-firm National Technology.

Vukovich had a stellar career as an outfielder for the Saluki baseball team, which in turn launched a six-year tour of Major League Baseball, in which he played three seasons each for the Philadelphia Phillies (1980-82) and Cleveland Indians (1983-85). At SIU, he compiled impressive career numbers (.329 avg., 13 HRs, 90 RBI) and still ranks among the school’s career leaders in stolen bases (54). His best season came in 1977 when he led the squad with a .352 average and earned First Team All-America and First Team All-MVC honors.

He was the cornerstone of the 1977 team, which was the last Saluki squad to advance to the College World Series.

After his playing career, Vukovich moved to Georgia, where he and his wife, Carol, are owners of a Mailbox, Etc. franchise in Roswell. Their son, Mike, who graduated recently from Southern, was a member of the Saluki baseball team in 1999.

Dawgs Look To Defend MVC Basketball Crown

With key personnel returning from last year’s record-setting 28-8 Sweet 16 squad, the SIU men’s basketball team opens up Missouri Valley Conference play hosting Drake on Jan. 2. The squad’s quest will be to defend its league crown in 2003.

The Salukis return three starters and seven lettermen from last year, including senior standouts Kent Williams (15 ppg) and Jermaine Dearman (12.3 ppg/7.7 rpg) and sophomore defensive stopper Stetson Hairson (7.3 ppg/43 steals). SIU loses center Rolan Roberts and guard Marcus Belcher from the starting corps.

"Rolan took a good team last year and made it a great team," head coach Bruce Weber says. "Now it is time for Kent and Jermaine to take another good team and make it something special once again."

Other key returnees for SIU are guard Darren Brooks, forward Brad Korn and centers Josh Warren and Sylvester Willis. Newcomers who might play roles in SIU’s quest for a league title include forward Blake Shoen and guards Bryan Turner and Tony Young.

“Willis is one of the keys to our team,” Weber admits. “We need him to raise the level of his game and be a defensive force in the lane. We also will look to Warren to help there as well, as he has the ability because of his size to get inside and seal.”

Southern’s league success (see Calendar of Events on page 89 or the Sept. issue of Southern Alumni for the full schedule) will again revolve around the Dawgs playing their best basketball at the SIU Arena, where they were an amazing 13-0 last season.

“That’s one of our goals again,” Weber notes. “We have to take care of things on our home floor.”
Saluki Baseball Wants To Build On Solid Season

Encore! Encore! That is what Saluki fans will be chanting this spring as the SIU baseball team enters its 2003 season. The Salukis stormed to a fourth-place finish among league contenders last year, and as a result, posted their most successful season in over a decade.

Finishing 32-24 overall and 17-15 in the Valley, the Dawgs registered their best season in Dan Callahan's eight years as head coach and the first 30-plus win season since 1990. Along the way, SIU knocked off three ranked opponents, including then-ranked #4 and College World Series participant Notre Dame, #9 Wichita State and #25 Southwest Missouri State. The Salukis also ranked 74th in RPI (the highest mark of any team in the state, and better than any team in the Big 10) and made their second MVC Tournament appearance in three years.

With the return of six starting position players and three veteran pitchers, the Salukis are excited to start a new season. They return 21 letter winners from a year ago, highlighted by senior catcher Toby Barnett (Kallaroo, Australia). Barnett, the MVC Newcomer of the Year last season, was a first-team all-MVC choice based on his .306 average and team-high 67 hits 16 doubles, 45 RBI and 111 total bases.

Along with Barnett, SIU returns junior second baseman Greg Andrews (Peoria, Ill.) and sophomore shortstop P.J. Finigan (Springfield, Ill.) to the infield. Andrews hit .281 with a third-best 10 doubles last season, while Finigan hit .310 with 34 RBI en route to being named an honorable mention Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American.

With catcher, short and second base seemingly intact, the positions at the corners will be up for grabs following the departure of Jerel Deitering (Auburn, Wash.), senior Jerel Deitering (Auburn, Wash.), senior Josh Joiner (Jonesboro, Ill.) and sophomore Eric Haberer (Bloomington, Ill.).

In the outfield, seniors Ross Kowzan (1F, DuQuoin, Ill.), Cory Newman (CF, Ottawa, Ill.) and Sal Frisella (RF, St. Louis, Mo.) return to give the Salukis an experienced lineup. Kowzan was one of SIU’s leading offensive threats in 2002 hitting .361 with 10 doubles, one home run and 24 RBI.

On the mound, a trio of right-handers, junior Jerel Deitering (Auburn, Wash.), senior Josh Joiner (Jonesboro, Ill.) and sophomore Ryan Welch (Brentwood, Tenn.) will most likely be among the top half of the Salukis’ rotation. Deitering is expected to be this year’s ace on the hill after going 4-1 with a third-best 3.65 ERA. In 37 innings, he struck out 31 batters, while earning a save before suffering an injury. Alley led the Salukis with 81 strikeouts over 86.1 innings en route to a 6-3 mark a year ago. Welch went 5-4 with 39 strikeouts, a 4.24 ERA and one save. A second-team all-MVC choice, Welch also earned honorable mention Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American honors.

Junior Josh Joiner (Jonesboro, Ill.) and sophomore Eric Haberer (Bloomington, Ill.) should also produce some quality innings. Joiner (RHP) went 2-1, while Haberer (LHP) posted a perfect 4-0 mark with four saves as the team’s top closer. Additionally, Haberer was named honorable mention Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American.

The Salukis will open their 2003 season with a three-game series at Centenary beginning Friday, Feb. 14, and then go to Tampa, Fla. to play South Florida the next weekend. The Feb. 22 encounter against USF will feature an SIU Alumni Association pre-game event for Central Florida Salukis.

For Saluki winter and spring sports schedules through March 2003, see Calendar of Events on page 89.

Chicago-Area Alumni To Watch The Dawgs

Chicago-area alumni are planning several informal gatherings to enjoy SIU Men’s Basketball on television this winter. Salukis from Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties can pick the venue closest to them or can travel to the site of their choice to join fellow alumni and friends from the region.

Viewing venues are being identified and will be posted as they are determined along with other event details on the regional Saluki website at http://groups.msn.com/ChicagoSIUSalukis.

Among the games scheduled to be televised: Saturday, January 18, 2003 (vs. Creighton at 3:05 p.m.) and Saturday, February 22, 2003 (ESPN Bracket Buster, game time TBA) on ESPN; Wednesday, January 15 (vs. Wichita State) at 7:05 p.m., Saturday, March 1 (vs. Creighton) at 8:05 p.m., and on Monday, March 3 (vs. Illinois State) at 6:05 p.m. on Fox Sports Net.

There are no plans for other notices or announcements by regular mail, so interested alumni are strongly encouraged to regularly check the website for details. Persons desiring updates by e-mail can register for this free service by visiting the website or by sending their request to the site webmaster at chidawgone@msn.com. Thus far, venues have been identified in the City of Chicago and in DuPage and Lake Counties, with others being secured at press time.

In addition to the television games and related events, several pre-game gatherings will be sponsored and scheduled by the SIU Alumni Association for the following 2003 SIU road games: Saturday, February 15, 2003 (at Bradley) and Monday, March 3, 2003 (at Illinois State).

For additional information regarding these events, check the SIU Alumni Association website at www.siualumni.com, the Chicago website, call the SIU Chicago Office at 630-574-7774, or the SIU Alumni Association Office at 618-453-2408.

