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Giving Back to Southern

Pete Wittmann wouldn’t trade his days at SIU for anything — and a $4.5 million gift to his alma mater will help future Salukis have those same experiences.

Inside: How To Get A Free Membership, Alumni Travel, Class Notes, New Alumni Apparel and more...
Upon his sister's passing in 2001, Lloyd Beynon of Danville, Ill., found himself the executor of the estate, with little direction about how to pass on her legacy.

"She left her money to me, but she wanted me to use it to help other people," says Beynon. Since his family has been residents of central Illinois for decades, Beynon wanted his sister's donations to stay local. "I didn't want the money to get lost around the country," he says.

To honor his sister, Geraldine Beynon Murzynski, and her husband, Theodore Murzynski, Beynon has established three endowments, each totaling $100,000, in their memories at the SIU School of Medicine.

The Geraldine Beynon Murzynski Research in Breast Cancer Endowment will be used for research at SIU School of Medicine. Mrs. Murzynski passed away due to complications from breast cancer.

“She was an outgoing, loving person,” her brother remembers. “She had many friends and never met a stranger.”

Known to her friends as “Gerry,” she worked as a receptionist at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, which may be where she learned about Children's Miracle Network, a non-profit organization that raises funds for 170 children's hospitals across North America.

Beynon found a clipping about CMN among his sister's things and remembered her mentioning the program. That clipping led to the establishment of The Geraldine Beynon Murzynski Pediatric Endowment, which will benefit the Southern Illinois University Children's Miracle Network Pediatric Clinic. The fund will be used for medical research and/or clinical support, related to the care of sick and/or injured infants and children at the SIU CMN Pediatric Clinic.

Although Murzynski didn't have any children of her own, “she loved children,” her brother says.

Finally, in memory of his brother-in-law's battle with heart disease, Beynon established The Theodore Murzynski Cardiac Research Endowment. “He had had heart problems since he was a child,” Beynon recalls. Ted, a teacher at Rochester, Ill., high school, “was a devoted person.”

This endowment benefits the Department of Internal Medicine at the SIU School of Medicine.

For more information about how to establish an endowment at the SIU School of Medicine, contact the SIU Foundation at 1-877-435-7766.
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FEATURES

Twists Of Fate

When former Saluki football player Thomas "Pete" Wittmann looks back on his days at Southern, he is quick to note the many learning experiences and fateful decisions made during his years in Carbondale. Now a successful businessman, Wittmann is giving back to his alma mater in the form of the largest private donation in the University's history. His generosity will fund the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center to assist Saluki athletes for years to come.

Southern's Little Rock Three

In 1957, one of the most important Civil Rights events in United States history occurred at Central High School in Little Rock, Ark. Three of the famed "Little Rock Nine" students, who blazed a trail against segregation, eventually became students at Southern. Returning to campus this summer, they recounted their experiences, hopes, and dreams for America, 46 years after their bravery galvanized the nation.

Unbridled Enthusiasm

After Michelle Heinemann earned her bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences, an interest in the therapeutic use of horses began to develop. Now a graduate student at SIU, Heinemann contacted a University professor to see if an equine program could be supported that could assist area youngsters with various challenges. Along with doctoral student, Val Boyer, who was also exploring the therapeutic use of animals, Heinemann introduced "Horse P.A.L.S." to the Southern landscape - and many children are reaping the benefits.

The Best In The Business

Dan Graveline got an early start in managing facilities when he was a graduate student at SIU. Hired by Dean Justice when the SIU Arena opened in 1964, he found he had a knack in the business – and he has taken that early talent to the top of his profession. Now the executive director of the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Graveline oversees one of the largest convention, sports and entertainment complexes in the world.

ON THE COVER

Pete Wittmann, featuring an annual pre-safari hunt beard, was all smiles this summer at his home in Dallas. The former SIU football player donated $4.5 million to his alma mater for construction of the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center.
Pete Wittmann shakes his head and smiles while recalling old times at Southern Illinois University. As the benefactor behind a recent $4.5 million gift to the University, he says life experiences at the University still guide him each day.

"Hey – I had fun in college," he says. "Looking back on it, I realize I didn't miss out on much."

Wittmann, who came to SIU on a football scholarship in 1967, credits life lessons in the classroom – and plenty of activity away from the hallowed halls – for his development as a man.

"Being at SIU was a great learning experience and provided me with an opportunity to grow up and prepare for things in life," he says. "Virtually everything I did served a purpose in shaping me as a person."

On the football field and in the classroom, proper decorum was in order. Away from those environments, however, Wittmann took full advantage to socialize and unwind.

"The old haunts at SIU still resonate in my brain," he laughs. "I can close my eyes right now and see myself with friends at places like Bonaparte's Retreat, the Golden Gauntlet, The Club, The Rat Hole, and Speedy's. The old night spots – we hit them all."

"If there was boxing match on closed circuit TV in St. Louis, we took off and went up there. If there was an activity somewhere else that interested us, we didn't hesitate to go."

Wittmann, who says he often found himself overmatched on the collegiate football field, does relish one memory as "a moment in the sun." The incident featured teammate Carl Mauck, an SIU Hall of Famer and 13-year offensive lineman in the National Football League, who currently is an assistant coach for the Detroit Lions.

"Mauck – who would have absolutely no reason to remember this – was a senior when I was a sophomore," Wittmann recalls. "I was always on the red-shirt team at practice playing across the line from him. One day, in one of my proudest moments, I hit Carl just right and blocked him completely off of his feet."

"He got mad as a moose, jumped up, got in my face and snarled. That was a great block kid – and it will never happen again! And he was right, as I never came close to doing that again. It felt pretty good at the time, however, to have a moment like that against a great player like Carl Mauck."

As you will read in our cover story, such SIU experiences, coupled with countless others, helped Wittmann become a success in life. His gift to the University – the largest private donation in the institution's history – illustrates both love and hope for SIU.

"I wanted to help, and it is my hope that this will inspire others to give back to Southern Illinois University," he explains. "I thought it was time to get that snowball rolling down the hill."
Let Us Bring Southern To You!

Do these two “Salukis” look familiar?

The Saluki on the left is Alumni Association Life Member Dave Fabian ’69 from Evergreen, Colo., while the other Saluki is his namesake, “Fabian.” The younger Fabian lives in Springfield, Ill., with two other Life Members, Don and Karen Magee.

The two Fabians have been meeting the last couple of years at Homecoming, and have obviously contributed some true Saluki Spirit to the occasion as SIU won both football games.

Thousands of other alumni also return to campus for Homecoming and for other events such as alumni appreciation basketball games, alumni appreciation programs at Shryock, and for the SIU Class Ring Ceremony — all hosted by the SIU Alumni Association. If you can’t return, then the next best thing to being back on campus is to visit your alma mater through the pages of Southern Alumni magazine.

This issue was sent to all alumni, compliments of the SIU Alumni Association and the SIU Foundation. Dues paying members of the Association, however, receive six issues per year of the Southern Alumni magazine and Saluki Pride newsletter.

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

P.S. Over 1,200 Alumni have joined the Association since last year. Thanks!

Are you a member? Take a look at your mailing label to find out. Join today with the convenient enclosed membership envelope!
Extra benefits

Six times a year, you'll hear directly from your SIU Alumni Association through Southern Alumni magazine and the Saluki Pride newsletter. You'll support your alma mater and its students via scholarships and programs. Enjoy discounts on products and services compliments of our benefit partners.

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Touch of Nature

Touch of Nature has joined the SIU Alumni Association as a benefit partner, offering 20 percent off lodging accommodations and a 15 percent discount on its programs.

Located eight miles south of Carbondale, the 3,100 acre wooded retreat offers 18 motel-quality rooms in the Little Grassy Lodge (see photo) in addition to rustic cabins and dormitory-style lodges. Marketing Director Bret Doughtery '91 hopes alumni will take advantage of the discount and discover the environmental center's natural beauty. "Touch of Nature is one of the few environmental facilities associated with a university," he says. The center is on a 900-acre lake and borders a National Wildlife Refuge and the Shawnee National Forest.

Touch of Nature's programs include Conference Services, Underway Outdoor Adventures, Spectrum Wilderness, Environmental Ed-Ventures, and Therapeutic Recreation.

For more information on the programs visit their website at www.tonec.siu.edu.

Sherwin-Williams Paints

Getting ready for some home decorating? The SIU Alumni Association's newest international benefit partner can help. Sherwin-Williams Paints is offering a 20 percent discount on regularly priced items and a 5 percent discount on sale items in its stores everywhere to members of the Alumni Association.

"It's as simple as picking up the phone, calling the Alumni Office and getting the Association's account number," says Michelle Suarez, director of member services. "This is a really great opportunity for our members."

Mike Riley, marketing director for the Sherwin-Williams Carbondale store and current SIU student, points out that at the end of the year 3 percent of the amount alumni spend in the stores will come back to the association. "This is a great way to support the Association and the University and save money," says Riley.

For more information on the company go to their Web site at www.sherwin.com.

Join on-line at www.siualumni.com or call 618-453-2408.
**The following businesses are graciously offering our members a variety of discounts.**

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**A Larger SIU Alumni Association Means A Greater Voice**

Can you remember the feeling the day you graduated? As you look back on your college days and reminisce about some of the best years of your life, you realize how important it is to keep those memories alive. That is why the SIU Alumni Association is here. We help keep those memories alive.

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SIU Grads Succeeding In Military Legal Community

I wanted to let fellow alumni know that SIU is well represented by Southern graduates in the U.S. military legal community. In late August, I met two other Salukis at a conference in Miami and wanted to share this with you. All of us are component command Staff Judge Advocates (SJA) for U.S. Southern Command.

Best wishes and Go Salukis!
Steve Stewart J.D. '94
Major, U.S. Marine Corps
Miami, Fla.


New Board Member Enjoyed His Southern Homecoming

I want to thank all the alums who voted for me recently when I was elected to be on your SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors. All members can be assured that I will do my best to represent their interests in an honest, sincere, and professional manner.

Your alumni board meets twice a year (Homecoming weekend and in the early spring), and my first board meeting was this fall — as well as my first Homecoming attended in 15 years. My wife and I had a wonderful time as we reveled in the activities associated with the crowd, parade, SIU Alumni Association Tent, tailgating, walking through Thompson Woods, the fall colors, great football, perfect weather, and best of all, seeing old friends. The entire experience made him an icon to many in Carbondale. Whether you met "The Boss" at a tailgate or had the pleasure of visiting with him in his "Voodoo Lounge" in the back of Pick's Liquors, he was always delighted to hear about what you had been up to since graduation.

For those of us who worked for Mr. Pick, we learned much from his wisdom — it couldn't have been packed into a class, but had to be experienced. He made us feel less like workers and more like family, and he touched my life as well as many others. I wore a Pick's Liquors T-shirt my first year of "Running with the Bulls" in Spain and will continue to wear this shirt when I compete, serving to honor and show respect for a man who helped change my life.

Todd Lewis '94
Annual Member
St. Louis, Mo.

Ask And Ye Shall Receive

The odds of it happening weren't as great as winning the Illinois State Lottery, but Tom Van Horn '73 wasn't holding his breath either. A certified public accountant in Marion, III., the SIU Alumni Association Life Member had long sported LOW TAX vanity license plates. He felt it was time for a change, however, and decided he might as well shoot for the stars.

"Timing is everything," he laughs. "The person who had the plates must have either just died or moved out of state when my form was denied, but she did receive the respectable match of 'SALUKES.'"

In the mail came shiny new Illinois plates — exactly as requested!

"Timing is everything," he laughs. "The person who had the plates must have either just died or moved out of state when my form arrived."

Since Van Horn was on a roll, he thought he would try and hit the daily double by requesting SALUKIS for his wife, Frances. That request was denied, but she did receive the respectable match of SALUKES.

Van Horn, who served the SIU Alumni Association for years as its treasurer, says he and his wife are enjoying the stares and comments the plates initiate. "When we go out — especially to ballgames — our license plates are great conversation pieces."

— Gene Green

Life Member Checks In From Iraq

I thought I would let my fellow SIU alumni know that I am currently on active duty at Freedom Air Base in Kirkur, Iraq with the 506th Air Expeditionary Group, Civil Engineering Squadron. I am a Master Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, and my home unit is the 440th Air Wing at General Mitchell IAP, Milwaukee, Wis.

Activated on March 10, 2003, I was sent to Iraq in July. I am a proud life member of the SIU Alumni Association, and always enjoy Southern Alumni magazine!

Gregory Sielepkowski '87
Life Member
Stationed in Kirkur, Iraq
(Hometown is Ringwood, Ill.)

Former Employer Made An Impact On This Alum

I was sad to learn of the recent death of Wilbert Pick from Carbondale. While aware that Mr. Pick did not graduate from SIU, countless alumni encountered him over the years, and his style and presence made him an icon to many in Carbondale. Whether you met "The Boss" at a tailgate or had the pleasure of visiting with him in his "Voodoo Lounge" in the back of Pick's Liquors, he was always delighted to hear about what you had been up to since graduation.

For those of us who worked for Mr. Pick, we learned much from his wisdom — it couldn't have been packed into a class, but had to be experienced. He made us feel less like workers and more like family, and he touched my life as well as many others. I wore a Pick's Liquors T-shirt my first year of "Running with the Bulls" in Spain and will continue to wear this shirt when I compete, serving to honor and show respect for a man who helped change my life.

Todd Lewis '94
Annual Member
St. Louis, Mo.

Hello From Tennessee

The Southern Alumni magazine is great! I retired from SIU in 1993 but still have many fond memories of the University.

I recently came across some photos taken of the 1949 Homecoming Parade, as I was a student at Southern during that time. Hello and best wishes from Tennessee.

Dorthy Browning
Woodbury, Tenn.
Billy Patrick's Chili – An SIU Homecoming Tradition

by Gene Green

Over the years, certain things have become woven into the fabric of SIU Homecoming Weekend. Sights like the SIU Alumni Association "Big Tent," the parade, the football game – and Billy Patrick '74 making a huge concoction of chili – are staples on Saturday.

Patrick, a Murphysboro resident who lettered for the Football Salukis in the late 1960s, has been making chili for alumni and friends to enjoy on Homecoming for more than 25 years. Setting up his cooker, tables, and refreshments in the parking lot on the south end of McAndrew Stadium, his chili has become a Saluki tradition on this special weekend.

"I've done it for a long time, and continue to do it because I enjoy it," he says. "The whole process has grown some over the years, but it is fun to do each Homecoming."

It all began on an historic date – Oct. 23, 1976. On a rainy Homecoming Saturday, Andre Herrera would run wild for a school-record 319 yards against Northern Illinois, and Patrick – back in the area after getting out of the Marine Corps – decided it was high time to rejuvenate some tailgating activity outside of McAndrew Stadium. Using a borrowed 10-quart pot, his first batch of chili was produced on a gas grill.

From that humble beginning, the rest is history.

Now using a homemade 16-gallon keg cooker, Patrick starts the process of preparing 80-pounds of ground beef the night before. After browning the meat and boiling off excess liquids, tomato juice is poured in and then "we start adding things from that point on." Local distributor Denny Kortkamp '69 has long provided beer for the gathering, while others bring items if they wish. No one is turned away.

"Anyone who walks by can sample the chili," Patrick stresses. "That's why it's there – I want SIU fans to enjoy stopping by."

Patrick, who has had many assist him in the process over the years, manned the 2003 event without his close friend, Harold Miller '69, M.S. '71, who passed away earlier this summer.

"Every year, Harold cut all of the onions," Patrick notes. "He was always a part of this, so it was tough not looking up and seeing him sitting out there enjoying himself. He was a great guy who loved this activity, and I know we'll think of him each year when we do this."

So look for Patrick's tailgate during Homecoming 2004 – and fear not if you are wary of spicy food. "I make it real mild," he says with a laugh, "but do have plenty of sauce available for those who like it hot."
Counselors Say Southern Is A Hidden Gem Academically

High school guidance counselors rank Southern Illinois University Carbondale as one of the nation's most underrated schools, according to a recently released guide to colleges and universities.

SIU is among 20 schools found in the “most underrated” category in the 2004 edition of The Unofficial, Unbiased Guide to the 328 Most Interesting Colleges, written by Trent Anderson and Seppy Basili and published by Kaplan/Simon & Schuster.

“Guidance counselors play a critical role in high school students’ decisions about where to attend college,” SIU Chancellor Walter Wendler says. “This is an important vote of confidence for our faculty and staff, whose No. 1 priority is ensuring our students receive a top-notch education and myriad opportunities for enrichment.”

Southern at 150, the long-range blueprint for the growth of the University, lists a variety of commitments to excellence, including promoting excellence in undergraduate academics, part of what Kaplan reports on.

The listings are the result of a phone survey by Market Measurement Inc. of hundreds of guidance counselors selected from a random sample of all U.S. high schools, public and private. Dun & Bradstreet Inc. created the scientifically developed random sample. Data in the survey reflected the national population distribution of high school-age children, 14-18. Kaplan Inc. does not solicit or accept fees of any kind from colleges or universities for the guide.
Morris Library Renovation Project

A Fresh Face For An Old Friend

As many of you look back and think of your time at Southern, you may remember one of Dr. Gola Water's business classes ... or cardboard boat regatta races ... or even bumping into Dr. Delyte Morris as he was walking to his next meeting. Chances are also good that you have memories of spending many hours studying, researching, or working in Morris Library.

Because Morris Library has grown into a large public research library, the building needs a major renovation and an addition to accommodate the vast knowledge for the curriculum that the University supports. And changes are needed for this grand structure to become the state-of-the-art information center that SIU will require to rank among the top 75 research institutions in the nation.

The reality of an actual renovation and expansion project for the library has taken many years of hard work by various individuals within the SIU community as well as many external constituents. Although facing difficult financial times, the state of Illinois appropriated $29 million for this project in December 2002.

Although this generous investment made the project the largest capital undertaking in SIU history, the funding would not cover the cost of replacing the brick exterior which, during the planning phase, the architects had deemed necessary to make the building safe and to preserve its vast collections.

Additional analysis revealed the need for a complete replacement of the aging HVAC systems and updating fire code requirements by installing a building-wide sprinkler system. The administration was faced with the difficult decision of either scaling back the project by not including the much-needed addition or only renovating selected portions of the library. On Sept. 11, 2003, the SIU Board of Trustees recognized the need for an improved facility and invested an additional $12 million for the project. The total monies allocated are $41 million.

If all proceeds according to plan, a public construction bid document will be released in January/February of 2004, while beginning construction is slated for the late summer or early fall of 2004. Original plans called for the library to occupy the building during all construction and renovation. This would be a major challenge for the library's staff and users and would lengthen the duration and raise the cost of the project substantially. Other creative options are being explored for moving most of the collections and staff outside Morris Library for much of the project. This would shorten the project time and save money that could be used to purchase such things as more and better furniture.

The building plan calls for the addition of 50,000 GSF (gross square feet), which is approximately equivalent to one of the larger floors in the current Morris Library. All of the new construction will be to the north of the building (toward the quad area of campus).

The fountain currently located outside the north entrance of the building will have to be removed to accommodate the new construction. The pond will remain. There will continue to be two entrances to the library (north and south) as well as a separate entrance to the Special Collections Research Center. Almost all trees around the building will be spared.

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A view of the proposed Morris Library Renovation is seen from a northwest perspective. All new construction will be to the north of the building.

Gov. Blagojevich Announces Funding For University Projects

Key Southern Illinois University Carbondale projects received a boost recently from Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich. Speaking before a standing-room-only audience at the Student Center, Blagojevich announced he is investing $2.1 million to begin design and construction of the long-discussed Transportation Education Center. He also authorized the release of $30 million for the expansion and renovation of Morris Library.

"We are honored Gov. Blagojevich announced the details of his economic development plan for the region here," SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler says. "The University is also committed to helping communities with economic development, and these projects are vital to our students, the region and the entire state."
Introducing Your New SIU Distinguished Alumni Recipients

The Southern Illinois University Alumni Association recently recognized three prominent graduates as Distinguished Alumni during the University's homecoming activities.

The SIU Alumni Association held a public reception and induction ceremony in the Student Recreation Center's Alumni Lounge, where their framed photos became part of the University's Distinguished Alumni Wall.

The 2003 SIU Distinguished Alumni are: Larry Calufetti, president and CEO of Sunshine Cleaning Systems Inc. (SCSI), a contract cleaning business in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; the late William "Bill" O'Brien, longtime chair of SIU's Recreation and Outdoor Education Department and nationally respected National Football League official from 1967 to 1983; and Glenn Poshard, whose 40-year public service career included election as a state senator, U.S. Congressman, and concluded as Vice Chancellor for Administration at SIU.

Here is a closer look at this year’s honorees:

LARRY 'MOOSE' CALUFETTI
Larry Calufetti, a native of Harrisburg, was a catcher on the Saluki baseball team from 1970 to 1973. He became a solid fixture in legendary coach Richard "Itchy" Jones' lineup, helping the Salukis win 141 games in four seasons, highlighted by a second-place finish in the 1971 College World Series.

Calufetti received all-tournament team honors, leading all hitters with a .533 batting average. Today, Calufetti's drive to succeed continues to benefit him. Following a stint as a player and coach in the New York Mets organization, he moved to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where he began laying the foundation for his own contract cleaning business.

As president/CEO, this SIU alumnus has built Sunshine Cleaning Systems Inc. (SCSI) into one of the largest contract cleaning businesses in the state of Florida. His customer list includes international airports, arenas, stadiums, convention centers, hospitals and schools.

Calufetti, a 1976 graduate, is a proud life member of the SIU Alumni Association and continues to help his alma mater by hosting alumni functions in South Florida.

BILL O'BRIEN
Bill O'Brien, a Zeigler native, is remembered by SIU sports fans for a Hall of Fame football career in the early 1940s and receiving Most Valuable Player honors for baseball in 1947. He subsequently went on to the National Football League where he was a nationally-respected official for 17 years.

He worked in the 1976 Super Bowl, Pro Bowls in 1974, 1982, and 1983, and officiated in the first-ever NFL game in London, England, in 1983. But O'Brien is most highly revered for his devotion to helping others. He donated all of his NFL earnings to organizations supporting educational programs for children and adults with disabilities. O'Brien also influenced the lives of many SIU students as an esteemed instructor and chair of the University's Recreation and Outdoor Education Department.

During his 35 years at SIU, O'Brien was named Teacher of the Year by the College of Education in 1974, the recipient of the "Great Teacher Award" from the SIU Alumni Association in 1977, and was the first recipient of the Lindell Sturgis Service Award in 1980, presented by the SIU Board of Trustees. A U.S. Marine Corps member, O'Brien served in World War II and the Korean War, before retiring as a colonel in 1983. A 1947 graduate of Southern, O'Brien proceeded to receive master's and doctorate degrees from Indiana University. O'Brien, who died in 2000, was a life member of the SIU Alumni Association, and was represented at the induction ceremony by his wife, LaVerne.
GLENN POSHARD
Glenn Poshard, a Carmi native, began his 40-year public service career in 1962 as a young soldier in Korea where he was awarded a meritorious service commendation for outstanding contributions to the U.S. Army and his care of Korean orphans. As an educator, state senator, U.S. Congressman, and Democratic nominee for governor, this was the first of many awards Poshard received in a combined education and political career serving the citizens of Illinois.

A three-degree graduate of SIU, Poshard distinguished himself as a teacher and administrator, managing programs for special-needs children for the State Board of Education and ending his career as Vice Chancellor for Administration at the University. Elected to the Illinois State Senate in 1984, he received many Legislator of the Year awards for championing the efforts to improve education and health care in impoverished areas of the state. As chairman of the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee, he worked tirelessly to improve economic conditions in southern Illinois.

Elected to Congress in 1988, Poshard passed the Illinois Wilderness Act and was instrumental in creating the Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge, thus preserving for posterity southern Illinois' greatest natural resources.

His leadership in Congress on education, health care, campaign finance reform, coal research, and economic development, combined with his personal efforts to protect abused and neglected children, have been hallmarks of a distinguished career devoted to public service.

Poshard and his wife, Jo '71, are life members of the SIU Alumni Association.

Distinguished Alumni Award Nominations
The SIU Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to up to five alumni annually to acknowledge 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 2004 SIU Distinguished Alumni Award, please log on to www.siualumni.com for a copy of the nomination form and submit no later than Friday, March 5, 2004, to: SIU Alumni Association, c/o Greg Scott, Colyer Hall, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. 62901-6809. For more information, call 618-453-2408.

Welcome Home To Southern...
New SIU Alumni Association President Mimi Wallace addressed a large crowd at the SIU Arena on Oct. 9 prior to "An Evening With Walter Cronkite." Wallace welcomed the alumni and friends in attendance, and ushered in the appearance by the legendary CBS news anchor, who was at Southern in an event sponsored by the Public Policy Institute, the SIU Alumni Association, and the Laborer's International Union of North America.
For Thomas "Pete" Wittmann, lessons learned - and people met - while playing football at SIU, gave him a foundation in life.
When Pete Wittmann was growing up in Town and Country, Mo., he knew football would help provide a path to his future.

Recruited in the mid-1960s by a variety of Midwest schools, the prep standout began the process of deciding where to play the sport he loved. The decision he eventually made not only impacted his athletic career, but also invited fate to take his life in directions he never imagined.

Wittmann, 54, recently gave Southern Illinois University a $4.5 million gift—the largest private donation in the institution's history. He says the road to independent wealth and a quality life was paved by his decision to attend SIU. "I sometimes wonder what would have happened if I had gone somewhere else," he now says with a smile, "but I don't think about it very long!"

The Road To SIU

Wittmann was recruited by various schools during his senior prep season, with Southern and Wichita State eventually climbing to the top of the list. The Salukis got the nod for a variety of reasons.

"SIU had a good business school and played a better brand of football at the time," he remembers. "Plus I had been to a game at McAndrew Stadium my senior year and liked everything about the campus."

Recruited by then-head coach Ellis Rainsberger, Wittmann became a Saluki in 1967. And in an initial twist of fate, the man who brought him to Southern left almost immediately to become an assistant at the University of Illinois. Dick Towers took over the SIU program and immediately introduced his new Salukis to the rigors of college football.

No one was in for a bigger surprise than the young defensive back.

"I was a good player in high school with aspirations for athletic greatness," he says. "I just knew I was going to make it to the National Football League, but after five minutes of Towers' first practice at Little Grassy, I realized playing college ball would be it."

And even that would be a challenge.

"The very first day, Carl Mauck is powering me into the ground and Bob Hudspeth is knocking me into Kingdom Come," Wittmann says with a laugh more than three decades later. "I remember being on my back, shaking my head, and thinking: 'This really can't be happening. The heck with the NFL — I need to find a way to get through this first practice!'"
Wittmann, far left, was on hand to cheer for SIU when the Basketball Salukis competed in the Sweet 16 Tournament at Syracuse in 2002. Having fun at the game with him, from left, are friends Elliot Walden, Doug Cauthen, Kenny Troutt, and SIUC Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement Rickey McCurry.

Wittmann remembers Towers as a "straight forward man who was hard for me to play for because I didn't end up having enough ability to produce for him. I enjoyed being around him a great deal, however, and know that he was more than fair."

The 165-pound defensive back stuck it out for two seasons, but a laundry list of injuries clearly placed the writing on the wall. By the time his junior season rolled around, he had two concussions and knew that his gridiron dream was basically complete. It was time to concentrate on academics and life after football.

**Friends For Life**

Athletic greatness may have been fleeting, but acquaintances made through SIU Football endured the test of time. Among his many teammates, no one had a larger impact on his life than fellow Saluki, and Mt. Vernon, Ill., native Kenny Troutt.

"Kenny and I met on the football field at Southern and then rushed TKEs together," Wittmann says. "We were roommates through college, and even lived together after our SIU days until he got married — it must have been fate that we met, as he is the brother I never had. You need to note that I didn't say he is 'like a brother to me,' he is a brother.

"Other than my father, wife, and children, Kenny is the closest person in the world to me."

When Wittmann left SIU in the early 1970s, his first foray into the business world was as a manufacturer's representative selling women's clothing for the Alfred Werber Company. With territories in Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota, he made a solid living, but tired of the constant travel.

Troutt, who was running a basement waterproofing company in Omaha, Neb., called his old friend in 1973 and offered him a job.

"I was excited about the opportunity, as I had some background through summer jobs working construction and installing drainage tiles, and felt I would enjoy the work," he remembers. "I ended up as his project manager and handled much of the supervisory tasks for the business."

Wittmann figured perhaps he had found his niche, eventually moving back to St. Louis and working for the Hussman Tile Corporation. Life was good, if not a bit mundane, when "the call" came in 1988.

**A Leap Of Faith**

Receiving a call from his best friend Troutt was nothing unusual, but the request was certainly a bit unique.
When the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center is built, one of the features will be a state-of-the-art weight room. The irony of that is not lost on Pete Wittmann. "When I played at SIU in the late 1960s, we simply had weights set up in the parking lot, which would later be locked up under the stadium," he recalls. "Some of us, however, figured out a way to cut them loose, and a few just happened to find their way over to our trailer."

Realizing the statute of limitations had since long expired, Wittmann, with a wide grin planted on his face, was coming clean. "Mike Neri, Charlie Canali and I had so many weights in that trailer that we had to move them around every so often. If we kept them on one side too long, the whole trailer started to tilt."

"Oh well - I might as well admit it now," he laughs. "I'm paying it back with interest."

In October of 1988, Excel Communications was born. Sparing the tedious details, it would be a ridiculous understatement to say the company was merely successful. At one time the fifth-largest long distance company in the country, the enterprise went public in 1996 before merging with Teleglobe in 1998. In 2000, Bell Canada Enterprises (BCE) purchased the company in a multi-billion dollar deal - a transaction which ushered Wittmann into early retirement.

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"Kenny called up and said, 'Send me all the money you can put your hands on.' Although I trust the guy with my life, I was sort of dumbfounded and wanted to know what in the heck he was talking about.

Troutt explained that he was going to get into the long distance telephone business, and then calmly repeated, "Send all the money you can and don't worry - we're going to get mega rich."

Still a bit confused, Wittmann asked Troutt what in the world he knew about running a long distance telephone business. "Nothing at all," he answered. "But I will."

Wittmann agreed, taking trust to a new level, and scrambling to put together some funds. He had $20,000 in the bank and could perhaps write checks for another $20,000 using high interest credit cards. Almost cautiously, he told Troutt that he would be able to scrape together $40,000, but doing so would basically wipe out his finances.

"Send it all," Troutt responded again. "You won't regret it."

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Wittmann says the construction of the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center (see sidebar story) will hopefully pave the way for other construction projects on the SIU campus.

"There needs to be some shovels put in the dirt again at SIU," he stresses. "When I was there in the late 1960s, everything seemed new and vibrant. Things like dorms, classrooms, and the SIU Arena all looked fresh. Now some areas of University are showing age - it's time to add some new buildings to what is already a beautiful campus."

SIU Alumni Association Executive Director Ed Buerger, who was at
"Anything I can do to help student-athletes at SIU, I want to do it - I've been in their shoes."

- Pete Wittmann
When he was at SIU, Wittmann says he was just “enjoying life to its fullest.”

The other passion filling his free time is big game hunting, something he first experienced just a few years ago.

“I had never shot a gun until I turned 50 years old,” he notes. “But I bought a safari trip one year to hunt with one of my heroes, Chuck Yeager. It was a great experience and now I’ve been in Africa four times, Alaska four times, and to other places around the world. I really find it fascinating.”

He says his current place in life is just the latest of many steps taken.

“High school was a step, then college, and later decisions made in the business world,” he explains. “It’s funny how things work out. When I was at SIU, I was just enjoying life to its fullest, and had no real plans. Southern was a great learning experience that I wouldn’t trade for anything, and my close friends are still guys I met in Carbondale. I have a bond with them that just can’t be replaced.”

And he looks forward to the day when he can return to campus with such friends and see student-athletes enjoying the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center as they lead SIU to bigger and better things on the playing field.

Athletics has an important role at SIU, he stresses. “Things like a football game on a beautiful autumn weekend bring the campus and community together and allow everyone to take ownership in the team’s success. If Saluki Athletics does well, good things will happen for the entire University – I absolutely believe that.”

Wittmann shakes hands with SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler at the press conference this summer when the $4.5 million gift was announced.

High Tech Training For Saluki Athletes

On April 29, 2003, plans were announced for the construction of the Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center. Made possible thanks to a $4.5 million gift from SIU alumnus Thomas “Pete” Wittmann, the gift will pay for the creation of a spacious new high-tech training facility for intercollegiate student athletes.

The three-level, 14,000-square-foot facility will be located north of Lingle Hall. The ground floor will feature a weight training area, the middle floor will house the academic center, and the top floor will feature offices for the academic coordinators and conference rooms that will be utilized by SIU student-athletes.

The facility will also pay homage to Wittmann’s best friend, fellow alumnus Kenny Troutt.