Blaylock Has High Expectations For SIU Softball

There is an excitement surrounding the 2003 Southern Illinois University softball team. The 2002 squad finished 31-17 overall and 17-7 in the Missouri Valley Conference, and this year’s team has added seven players to the mix and return the top pitching staff in the league.

Head coach Kerri Blaylock returns six starters from 2002 and will add depth at every position as well as some lively bats. Top pitcher Amy Harre and starters Haley Vielhaus (3B), Adie Vielhaus (SS/C), Maria Damico (CF), Katie Jordan (LF) and Kelly Creek (DP) return. Veterans Renee Mueller (P), Katie Kloess (P), Tara Glasco (OF), and Kendra Moore (OF) and provide experience.

The seven newcomers include junior transfers Jennifer Doehring (a former Ohio Valley Conference Player-of-the-Year) at shortstop and Lindsey Bonnell (Lewis & Clark Junior College) in the outfield.

SIU’s strength, however, may be evident on the mound. Harre, a sophomore, led the MVC’s top pitching staff with a 0.89 earned run average and an 18-9 record. Seniors Mueller (1.01 ERA, 8-5) and Kloess (2.90 ERA, 5-3) helped the Salukis fashion a 1.23 ERA and 231 strikeouts in 330 innings.

The Salukis open the season Feb. 28 hosting the Brechtelsbauer Classic at their new softball stadium (see page 47 for a drawing of the new facility).
Football Salukis Make Strides

Maybe four wins didn't turn heads, but SIU head football coach Jerry Kill knows many steps in the right direction were taken in 2002. "We did a lot of good things this season," the second-year mentor says, "I don't want losses at the end of the season to tarnish that. If we stay the course and keep working, things will eventually go our way."

SIU went from 1-10 in 2001 to finish 4-8, 2-5 in the Gateway Conference this season. The Salukis ended the year losing five straight after running back sensation Muhammad Abdulqaadir went down to injury in the Southwest Missouri game. After hallmark wins over Western Illinois (breaking an 18-year losing streak to WIU) and Northern Iowa, the Salukis were 2-0 and appeared primed for some stunning success in only Kill's second season.

And then the injuries came, including a staggering nine hand mishaps.

Abdulqaadir, who was playing in the place of SIU's all-time leading rusher Tom Koutsos (out with a broken hand early in the season), broke a hand and injured a shoulder at Southwest Missouri and was lost for the year. In eight games, Abdulqaadir was twice national 1-AA player of the week, won the Gateway Player of the Week award four straight times, and asserted himself as the leader for the Walter Payton Award, honoring the top player in 1-AA. He rushed for 1,331 yards, scored 20 touchdowns on the ground, and averaged 166.4 yard per game.

"We never recovered after losing Abdulqaadir," Kill admits. "First Tom gets hurt, then Mohammed goes down— it was too much to come back from, even though Brandon Robinson and Curtis Jones did a good job replacing them in the backfield. But Koutsos brings so much emotion to the game, and not many can finish a play like Abdulqaadir."

Still, there were plenty of positives. Red-shirt freshman quarterback Joel Sambursky showed the SIU coaching staff that he has the skills to be the signal-call they build the program around. Another highlight for the Dawgs was seeing place kicker Scott Everhart become the program's all-time leading scorer. His field goal against Western Kentucky in the season finale put him on top, as he finished with 234 points and edged past former kicking standout Ron Miller.

On defense, the Salukis struggled at the bottom of the Gateway rankings, but did enjoy a stellar season from defensive back Alexis Moreland (paced the team with 135 tackles) and linebackers Eric Egan and Royal Whitaker (88 and 82 tackles).

"This year's recruiting class is critical," Kill says. "We made some strides this season, but have to keep going in the right direction."

SIU Volleyball Makes It To MVC Finals

SIU Volleyball ended its best season (23-10) in 17 years with a loss to top-seeded Northern Iowa in the finals of the 2002 MVC Tournament played in Peoria last month. Fox Sports Midwest televised the title game, as the he third-seed Salukis lost in three straight games to ninth-ranked Northern Iowa (30-2). The Salukis had earlier defeated Illinois State and Southwest Missouri to make it to the championship.

"We were excited to get to the MVC finals," says head coach Sonya Locke, who was named the league's 2002 Coach of the Year. "I couldn't have asked for much more. It was our first 20-win season in many years, and we set numerous individual records. It was a great year for SIU Volleyball."

The Saluki resurgence was led by a six-member senior class which included four, four-year starters. The experienced group was led by all-MVC selection Kristie Kemner. Kemner rewrote the SIU record books in her senior year, setting career records in kills, digs, attempts, and double-doubles. Other seniors were Lindsey Schultz, Qiana Nelson, Tara Cains, Amber Britton, and Yoko Hattori.

"I'm happy this senior class could experience the MVC Tournament, compete for the title, and have a chance for an NCAA bid," Locke adds. "They were a great group of student-athletes."
Bill O'Brien always wanted to come home to SIU. Now he's home for good.

The Bill O'Brien Memorial Football Locker Room, dedicated prior to the 2002 football season, will assure that Saluki players and coaches for generations to come will remember the legacy left by this athlete, coach, educator, administrator and Marine.

Thanks in large part to a lead gift from O'Brien's wife, LaVerne, the locker room received a $50,000 facelift during the summer.

"Bill cut quite a path at this institution and represented this institution well," says Saluki Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk.

O'Brien, who died in December 2000 at the age of 77, came to the University from nearby Zeigler to be a student-athlete and wound up leaving a large impression on the world around him. He would not stay at SIU for long, as World War II compelled him to join the Marines to fight for his country. He would later serve in the Korean War as a colonel.

Upon returning from war in 1946, O'Brien continued his education at SIU, where he lettered in football and baseball. He was named the baseball team's most valuable player in 1947, the same year he received a degree in recreation. O'Brien coached high school football for one year before returning to the University as a coach.

He was an assistant baseball, basketball and football coach at Southern before being named head coach of the struggling football program prior to the 1952 season. O'Brien didn't bring glory to the football program, but he did teach young men valuable lessons.

Richard Kelley played football during O'Brien's entire three-year tenure. "You can't say enough about that man," he says, "He was one of the most outstanding guys I've ever been around."

After leaving his post at Southern, O'Brien began officiating high school games. It was at one of these contests that he met Don Beggs, a football player at Harrisburg High School.

"He genuinely cared for students, whether it was in athletics or in the classroom," says Beggs, who went on to be named chancellor at Southern and is now president of Wichita State University.

O'Brien later became a college football official but did not forget the University that educated him. He frequently volunteered his time as an official for SIU intra-squad games.

"He contributed a lot of his time when it related to officiating," Beggs says. Officiating also gave him the chance of a lifetime.

O'Brien worked both games of a doubleheader at Ole Miss and was not overly tired, thanks mainly to his Marine background.

LaVerne O'Brien remembers the call she received after that game. A National Football League representative called and said, "If he can run like that for two games and not be winded, we need him in the NFL."

O'Brien became one of the elite officials in the NFL and worked in the pros for 17 years. He officiated Super Bowl X, three Pro Bowls and the first NFL game in London. No matter how far he traveled, however, he always had a special place in his heart for Carbondale.

"He had a great love for [SIU]," LaVerne says. "No matter where he went, he always wanted to come home."

O'Brien also played an integral role in the formation of SIU's Little Grass campus, now known as Touch of Nature.