“Giving Kenny top billing is a small way for me to say thanks for all he means to me,” Wittmann says. “He has been one of the greatest influences on my life – financially, spiritually, and emotionally. Kenny never wants to call attention to himself, but if I’m going to be recognized in this fashion, then he is going to be right there with me.”

Saluki Athletics Director Paul Kowalczyk is appreciative – and excited – about the gift.

“The Troutt-Wittmann Academic and Training Center will be a first-class facility and have an immediate and significant impact on what we can offer our student-athletes in those areas that are paramount to their academic and athletic development,” Kowalczyk notes. Pete gave this gift with his heart, and his sincerity is genuine. He and his wife, Elaine, are special people who want nothing but the best for this school, and we’re going to make every effort to live up to their high standards. All Salukis should be proud to call Pete one of their own.”

SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler concurs, pointing to the significance the gift will have on future students at the University.

“Pete Wittmann truly understands the power of opportunity,” says Wendler. “His gift will open doors for our student-athletes that literally haven’t been there before. We greatly appreciate his generosity and leadership. I look forward to seeing him back on campus when the Troutt-Wittman Academic and Training Center is ready to open.”

Construction of the center is expected to be completed in 2005.
Foreign Student's New Film Draws Raves

by Paula Davenport

Movie critics on both coasts are wagging about Dust, a recently released feature film written and directed by Macedonia native Milcho Manchevski, a 1983 graduate of Southern Illinois University Carbondale's film program.

Starring British actors Joseph Fiennes and Adrian Lester, the Lion's Gate Home Entertainment R-rated film opened late this summer in New York and Los Angeles to rave reviews. New York Times reviewer Elvis Mitchell calls it a "potent, assured and ambitious piece of filmmaking."

Manjunath Pendakur, dean of the SIU College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, says, "We are all incredibly proud of him and hope to be able to bring him back to campus to meet with students and host a special screening of the film."

Manchevski used similar visual techniques in his earlier, highly decorated 1994 feature Before the Rain, which drew an Oscar nomination for best foreign film, won 30 international film festival awards and is listed in The New York Times book Best 1,000 Films Ever Made.

Now a New York City resident, Manchevski teaches directing at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, Graduate Film and TV. Years ago, however, it was an enthusiastic Southern film professor who made it possible for Manchevski to come to Carbondale.

In 1979, the late Richard Blumenberg, a film professor from SIU, delivered a lecture in the former Yugoslavia. After his talk in Spokje, then 19-year-old Manchevski introduced himself and said he yearned to study filmmaking in the United States.

Blumenberg was able to get Manchevski a scholarship to SIU with assistance from the University's international programs office. The young filmmaker studied in what is now the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts. Today, his string of accomplishments stands as testimony to the University that gave him a start.

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SIU Student Heads International Organization

A hug from a shy little girl participating in Special Olympics taught Dan Conrod the value of helping others. A junior majoring in business management at SIU, his eye-opening experience occurred during his freshman year at Murphysboro Township High School.

While helping with a Special Olympics event at McAndrew Stadium, Conrod and a friend noticed a little girl standing by herself, holding a ball. With a little coaxing from Conrod and another volunteer, the girl competed in her event and, at the end of the day, won a medal.

"After she won, she ran up and hugged me," Conrod recalls. "Once you get hooked, you stay involved." And stay involved he has. Conrod, the son of David and Jean Conrod, is a seven-year veteran of the Kiwanis family of clubs. He participated in his high school's Key Club, including serving a year as president. Last year, he served as the Circle K Illinois-Eastern Iowa District distinguished governor.

Over the summer, Conrod won election to a one-year term as president of Circle K International during the organization's annual convention. Circle K is a co-educational service, leadership development and friendship organization structured and sponsored by a Kiwanis club on a college or university campus. It is a self-governing organization in which members elect their own officers, establish a dues structure and determine service activities. There are about 30 members in Southern's Circle K chapter.

Bob Hall, longtime adviser to the Murphysboro Key Club and Illinois-Eastern Iowa District administrator, sings Conrod's praises. "He cares about people," he says. "In any of the offices he's held, his objective has been to help people attain their goals."

In his role as international president, Conrod travels a great deal, giving speeches and conducting seminars about Circle K. He is working on establishing partnerships between Circle K and other college community-focused groups in this country and abroad.
The SIU Alumni Association is pleased to be partnering with Gwendolyn Walker (pictured at left), wife of SIU President James Walker, in the "Book in Every Home" campaign. The program seeks to collect new and used books for children in SIU's Head Start programs. The University operates Head Start programs at seven sites in Jackson and Williamson counties in southern Illinois. Southern's nationally-recognized program is one of only a few university-related Head Start organizations in the country. The curriculum focuses on meeting the social, intellectual, emotional, and physical needs of pre-school children from low-income families.

If you would like to donate a book(s) suitable for children ages 3-6 years old, please mail to: SIU Alumni Association, Colyer Hall, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901.

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For (from left) Minnijean Brown Trickey, Thelma Mothershed Wair, and Terrence Roberts, the road from Little Rock’s Central High School eventually led to Southern Illinois University.
Southern's Little Rock Three

by Greg Scott

In 1957, three SIU alumni participated in one of the most important Civil Rights acts in United States history. Their bravery, courage, and sacrifice galvanized the nation – 46 years later their commitment to social change burns bright.

Minnie Jean Brown Trickey's eyes lit up. She had just heard Thelma Mothershed Wair and Terrence Roberts – two fellow members of the celebrated Little Rock Nine – recount their career experiences in home economics education and social work.

While visiting with them at the Black Alumni Group Reunion last summer in Carbondale, Trickey was reminded of a common bond she shares with her lifelong friends. A social worker herself, Trickey smiles as she speaks about their career paths that focus on compassion and caretaking of others.

"It really indicates what each member of the Little Rock Nine is all about. Social responsibility is a part of our character," she says. "We share qualities of self-worth, commitment, and persistence. Each of us were raised in an environment of high expectations."

Some 46 years ago, these attributes contributed to Trickey, Wair, and Roberts becoming major agents of change in one of the most important Civil Rights acts in this nation's history.

These three SIU alumni and six other Little Rock, Ark. students, were inspirational forces in attaining equal educational opportunities for African-Americans. Among this group of teenagers, which became nationally known as the "Little Rock Nine," were the first black students to attend Little Rock's all-white Central High School on Sept. 23, 1957.

But their quest for equal education wasn't accomplished without countless obstacles. White students and their parents, community leaders, and even the governor of Arkansas, opposed their efforts.

"Physically, psychologically, and emotionally, there was a price to pay," says Roberts. "But it was well worth that price."

However, displaying the bravery, courage, and sacrifice for which they have become known, the Little Rock Nine would not be denied. They remained focused on pursuing a top-quality education for themselves and those who followed them.

"We embodied the true nature of the Movement by leading the community in this cause. It is important for young people to believe in themselves," Trickey says. "Things aren't going to change for the better in this world unless you initiate that change."
"As I look back on the Little Rock Nine, I'm really in awe of these young people."

**The Battle For Racial Equality In The Public School System**

The impetus for the Little Rock Nine's actions was an even younger student. In 1951, a black third-grader named Linda Brown had to walk a mile through a railroad switchyard to get to her black elementary school in Topeka, Kan., even though a white elementary school was only seven blocks from her home.

In the early 1950s, racial segregation was prevalent in the U.S. school systems, and although schools in a given district were supposed to be equal, the majority of black schools were inferior to their white counterparts.

When Oliver Brown, Linda's father, was denied a request to enroll his daughter in the white elementary school, he enlisted the help of Topeka's branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). The NAACP requested an injunction to forbid the segregation of Topeka's public schools.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas ruled against Brown, forcing him and the NAACP to appeal to the Supreme Court on October 1, 1951. This case was combined with cases in South Carolina, Virginia, and Delaware that also challenged school segregation.

After a lengthy process, the Supreme Court made a landmark decision on May 17, 1954, ruling unanimously in favor of the plaintiffs, and requiring desegregation of schools throughout America.

**How The Little Rock Nine Were Chosen**

Three years after the Supreme Court's decision in the Brown v. Board of Education case, a federal court ordered Little Rock to desegregate its schools. Of the more than 500 black students who lived in the Central High School district, 80 expressed an interest in attending Central for the 1957-58 school year.

The school board selected candidates based on their grades and ability to handle anticipated taunting from their white classmates. The board chose 17 students to integrate Central, but eight of these teenagers later decided to stay at all-black Horace Mann High School. Wair volunteered to attend the all-white school.

"Central had better facilities and equipment than we had at the black school. I wanted the best education," she says. "Our black teachers were qualified, but they didn't have the textbooks or facilities that Central had."

Wair's decision concerned her parents, with the foremost concern being a heart ailment she had as a youngster. She still remembers the surprised reaction of her mother.
“My mother said ‘Girl, that school is so large, how are you going to get around?’ But the people at Central scheduled my classes in a fashion that made it manageable,” she says.

“I discussed Central at length with my mother and father. They said if it got to be too much, I could go back to Mann. But I was tough; I stuck and stayed.”

Roberts says the Little Rock Nine was a continuation of a movement that commenced several years earlier.

“In 1957, I knew that there were bodies along the roadside in the name of freedom and liberty for all. They were creating an opportunity for me and others to enjoy what this country suggested was possible,” he says.

“It was a matter of us simply taking our place in time as required. We were willing and ready to do it.”

The First Year At Central High

The Little Rock Nine’s opposition was relentless. Initially, the black students were denied entrance into the building by the National Guard under orders from segregationist Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus. But on Sept. 23, 1957, the nine students entered Central High School for the first time.

Faubus, who had been ordered to use the National Guard to protect the black students, defied authority and dismissed the troops. His actions left black students unprotected while walking toward the school’s entrance and past an angry mob of white students and parents protesting vehemently.

White students spat on, tripped, yelled insults and beat black students once they entered the building. They also threw bricks smashing the school’s windows and doors and beat reporters covering the historic event. As opposed to attending a full slate of classes, the protest grew so uncontrollable that by noon, local police escorted the Little Rock Nine through a rear exit of the school.

Little Rock Nine And Career Success Go Hand In Hand

The Little Rock Nine, Minnijean Brown Trickey, Terrence Roberts - fellow SIU alumni and Little Rock Nine members featured in the accompanying story - and six other members of this renowned group share a special place in America’s history books.

The nine teenagers who stepped into Little Rock, Ark., Central High School (above) in 1957 blazed a trail for African-American students who followed them. Subsequently, they became productive members of American society and have enjoyed profitable careers.

The following summarizes career exploits of the other six Little Rock Nine members:

**Melba Pattilo Beals:** The daughter of a teacher, Beals went on to become a television reporter in California and wrote a memoir of her childhood and the Little Rock crisis entitled *Warriors Don't Cry.*

**Elizabeth Eckford:** A quiet student who sewed her own clothes. The image of Eckford walking alone into the jaws of a hostile crowd was captured in famous photo and news accounts. She became a social worker and continued to live in Little Rock.

**Ernest Green:** The only senior in the group. In 1958, 125 national guardsmen monitored Green’s graduation, the first time for a black student at Central High. He became a managing director of Lehman Brothers investment bank.

**Gloria Ray Karlmark:** She was forced to “dance” as white students threw firecrackers at her feet in the hallways of Central High. One student tried to lasso her with a rope. Later, Karlmark became a publisher and moved to the Netherlands.

**Carlotta Walls Lanier:** One classmate followed her around and called her names while stepping on her heels. She is one of three members of the Nine to graduate from Central High. Lanier is a graduate of Michigan State University and went on to become a realtor in Denver.

**Jefferson Thomas:** He quietly endured hallway beatings at Central. With Carlotta Wells, he became the last of the nine to graduate from Central High in 1960. He became an accountant with the U.S. Department of Defense and lives in Anaheim, Calif.

Information taken from *Weary Feet, Rested Souls* (1998)
Wair presides over the viewing of a film depicting the Little Rock Nine, shown at a youth motivational program at SIU's Morris Library Auditorium. Southern's Little Rock Three shared their experiences and encouraged youth to pursue their dreams.

In the wake of this tumultuous incident, U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower intervened and dispatched 1,000 members of the 101st Airborne Division paratroopers to Little Rock and placed the Arkansas National Guard under federal command. The nine black students, under escort by the Army troops, were escorted back into the school on Sept. 27.

The nine teenagers somehow persevered despite a number of horrific incidents.

Elizabeth Eckford attempted to enter the school alone. She was confronted by angry students threatening to lynch her. Eckford, who didn't have a phone, had not received a message from the now late Daisy Bates, a leading civil rights activist who was advising the students. She had asked each of the "Nine" to wait for her so they could enter the school as a group. Fortunately, two white students stepped forward to assist Eckford, and she escaped without injury.

Melba Patillo was stabbed, had sticks of dynamite thrown at her and acid sprayed in her eyes. If not for a 101st patroller throwing water over her eyes, she might have been blinded.

With the assistance of federal protection, the Little Rock Nine proceeded to attend classes at Central during the 1957-58 school year. Bates, who served as president of the Arkansas School conference of the NAACP, escorted them safely to school in the midst of this crisis and intervened with officials when conflicts arose.

Trickey encountered her share of conflicts. In December 1957, after taunts and insults from white male students, she dumped a bowl of chili on them in the school cafeteria. She was suspended six days. Following additional altercations with white students, she was suspended by the Board of Education for the remainder of the year in February 1958 and transferred to New Lincoln High School in New York City.

“When I dropped the bowl of chili, that was a display of what one does when they are a human being,” Trickey says. “George Washington cut down the cherry tree. I dumped a bowl of chili.”

In May 1958, Ernest Green became the first black student to graduate from the school. But segregationists in Arkansas continued to fight against integration. Faubus ordered Little Rock's three high schools closed in September 1958, forcing some 3,700 high school students to seek alternatives.

The parents of the Little Rock Nine were pressured and in some cases were fired or forced to resign from their jobs. Roberts' family moved to Los Angeles where he finished high school. When Little Rock's schools reopened under court order, only two of the original nine black Central students -- Jefferson Thomas and Carlotta Walls -- were assigned to the school. The others attended new Hall High School in the city.

Despite the hostile circumstances they endured, Trickey says the Little Rock Nine's efforts were worth the sacrifice.

"Elizabeth Eckford is firm in saying that she wouldn't do it again, and she has reason," Trickey says. "But it had to happen. If we didn't do it, someone else would have stepped forward."

Wair has no regrets either about decisions made 46 years ago.

"I would do it again -- even if it killed me," she says.

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Wair, Trickey, and Roberts took diverse paths to SIU, but they made the journey to Carbondale for an identical reason: commitment to education instilled in them at an early age.

Wair's parents met while they were in college and with her own aspirations of becoming a teacher, she had to follow suit. "I was interested in a school with a good home economics program that wasn't too far away from home. SIU was recommended to me," she says. "I'm
always happy to return to Carbondale. It's like a second home to me.”

Wair, who received her degree in 1964, recruited Trickey to Southern. Trickey says she had returned to Little Rock from another school when Wair sold her on SIU. Both were members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Delta Beta Chapter.

“SIU was inexpensive and close to home. It also afforded me the opportunity to work in the cafeteria and at the Daily Egyptian,” Trickey says. “I didn't ultimately graduate from SIU, but I received a wonderful education.”

An environmentalist and women's right activist, Trickey continued her lifelong commitment to social change in the student non-violent coordinating committee at Southern.

“It was exciting being around other young people at Southern in the 1960s. Little Rock got me started and SIU served as a really nice continuation of my commitment to solving issues with non-violence,” she says.

Roberts was recruited to Southern in a different fashion. He was working in Los Angeles after receiving his master's degree in social work from UCLA. One of his former professors at UCLA had left the West Coast for Carbondale to head SIU's undergraduate social work department.

After receiving a call from his mentor, Roberts joined the faculty at Southern while pursuing his doctorate in student psychology.

“I really didn’t know much about SIU initially, but was pleasantly surprised that this place was a mecca for everybody around the world,” says Roberts, who earned his doctorate in 1977. “SIU’s friendliness to students with disabilities also impressed me.

“I have fond memories of three profitable, educational and enjoyable years on this campus.”

All three went on to successful ventures after Southern. Wair became a career home economics teacher in the St. Louis area, earning a master's degree from SIU-Edwardsville in the process. She also volunteered in a program for abused women in Belleville, Ill. Trickey, who moved to Canada during the Vietnam War protests in the 1960s, was a writer and social worker in Ontario. Both have returned to live in Little Rock.