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Legacy Scholarship Helping International Student Follow In Her Father's Footsteps

Attending SIU three decades after her father, Ayse Enc hopes to someday run the family business

by Marianne Lawrence

Ayse Enc is using a legacy scholarship provided by SIU’s International Programs and Services to follow in the footsteps of her father, Sinan Enc, who received his degree in design more than 30 years ago.

After she receives her degree in business next year and completes graduate school, Ayse plans to return home to Istanbul, Turkey, and step into his footsteps once again—this time by helping run the family business.

Two years ago, while attending a private school in Istanbul and not entirely happy, Ayse decided to attend a local recruiting fair. There she and her family met Richard Kuehl, assistant director for international development at SIU, who spent time answering their questions about SIU and talking to Sinan about his experiences on campus in the late 1960s.

Kuehl says he was surprised at Ayse’s decision to come to SIU. “I guess I did a good job, but I think her decision really was OK’d by her mother after she saw pictures of the campus.”

Ayse is grateful for what the scholarship money provides. “It helps a lot to take care of the cost of travel, visas and out-of-state tuition.” Although a long way from home, she has quickly adjusted to SIU’s campus life and is enjoying it every bit as much as her father did, who earned his degree at Southern in 1971.

After her morning schedule of classes, Ayse works in the mail service at Thompson Point three days a week and lives with her Delta Zeta Sorority sisters on Greek Row.

“When I first came here and was driving around with my father, I saw the (Greek) letters on the houses and asked him what they meant. He explained it to me, but then I wasn’t sure I could be a member since I am an international student.”

She needn’t have worried and is now completely immersed in sorority life. Her sorority sisters have become like family and are careful to include Ayse in their trips home since she is only able to return to Istanbul over the Christmas holidays and during the summer. She recently spent Thanksgiving vacation with friends in Cincinnati.

As a member of a close family, Ayse is always eager to see them and feels the distance between them. “My father travels a lot for his job, but he likes to come back here now,” she says. “Also, since I asked him to come, he probably couldn’t say no,” she laughs.

He has visited three times since Ayse transferred here and her mother, Oya, and sister, Asli, have visited once. “I’m sure they will all come for my graduation next December,” she smiles. There are tentative plans to meet her mother in Chicago over next year’s spring break. The direct flight from Istanbul to Chicago is about 12 hours.

Sinan Enc is proud that his eldest daughter decided to attend his alma mater. His recent visits have recalled many good memories for him and enabled him

The Enc family is shown in this recent photo. From left are Sinan, who graduated from SIU’s design program in 1971, his wife, Oya, and their two daughters, Asli, 16, and Ayse, a senior at the University.
to renew his friendship with professor emeritus Joseph Chu, who was his advisor and friend in the design department.

Sinan reflects on his first return visit to SIU saying: “Consistency makes me feel secure psychologically. I enjoy consistency in my work, at home and in my personal relations. When I visited SIU last year for the first time since 1971, I felt safe, secure and happy.

“There was the Dairy Queen, there was Lawson Hall, and there was the Union, now called the Student Center. Even though the design department was missing, almost all appeared to be the same. The main element that had not changed was the Southern hospitality.”

Immediately after graduation, Sinan returned to Turkey and spent a year and a half in the Turkish Navy. Always an entrepreneur at heart, it was 1985 before he could open his own company, Metco Metallurgical Materials Ltd., after many years of saving and working for others.

“1 must have been under the age of 10 when I started my first venture, selling ice water in the local bazaar on hot summer days,” recalls Sinan. “I invested that money on hamburgers and sold them at the same bazaar. Then my father directed me to a more stable field, shining shoes in my neighborhood using the door-to-door approach.”

Sinan gives a lot of credit to SIU for his success as an entrepreneur. “1 believe that my degree in design contributed substantially to my successful business today because we learned how to approach and solve problems.” He particularly recalls a problem-solving assignment to design an apparatus that would protect an egg when dropped from a height of six feet onto a concrete floor.

“I am proud to have graduated from SIU and sincerely feel that I would not have been as successful as I have been without it.” Sinan is hoping for the same success for Ayse and says, “She is now carrying the family tradition at SIU, with perhaps her sister to follow.”

Just as his father influenced Sinan’s entrepreneurial goals at an early age, so has he influenced his daughter’s decision to enter the business world. When Ayse’s management professor’s class assignment was to interview an entrepreneur, she had the perfect subject: her dad.

His answers to her questions are sprinkled with philosophical advice gained during his pursuit of creating his own business and experiencing life in general. When remembering the formation of his company, he recalled, “My goal was to have one contract, and I got it. Then I formed the company. In other words, aim first and then shoot.”

Throughout the questionnaire he stressed the importance of believing in what you do and doing the best that you can, emphasizing the qualities of integrity and determination.

A stronger, perhaps more-to-the-point, message emerged when he was asked about the free time he spends apart from the business. “I try to spend less time with work because there are so many wonderful other things in life. I will try to spend even less time when she comes and tries to take over and proves she can do it.”

With a proud legacy now being built, Ayse is poised and ready for the challenge.

**Scholarships Created To Attract International Students To SIU**

International Programs and Services (IPS) has created two categories of scholarships designed to attract international undergraduate students.

The Legacy Scholarship is available to qualified relatives of SIUC international alumni. Applicants for this scholarship must be an international (non-immigrant) undergraduate who is the son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, spouse or sibling of an SIUC international graduate.

The High Honors Scholarship has been established for potential undergraduate international students with high academic and performance and admission scores.

For details on the scholarships or international student undergraduate applications, contact IPS by Fax, 618-453-3085, or by sending an e-mail to intinfo@siu.edu.

Contributions to support the scholarships are welcome and may be given in the form of securities, life insurance, estate gifts, gifts-in-kind, payroll deduction, matching gifts, or directly through an international banking institution. For information on contributions, call Jenna Smith at 618-453-2701 or send her an e-mail at jennas@siu.edu.
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Jackson County Alumni Chapter Hosts Awards Banquet

The Jackson County Chapter of the Southern Illinois University Alumni Association hosted its annual awards banquet in November. After a social and buffet dinner, the chapter honored its Service to Southern Illinois Award winner and its scholarship recipients.

This year's high school scholarship recipients are Candace Brooks of Elverado High School, Tara Tiernan of Murphysboro High School, Peter Bernhardt of Trinity High School, and Ashlee Guy of Trico High School. Walter A. Davis III is the recipient of the Jackson County Family YMCA Scholarship.

Clifford Neill, adjunct professor of the SIU School of Dental Medicine, was this year's recipient of the chapter's Service to Southern Illinois Award. The award recognizes an individual who has provided outstanding service to the Southern Illinois community.

Neill, who has practiced dentistry for more than 50 years in Carbondale, was a driving force in the creation of both the School of Dental Medicine and dental hygiene program at SIUC. He is currently a member of the SIU Foundation Board of Directors. Neill also served as president of the Carbondale Elementary School Board during desegregation in the 1960s.

Throughout the years of his dental practice, Neill has contributed emergency services to SIU athletes and underprivileged SIU students, often without compensation.

Central Florida Chapter Receives Charter

The Central Florida Alumni Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted its official chartering ceremony and dinner Nov. 9 at the Hyatt Regency Westshore in Tampa. Sixty-one alumni and guests enjoyed dinner, guest speakers, and a video featuring scenes of campus. The event was hosted by 1977 SIU graduate and Hyatt Regency Westshore Employment Manager Michele Keeley.