Roberts teaches at UCLA and Antioch College. He is also a clinical psychologist and a public speaker/consultant on diversity and race relations who credits his parents as the foundation for his success.

“Some of the earliest words I heard were, ‘Boy, get your education,’” he says. “Once I discovered what education could do for you, I was on board. I tell my students today to expand their horizons and read books or anything they can get their hands on. Unless you sift through every possible bit of information in the universe, there is always the potential to learn.”

Wair encourages students to get as much education as they can. “It doesn't matter how many black people are in your class or what color your teacher is,” she says. “Education equips you to find a good job and have a quality life.”

The Fruits Of Their Labor

America continues to celebrate the bravery, courage, and sacrifice of these
The Black Alumni Group of the SIU Alumni Association presented Roberts, Wair, and Trickey with Saluki dog sculptures in honor of their historic actions.

nine students. In 1997, the U.S. Congress presented each Little Rock Nine member with a Congressional Gold Medal – America's top civilian honor – at a White House ceremony conducted by former President Bill Clinton. Other recipients that have received this distinguished and rare honor include Rosa Parks, Nelson Mandela, Mother Teresa, Sir Winston Churchill, Walt Disney, the Wright Brothers, and Thomas Edison.

Forty-six years ago, nine teenagers set out to enhance the quality of education for themselves and others who followed them. When the Little Rock Nine returned to Central High as a group for the first time in 1987, they received a warm reception from the community. They were greeted by the city's second black mayor. Black and white students applauded them.

Black students have served as president of the school's student body. Forty years after the Little Rock Nine made their mark, Latima McKindra became the first black woman elected to the presidency, serving during the 1997-98 school year. Today, the school's student population is 57 percent black.

"People ask me if I'm disappointed when young people don't fully appreciate what we did. Some may not understand, know, or care about what happened in 1957," Roberts says. "But that isn't necessarily my concern. It was something that needed to happen and there is still a lot that needs to be done."

If today's youth have the same high expectations that Trickey, Wair, and Roberts had 46 years ago, society will continue to conquer many lingering barriers.
Rebecca Fisher of Monmouth, Ill., and Jawaad Kirkwood of Chicago reigned over Homecoming festivities at Southern Illinois University. The coronation of Fisher as queen and Kirkwood as king was part of halftime festivities during the Salukis' 45-17 homecoming win over Illinois State.

Students cast their ballots for king and queen, and almost 1,400 students voted, the highest turnout in the past 15 years, according to Don Castle, University Programming coordinator.

Fisher, a senior majoring in accounting, is a Student Life Advisor and member of the Accounting Society. She belongs to the Sigma Kappa sorority, and has held positions of president, vice president, vice president of finance and delegate to the Panhellenic/InterGreek Council.

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Dick and Pat Pautler are enjoying retirement and having the time to travel to many places around the world. When the SIU Alumni Association Life Members consider such excursions, they never have to look very far to find the best deals around.

“We’ve taken countless trips with the travel companies the Association partners with,” says Dick. “The attention to detail and the quality of the tours are second to none.”

The 1958 Southern graduate and his wife went to South Africa earlier this year, and raved about the treatment they received. Also on that trip were SIU Alumni Association board member Judge Julius Johnson and his wife, Norma. Johnson shared his glowing recommendations for the tours at a recent board meeting.

Pautler says he has “traveled with other companies over the years, and the agencies the SIU Alumni Association works with are tremendous. It is first-class all the way – and you get to enjoy traveling with fellow SIU alumni and friends.”

At Cape of Good Hope, South Africa, (from left) Tillie Evans, Wanda Goodner, and Pat Pautler do some sight-seeing.
Hey, Beer Man!
Board Member Howard Spiegel
Still A Fixture At Wrigley Field

Mark Prior was working hard at Wrigley Field this summer. Dusty Baker and Cubs' fans, too. And so was Howard Spiegel '75.

Spiegel would arrive at the ballpark two hours before the game, wearing his uniform of blue shirt and blue slacks and I.D. badge and roamed the upper deck in right field until the last pitch of the bottom of the sixth inning or until 9 p.m.

As always, he was carrying a 30-pound "load" up and down steps, and much of the time, he was talking, trying to communicate with maybe 5,000 people – at least the ones 21 or older.

"Hey, beer, Budweiser beer, beer man, Bud or Bud Light." That's Spiegel's spiel, one he's been giving in one variation or another for 33 years – going back to high school – when he started out peddling soda, popcorn, Cracker Jacks and even taffy apples to Chicago sports fans.

"I enjoy being out there," says Spiegel, 50, who lives in Buffalo Grove. "I enjoy the Cubs; they're lovable losers. For me, it's a great part-time job."

Spiegel works 33 to 43 games a season, mostly nights and weekends. He was on duty, along with approximately 130 other vendors, for the Wrigley playoff games. The crowd may be reveling or despairing, but Spiegel takes his work seriously.

"We go in for alcohol awareness (classes) every third year. They teach us the rules. They tell us what the cutoff time is for alcoholic beverages, what to look for in terms of people not to serve." And what does Spiegel look for? "Glassy eyes and hand-eye coordination, how many cups are sitting there in front of them."

And if he sees a pair of glassy eyes? "I tell them, 'I'm sorry; you'll have to go to another beer vendor.'"

He loves Wrigley Field's "uniqueness, the nostalgia of the old park," even though he doesn't get to see much of the games. "If I hear the crack of the bat or the fans cheer, I'll turn around."

Six "loads" of beer (a load is a case of 24 cans) is a slow game; 14 is a busy day.

Sixteen ounces of Bud goes for $5. "If they're winning, the fans seem to want to drink more. If they're losing, they're not into the game as much. The ideal drinking weather would be about 80 degrees with low humidity. If it's really hot and humid, they'll have a couple of beers and start to fall asleep."

Spiegel, who works on a commission basis, says he earns about $8,000 in a flush year, $4,000 in a dry one. Perhaps 75 percent of the vendors, Spiegel says, make it their full-time job, and maybe 15 percent are older than he is. "Most of the vendors (one in his 80s is still selling programs) are in pretty good shape," he says. "It's a physically demanding job that takes its toll on the knees and the right shoulder because of the straps we use."

Spiegel says the nature of Wrigley crowds has changed over the years. "It's definitely a wealthier crowd. I don't see as many families. And they're not pure baseball fans. Now, few have a pencil and program and scorecard. There's a bunch that's still knowledgeable and are the diehards who won't go to the bathroom until it's the middle of the inning."

When he's not backing up Sammy Sosa in upper right field, Spiegel is an account manager for Arrow Electronics, a distributor of electronics components. He and his wife, Karri, a teacher, have three children, ages 27, 20 and 17. Spiegel also is a Southern Illinois University graduate who recently was elected to the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

And when it comes to pushing brewskis at Wrigley, he'll never be accused of scraping any foam off the top. "I don't drink," he says. "And my father was a liquor salesman. When I was a student, I was the designated driver."

So when the SIU Alumni Association Life Member comes home after a long, hot, sweaty day at the old ballpark, his beverage of choice is ...

"Water," Spiegel says. "Up here, Lake Michigan water is good."

— Paul Povse is a columnist and recruiter for The State Journal-Register, a Copley Newspaper in Springfield, Ill.
Remembering An Alum Who Answered His Country’s Call

Knowing that students all over the country are putting their college educations on hold to fulfill military obligations in the Middle East, Rex Bivins Jr. recently decided to share the story of his father, whose studies at Southern Illinois Normal University were interrupted in 1941 by World War II.

"Dad was in the middle of his last semester when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor," explains Bivins. "According to Dad, his zoology professor, the late W.M. Gersbacher ’26, was literally in tears trying to persuade him to finish his degree and attend medical school through a Navy program."

In spite of his professor’s efforts, Bivins, a Murphysboro, Ill., native, who had a private pilot’s license and was flying on a regular basis, enlisted in the Army Air Corps and began his training at Ballinger, Randolph and Foster Field in Texas.

Gersbacher eventually supported Bivins’ decision to fly and corresponded with him on a regular basis, sending him information about where his fellow classmates were and what they were doing as well as news from the wartime campus. Gersbacher wrote: "There is going to be a big shortage of teachers this year. Four or five calls for biology teachers have come in during the past week. We have nobody to fill them. I suppose it will be this way for the duration."

Gersbacher was one of 37 members of the Faculty Gift Club who wrote and regularly sent care packages to students in the service with this message: "We want to remind you that you are missed, and that our warm, good wishes have followed you."

Gersbacher also encouraged his student. "Don't let the processing get you down. After all it is part of the conditioning process so that you can take it," he wrote. Bivins was able to "take it," earning two citations awarding him the Distinguished Flying Cross, one for piloting 55 combat missions in a Mitchell B-25 bomber.

Bivins led a crew of five men for the Army Air Corps tactical forces that would bomb supply lines and artillery emplacements in support of the British 8th Army as they fought Rommel’s African Corps across North Africa and Sicily in 1943.

His second Distinguished Flying Cross came on his 48th mission when his ship was hit by flak and caught fire. His son remembers hearing the story. "As captain, Dad was the last to parachute off the careening ship. He fought for his life, trying to exit the burning, tumbling aircraft with hydraulic fluid from ruptured lines putting a slippery coating on everything he grabbed. He escaped the plane about 1,600 feet above the Mediterranean Sea just seconds before it exploded. He swam about a mile to shore where he met up with his crew who all survived after they baled out over land. His injuries earned him a Purple Heart."

After the war, Bivins returned to Southern and graduated in 1946. Opting out of medical school, he continued to fly – for 30 years – as a flight instructor in the Marion area for a short period and then as a civilian flight instructor at the home of Army Aviation in Rucker, Ala., where he retired in 1981. Bivins, who died in 2001, married Marjorie Lou Caplinger, a native of Carbondale who also attended SIU in the early 1940s. She now lives in Dothan, Ala.

Bivins Jr. attended SIU for several years in the late 1960s before transferring to DePaul University. A Vietnam War Air Force veteran, he is now a criminal investigator with the Louisiana Department of Justice. The New Orleans, La., resident feels strongly about the preservation of the memorabilia collected by his father who, like many others of that era, was reluctant to talk about such experiences. He has taken great care, however, to preserve documents, letters and citations.

"I once told Dad that this material is for several generations down the road – years from now someone will want to know about all this."
John Huffman — A Devoted Friend
To The SIU Alumni Association

by Greg Scott

A Carbondale man valued for his longtime support, guidance, and loyalty to a University he adopted — but did not attend — is the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Distinguished Service at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

John Huffman, a senior partner in the Carbondale law firm of Gilbert, Kimmel, Huffman, and Prosser, Ltd., 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 SIU Alumni Association and the University.

Although Huffman earned a bachelor’s degree in education from Eastern Illinois University and his juris doctor from the University of Illinois Law School, he has exhibited an extraordinary commitment to Southern. As SIU Alumni Association Executive Director Ed Buerger explains, “John’s expertise and friendship have not only touched the lives of numerous board presidents, board members and me, but also the lives of thousands of alumni through his many contributions to the Alumni Association.”

Huffman has served as legal counsel for the SIU Alumni Association since 1973, providing thousands of hours of legal expertise. He provided legal guidance during critical periods in the growth of the SIU Alumni Association, and devotes time to attend executive and board of directors meetings, providing counsel as needed.

A Life Member of the SIU Alumni Association, Huffman served as legal counsel and an adjunct law professor at SIU prior to starting his own practice in 1978. In addition to the time he commits to the Association, he has been a volunteer for numerous other organizations, such as Boy Scouts, Junior Sports for Boys and Girls, United Way, Education Council of 100, Archway Board of Directors, and provided service as a hearing officer for various school boards on student expulsion matters and numerous church activities.

Huffman has received several civic awards, including “Outstanding Young Men of America” and Hill House “Citizen of the Year.” He was president of the student body at Eastern Illinois University, co-editor of the University of Illinois School of Law newspaper, and elected class representative for the U. of I. law school.

Huffman belongs to the Jackson County Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, Illinois Council of School Attorneys, and National Council of School Attorneys. He and his wife, Marge, are the parents of four children and have seven grandchildren.

Huffman, shown addressing the audience at the Homecoming Awards Luncheon, says it is an honor for him to serve as legal counsel for the SIU Alumni Association.
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2003
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, 2002 and June 30, 2003.

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.
### Total SIU Foundation Assets

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*Includes Pledges per GASB 33  **Depreciation adjustment per GASB 35

### Market Value of SIU Foundation Endowments

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Numerous alumni and friends of Southern Illinois University Carbondale responded to the University's requests for financial contributions. This year, more than $13 million was given to support the academic mission of SIU Carbondale. Students benefited from the many dollars contributed for scholarships and faculty research and teaching were supported. Also, funds for facility and technology upgrades were enhanced.

To all of you who supported SIU Carbondale this year, we say thank you, and we wish to recognize you.

On the pages that follow, you will see the names of the many alumni and friends who have partnered with us to advance the University during the past fiscal year. We take this opportunity to thank you for the support and pride you have given. Your continued support ensures that the legacy of SIU Carbondale will continue stronger than ever.

For those of you who are still considering how you can help SIU Carbondale, I hope the stories inside will encourage you to support your institution at a time when the need is so great. Public institutions, like SIU Carbondale, must call upon its alumni, friends and community to step up and fill the gap left by shrinking state and federal resources.

SIU Carbondale can and will achieve the goal of Southern at 150 to be one of the top 75 research institutions in the country, but it will only do so with your help.

Rickey N. McCurry, J.D.
Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement
and CEO, SIU Foundation

Once again alumni and friends of Southern Illinois University have opened their hearts with great generosity for our institution. We have responded to the uncertain economic realities with meaningful and tangible support – a level of support that underscores a true commitment to making our institution the best it can be.

As an alumnus and president of the SIU Foundation, I take great pride in what we have accomplished together, and I take this opportunity to thank you. I also look with great anticipation upon the days to come.

Chancellor Wendler, Vice Chancellor McCurry and all of the administration, faculty and staff have charted a very ambitious course that will lead us to our 150th birthday. This course will culminate in our attaining a level of excellence that is unparalleled in our history.

To reach our destination, however, we need you to continue and increase your support for our institution, and we need each of you to bring other alumni and friends together in support of SIU Carbondale. We are headed for a new existence as a top 75 research institution, and we want you to be a part of the journey.

Michael C. Carr, '74, '79
SIU Foundation President
The University's library bears his name.

During his administration, the curriculum and the number of buildings expanded significantly during his tenure. In 1907, the Illinois General Assembly approved the bachelor of education degree, the first being granted by Southern Illinois Normal University in 1909. Wheelbar Hall, Allyn Hall, and Anthony Hall were built during his administration.

Daniel Parkinson, Southern's fourth president (1897-1912), 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 1927 the Illinois General Assembly approved the bachelor of education degree, the first being granted by Southern Illinois Normal University in 1909. Wheelbar Hall, Allyn Hall, and Anthony Hall were built during his administration.

### Chancellor's Council Cumulative Levels

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 2003 (July 1, 2002 - June 30, 2003).

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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**


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The following annual categories of giving within the Chancellor's Council have been established to recognize those individuals, businesses, and corporations that have chosen to make an annual gift in fiscal year 2003 (July 1,2002-June 30, 2003) of $5,000 or more to the SIU Foundation.
Aviation Scholarships Assist SIU Students

Ten students will continue their studies in the SIU Aviation program with the help of more than $25,000 in scholarships that were awarded at the recent annual Aviation Management Society Banquet.

The Jerry L. Kennedy Aviation Career Advancement Scholarship of $4,200 went to Tim Staab, a senior in aviation management. The scholarship was established by Kennedy’s friends and family to honor the 1974 alumni who died in a plane crash in 1989. The scholarship, awarded to students who demonstrate a commitment and devotion to aviation, is supported by Captain Al Haynes, Janice Kennedy Wray, her son, Thomas, and family and friends of Jerry Kennedy.

The William R. Norwood Aviation Scholarship, given to those who demonstrate a strong commitment, devotion and sacrifice to aviation, had two recipients. Dora Asinjo, a sophomore in aviation flight, received $1,000, and Wojciech Koniarowski, a senior in aviation management, received $500. Norwood ‘59 was United Airlines’ first African-American pilot and since his retirement has actively supported the SIU aviation program.

The Joseph Messina II Aviation Explorers Scholarship award is given to any student in need of financial aid seeking a career in aviation. Recipient of the $1,000 award is Rebecca Kizior, a senior in aviation management. The Messina scholarship was established by his son, Joe ‘76, and his friends, Clarence Copping ‘77 and Kerry Johnson ‘77.

Michael Peters Aviationinterviews.com Scholarship award went to three senior aviation management students: Christopher Haney, $4,000, Christopher Wagner, $2,000; and Terrance Siegent, $1,000. Peters ‘99, who flies for Continental Express/Express Jet Airlines, Cleveland, Ohio, created his scholarship program to help students who need financial aid.

The Illinois Aviation Trades Association Scholarship of $1,000 went to Alan Ashraf, a senior in aviation technologies. The association sponsors four such scholarships annually for students enrolled in aviation degree programs in Illinois universities and colleges.

Two SIU students were winners (out of five nationally) of the National Business Aviation Association Women in Business Scholarship. Gina Michel’s scholarship was established by her mother, Desi Michel, and her friends, Clarence Copping ‘77 and Kerry Johnson ‘77.


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T he Gallery Lounge in the SIU Student Center will soon have a new look thanks to a $10,000 donation from Susan Corker in honor of her husband, John Corker, who was Student Center Director from 1976 to 1995.

The donation kicked off a campaign to raise $100,000 for the major facelift, which, according to current Student Center Director T.J. Rutherford, will feature a strong Saluki motif for the lounge. “We want the lounge to represent tradition and Saluki spirit. It gets a lot of traffic and is the staging area for the ballrooms and for important University events.”

The gift was announced at a reception which included the unveiling of a commemorative plaque honoring Corker, who is chairing a 12-member committee of alumni and friends working to reach the $100,000 goal. “This project is well overdue,” says Larry Dietz, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. “I am really excited about John’s leadership in helping us raise this money.”

Dietz points out that they are at least a third of the way to their goal with $35,000 in donations from alumni and friends. Rutherford explains that there are plans to display plaques to honor everyone who contributes to the project. “We want to have a place where we can recognize the little guy too, people on payroll deduction and those who give in-kind gifts.”

Corker’s term of nearly 20 years was a period of extensive growth for the center. He was instrumental in converting unused space into high traffic areas such as the Craft Shop, Marketing and Graphics, International Student Complex, WIDB Radio and the student government and programming offices. Corker also initiated the Sunset Concert Series, Arts Purchase Awards, and the Student Programming Council.

Anyone interested in contributing to the fund or for more information may contact Rutherford at 618-453-3496, or at tjruth@siu.edu.

John and Susan Corker stand in front of a plaque honoring the former Student Center Director.
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A planned gift, unlike an outright gift, is a charitable contribution that is realized by the charity in the future, rather than immediately.

Because some people are unable to donate a large sum of money during their lifetime as a result of family or other financial obligations, planned gifts can be a good alternative. Planned gifts are usually realized upon the death of the donor.

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 vital 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 the SIU Foundation 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 charitable 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 designee. At the end of the trust period, the assets remaining in the trust become the property of the charitable institution. Some of the benefits to 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 Remainder Unitrust

A Charitable Remainder Unitrust 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 Gift Annuity Agreement

A Charitable Gift Annuity Agreement is a contract between the donor and the SIU Foundation which allows the donor to make a gift and receive fixed annual payments for life. The payments are partially based upon the life expectancy of the donor. These payments may even exceed 10 percent, depending upon the age of the donor. Generally, a portion of the annual payment is a return of principal and is therefore, non-taxable.

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 Yvonne Spencer at the SIU Foundation by calling (618) 453-4907 or by email at yvonnem@siu.edu.
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The Paul & Virginia Society recognizes those individuals who have included the Southern Illinois University in their wills or have made a planned gift to the institution. Planned gifts can be specified for a favorite college, department, or program or can be unrestricted. Please let us know if you have included us in your estate plans and allow us the opportunity to thank you by listing you as a member of the Paul & Virginia Society.

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Presenting The Official Southern Illinois University Class Ring

Southern Illinois University Carbondale students and alumni can purchase and wear class rings with an identical design. SIU and the SIU Alumni Association are offering an official class ring available to alumni and students who have made significant advancement toward attaining their degree.

The Southern Illinois University Class Ring, designed to provide students and alumni with a symbol to forever commemorate their college experiences, is available for purchase. To place your order, call 1-800-BALFOUR (ask for reference code: 2149), or visit www.siualumni.com to view online. The SIU Class Ring is the common bond of past, present and future graduates. The design will not change. The tradition continues.
Still Bringing The World To SIU

The Public Policy Institute has brought countless symposiums, initiatives, and speakers to the SIU region during the past few years. The list is almost staggering in size and content, and illustrates how the PPI is helping bring the world to southern Illinois.

Symposiums

Occupation and Environmental Health, October 6, 1997
Tobacco Settlement, October 19-20, 1997
How Campaigns Impact Public Policy, 1998
Poverty in the United States, March 24-25, 1998
Criminal Justice Reform, September 22-23, 1998
Middle East Peace, October 22-23, 1998
U.S.-China-Taiwan Review of Foreign Policy, December 6-7, 1998
Literacy, March 26-27, 1999
Role of Desalination in Averting a Global Water Crisis, September 19-20, 1999
Genocide in Rwanda, November 14-15, 1999
Revisiting the College Default Rate, May 1, 2000
The Educational System and Its Impact on the African-American Male, October 15-16, 2000
Year Round Schools: New Century, New Ideas, April 22-23, 2001
Engaging Young People in International Affairs, November 15-16, 2001

Ideas Exchanges

Southern Illinois Arts
Getting People Engaged in Government
Shawnee National Forest
Inventors and Patents
Employer-Provided Child Care
Mental Health Issues
Ben Gurion University Exchange
Economic Development for Southern Illinois
Retirement Community Development for Southern Illinois

Other Major Initiatives

Campaign Finance Reform (1997-98)
Teaching Core Values in Schools (1999-present)
Heartland Dental Clinic (1999-present)
Enhancing SIUC Student Government (2000-01)
Combating Smoking Among College-Aged Women (2001-present)
Illinois Assembly on the Uninsured (2000-01)
Partnership with The Southern Illinois on four mini-symposiums:
Maximizing Our Tourism Potential (September, 2000)
Orientation for Newly Elected Public Officials (November 15, 2000)
Attracting High-Tech Businesses (February 14, 2001)
Senior Citizen Community Involvement (May 31, 2001)
Issues Surrounding Child Care and Labor (spring 2001)
Mission Trip to the Republic of Cuba (February, 2001)
Retirement Housing for Southern Illinois (2002-present)
East St. Louis Revitalization (2002-present)

Speakers and Major Symposium Participants

1997
Jack Danforth, former U.S. Senator (R-MO)
David Pryor, former U.S. Senator (D-AR)
Alan Simpson, former U.S. Senator (R-WY)
David Kessler, former director of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Jim Ryan, Illinois Attorney General
Hubert Humphrey III, Minnesota Attorney General

1998
Jim Edgar, Illinois governor
Pat Robertson, Christian leader
Chief Shoneken of Lagos, Nigeria
Robert Nye, U.S. Congressman (R-OH)
Dick DeSchutter, vice chairman, Monsanto
Ken Heckler, former U.S. Congressman (D-WV) and WV Secretary of State

Paul Simon (in the middle), and the PPI to has brought speakers such as (clockwise from bottom left) Pete Seeger, Coretta Scott King, Ed Asner, Studs Terkel, James Baker, Gwendolyn Brooks, C. Everett Koop, and George McGovern to campus.
Public Policy Institute Seeks Endowment To Protect Initiatives For Years To Come

Early this year, former U.S. Senator Paul Simon enlisted two top political leaders – State Republican Chair Judy Baar Topinka and former Democratic National Committee Chair David Wilhelm – to help raise funds that will secure the future and the independence of SIU’s Public Policy Institute.

"Endowment of the institute will give us the autonomy to continue tackling the tough and sometimes controversial issues that the institute must address," says Simon. "Financial independence will protect our initiatives for years to come.”

Since Simon founded the institute in January 1997, it has made a positive difference on numerous fronts. In addition to enriching the University and the southern Illinois region, it has had a significant impact in the state, the nation and the world.

The institute has made specific recommendations on vital national and global matters, including how the U.S. can work with the international community to most effectively perform peacekeeping operations. It was the only public policy institute in the nation to hold a symposium on the genocide in Rwanda, and it made specific recommendations to the United Nations on how to avoid future slaughters.

On the state level, the institute was the driving force behind Illinois’ most sweeping campaign finance reform law in a quarter-century. Due to its efforts disadvantaged children and adults are treated at the SIU Heartland Dental Clinic while student dental hygienists and technicians gain valuable experience.

The institute’s ambitious agenda also includes initiatives on literacy, prison alternatives, educational core values and combating smoking among college-aged women. (See list.) People of prominence from around the globe have come to Illinois.

Domestic and foreign political and military leaders, human rights advocates, elected and appointed government officials from across the political spectrum, poets, singers, dreamers and activists have informed, enlightened and inspired the campus community as well as the southern Illinois region.

The institute is seeking donors to help it reach Simon’s goal of a $7 million endowment by early next year. “I am pleased to report we are thousands of dollars – not millions – away from our target,” Simon says. Ultimately the institute hopes to add at least $3 million as part of a University capital campaign. In a joint message urging financial support for the institute, Topinka, who is also state treasurer, and Wilhelm acknowledged their bipartisan effort. “We have found at least one matter – an important one – that we agree on wholeheartedly: Paul Simon’s Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University.”

John White, Chicago-area businessman and former chairman of the Illinois Better Government Association, has pledged $1 million to the institute saying, “I am supporting the institute out of my desire to see Paul Simon’s vision for our nation and world preserved.”

With donations like White’s and from other friends of the institute, including SIU’s extensive alumni base, the institute’s endowment can be reached and exceeded. To make a donation or for additional information contact Matt Baughman, 618-453-4001 orbaughman@siu.edu.
SIU grad student Michelle Heinemann uses interaction with horses to help area youngsters gain skill, confidence, and enthusiasm for life.
Even the horses seem to be listening as Michelle Heinemann explains to a group of students and their SIU partners how they can use teamwork to get their animals to cross a small barricade by issuing verbal commands rather than leading them.

There is excitement in the air at the SIU Horse Center parking lot as several 9 to 11-year-olds jump out of their parents’ cars and make a beeline for the horse barn. Their confidence shows. They know exactly where they’re going and what’s expected of them here, but that is not always the case for these youngsters. As students receiving special education services in area public schools, some lack self-confidence, others may have trouble with relationships or with communication skills.

However, thanks to a program called Horse P.A.L.S., they are given an opportunity to gain confidence, learn valuable life skills, and build a special relationship with their very own horse.

During eight hour-long weekly sessions led by SIU graduate student Michelle Heinemann, the kids, with some help from undergraduate student partners, learn to take a halter and lead rope to the pasture, find their horse and bring it back to the barn, where they groom, water and feed it. Next they will take their new thousand-pound pal through its paces for the day.

The enthusiasm doesn't stop with the young students. Now completing its third semester, the Horse P.A.L.S. (Horse Partners Assisting With Life Skills) program includes a devoted team of faculty and students from special education and animal science who are not only learning together but are celebrating the collaboration the new program has generated.

Heinemann, who earned her bachelor’s degree in animal science in 2000, was working with Dr. Sheree King, director of equine studies, when her interest in the therapeutic use of horses began to develop. She found Nancy Mundschenk, associate professor in educational psychology and special education, listed in the university directory and gave her a call. Mundschenk was immediately interested in the concept, especially since one of her doctoral students, Val Boyer, was also exploring the therapeutic use of animals.

The connection was quickly made, and the new program began to grow. E-mails
Focusing intently, 12-year-old Yvonne Garcia decorates her horse at the SIU Horse Center. The activity is designed to foster communication skills.

flew back and forth carrying ideas for activities, goals, lesson plans, and ultimately a name for the program. "What I like most about the program is the collaboration and that it is student-initiated," says Mundschenk. "This is not a typical scenario and it's great to be able to facilitate a program around the student's interest."

King agrees and joins Mundschenk at the sessions, each learning more every week about the other's specialized field and adding their support and knowledge to Heinemann and Boyer as they take the children and their horses through carefully planned tasks. Each child has a student volunteer with them to observe and help manage their horse.

"All of our work is done on the ground because if a child is riding there is no real relationship with the horse," Heinemann explains. To best establish a relationship, the child keeps the same horse during the eight-week period, but the student volunteer helpers, who come from the animal science or special education programs, change each week.

"If any reaction to not being able to ride the horse occurs, it's on the first day," says Heinemann. "I tell them that they are going to be challenged with so much to teach their horse that they won't even have time to think about riding."

Horse P.A.L.S. begins with an orientation session that includes introductions, a tour of the barn, a demonstration on how horses react and how they communicate, a review of safety rules, and a horse-walking exercise. At the end of the first day, each child receives a photo and description of their horse.

The next session's activities get underway at full speed, establishing a routine of weekly chores that will take place during the first half hour of each session. This might include grooming, feeding or watering the horse. Next comes 20 minutes of carefully crafted tasks that are performed in a large circular pen just outside the barn. Ten minutes is set aside at the end of the session for written reflections on the day, including high points and low points, by the children and their student volunteers.

Throughout the session, Boyer stands with her clipboard taking copious notes on each child's actions and reactions to the day's events, primarily focusing on their language development and interaction – how they follow directions and how they are talking and interacting within the program.

"It has been a great experience doing research in a practical setting instead of..."
a formal laboratory," says Boyer, a speech pathologist who earned her bachelor's degree in 1998 and master's in 2000 in communication disorders and sciences.

Boyer and Heinemann worked together to design the program's activities. Boyer explains that "Michelle's domain is the activities and mine is the data collection. She designs the sessions and I document the results."

In addition to enhancing language skills, activities are systematically designed to promote problem-solving, accurately following directions, empathy, and self-confidence. Heinemann on the first day provokes a horse to demonstrate how the animal will react to different situations. She shows them how the animal's feelings are revealed through the positions of its ears. Several times during the sessions she will ask a student how his or her horse is feeling.

"We hope that the kids can build some skills with horses such as empathy, communication, and patience, and will take these skills and apply them to life in general," says Heinemann.

Vocabulary skills are the focus of an activity where the horse is literally labeled with stickers, marking body parts like withers (the bump between the horse's neck and the top of the spine where the saddle rests), the mane, along with heart and lungs. Another task, designed to foster communication skills is horse painting, where the child decorates one side of the horse, then communicates to the student volunteer how to duplicate it on the other side — without looking.

As the weeks progress the children learn to get their horses to go forward and backward, to stop and to step over a small barricade. Heinemann tries to design each task with a little more complexity so that a sense of responsibility, focus and task completion occurs. She emphasizes that every day is different. "Sometimes I think a task I give them will take 5 minutes and it ends up taking 20. It all depends on the level of the children and the horses," she says.

Mundschenk explains that to build self-confidence in a child goes beyond just saying, good job. "Really the most effective way to build confidence is to be successful at something that is challenging. That's why we try to have the college students back off so the children will experience a sense of their own accomplishment."

There is evidence everywhere that the program succeeds in reaching the at-risk children it has touched, including the previous two sessions with kids from the Anna-Bixby Women's Center and Attucks Community Center.

Heinemann recalls the very first session and how everyone was amazed at how good the kids were. They rationalized that there were no behavioral problems because of the newness of the activities and surroundings, and anticipated the possibility of problems in the next sessions. Somewhat amazed, Heinemann says, "It's never happened. We've never had to do any disciplining or regulating."
She goes the extra mile for her young charges, recalling a session day that was particularly rainy. "I ran to Big Lots and got ponchos for all of them, but none of the kids complained about the rain," Mundschken adds. "They're right there on task. They want to stay after and want to come early. I remember one child wanted to take his horse home with him."

The eighth session is a special program designed by Heinemann. "Students demonstrate what they've learned. We practice a routine to music, their parents come and the public is invited. Last time they wore special shirts and decorated their horses' manes with ribbons."

Everyone connected to the program wants it to continue and are hopeful for more community interest and involvement, especially since they can see a pronounced difference in some of the children they have worked with.

One young student was agitated and refused to participate in the first session. He wasn't comfortable touching his horse and was upset by all the activity and different noises. He paced nervously, saying he wanted to go home because he had lots of homework to do.

His volunteer didn't give up, gently prodding him to get involved. When his mother arrived to pick him up and he ran to her, the team held their breath, thinking he probably couldn't get home fast enough. She asked how he liked it.

His reply: "IT'S GREAT!!"

Dawna Berber learns grooming techniques and bonds with her horse, Faith, during the eight sessions conducted by Michelle Heinemann, left.

SIU’s Equine Science Program Is The Only One In State

Robbie Parnell and his pal, Ponder.