Alumni Association representatives on hand to officially recognize the chapter were Don Magee, president of the SIU Alumni Association national board of directors; Ed Buerger, executive director of the Alumni Association; and assistant director Dave Ardrey.
Du Quoin State Fair

The Perry County Alumni Chapter and the SIU Alumni Association greeted alumni and guests at the SIU geodesic dome Aug. 23-Sept. 2 at the Du Quoin State Fair.

A total of 11,643 people visited the dome, and 580 alumni registered in the guest book.

Prior to the fair, 18 alumni and guests enjoyed an evening at the home of Yvonne and Craig Spencer in Du Quoin. The event was coordinated to recognize volunteers working at the Fair.

Perry County Chapter Hosts Scholarship Banquet

The Perry County Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted its scholarship banquet at Alongi’s Restaurant in Du Quoin. Thirty-eight alumni and friends attended the event. The chapter honored Brittnie Nicole Jenkins and Anna Mae McCrary, its two scholarship recipients. Jenkins was also recognized for receiving the Alongi Legacy scholarship. Bruce Weber, SIU head basketball coach, was the guest speaker for the program.

From left, SIU Basketball Coach Bruce Weber, host John Alongi, scholarship winner Brittnie Jenkins, and her parents, Cindy and Bill Jenkins. The other winner, Anna Mae McCrary, was unable to attend.

Student Alumni Council Reunion Being Planned

Attention former Student Alumni Council members: The Student Alumni Council is planning a reunion of all SACers during Homecoming 2003 weekend (October 10-12). To make sure you receive the appropriate information, please send your address to the Student Alumni Council at alumni@siu.edu or call us at 618-453-2408.

We hope to see you there!

SIU Golf Outing In Chicago

One hundred forty-four teams participated in the 14th Annual Chicagoland Saluki Golf Scramble this August in Bloomingdale. This event, co-sponsored by the Chicagoland Golf committee, the SIU Foundation, SIU Athletics, and with support from the SIU Alumni Association, has become a premier event for Chicago-area alumni and supporters of SIU Athletics.

14th Annual Chicagoland Golf Scramble Set For July 31

Mark your calendars now – the 14th Annual Chicagoland Golf Scramble has been set for July 31. This 2003 event will be held at the Bloomingdale Golf Course, with tee-off at 9 a.m. Dinner for the participants will be provided at 2:30 p.m.

For more information on this annual Saluki event, contact Liz Saxson at the SIU Chicago Office by calling 630-574-7774.

Greater Michigan Chapter Hosts Chartering Dinner

The Greater Michigan Alumni Chapter hosted its chartering dinner and program at Dave & Busters on Oct. 25 in Utica. Sixty-five alumni and guests enjoyed dinner, guest speakers, a raffle, and a special version of “Who Wants to Be a Saluki Millionaire?” Alumni Association representatives on hand to officially recognize the chapter were Don Magee, president of the SIU Alumni Association National Board of Directors; Ed Buerger, executive director of the Alumni Association, and assistant director Dave Ardrey.

Earlier in the summer, the chapter hosted its third annual family picnic on Aug. 10 at the Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton. Forty-six alumni and guests enjoyed a full day of events and activities, as the chapter continued to work diligently to provide a family-oriented program for all in the area.

Randolph County Community Night In Sparta

Forty alumni and guests living in Randolph County attended a social at Brandy’s on Oct. 17 in Sparta, Ill. The event was co-hosted by Howell Financial Services and the SIU Alumni Association. Complimentary hors d’oeuvres and beverages were served. The group enjoyed a video showcasing various campus features and highlights of the 2001-2002 Sweet 16 Saluki basketball team.
A Big SIU Alumni Association Thanks!

Thank you to Emeritus Association members Marge Hendricks and Gil and Jean Kroening for their assistance at the 2002 Alumni Homecoming Celebration.

We also appreciate the continued support of the Prairie Capital Alumni Chapter for once again serving as the official dawg griller, a tradition the Homecoming Celebration enjoys each and every year.

Randolph County Alumni Gather in Steeleville


Camp Little Giant To Celebrate 50 Year Anniversary

In the late 1940’s, Dr. Delyte Morris and Dr. Bill Freeberg shared a vision of a place where environmental research could be conducted while providing a special camp for people with differing abilities to enjoy outdoor recreational activities. They envisioned this location on an enchanted lake eight miles south of SIU’s main campus.

The endeavor began as Little Grassy Camp, and has been known as Little Grassy Lake Campus, SIU Outdoor Laboratory, and now Touch of Nature Environmental Center. The special camp is called Camp Little Giant.

For 50 years, Camp Little Giant has provided outdoor recreational experiences for people who have physical or developmental disabilities or special medical needs. As one of the first summer residential camps for special populations, Camp Little Giant continues to provide a wide variety of activities for campers who would be unable to attend a mainstream camp. After establishing Camp Little Giant, Freeberg was instrumental in the creation of Special Olympics. Although he has passed, his legacy of Camp Little Giant remains.

The Friends of Touch of Nature invite alumni and friends back to Camp Little Giant to celebrate its 50th anniversary on June 28, 2003. All past counselors, campers, friends, and families are invited back for the reunion. Relive your memories and bring your photos back to this special place to help recreate Camp experiences.

For more information on the reunion, the Friends of Touch of Nature, or Camp Little Giant, please visit the web site at www.tonec.siu.edu, email the group at tonec@siu.edu, or call (618) 453-1121.

SIU Alumni Member Appreciation Football Game

Three hundred SIU Alumni Association members enjoyed a complimentary lunch under the Alumni Association tailgate tent prior to the Saluki football game against West Virginia Tech in September. SIU head coach Jerry Kill visited with members prior to the game.

Also, as part of the Alumni Member Appreciation festivities, members could receive two complimentary tickets to the game. Nearly 800 alumni members and guests picked up tickets at distributions sites throughout the southern Illinois region.

Springfield State Fair

The Prairie Capital Alumni Chapter and the SIU Alumni Association greeted alumni and guests Aug. 9-18 at the SIU Tent during the Illinois State Fair in Springfield. Chapter volunteers, board members and Association staff were available to answer questions and provide information about the University and the Association. A total of 9,561 people visited the tent and 493 alumni registered in the guest book.

Prior to the fair, 30 alumni volunteers and guests enjoyed a meal at the Illinois State Fairgrounds. The event was organized to recognize individuals providing volunteer support at the State Fair. The group enjoyed a meal catered by 17th Street Barbecue from Murphysboro, Ill.

Central Illinois Alumni Host Booth At Decatur Celebration

The Central Illinois Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted a booth at the 17th annual Decatur Celebration in August. For the 13th year, the chapter sold foot-long Saluki hot dogs throughout the weekend to raise money for student scholarships and chapter activities.

This chapter continues to generate awareness about Southern Illinois University and the SIU Alumni Association through this community event.

SIU Football Event In Normal

Ninety alumni and guests attended a tailgate prior to the SIU-Illinois State football game Oct. 19 in Normal. Attendees enjoyed a meal featuring World Championship Barbecue provided by 17th Street from Murphysboro. Beverages were provided by Pepsi and Rend Lake Beverages. Mike Reis, “Voice of the Salukis,” was the guest speaker at the event.
A Look At Southern Life – 64 Years Ago

by Dorothy Lill Larson '42

Can you imagine arriving at SIU in 1938 with only your clothes and maybe a small radio and non-electric typewriter? There were no televisions, microwave ovens or telephones in the rooms. Except for commuters from nearby small towns, there were also virtually no cars on campus.