The only four-year degree program of its kind in Illinois, and one of very few in the entire country, it features small class sizes and a curriculum that prepares students for diverse career opportunities in the Illinois and national horse industry.

Professor Sheryl King stresses that the program’s "hands-on" opportunities and personalized relationships with professors go together to make the program successful, boasting more than 95% graduate placement rate. The program’s emphasis on the welfare and benefit of the horse rather than the human side of the horse-human partnership makes its educational approach unique and capable of drawing students from all over the country to Carbondale.

The SIU Horse Center and surrounding pastures in the rolling Southern Illinois hills are home to between 45 and 50 horses, all donated to the Equine Science Program from horse owners and farms all over the country. Students in the program are assigned horse-keeping chores as part of their course work, with management duties increasing in sophistication as they move through the curriculum.

Students arrive around 6 a.m. to feed, water and care for the horses. Another group repeats the routine in the afternoon. During the breeding season it is not unusual for students to stay throughout the night at foal watch and participate in foal imprinting and training. Horses produced from the program’s horse breeding activities are raised and trained by the students and finally sold, with the sale proceeds helping to defray the costs of the program.

Stable management is the capstone class that integrates all of the students’ knowledge and experience, including horse and personnel management, record keeping, farm maintenance and routine and emergency health care.

The program’s final experience allows students to serve an internship working in some aspect of the horse industry. SIU Equine Science students have interned at some of the most prestigious horse operations in the nation and are becoming well-known and sought after in the horse industry.
CD Provides A ‘Southern Flavor’ To The Holiday Season

A father-son team at Southern Illinois University Carbondale is the driving force behind a fundraising effort on behalf of the American Cancer Society that captures the sounds and the spirit of the holiday season.

“Sounds of the Holidays at SIUC,” a musical CD, is the product of months of work by Ken Carr, a publicity promotion specialist with Student Health Programs, and his son, Bryan Carr, a senior majoring in radio/TV.

Discussions about the CD date back to April, when father and son began talking about a project that would fit within Bryan’s undergraduate assistantship with DigiDawg Records, and double as a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society Jackson County Relay for Life.

All of the performers have an affiliation with Southern and their lives have been touched by cancer in some way.

The Association Life Member’s commitment to raising funds for cancer research stems from the loss of his mother to cancer in 1959, when he was 11 years old. He participates in SWAT, or Saluki Walkers Always Triumph over Cancer. Since 1997, the Relay for Life team – comprised of current and former University employees – has annually won the award for collecting the most money. Over the last seven years, the team has brought in $76,390, including last year’s total of $20,267.

Bryan Carr (left), and his dad, Ken Carr.

Bryan shares his father’s commitment to cancer research. “My dad dedicated the CD to his mother, which is my grandmother. I never met her but she is a person who I would have liked to meet. I’m doing this in honor of her,” he says. The CD features 19 tracks of holiday music and readings, including “The Night before Christmas,” read by SIU President James Walker, and “The Birth of Christ,” read by SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler. Among other performers on the CD are The University Wind Ensemble, the Marching Salukis, Singers of Our Savior Lutheran Church of Carbondale and Marianne Webb, distinguished University organist and emeritus professor of music.

“As a cancer survivor, I wanted to be a part of the project and felt that the proceeds would go toward a very worthy cause,” Walker notes.

For more information, or to order a CD, contact Ken Carr at 618-684-3997 or 618-303-1157 or by e-mail at kcarr@siu.edu.
Salukis Hope Experience Pays Off In MVC Action

There's no denying it. Kent Williams, Jermaine Dearman and former Southern Illinois University men's basketball head coach Bruce Weber will be missed. After all, they were the face of SIU basketball over the last four years.

They helped lead the Salukis to unprecedented success and exposure, including back-to-back NCAA tournaments, back-to-back Missouri Valley Conference championships and a Sweet 16 appearance. There was even an MTV documentary for crying out loud!

But Saluki fans take comfort — it's not the end of the world. Far from it.

New head coach Matt Painter and a mix of experienced veterans and talented newcomers plan on keeping the Valley good times rolling, even if some so-called experts have lower expectations for the times rolling, even if some so-called experts have lower expectations for the Dawgs in 2003-04, as the pre-season conference poll has the Dawgs finishing in fifth-place.

"We feel good about this season," Painter says entering the conference portion of the season.

"Obviously when you lose Kent and Jermaine — guys who have scored close to 3,500 points combined — there is going to be an adjustment. But I think we've got a lot of experience. We have guys who have played in big-time games."

SIU has six players with NCAA tournament experience and four remaining from the 2002 Sweet 16 team. Not many MVC schools can say that. And many of those players may have just scratched the surface of their potential in the shadows of Dearman and Williams.

It's clearly a new era of Saluki basketball, and one of the guys expected to fill the void — junior guard Stetson Hairston — is chomping at the bit. He is one of three returning starters, along with junior guard Darren Brooks and senior center Sylvester Willis.

With Dearman and Williams graduated, Brooks and Hairston are both expected to pick up a lot of the scoring slack. It's something they are prepared to do.

Returnees Brad Korn and Bryan Turner should also get more shots, giving SIU 3-point threats at forward and guard, respectively. Josh Warren proved to be a scoring machine at times last season in the paint, as he and Willis give Southern solid production at center.

A real wildcard is Jamaal Tatum, a highly touted freshman guard that could give the Salukis one of the most feared backcourts in the Valley depending on how fast he develops.

Other newcomers include freshman big man Jamaal Foster (6-9), who could give the Salukis much-needed inside help in Dearman's absence.

Also new to the mix are red-shirt freshman Ryan Walker and Tony Young, and junior college transfer Lamar Owen. Owen gives the Salukis a player who can solve what Painter calls one of the biggest problems facing last year's team — guarding smaller, quicker power forwards in the Valley.

"I know we have the guys that can play," Painter says, "and I know we can compete strongly in the MVC. But do we have a couple guys that can make plays like Williams and Dearman did for us? That's probably the biggest question mark right now because they just haven't been in that situation. I like this group and think they'll be competitive."

For SIU's games, see the Calendar of Events on page 83 of this issue.

Saluki Sports

SIU Women's Hoops Better Team Chemistry Leads To More Wins

Change can be a vital part of any team's chemistry and for the Southern Illinois University women's basketball program; alterations made in the off-season can hopefully get the squad moving in the right direction.

Coming off a disappointing 7-20/3-15 record, head coach Lori Opp retooled her staff and added some key recruits. New assistant coaches Zareth Gray, Usha Gilmore, and Maureen Smith make their Saluki debuts this season, along with eight new athletes.

Southern returns eight letter winners.

With all the new faces, Opp is hopeful everyone is comfortable in their roles by the time the Valley opener tips off on Jan. 3 with SIU hosting Drake. "Chemistry will be huge," she says. "It's important that our new kids blend well with our returning players."

Leading the returnees will be Dana Pinkston (9.0 ppg/3.8 rpg), a senior guard who will again be looked to for playing time at the point. She will be assisted by newcomer Daphney Desamours, a transfer who could help ease the backcourt loss of the talented Molly McDowell. Junior Danette Jones is Southern's top threat from long-range.

The senior threesome of Katie Berwanger, Tiffany Crutcher, and Jodi Heiden will be the heart of the Salukis' inside game this season. Berwanger paced Southern with 5.9 boards per game last year, and will be looked to as the main inside force once again.

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SIU Football Co-Champs Of Gateway

Head Coach Jerry Kill isn't going to try and fool anyone. He knew his 2003 Saluki football team could potentially be vastly improved from the previous year, but even he didn't see a 10-1 regular season record and a co-championship of the Gateway Conference on the horizon.

"We really thought we were a year away from that," he says with a smile. "What many people didn't realize is how young we were - there were only seven seniors on this team, so we thought we'd have to mature a bit this season."

Mature they did. Southern reeled off 10 straight wins to start the season and climbed as high as second in the NCAA 1-AA rankings before losing a thrilling 43-40 regular season finale at Northern Iowa.

The 10-1 regular season record was the best in the program's history since the 1983 Dawgs logged the same mark before going on to win the national championship. This year's squad posted league wins over Indiana State (37-14), Illinois State (45-17), Western Illinois (37-32), Southwest Missouri (20-6), Western Kentucky (28-24), and Youngstown State (24-17).

Following the loss to Northern Iowa, Southern's statistical leaders included running backs Muhammad Abdulaqaadir (954 yards and 11 TDs) and Tom Koutsos (941 yards and 13 TDs), quarterback Joel Sambursky (1,561 yards, 14 TDs, 5 interceptions), and receiver Brent Little (32 receptions, 590 yards, 6 TDs). The revived SIU defense was again paced by defensive end Alexis Moreland (83 tackles, 2 interceptions), with linebackers Royal Whitaker (73 tackles, 3 interceptions) and Eric Egan (72 tackles -10 for loss of 48 yards, 3 sacks).

"These kids surprised me all year," Kill says. "They never lost their composure and seemed to always find a way to get things done. It was a special Gateway Conference season."

SIU's run in 2003 came to a close in the first round of the 1-AA playoffs, as the Salukis dropped a 48-7 game at the University of Delaware. The game was marred by turnovers, as the Dawgs turned the ball over six times and had a punt blocked in the post-season contest.

SIU To Host New Swimming/Diving Invitational

Last season, just 19 points separated the SIU men's swimming and diving team from its seventh Missouri Valley Conference championship in nine years. The Salukis didn't just lose the title, but because Northern Iowa dropped its program, they also failed to garner the final league title sponsored for Valley men's teams.

Saluki head coach Rick Walker says the tough loss should serve as motivation for the 2003-04 squad to win this year's inaugural MVC Invitational set Feb. 19-21 in Carbondale. SIU hosts a newly-formed invitational that will feature Southern, Southwest Missouri, Evansville, and independent newcomers Western Kentucky and Louisiana-Monroe.

The women's MVC Championship still has enough sponsored schools to compete for a league crown, and this event will run concurrently with the men's invitational.

The men this season will rely on ten returnees who were MVC champions or All-MVC performers last year. The Salukis will be led by junior Marcelo Passato (MVC champ in the 100 and 200 backstroke and school record holder in the 200 back), junior Adam Gangl (MVC champ in the 200 IM, sophomore Sakis Lambrou (50 free champ), and sophomore Christian Tinojera (400 IM champ).

Other all-MVC performers back are seniors Derek Helvey (second in 400 IM) and Edoardo Daelli (third in 100 and 200 free), juniors Ivan Sanchez (second in the 1650) and Ryan Jackson (second in the 200 breaststroke), and sophomores Jason Sigler (third in the 1650) and Miguel King (third in the 200 breaststroke). Walker also expects strong contributions from senior diver Adam Peper, an area which must replace three divers from last season.

Indications for success have already been apparent, as the Saluki men defeated the University of Missouri for the first time in eight years.

The Saluki women this year will look to regain the Valley title, after slipping to second last season. Head coach Jeff Goelz sees a silver lining in last year's result.

"I think that some of the kids are more focused now because they've been on the losing end at the MVC Meet for the first time and they don't like it," he says. "There's a good group of upperclassmen and a good group of young kids so we're excited."

The squad will rely on five seniors this season, as Brigitta Olson (second in 200 fly and 400 IM), Rachel Giordano and Laura Hinton will provide veteran leadership. Goelz will also rely on returnees such as juniors Ashley MacCurdy (MVC 400 IM champion and runner-up in the 1650 free), Melinda Page (Mt. Barker, Australia), Andrea Johnson, and Andri Hadjiantoniou.

Sophomores of note include Elizabeth McGowan (MVC 500 free champion) and Briley Bergen (third in the 1650 free).

In addition to the strong core of veterans, Goelz added 12 freshmen and a junior college national champion diver to the mix.

For the swimming and diving schedule, go to Calendar of Events on page 83 of this issue.
Bart Scott Making The Most Of His NFL Opportunity

by Adam Soebbing

Rarely do people get a second chance in life. Even rarer is someone taking that chance and running with it the way former SIU linebacker Bart Scott has. Following a 2000 SIU season full of doubt and reflection, the Saluki linebacker turned things around and eventually earned a roster spot with the National Football Leagues Baltimore Ravens.

Despite not being drafted, Scott signed a three-year free-agent contract in 2002 and tied for the team lead in special teams tackles with 17, while seeing significant minutes as linebacker for the Ravens in his rookie season. He continues to be a key part of the squad in 2003 and relishes returning to Carbondale whenever he can.

That scenario did not appear to be possible three years ago.

Scott considered quitting football during that tumultuous 2000 season in which the then-junior was dismissed from the team for the final six games by former Saluki Head Coach Jan Quarless. But he was given a clean slate when Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk brought in head coach Jerry Kill for the 2001 season.

Giving the coaching staff everything he had his senior season, Scott finished with a team-high 127 tackles. After seeing him on videotape, the Ravens offered him a tryout, and the rest is history.

"I'm indebted to Coach Kill and his entire coaching staff," Scott notes. "A lot of things were said about me, but they gave me another chance. When you step out on a limb for me like Coach Kill did, I'll stick with him forever."

For this reason and many more, Scott continues to come back to Carbondale to train and provide a positive example for current Saluki players. In fact, he can't stay away.

Scott was in town during the winter to attend the Saluki Football Banquet and was back again to train with SIU strength coach Eric Klein in preparation for the 2003 NFL training camp. "I come back because it keeps me humble, and it keeps me grounded. It reminds me of where I came from," he explains. "I also return to show the players that, no matter what, I'll always be a Saluki. I want to show them that if I can do it, they can do it – but you have to pay the price."

Kill is always in support of Scott coming back to town and knows he is a great role model for current Salukis.

"As a coach, you're ecstatic when a young man is successful and doesn't forget his roots," Kill says. "He is just a pleasant young man, and I think he really appreciates the opportunity we gave him. Bart is a great example to our young people that if you do what you are supposed to and you listen to us, good things happen."

Klein, who joined the Saluki staff in 2001 along with Kill, favors speed and agility training techniques that have helped make Scott a more explosive linebacker. Offering a training regimen he cannot find anywhere else, the linebacker is comfortable with his old strength coach.

"He was so responsible for me making it to the NFL," Scott stresses. "If he was good enough to do that, he is good enough to keep me there."

In 2002, the Ravens believed in Scott enough to stick him in during crucial situations, including a critical first-quarter goal-line stand against rival Tennessee Titans in week 12. On third-and-goal from the four-yard-line, a diving Scott intercepted a Steve McNair pass in the end zone, helping to preserve a 13-12 Ravens victory.
“They trusted in me to put me in the heat of the battle, and it was a rewarding moment for me,” he says. “It felt like I actually helped win a game, and that was a great feeling.”

With a talented linebacking corps that includes All-Pros Ray Lewis and Peter Boulware, along with former Chicago Bear Mike Singletary as linebacker coach, Scott has enormous resources from which to learn the position.

Scott also tried to be a resource for fellow Salukis when he returned to campus this summer. Junior Alexis Moreland, an All-American free safety, said Scott gave advice on the importance of a strong work ethic and about staying focused.

“He’s setting the path, and we’re trying to follow behind him,” Moreland says. “He won’t let his success go to his head. He’ll always be back, and he remembers where he came from.”

Working hard to secure his future in the NFL, Scott is aware that eight years is considered to be a lengthy career in the rough and tumble league. So while it lasts, he will never forget about those who helped him get to this point, including the current Saluki coaching staff, his mother, and God.

Nor will he forget what he believes to be a test from God when the game he loves so much was taken away from him during his junior year as a Saluki.

“I think God put me through that to test my faith,” Scott says. “As my pastor always says back home, ‘You can’t have a testimony without a test.’ So I think my testimony is to tell kids not to give up, not to stop dreaming, and to believe in yourself — all things are possible with God.”

— Adam Soebbing is a reporter at The Daily Egyptian.

Hart, Loukas Enter Chicagoland Hall Of Fame

Two former football standouts at Southern Illinois University were among the 2003 class recently inducted into the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame.

Former Saluki quarterback and athletics director Jim Hart of Naples, Fla., and former fullback George Loukas of Riverwoods, Ill., joined 14 other new members for the ceremony held in Des Plaines. Both Hart and Loukas are Life Members of the SIU Alumni Association.

Hart graduated from Niles West High School in Skokie where he led his team to a conference title as a senior. He starred at SIU, where in three seasons (1963-65) he threw for 34 touchdowns and 3,779 yards, which rank second and fifth respectively, in Saluki history. He earned a bachelor’s degree in education from SIU in 1967, returning to school after his first year in the National Football League.

Hart starred for 19 years in the NFL with the St. Louis Cardinals and Washington Redskins. He became the Saluki athletics director in 1988, and was associate chancellor for external affairs from 1999 to 2001.

Though a bit surprised by his selection, Hart considers it an honor to join the Hall and to represent the University. “I see who is in there,” he admits, “and I am honored to be among those inducted.”

Loukas 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. The establishment has served as home of the SIU Alumni Association’s “SIU Day at Wrigley Field” event for more than 25 years.

Loukas graduated from Bowen High School in 1967. He attended a military prep school and community college before coming to SIU in 1969. He earned a bachelor’s degree in physical education from Southern in 1973.

Joining the football team as a walk-on he became a starting fullback in 1971, and was co-captain on the 1972 squad. From 1970 to 1972 Loukas gained 1,427 yards — 15th best in school history. In 1971, Loukas gained 1,052 yards — the 10th best single-season rushing total in school history — and scored 11 touchdowns.

Loukas says he is “very honored” to be selected into the Hall.

Chicagoland Hall of Fame members must be born, raised or play in the Chicagoland area. Among the previous 240 inductees are former Chicago Cubs greats Ernie Banks and Ron Santo, former NFL standouts Dick Butkus, Ray Nitschke, Mike Ditka and George Blanda; sports owners George Halas, Bill Veeck Jr., Phil Wrigley and Jerry Reinsdorf; and announcers Jack Brickhouse and Harry Caray.
Rick Johnson Enjoying Hollywood Experiences In Post Football Life

1983 Champs Honored During Reunion

by Greg Scott

Walking through the SIU Student Center, Rick Johnson pauses to view a poster promoting an upcoming production at Shryock Auditorium. Johnson smiles as he thinks about the turn his life has taken.

This is the same Saluki who quarterbacked SIU to the national 1983 Division IAA national football championship. He played seven years of professional football – primarily in the Canadian Football League – with brief stints in the National Football League.

Football has played a huge role in this Wheaton, Ill., native’s life, but his horizons have expanded since his heroics at SIU’s McAndrew Field. He now makes his living on the silver screen as an actor.

“I was never interested in theater at SIU,” Johnson says. “But I’ve matured in that respect and realized there is more to life than football.”

Johnson discovered this in 1986 while playing football for the CFL’s Calgary Stampeders. A chipped vertebra in his neck prevented him from squeezing the football. Unable to play the sport he loved, the Saluki Hall of Famer began to wonder about life after football.

Always fascinated by movies and feature films, he decided to hire an acting coach.

“During the off-season, I took some acting classes in Los Angeles,” he says. “I performed in some plays and loved it – I then realized that this is what I wanted to do after football.”

Johnson hired an agent and acquired some acting roles; the most notable occurring in writer-director Cameron Crowe’s 1996 romantic comedy Jerry Maguire. He portrayed the role of quarterback John Swenson and worked alongside main characters Tom Cruise, Cuba Gooding Jr., and Kelly Preston.

“Cruise is a pleasure to work with because he empowers everyone around him while making decisions. I learned a great deal watching him direct that movie,” Johnson says. “Cruise is the consummate professional and made everybody feel like they truly mattered. It’s no accident he is a megastar – people like that inspire me as an actor.”

After becoming frustrated at missing out on some acting roles, Johnson decided to write a movie based on his own experiences. In 2000, he scripted, directed, and acted in Rustin, which features a former football player attempting to find a new niche in life. Johnson assembled a cast that includes Meat Loaf, Ashley Johnson, formerly of Growing Pains, and Zachery Ty Bryan, who starred on Home Improvement.”

The movie is available at www.blockbuster.com and www.dvdplanet.com. Ironically, another friend and cast member, Dean Biasucci (a former kicker for the Indianapolis Colts), is a Western Carolina alumus who played against Johnson’s Salukis in the ’83 championship game.

“After a year, Dean told me that he went to WCU. I said, ‘You’re kidding me; we played you my senior year,’” Johnson says.

Johnson’s Salukis defeated WCU 43-7 in the title game, culminating a stellar 13-1 season. His name remains prominent in SIU’s record books, still ranking first in career passing yards (5,228), completions (439), attempts (859), and lowest interception percentage for a season.

“You need some breaks to win a national championship, and it came together for us. I was fortunate to have my best game in the spotlight, and have many fond memories of SIU. Southern is where I turned into a man and gained responsibility.”
Hanes Marching Saluki Scholarship Honors A Legend

Innovation has been a tradition for the SIU Marching Salukis, as this group has set the field ablaze with their unique musical style, jazz uniforms – and an occasional marching violin or piano player – for almost four decades. The man behind this innovation, and the spirit of the group, has long been Mike Hanes.

In honor of his commitment to the program and its students, SIU recently established the Mike Hanes Marching Saluki Scholarship Endowment. This endowment will provide four-year scholarships to students who participate in the Marching Salukis and other instrumental ensembles in the spring semester. This is Southern's only scholarship specifically geared to support the Marching Salukis. And the "Hanes Marching Salukis Award" is available to all students – regardless of major.

Established with an initial donation of $25,000, friends and alumni of the Marching Salukis are encouraged to join the Homburg Club by donating a minimum of $100. Other levels include the Snap Too Club ($500-$999), the Bow Tie Club ($1,000-$4,999), the Magic Trick Club ($5,000-$9,999) and the Salute To America Club ($10,000-up). This endowment not only serves as a fitting tribute to Hanes, but also is a significant source of financial support for those students to which he has dedicated his career.

"This scholarship gives us financial freedom to recruit and retain students who want to march, but need a scholarship in order to make such a large investment of time and effort," says Thomas Bough, director of the Marching Salukis. "It also offers a tangible reward to the most motivated and skilled student members of the band – regardless of their degree program."

All gifts are tax deductible, and checks may be made to the "SIU Foundation-Hanes Endowment" and sent to the SIU Foundation, mail code 6805, Colyer Hall, SIUC, Carbondale, IL 62901. For more information on this scholarship, or to obtain a brochure complete with an endowment form, write to the SIU School of Music, mail code 4302, SIUC, Carbondale, IL 62901.

International Youth Camp Planned For Summer, 2004

Next summer the SIU International Programs and Services and Center for English as a Second Language will host an English as a Second Language International Youth Camp – a customized English language and cultural awareness program.

The camp will be held July 10-31, 2004 on the Southern Illinois University campus and will feature a program geared to international students between the ages of 13-18 with intermediate to advanced English language skills. For parents or guardians interested in accompanying a student there will be an opportunity to enroll in an English language course designed especially for adults.

The three-week program, aimed at improving speaking, listening, reading, grammar and vocabulary skills in English, will also feature special activities and events providing opportunities to learn more about American culture.

English classes are scheduled for three hours each morning Monday through Friday with special events planned for afternoons, evenings and weekends, including trips around the southern Illinois region and one to St. Louis.

The registration fee of $2,910 includes instruction, meals, lodging and all recreational events. A non-refundable application fee of $100 must accompany the registration form by Feb. 15, 2004.

For information concerning the program, or to obtain a brochure regarding the camp, contact Marilyn Rivers, CESL@siu.edu. For registration details contact the SIU Division of Continuing Education www.dce.siu.edu.
The Jackson County Chapter of the SIU 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 were Brian Conner, Rapeepan Maitree and Devin Reno of Carbondale High School, Kathryn Lee Nobel of Murphysboro High School, and Matthew Rodewald of Trico High School. Michael Tow of Elverado High School received the Jackson County Family YMCA Scholarship.

Bill Norwood, a retired United Airlines pilot and former member of the SIU Board of Trustees, 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.

The first-ever African-American pilot with United Airlines, Norwood’s devotion to aviation led to his becoming one of the organizers and an instructor for the first Southern Illinois Flight Academy, a basic flight training camp for youngsters in Carbondale.

Norwood contributes to his home community in a variety of ways. Last spring as a member of the Missions Committee at his church, he was involved in a community outreach project that distributed approximately $100,000 to local organizations. He also served as co-chair of the Community Race Relations Task Force for the city of Carbondale in 2001.

Norwood gives much of his free time back to the community and professional organizations. He spends time mentoring young people by visiting schools and giving motivational and career talks. He has assisted with aviation career camps in Gary, Indiana, and has tutored at Lincoln Jr. High School in Carbondale. Norwood and his family have established scholarships for SIU students.

A 1959 graduate of SIU, Norwood was a three-year starting quarterback on the Saluki football team. He is a member of the Saluki Hall of Fame, SIU ROTC Hall of Fame, and the Centralia, Illinois Historical Hall of Fame. Norwood, who served in the United States Air Force from 1959 to 1965, began a 31-year career with United Airlines in 1965 and subsequently became the company’s first African-American pilot to receive the rank of captain. When he retired in 1996, United honored Norwood by painting his name on the side of a United Airlines aircraft (B-727) that is part of the Take Flight exhibit in the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. Norwood is also included in BLACK WINGS, a permanent exhibit at the Smithsonian Institute National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. He served on the SIU Board of Trustees from 1974 to 2001.

Norwood is a founding member of the Organization of Black Airline Pilots, serving multiple terms as treasurer, president, and chairman of the board for over 23 years. He is Past President and former treasurer for the State Universities Retirement System Board, a member of the Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education, and Airline Pilots Association. A recipient of several awards, he received the United Airlines Community Relations Award (1991), United Airlines Captain of the Year (1995), and the Illinois Concerns for Blacks in Higher Education Special Merit Award. Norwood was also honored as an SIU Distinguished Alumni Award recipient by the SIU Alumni Association in 2002.

Norwood and his wife, Molly, a 1961 SIU graduate, are life members of the SIU Alumni Association and NAACP.
**SAC Members Return For Homecoming Reunion**

Fifteen former Student Alumni Council members and their families returned for a reunion during Homecoming weekend. Attendees enjoyed several Homecoming festivities, including a special reception in the Alumni Visitor’s Lounge following the Saluki football game.

Former SACers who attended were Patrick Kowicki from Chalfont, Pa.; Christina Lapka from Belleville, Ill.; Bill Ludwig from Savoy, Ill.; Dina (Zain) and Jason Lohman of Naperville, Ill.; Laura (Dersch) and Brian Lawrence from Asheville, N.C.; and Laura (Weshinsky) Wesselmann from Trenton, Ill. Former advisor Jenna Henderson Smith also attended along with current advisor, Tuesday Ashner.

Current SACers who attended are: Cristen Carper, Al-Karmi Ashraf, Doug Gibbs, Anna Gorges, Jinya Kurita, Argus Tong. Other SIU Alumni Association staff who attended were Greg Scott and Nadine Lucas. Hot snacks were served. The class ring video was viewed. The group discussed future events and plan to host reunions every three years.

**SIU Alumni Association Welcomes SIU Parents**

The SIU Alumni Association recently helped host Family Weekend Festivities for parents of SIU students visiting campus. The Association greeted parents and their sons and daughters in front of the Student Center on Oct. 25, where visitors received information about student membership, the official SIU class ring, and other services the Association provides to students. In addition, the Association visited with students and their families at the Family Festival in the Gallery Lounge of the Student Center. Association staff distributed class ring key chains and SIU pins to guests.

Laura and Brian Lawrence are two former SAC members who eventually married following their SIU days.

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Springfield State Fair

The Prairie Capital Alumni Chapter and the SIU Alumni Association hosted alumni and guests Aug. 8-17 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 191 alumni registered in the guestbook.

Prior to the event, 40 alumni volunteers and guests enjoyed a meal at the fairgrounds to thank individuals providing volunteer support at the State Fair. The group enjoyed a meal catered by 17th Street Barbecue from Murphysboro, Ill.

Du Quoin State Fair

The Perry County Alumni Chapter and the SIU Alumni Association welcomed alumni and guests at the SIU geodesic dome Aug. 23 - Sept. 1 at the Du Quoin State Fair. A total of 112 alumni registered in the guestbook. Prior to the fair, 18 alumni and guests enjoyed an evening at the home of SIU Alumni Association Life Members Yvonne and Craig Spencer in Du Quoin. The event was coordinated in appreciation of the volunteers working at the Fair.

SIU Saluki Family Day in Chicago

One hundred thirty alumni and guests attended SIU Saluki Family Day on Aug. 10 at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago. The group enjoyed a Saluki-style tailgate prior to the Chicago White Sox game against the Oakland Athletics. Good food, raffle giveaways, and the opportunity to visit with real-life Salukis highlighted a festive day at the ballpark.

A committee of Chicago-area alumni coordinated the event. University representatives Rickey McCurry, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, and Dave Ardrey, director of alumni off-campus programs, were in attendance.

Greater Michigan Alumni Chapter

The Greater Michigan Chapter of the SIU Alumni Association hosted 40 alumni and guests at a dinner party on Oct. 24. The group gathered at Dave & Buster's in Utica, Michigan. Alumni and friends enjoyed dinner and a short program featuring videos of campus, guest speakers, a friendly trivia game, and the election of chapter officers.

Guests from the University included Mike Behrmann, Michael Ellis, Jack Greer and Jerry Thomas from the College of Engineering. Also in attendance was Rickey McCurry, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, Ed Buerger, executive director of the SIU Alumni Association, and Dave Ardrey, director of alumni off-campus programs.

Half Century Reception

SIU Provost and Vice Chancellor John Dunn is flanked by his uncle, J. Hubert Dunn '43, and his aunt, Generose Dunn '40, at this year's Half Century Reception. Each year during homecoming weekend, the SIU Alumni Association honors the 50-year graduates of the University.

SIU Alumni Member Appreciation Day

SIU Alumni Association members enjoyed a complimentary lunch under the Alumni Association tailgate tent prior to the Saluki football game against St. Joseph's College in September. SIU head coach Jerry Kill and Rick Johnson, quarterback of SIU's 1983 national championship football team, visited with alumni prior to the game. Johnson was one of several '83 championship team members who returned to Carbondale for a special 20-year reunion to celebrate the team's accomplishment.

The Association conducted a drawing for Alumni Member "Guest Coach for a Day" honors. Bruce Shingleton of Makanda was the winner and joined Coach Kill and the Salukis on the sidelines during the game. As part of the Alumni Member Appreciation festivities, alumni members received two complimentary tickets to the game. Approximately 700 members and guests received tickets at distribution sites throughout the region.
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Here are just some the new features the renovated Morris Library will offer to students, faculty, staff, and alumni:
• The development of an “Internet Cafe” in the lobby area of the addition will include a coffee bar, Internet connections, and commons area.
• The circulation of traffic in the building will be much improved.
• The basement area will become an all-stacks area.
• There will be three new computer classrooms, each larger and better equipped than any now available at Morris.
  • The Hall of Presidents will remain and become associated with the library’s Special Collections Research Center, which will also be moving, in part, to the main floor.
  • The new Morris will include a number of group study rooms. Currently, there are none! Some of the new rooms will be available to be reserved; some will be unscheduled and available on a first-come, first-served basis.
  • Improvements will be made to provide an improved and much needed temperature and humidity control for everything and everyone in Morris.

If you would like more information about the Morris Library renovation and expansion project, please visit the Morris Library Renovation Project Web site at http://www.lib.siu.edu/bp/about/library_renovation.shtml. If you are interested in touring the library, sharing your experiences about Morris Library, or would like more information on how you can support this project, please contact the Library Development Office at 618-453-1633 or e-mail estupegi@lib.siu.edu.
Dan Graveline '66, M.S. '69, executive director of the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, seems to have a knack for getting in on the ground floor. When the SIU Arena opened in 1964, the young graduate student landed a job as assistant director. Twelve years later, the Atlanta facility was under construction, and Graveline was tapped to run what is today one of the largest convention, sports and entertainment complexes in the world.
Not afraid of hard work and armed with a desire to succeed, the Canadian-born Graveline grew up in rural Georgia, where his father worked for the Tennessee Valley Authority. By the time he was ready to begin his college career, the family had settled in Paducah, Ky.

He sought out Southern because it was near his family’s home and, more importantly, because it was on the quarter system. “An interesting way to choose a university,” he chuckles, explaining that he was “one of those students who had to work his way through school.”

So when he wasn’t cracking the books during his undergraduate years, he was more than likely swabbing the deck on a Merchant Marine cargo ship in the Great Lakes to pay his tuition. “I needed to be able to work, finish a quarter, then go out in the spring, catch a ship and work until I could afford to go back to school.”

He admits it took him awhile to get through. “I’d go to school for six months, then work for six months. Sometimes I’d work for nine months and be in school for three.” Graveline didn’t see it as anything out of the ordinary. “It wasn’t unusual in those days – a lot of us had to work our way through,” he says.