Bicycles were not even needed since the campus itself consisted of only seven buildings clustered around Old Main – the old science building (Altgeld Hall), Shryock Auditorium, Allyn Training Building, Parkinson Laboratories, Anthony Hall, the gymnasium, and Wheeler Library. Students walked everywhere: to classes, to town and on hikes to the countryside.

In 1938, the entire country was suffering from the Great Depression. More than half of the students had part-time jobs to help defray expenses; the usual pay was 25 cents per hour. World War II was gaining momentum in Europe, but students were not too concerned about this conflict since communication was not as good as it is today.

They had no idea that in two or three years the United States would be drawn into this war, and some students would end their college life to enter the armed services. In fact, quite a few of these men gave their lives in service to their country.

In 1938, there was a student body of almost 1,900. Many students commuted, and others lived off-campus rooming houses with cooking privileges or in sorority or fraternity houses.

On campus there was one dormitory – Anthony Hall – which housed about 80 girls in single and double rooms. Room and board was $5.50 per week and included 20 meals and clean bedding and towels. Lunch and dinner were strictly formal, with white tablecloths and napkins. Twelve girls sat at each table with a hostess and assistant hostess. Everyone was required to leave the table at the same time.

Since there was no Sunday meal, coeds would go across the highway to get a Coney Island and Coke for 10 cents. Carter’s had Cokes for 5 cents, and students would hang out there and dance to the jukebox music – this was called “jellying.” At Smitty’s, a frosted malt cost a dime, and a pint of ice cream was 15 cents. Most students made do with less than a dollar a week for spending money.

Miss J. Minette Barber, English professor, was housemother at Anthony Hall, and Miss Golda Hankla, librarian, was her assistant. If a student left the dorm in the evening to go to the library, a campus activity or on a date, she signed out and, on her return, signed in. The dorm was locked at 10:30 p.m. on weeknights and midnight on Friday and Saturday. The housemother would grant later check-ins for special occasions. Men callers were restricted to the entry foyer, living room or rec room. If a repairman was in the building, “man on the floor” was the shouted warning to the girls.

For the residents of Anthony Hall, there was much fun and laughter, and many lifelong friends were made. A group of the “girls” get together once a year, this year the friends met in Mount Vernon for lunch. Those present were Peggy Logan ‘44, Pat Lill Schroeder ‘43 and her husband, Meryl Schroeder ‘43, Mary Catherine Russell ‘43, Dorothy Lill Larson ‘42, Frances Sandbach Jones and her husband, Bill, and Doris Holt Armstrong ‘43 and her husband, Bob.

Mandatory chapel was held on Wednesdays at Shryock Auditorium. Students didn’t like attending, but since attendance was taken, most went because absences resulted in a reprimand. Faculty members sat on the stage, President Roscoe Pulliam made announcements, the MacDowell Club might sing or a visiting dignitary or politician might give a short talk. The black students were assigned seats together in the back of the auditorium under the balcony.

Black students had their own literary society called the Dunbar Literary Society, which sponsored homecoming activities for black students, which were separate from the white students’ homecoming events. There was no integration in housing for the black students, who lived in the poorest section of town and had a long walk to get to campus. However, all classes were fully integrated.

Registration for classes was an exciting time for students. Since some professors were more popular than others, students arrived early to be at the head of a long line to get into certain classes. After registering, each student paid a fee of $17.50 per quarter. This covered tuition, book rental and admission to all literary, musical and athletic activities on campus.

Faculty members were always appropriately dressed – the men in suits and ties and women in dresses. Girls never wore slacks to class, but skirts, blouses or sweaters, bobby socks and dirty saddle oxfords. The boys wore dress pants, shirts and vests or jackets and rubber-soled shoes. No one ever wore blue jeans, shorts or “sweats.” Canvass or tennis shoes were worn only in gym class, and in all classes the professors addressed the students as Mr. or Miss – never by a first name.

There were many extra-curricular activities and organizations to join that were free: the YWCA, Evangelical Club, Zoology seminar and German Club. The Socratic Society, a large group that met every week, charged 25 cents per quarter.

From the viewpoint of an Anthony Hall resident, life at SINU from 1938 to 1942 was great. The faculty showed interest in the students, the campus was beautifully landscaped thanks to Dr. William Marberry, and lifelong friendships were formed.
Alumni listed in maroon are SIU Alumni Association members.

1940s

James Smith '41 received a certificate of appreciation from the Organization of American Historians for being a distinguished historian for more than half a century. Smith lives in Elkton, Md., and is emeritus director of the Henry Francis DuPont Winterthur Museum and Gardens in Winterthur, Del.

Lawrence Rossel '48, retired electrical engineer, had his 50-year reunion at the University of Missouri in Columbia after observing his SIUC 50-year reunion in 1948. He and his wife, Carol, live in St. Louis.

1950s

Col. James Hooppaw USAF (Ret.) '58 has published a limited printing of a book titled *Burns Flat Motoring and Yachting Societe*, a companion piece to his previous book, *Where the Buf Fellows Roamed*. Hooppaw wrote the second book about vehicles he has owned and driven when he wasn't flying, including his favorite, a drophead coupe he has owned for 40 years. He and his wife, Wendy Berry '62, live in Nine Mile Falls, Wash.

1960s

Glen Daum '62, M.M.'64 received an Emmy in the category of music direction and composition for his work on "Sesame Street" from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. In addition, the theme music package he composed and produced for A&E Television Network's Sunday morning cultural magazine show, "Breakfast With the Arts," is now on the air. Daum was profiled in the September 2002 issue of *Southern Alumni*.

John O'Neal '62 is recipient of the 2002 "Leadership for a Changing World" award given by The Ford Foundation. O'Neal's nationally acclaimed touring theater company, Junebug Productions, focuses on community cultural development. Using the "Color Line Project," a national program that collects and archives remembrances of people involved in the 1960s Civil Rights Movement, Junebug presents stories and brings people together to share their lives through a "story circle process." O'Neal is the project's artistic director, and shares the award with Theresa Ripley Holden, project director. The project receives $100,000 to advance its work and an additional $30,000 for supporting activities over the next two years.

Sue Ellen (Feuer/Kustermann) Drewer '64 writes that after being widowed in 1983 and raising three sons alone, she married Rev. Thomas Drewer in November 1998. This year she marks her 10th season as a member of the St. Louis Symphony Chorus. The couple lives in Highland, Ill.

Linda Thornburg '67, M.A. '77 is a member of the Department of English and American Studies faculty at Hamburg University, Hamburg, Germany. She and her husband, Klaus-Uwe Panther, are co-authoring a book, *Cognitive Pragmatics*, while on sabbatical leave as visiting scholars at SIUC. The couple have co-authored eight papers and are currently co-editing a volume of linguistics papers.

1970s

Sandy Dobkowski '70 of Liverpool, N.Y., has been promoted to assistant director of purchasing and business operations in Syracuse University's Office of Publications. She was previously a senior buyer in the office.

Ralph Wilkerson M.S. '70, Ph.D. '73 was promoted to...
associate dean of graduate affairs and research in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Missouri-Rolla. Wilkerson has been with the UMR faculty since 1984 and is a professor of computer science.

Tom Bock '71, M.S. '79 has been named superintendent of schools in the Ridgeview School District in Colfax, Ill. He was formerly in the Chenoa School District.

Ildazio Tavares M.A. '72 writes poetry and has had some of his work published in Portuguese and Spanish in An Anthology of Brazilian Poetry. Tavares lives in Salvador-Bahia, Brazil.

John (Jack) Miller '73 received a teaching award from the North Carolina School of the Arts where he has been a member of the school of design and productions technical faculty since 1989.

Mike Pullis M.S. '73 has been a faculty member at the University of Missouri in Columbia since 1988, where he served as chair of the Special Education Department before becoming associate dean in 1999.

A Special School

Syed Hasan M.S. '57, Ph.D. '65 is the founder and director of Insan School, a private residential school in Kishangang, located in northeastern India. The school offers a three-language concept to classes from first through 12th grade. Each student first learns his native tongue, then Hinki as a national language and finally English as a foreign language.

Hasan studied in the U.S. for 10 years and recalls the transformation and expansion of SIU under the leadership of then President Delyte Morris. He writes that one of the highlights of his life was watching and listening to then-presidential candidate John F. Kennedy.

In 1962 he became assistant professor of psychology at Frostburg State University in Maryland where he was awarded "instructor of the year" for his innovative teaching style. He returned to India in 1965 and founded Insan School the next year.

For his service in education, Hasan was awarded the "Nehru Education Award" and the prestigious title of "Padma Shree," modified Indian equivalent title of "Sir," which was replaced after India gained independence from the British.

Fred Dietz '84 gave a program titled "Circumstantial Evidence Proves You Have a Soul" at the 19th annual Mid-America Hypnosis Conference held in Skokie, Ill., in October.

G. Ellen Watkins M.A. '84, Ph.D. '98 was granted tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor at Illinois College in Jacksonville, Ill. Watkins was appointed to the faculty on a full-time basis in 1998.

Richard Buchholz M.A. '85 graduated from Louisiana State University in May with an M.F.A. in creative writing. He is a technical writer/editor for Innovative Emergency Management and is married to Keiko Teranishi M.A. '91. They live in Baton Rouge with their children, Marika, 5, and Erina, 2. Buchholz writes, "Both kids are fluent in Japanese and enjoy correcting their father's grammatical manglings of that language."

Lynn Trapp '85, concert organist, conductor, composer and liturgist, received the 2002 Spirit and Truth Award from the University of Notre Dame. Trapp studied organ with Marianne Webb at SIUC from 1981 to 1985 and serves as organist at St. Olaf Church in Minneapolis, Minn., where he is director of worship and music. He serves as principal artistic director for the Marianne Webb and David Bateman Distinguished Organ Recital held annually at SIUC.

1980s

Ann Garten '80 is president of the Association of California Community College Administrators. Garten lives in Redondo Beach, Calif., where she is public relations and marketing director for El Camino College.

A Special School

Syed Hasan is an active director of Insan School, the private residential school he founded in India. He is shown speaking to students and observing their activities on campus.
Summer Softball Memories

Thomas Fuller '72 of Mokena, Ill., front row, far left, has fond memories of the spring and summer days of 1968 when this photo was taken at Giant City State Park of his intramural softball league team. Fuller, SIU Alumni Association Life Member, points out that the sponsor of the team was Leo’s, a popular bar that students frequented. He adds that some of the students in the photo were Vietnam War veterans and the girl in front was the “batboy and mascot.” Fuller says, “I’m sure that I speak for all when I say we enjoyed our time at Southern Illinois University. I can’t recall all of the names, but some in no particular order are Colin Moran, Bill Pontike, Jim Davis, Bill Phillips, Frank Jurka and Charlie Smygals.”

Sheeta Peters '75 enlisted some help from fellow Salukis to publish her first book in style. She wrote You Don't Have to Be a Bag Lady! A Humorous Survival Guide for the Reluctant Investor as a result of her graduate thesis at National-Louis University in Evanston, Ill.

Peters wanted the cover to be special. “As an unknown author, the cover of my book would literally have to jump off the shelf to engage readers,” she says. Her friend, Patricia Andrew, a 1975 graduate in interior design and SIU Alumni Association Life Member, designed the cover and then approached her husband’s friend, Dan Blascoe, a 1974 art major, for the illustration.

Peters was so thrilled with the results that she jokingly says, “The cover is $9.99, and I throw the book in for free.” The book, written for the new investor who needs some handholding, is available from 1st Books Library, www.1stbooks.com or 800-839-8640.
assistant services and tutoring programs in the college's Success Center.

Marine Corps Maj. Francisco Melero '91 was promoted to his current rank and has reported for duty with Marine Air Support Squadron Two, Marine Air Control Group.

Military News
Navy Chief Petty Officer Darnell Peeler '90 has returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the USS John C. Stennis, participating in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Anaconda.

Marine Corps Chief Warrant Officer Fernando Segundo '94 was promoted to his current rank while serving with Afloat Training Group, Pacific, San Diego.

Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Raymond Andel '00 was promoted to his current rank while serving with Afloat Training Group, Pacific, San Diego.

Navy Ensign Michael Bethany '00 returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS Decatur participating in Operating Enduring Freedom. His ship houses a powerful radar that enables the crew to detect, track and fire on more than 100 targets at a time.

Navy Ensign Stacy Belden '01 was commissioned to his current rank after completing Aviation Officer Candidate School at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Scott Thomas '01 retired after 20 years of service in the U.S. Navy while serving as a training department supervisor at Shore Intermediate Maintenance Activity, San Diego. Thomas received several personal awards and campaign ribbons and medals, including two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, four Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and two Meritorious Unit Commendations.

Playwright At Work
Bryan Carrigan '01 has wasted no time getting his plays produced nationwide since receiving his MFA in creative writing.

When Carrigan was a physics major at the University of Pittsburgh, he signed up for a creative writing course, and it took him in a new direction. He changed his major to creative writing and philosophy and then came to SIUC for graduate work.

In 2001 he had five of his plays produced. Together and Apart and Starting Over were performed in New York by the Studio- Thea- tre as part of its Playtime Series. The Sidewalk Theatre Company in Burbank, Calif., produced The 1938 Gangland Radio Killings and Normal People, which was also performed by the Stage Company in Carbondale, and the Pittsburgh City Theater produced Armed Gunmen.

Carrigan makes his home in Los Angeles, where he is working on a novel in his spare time. His latest play, "The Magic of What Happens Next," is awaiting performance.

2000s
H. Kraig Thompson M.A. '00 completed a two-year Presidential Management Intern Program and is a budget analyst for the Department of the Navy's Strategic Systems Programs in Washington, D.C. Thompson lives in Germantown, Md.

Ben Hartung '01 has joined the State University of New York-Fredonia as an Information system technician in the office of residence life. A veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, Hartung was most recently stationed at Camp Lejeune.

Jennifer Hemberger '02 and James Grimaldi '01 were married on July 6, 2002.

Jason Kinser J.D. '02 has joined Thompson Coburn Attorneys at Law in St. Louis as an associate.

Kevin Schilling '02 is a structural engineer at Hanson Professional Services Inc. in Springfield, Ill.
Alumni Deaths

Fall 2002

CAVITY, Lourbetta C., '30
09/03/02, Carbondale, Ill.

MELVIN, Sira Mae, '32
08/21/02, Carbondale, Ill.

BREWER, John Motzinger, '35
10/13/02, Ralls, Mo.

PHILLIPS, Frances K., '35
08/17/02, Carbondale, Ill.

DRENNAN, Junsdick, '36
08/22/02, Ill.

REYNOLDS, Paul
09/05/02, Harrisburg, Ill.

BIBBS, PHILLIPS, Frances K., '35
09/15/02, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

08/28/02, Ellis Grove, Ill.

08/23/02, Benton, Ill.

09/15/02, Cobden, Ill.

10/04/02, Golconda, Ill.

McDONALD, '35
09/25/02, Murphysboro, Ill.

09/08/02, West Islip, N.Y.

CROSS, '38
10/04/02, Webster Groves, Mo.

RENTFRO, '38
10/04/02, Webster Groves, Mo.

REYNOLDS, Paul
10/13/02, West Frankfort, Ill.

09/20/02, Marion, Ill.

WOOLCOTT, '40
10/10/02, Vermillion, S.D.

Butts, Marie "Nicki" ex '33
09/11/02, Mt. Pleasant, S.C.

HESS, James C., '35; M.S.Ed. '65
09/16/02, Cape Coral, Fla.

KING, Ronald W., '64
10/18/02, Carier Mills, Ill.

OPIER, Patrick Ann, '64
07/10/02, Hinsdale, Ill.

DAVE, Will C., '36
10/01/02, S. Danville, N.Y.

MCKINLEY, Canle Jean, '66
09/01/02, Altob, Ill.

GRABOWSKA, Regina Bernice, '68
09/02/02, Tamaroa, Ill.

COTTLE, Charles F., M.S.Ed. '70
10/20/02, Webster Groves, Mo.

HARRINGTON, Carol-Law, '70
09/02/04, Carol Stream, Ill.

MARX, Dan, '71
10/10/02, Marion, Ill.

SIMPSON, William S. ex '71
10/06/02, Villa Park, Ill.

LECOQ, Jerry Allen, '73
10/02/02, Lake Villa, Ill.

DICKERSON, '38
10/01/02, Marion, Ill.

09/03/02, Effingham, Ill.

WARD, Norman, '38
09/01/02, Vernon Hills, Ill.

KOPPLIN, William, '39
09/03/02, Marion, Ill.

10/17/02, Carbondale, Ill.

07/29/02, Colville, Wash.

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STONE, a proponent of positive thinking who wrote three books on the subject, had been impressed with then-president Delaye Morris and wanted to assist the SIU leader with what was then a controversial project.

"If someone is in trouble - a good man or a good institution - I want to help out," he explained at the time. "Dr. Morris has set educational and research priorities in motion to develop the full potential of Southern Illinois University, which has been neglected for so long."

Initially called University House, the facility was completed in 1971. Stone had visited the campus in 1969 to speak to a seminar at the School of Business, toured the University, and was amazed at what he saw. "Everyone in the state should visit Southern Illinois University to see how our young people are being served by this magnificent institution."

Stone's trademarks were a pencil-thin mustache, a bow tie and his ever-present optimism. He once said the Depression was the best thing that happened to him because it forced him to develop good work habits. He also was known for being honest to a fault. "Truth will always be truth, regardless of lack of understanding, disbelief or ignorance," he once noted.

Countless civic and charitable groups, as well as SIU, benefited from his generosity. He had a simple explanation for his giving: "I have a magnificent obsession," he said, "to change the world and make it a better place for this and future generations."

Tilford Brooks, Educator And Jazz Historian

Tilford Brooks, longtime educator and noted expert on the history of jazz, died recently in the St. Louis area. Brooks, 77, graduated from SIU in 1949 and later earned master and doctorate degrees at the Washington University.

Brooks, who was a music professor emeritus at Washington University, grew up in East St. Louis, Ill., across the street from late jazz legend Miles Davis. This early influence helped forge a life-long interest in jazz music, which would culminate in the publication of several books, including America's Black Musical Heritage.

In addition to his long service in education, Brooks also served his country by enlisting in the Army Air Force in 1942. He served as a flight officer, flying P-47 fighters with the famed Tuskegee Airmen in World War II.

The Southern product was named chairman of the Washington University music department from 1976-84, becoming the first African-American to hold that office. In 1986, he was hired as music supervisor for the St. Louis Public Schools, retiring in 1993. He ended his professional teaching career by teaching music at the State University of New York at Buffalo for two years.

Contributions to the memory of Brooks may be made to: Young Audiences of St. Louis, In Memory of Tilford Brooks, 8045 Big Bend Blvd., Suite 100, St. Louis, Mo. 63119.
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### 2003 Dates Set For SIU Days At Wrigley, Busch

The dates have been set for the SIU Alumni Association’s popular “SIU Days” at Wrigley Field and Busch Stadium next summer.

The “26th Annual SIU Day at Wrigley Field” will be held Sat., May 10, with the festive pre-game gathering for Salukis again hosted at the Cubby Bear. The “19th Annual SIU Day at Busch Stadium” will be held the next weekend, Sat., May 17, with a pre-game gathering outside the ballpark.

This notice is for planning purposes only. No orders will be taken for these events until March 1. Please wait until that date to write, call, or e-mail the Association with your ticket requests. Exact prices and times of the events will be posted on siualumni.com when available.
Ever been to a Dairy Queen as a kid? You know – the little building with the giant sign of a curly topped ice cream cone.

For residents of Carbondale and students at Southern Illinois University, 50 years of nostalgia sits firmly on South Illinois Avenue. This Dairy Queen has nearly the original look of the first Dairy Queens in America.

Mark Waicukauski, the store's operator for the past 19 years, says the business has been an enjoyable experience. "I took over the business from my father, Joe, who had the business for about 18 years," Waicukauski says. The original owner was Jack Kloever, who opened it in the 1950s.

Waicukauski says the Dairy Queen Corporation made a push about 15 years ago to rid all of its stores of the sign that sits atop the tiny building. "It's original, and now stores are starting to reinstall the retro-style signs for historical references," he notes.

For both the operator and patrons, the store is a good place to hang out. For students, the store can be a nightly occurrence, or a once-a-month trip, which is the case for Jared Wist, 17, of Carbondale. "I like to come about once a month, have a treat, and watch the cars go by," he says.

Says Waicukauski, "It's enjoyable, and old classmates know how to find me. I am at the Dairy Queen. Everyone who has been in Carbondale knows where it is."

For families, such as Bonnie Brackett and grandson, Christopher McGraw, it's a perfect place to go. "I try to come as often as I can," Brackett admits. "Having a grandson helps – his favorite thing here is to have a strawberry sundae and watch the cars go by."

Chuck Novara is a 1972 SIU graduate who works at The Southern Illinoisan. This feature appeared in the newspaper Aug. 5.
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Two Salukis Run With The Bulls

by Gene Green

When Todd Lewis saw 2002 approaching, he decided to usher in the year by making a list of goals he wanted to accomplish. For most people, that act has long served as a fairly normal New Year's resolution; but the goal at the top of his list was not conventional.

A 1994 political science graduate at SIU, Lewis had been thinking long and hard about things he wanted to experience in life. High on his list was to run with the bulls in Pamplona, Spain. “People have asked what inspired me to do this, but honestly this has been a goal as far back as I can remember,” he says. “I just decided I had to do it now.”

Having the desire is one thing, but reality soon set in. “I knew the run would be difficult enough, but I initially planned to travel to Spain by myself, and I do not speak Spanish. That’s when I sent an e-mail to Mark Kou ’93, a fellow Southern graduate and fraternity brother, to see if he was interested in this idea.”

Much to Lewis’ surprise and delight, he now had a comrade in the adventure. “One of the first things you do before running with the bulls is buy a newspaper,” Lewis now marvels. “One e-mail and he was in. We met up the day before the run, caught up on things since college, and realized that he knew enough Spanish so we would be able to eat, drink, find a bathroom, and get directions.”

Telling some friends and co-workers about his adventure (“I didn’t tell my Mother until I made it back safely,” he notes), the pair traveled to Spain in early July. Soon finding their way to the corral where the bulls were kept, the two SIU Alumni Association members discussed what their approach would be. The first order of business would be to meet some of the Americans there and form a bond.

“One of the first things you do before running with the bulls is buy a newspaper,” Lewis explains. “This is a sign that you are confident you will live and be able to read the newspaper once you finish. Our goals were clear—not to be gored, not to be trampled by fellow runners, and to make it to the finish line at Plaza de Toros.”

All goals were met, as Lewis and Kuo made it to the finish line fairly unscathed. Lewis fell during the run,
however, prompting him to have his knee examined when he returned to the States. During this exam, the doctor discovered that his appendix was rupturing (unrelated to the running with the bulls), and that he had to go straight to the hospital and have it taken out. “He told me I might have died a day later if I hadn’t come in,” Lewis now explains. “There is a touch of irony – the injury sustained during the run may have actually saved my life.”

Now a customer service manager for XO Communications in St. Louis, Mo., the 34-year-old says his experience in Pamplona has changed his life. “Prior to the run, I thought if my life ended, what areas should I have improved on? It makes you think.”

Lewis may have some other areas to think about soon, as St. Louis Magazine recently named him one of the “Five Most Eligible Bachelors” in St. Louis. Should that status ever change, the future Mrs. Lewis needs to pencil in a trip to Spain each year.

“My goal is to attend the run every year for the rest of my life,” he states. “It is a tradition that dates back to the 1700s, and running in this event will help me never lose focus of ways I can improve in life.”

Lewis received a surprise when he returned home from the trip. St. Louis Magazine, in a recent issue of the publication, selected him as one of the “Five Most Eligible Bachelors” in town.
SIU’s Distance Education Removes All Boundaries

Alumni and friends may be interested in knowing that they can take a course at Southern Illinois University Carbondale anytime, anywhere—there are no boundaries to distance education courses.

In the December 2000 issue of the Southern Alumni, it was reported that SIU was beginning an initiative to offer online courses to students at a distance. Since this initiative began, faculty members in the Colleges of Agriculture, Applied Sciences and Arts, Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Mass Communications and Media Arts and Science have taught courses online.

Forty different online semester-based courses and 10 Web-based courses offered by the Individual Learning Program (ILP) were taught from fall 2001 through fall 2002. A wide range of courses is offered at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The areas of high demand have been in the departments of Information Systems Technology in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts; the Rehabilitation Institute and the Department of Workforce Education and Development in the College of Education.

All of the distance education courses carry full SIUC residential credit. Southern, a provider for the Illinois Virtual Campus (www.ivc.illinois.edu), will offer online courses again during spring 2003.

The Office of Distance Education (ODE), a part of the Division of Continuing Education, coordinates distance education courses for the campus. These courses are offered in interactive, print-based and Web-based formats. The SIUConnected Web site (www.dce.siu.edu/siuconnected) is the main source of information for distance education at the University. The Division of Continuing Education maintains up-to-date information on all aspects of Southern distance education.

Comprehensive services for students and faculty can also be found on the SIUConnected Web site. Student Services include online admission, registration, textbook ordering and test proctoring. Student handbooks are available in print and Web-based formats. Handbooks have also been developed for faculty to guide them through their online teaching.

Online registration is available for students outside the Carbondale area. For online admission, registration, a complete list of courses and more details, check out the Web site, SIUConnected, at:
http://www.dce.siu.edu/siuconnected/.

To register for an online course, students should contact the Office of Distance Education in the Division of Continuing Education at Washington Square “C” at SIUC. After being admitted to SIUC, students can register in person, by phone at 618-536-7751, by fax at 618-453-5668 or online.

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He, along with Bill Freeberg, was a pioneer in programs for the disabled. O’Brien was involved in the planning stages of the Little Grass campus and Camp Little Giant. Little Giant, which will celebrate its 50th anniversary next summer, was designed to give disabled children the chance to enjoy the summer camp experience.

O’Brien and Freeberg were involved in starting the National Special Olympics as well.

“He cared deeply about the disabled, both children and adults,” LaVerne notes.

In addition to the concern he had for the disabled, O’Brien also cared deeply about his students. “Bill loved teaching,” she says, “and loved the students. He could motivate students to do the best of their abilities.”

O’Brien taught and presided over the thesis committee of Bill McMinn, now the director of the SIU Recreation Center.

“He was an excellent teacher,” McMinn says. “The reason he was such a good teacher was that he had a willingness to listen to the student.”

Education was also important to O’Brien. He earned five graduate degrees and was chairman of SIU’s recreation and outdoor education program from 1974 until his retirement in 1983 and was named teacher of the year in 1974.

“He was the proudest of his teaching and ability to reach inside of people,” LaVerne says.

O’Brien also profoundly affected Mike Reis, who does sports broadcasts for SIU games and is known as the Voice of the Salukis. He taught Reis, who at the time was just beginning in broadcast journalism, the importance of ethics.

“One of the things that he instilled in me was that I could be ethical and still do my job,” Reis stresses. “Bill felt there was a professional way to go about his job—we all benefited from that. Just being around him you wanted to earn his respect.”

These qualities live on in a scholarship awarded in his name to a graduate student in recreation “who most reflects O’Brien’s qualities of honesty, integrity and professionalism.”

O’Brien left a great legacy behind, and now he’ll be better remembered by all associated with Saluki Athletics.

Ethan Erickson’s story first appeared in the Daily Egyptian in September.
It has been 20 years since the St. Louis Cardinals last won a World Series, but when it happened in 1982, the Marching Salukis were there to contribute to the festivities. Whether performing for the crowd or clowning around with team mascot Fredbird, the combination of Dawgs and Birds put on quite a show at Busch Stadium.
Happy Holidays From The SIU Alumni Association!
Chancellor Walter Wendler has joined the ranks of loyal Salukis worldwide to become a life member of the SIU Alumni Association.

Wendler stepped into his role as chancellor on July 1, 2001, and in an interview in Southern Alumni stated, "There are many opportunities to build on the excellent tradition at SIUC, and I will work to build on the accomplishments of the excellent faculty, staff, students and many friends of the University."

In November 2001, Wendler launched "Southern at 150," that resulted in a plan created by a group of campus and community participants envisioning the university in 2019, its 150th anniversary. The final report can be viewed on the chancellor's Web site, www.siuc.edu/chancel/.

Don Magee '63, president of the SIU Alumni Association, recently presented the chancellor with a lifetime membership packet containing an SIU Alumni Association mug, key chain flashlight, catalog, and numerous cards offering member discounts for rental cars, hotels and restaurants.

"I would like to welcome Chancellor Wendler and Mary to the SIU Alumni Association family," Magee notes. "His commitment in joining the SIU Alumni Association is an excellent indicator of his devotion to our University."

"I am pleased to be part of the Southern family. In a short period of time, I have come to appreciate deeply this excellent University, its value to the state of Illinois, and most importantly the excellent work it does in providing educational opportunities to students - who become our supportive alumni. What a great place to work, and what great people to work with."

Walter Wendler
Chancellor
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