With an uncle who was a captain in the Merchant Marine, Graveline began working just out of high school on the ships and quickly moved up the ladder. “First I was a deckhand, doing whatever kind of grunt work that needed to be done, like cleaning decks and loading cargo. Later I became a deck watch, which means you supervise a couple of deckhands, and then a wheelsman, where you actually steer the boat.” One time Graveline was told he was the youngest wheelsman on the Great Lakes at the tender age of 19.

By the time the SIU Arena opened, Graveline had ended his six-year stint with the Merchant Marine and settled down in Carbondale working full time as manager of a student off-campus residence hall. He heard from a “friend of a friend of a friend” about an assistant manager job at the Arena.

Graveline applied and was hired by Dean Justice, the Arena’s first general manager. Although he modestly describes his duties as the chief “gofer,” he actually ran the day-to-day operation of the facility, which included a little bit of everything – housekeeping, scheduling and promoting events, and some serious negotiating among the athletic groups housed there.

“Nobody told me I would have to referee all those competing priorities. There were always ‘discussions’ about who got to practice – the competitive wrestling team versus the intramural wrestling teams or the physical education classes. Then you get a rainy day and those who usually...
"Piston by piston, he’s built an economic engine that ranks among the most powerful in Georgia."

Business To Business magazine on Dan Graveline’s success.

practice outside came inside. It got to be a little bit crazy,” Graveline recalls.

But he enjoyed the challenges and, as he found a niche for himself, soon began looking beyond the campus. “One of the good things about working for Dean Justice was that he got us involved in professional associations so that you were exposed to the broader industry, not just the on-campus facilities,” recalls Graveline.

Justice is not surprised at his protégé’s success. “Dan is well motivated, has tremendous public relations and people skills as well as being sharp as far as management is concerned.” Now retired and living in Austin, Texas, Justice watched Graveline discover that he wanted to make a career out of public assembly facility management and was able to help him develop a plan to do just that.

“He knew what he needed to do to gain the experience to be successful,” said Justice, who calls his former assistant one of the best, if not the best, facility managers in the country.

Graveline admits that working at the Arena got him into the business. “I learned to enjoy it quickly and soon knew that I wanted to try the convention center side of the public assembly facility.”

Not long after his master’s in management was completed in 1969 another “ground floor” opportunity presented itself. He was hired as assistant director of the Indiana Convention Center, then under construction in Indianapolis.

Graveline served as the number two man there until moving west to work for a Los Angeles facility for little more than a year before Atlanta came calling.

The Georgia World Congress Center opened its doors in 1976 with 750,000 square feet and a new executive director who would oversee nearly non-stop expansion for the next 27 years. The convention hall now boasts 3.9 million square feet and is part of a “campus” that features the Georgia Dome, home of the National Football League’s Atlanta Falcons and Centennial Park, which was created for the 1996 Summer Olympics.

“One reason I’ve been around for so long,” says Graveline, “is because we have been blessed with the good fortune of having enough business so we have constantly needed to expand. It’s not been just the routine of running a business, but we literally have gone from one expansion to the next.”

An article on Graveline in the Atlanta-published magazine Business To Business calls him the “dean of America’s convention centers — ringmaster among ringmasters.”

The same article quotes Graveline explaining his job: “You have to like the craziness of it all. It’s a crisis management business. Folks who come here have spent all year preparing for their convention. They’re wound tighter than a banjo string, and you have to be just as ready to go as they are.”

The 1996 Summer Olympics might have offered Graveline one of his most memorable challenges. “It was a once in a lifetime opportunity, and it’s a good thing — once in a lifetime is enough,” he quips. “It was the biggest Olympics in history for attendance, and our campus was at the heart of the event. Of course

Graveline, second from right, recently met with SIU Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk, center, and members of the Atlanta community with links to the University. From left are Gordon Teel ’65 and Jim Tally ’65, ’71, Ph.D. ’77, both life members of the SIU Alumni Association, Kowalczyk, Graveline, and Richard Hiller, whose daughter, Alison ’03, starred on the Saluki Golf Team.
the bombing was the bad side. We had the highest of highs and lowest of lows all crammed together in one event.”

In Atlanta and the state of Georgia, Graveline is a popular figure. His facility is entirely supported by state dollars and has been a good investment. Most city and state leaders are happy with the out-of-state dollars that come to town with the conventioners, football fans and tourists. In 2001 he was named Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau “Member of the Year,” recognition given to the individual who most embodies the spirit of promoting the hospitality of the city.

Jim Tally, president and CEO of Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, points to the recent addition of the Children’s Museum to Centennial Olympic Park and the development of the Atlanta Aquarium nearby giving credit to Graveline. “Dan’s role in revitalizing this area of downtown Atlanta cannot be over emphasized.”

Graveline serves on Children’s Healthcare Board of Trustees and according to Tally generously shares his knowledge and expertise in strategic and financial planning.

On a single weekend last summer, the campus was hopping, with a Hootie and the Blowfish concert in Centennial Park, the Falcons in a pre-season game against the Green Bay Packers, and an International Hair Show expecting thousands of hair designers for an annual event.

Graveline maintains a low-key confidence during those kinds of weekends, trusting the staff he has put together to take care of business. His calmness in the face of potential turmoil does not surprise his old boss at SIU.

“One of Dan’s strengths has always been the positive relationships he builds, coupled with an innate ability to hire outstanding people,” Justice notes. “He certainly made me look good years ago when he worked at the SIU Arena.”

Whether in Carbondale decades ago or in Atlanta today, Graveline continues to be one of the best in the business.

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**Relay For Life An Important Event For The Gravelines**

Although Dan Graveline is constantly involved in events surrounding the Georgia World Congress Center Authority Campus, once a year he rolls up his sleeves for an event that is not held on his turf.

The Gwinnett County American Cancer Society Relay for Life is an important event for Graveline, his wife, Susan, and the couple’s 14-year-old daughter, Alexis Christina (Alex). Susan, a two-time cancer survivor, founded a team called Mothers and Daughters Against Cancer (MADAC) that raises substantial funds for the Atlanta event, which is one of the largest in the country.

According to Graveline, the mother-daughter team has grown to nearly 100 members and raises between $45,000 and $50,000 each year for the Relay, an overnight team event. “Like the name implies, MADAC is made up of mothers who have young daughters like ours,” he explains. “The good part about it is that it gets the daughters aware of cancer issues and civic issues, in addition to giving them the experience of raising money.”

Graveline is there every year for the event and is obviously proud of the work Susan and Alex do. “I’m mainly a gofer,” he says. “I help set up the tents, run errands, cook, stay all night and take my turn walking the track. At this event, the dads are the worker bees — and it’s fun.”

Graveline is proud of the work his wife, Susan, and their daughter, Alex, do with the American Cancer Society Relay For Life.
1960s

**Gary Meyer '65, retired from University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point after serving three terms as chair of the geography and geology department.** A specialist in urban and regional planning, he had been at the university since 1981. He and his wife, Peggy, also recently retired, live in Plover, Wis. Meyer plans to do some traveling and to continue his study of geography through some writing projects. **James Tally '65, M.S. '71, Ph.D. '77** is president and CEO of **Children's Healthcare in Atlanta** The facility was recently named “best employer to work for in Atlanta” by The Atlanta Business Chronicle. The ranking received his masters and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois and is professor emeritus at Western Michigan University, where he taught for 37 years, retiring in 1996. He is currently writing some short sketches about his boyhood in southern Illinois mostly for the enjoyment of his two sons, Philip and Steven, and his friend, **John Hardy '52.**

Praise For Professor

**Julie Flores '96, M.S. '99** wrote to her former professor, **John Washburn '69, M.S. '70** about her new job directing the Chicago Public Schools Aerospace Initiative. Flores is responsible for training faculty, staff and teachers on the use of Space Explorers, a K-12 Internet-based program developed around NASA missions that allows students to receive and manipulate actual spacecraft data. She also coordinates the NASA Saturday Academy in the Chicago area. In her message to Washburn she says, “I want to let you know how appreciative and thankful I am to have had such a fabulous advisor and teacher like you. I have always remembered and applied many principles from my classes, especially the Modelnetics class. You were always encouraging, optimistic and a pleasure to talk with.”

1970s

**Alan Ladwig '70, M.S. '76** is chief operating officer of the Zero Gravity Corporation, a space entertainment company that provides parabolic flight opportunities for the public and research community. The service, offered on a Boeing 727, enables passengers to experience periods of weightlessness (zero gravity) during a series of maneuvers.

**Joyce Wilhelms-Taylor '74** took early retirement from the State of Illinois where she worked for 28 years. She lives in Springfield, Ill.

**Diane Schumacher '74** was named chief compliance officer for Cooper Industries, Ltd., a global manufacturer of electrical products, tools and hard-

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**Richard Brewer '55** is author of *Conservancy: The Land Trust Movement in America* published this fall by the University Press of New England. The book deals with land conservation by private non-profit organizations. Brewer received his masters and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois and is professor emeritus at Western Michigan University, where he taught for 37 years, retiring in 1996. He is currently writing some short sketches about his boyhood in southern Illinois mostly for the enjoyment of his two sons, Philip and Steven, and his friend, **John Hardy '52.**

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**Life Member Celebrates 25 Years In Business**

**Rick Schwab '68** recently celebrated his 25th year as a State Farm Insurance Agent. He and his wife, Diane, both life members of the SIU Alumni Association, also have built their dream home in St. John, Ind., about 20 minutes from Rick's business in Glenwood, Ill.

The Schwabs, including sons Danny '99 and Jay '02, are loyal Salukis who are regulars at various SIU games and Association events each year. With that in mind, one part of the new residence will reflect SIU spirit and Saluki Pride. The 1,500 square-foot basement of the home will be turned into a giant “Saluki Room” filled with memorabilia and Southern-related material.
of the Year" award, given by Ernst & Young. Workman is president and CEO of Heartland Dental Care, a dental practice management company that handles payroll, human resources and information technology, accounting, education, and coaching for dental practices in seven Midwestern states. Workman, himself a dentist, lives in Effingham, Ill.

Rebecca Johnson M.D. '78 is the recipient of the 2003 William L. Kuehn Outstanding Communicator Award. She was honored for her efforts to clarify and enhance the image of pathologists. Johnson is chair of the Department of Pathology and Clinical Laboratories at Berkshire Health Systems in Pittsfield, Mass., where she is also pathology residency program director and medical director of the School of Medical Technology.

Derek McGregor '79, president of DMC Engineering in Irvine, Calif., will serve on the Measure M Citizens' Oversight Committee for the Orange County Transportation Authority. Measure M is a plan that allows for freeway improvements, local street and road improvements and rail and transit programs. McGregor has a long-standing involvement in a variety of voluntary community projects involving park and recreation developments.

Mike Van Milligen '79, '86, M.S. '85, Dubuque, Iowa's city manager, is the 2003 recipient of the International City/County Management Association's Outstanding Manager of the Year Award. Van Milligen has been city manager since 1993 and formerly served as village manager in Skokie, Ill.

1980s

Leslie Sloan Orr '81, M.F.A. '86 is professor of playwriting and African American theatre at Illinois State University, Normal, where she is co-founder and artistic director of Crossroads Theatre. She received the 2002 Outstanding Faculty Award from the Office of Intercultural Programs and Services. Her husband Rickey Orr, is working on his Ph.D. in the ISU College of Education. The couple has a 4-year-old son, Rickey II.

David Stricklin '83 has joined the law firm of Gardner Carton & Douglas as director of governmental affairs. Most recently he had worked as director of the Washington D.C. adjustment scales for children and adolescents among Native American/American Indian youths in Arizona and Minnesota.

2000s

Elizabeth Hara '00 is project manager and business analyst for the Ross School/Ross Institute in East Hampton, N.Y. Her projects deal with technology initiatives in the field of K-12 education.

Steven Senteny '01 is serving with the Peace Corps in Zhytomyr, Ukraine, where he is teaching environmental education. He is pictured with Peace Corps Director Gaddi Vasquez, who was in the Ukraine for three days visiting volunteers at several projects.
New SIU Alumni Association Web Site Is Ready To Serve You

The SIU Alumni Association Web site (www.siualumni.com) is ready for action – and interaction.

On the newly-designed site, Saluki alumni and friends can get on-line any time of the day or night to plan their next trip abroad, shop, catch a live SIU athletics game broadcast, make reservations for the 2004 Missouri Valley Championship weekend, or even find a long lost friend.

Numerous links to places like the Daily Egyptian and other campus services and organizations help you feel like you are still on campus – in fact, you can even tune into student station WIDB live while you’re browsing.

Find detailed information on Association chapter and club events, membership benefit partners and links to their Web sites, travel programs, and life and health insurance options.

There is a link to enable users to purchase the SIU Class Ring, a link for our brand new SIU Alumni Apparel line, and a link to join the SIU Alumni Association via the Internet.

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- DeRosa 2004

### Striped Collar Polos
- Scott ’91, ’99 & Lisa Wawrzeniek 2005
- Ellison 2005 & Doug Cibbs 2005
- DeRosa 2004

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- Myers 2005 & Shazad Mehta 2003

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- Myers 2005 & Janee Shuster 2004

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**Ed Shea, A Southern Swimming Pioneer**

Ed Shea, 88, died recently in Carbondale. He came to SIU in 1954 as chairman of the department of physical education for men and coordinator of aquatic facility use, and then served as chair of merged men's and women's physical education departments, retiring in 1988. He captured swimming honors on five continents, and his contributions to the sport and to physical education have been recognized around the world.

In 2001, the 50-meter pool at the student recreation center was dedicated as the "Dr. Edward J. Shea Natatorium." The University's first swim coach, he was the first person to swim in the then-new Pulliam Hall pool in 1954, and in 1987 was the first to swim in the pool at the new Student Recreation Center.

Swimming in these facilities was not a novelty for Shea, but a passion. He was nationally recognized as one of the best performers in the world in Masters Swimming, having earned 29 world records, 32 national records, and nine world titles. He maintained his status as an All-American Masters team member for 18 consecutive years.

Shea was featured in last December's issue of this magazine, when the Rec Center Pool was named in his honor. He called the gesture "the most prominent event of my life." Others associated with the facility viewed the honor as more than appropriate.

As William Bleyer, director emeritus of intramural sports and the center noted at the time, "It is only fitting that his contributions to the University be recognized -- he is such a nice person, and was an original member of the planning committee for the Student Rec Center."
Mother Of Quadruplets Earns Degree

by Christi Mathis

When Susan Graham of Du Quoin, Ill., recently accepted her diploma at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, she had a large cheering section packed with family and friends. But perhaps the most vocal was a quartet of young male voices — her 9-year-old quadruplet sons Nolan, Jordan, Brandon and Denton.

With a lot of help — and sheer determination — she managed to obtain her bachelor of science degree in business management while working full time, sustaining a happy marriage, and raising quadruplet sons. "I think it's pretty neat — admirable — for her," husband Eric Graham says. "I'm glad and happy that my Mommy's graduated," Denton adds emphatically. "Does that mean you won't have homework anymore and you'll be able to sit with us?" Nolan asks. "Now we can go outside and do stuff!" Jordan says with a smile.

Susan is quick to admit her pursuit of a degree made life extremely hectic in recent years. Of course, that wasn't exactly the original plan. She had earned her associate degree by the time she married and planned to complete her bachelor's degree soon thereafter, working at SIU in 1993 as an accountant in the College of Agricultural Sciences and resuming college classes.

"Then I found out I was pregnant. The plan was have a baby and take a semester off — then I found out I was having quads," Susan recalls with a laugh. "There goes that plan completely out the window. Your life is never the same again."

As if taking care of four newborns wasn't enough, the Grahams soon discovered that Brandon had cancer. Ten months of chemotherapy followed.

"He was given a zero percent chance of making it," Susan says with a shudder and a glance at her young son with the big eyes and wide grin. "Now, he's considered cured." The youngster suffered nerve damage to his lower body and needs arm crutches to get around, but Susan says the family has always treated Brandon just like his siblings. "He's the one that has influenced me the most and helped me have the determination to do this — he's my little fighter."

Graham credits her former "wonderful boss," Rick Roeder, with convincing her that she could — and should — finish her degree. She tried to return to school when "the boys" (as the Grahams often call the quads) were 3, but "went a couple of weeks and had to quit. I didn't want to ever have to choose between the kids and my degree."

But in the spring of 2001, she returned to college, took most of her classes during her lunch hour, and worked straight through mealtime or stayed late to make up for time missed. Her husband became "Mr. Mom," getting the boys up, fed and ready for school. Roeder, as well as her current boss, Trish Welch, played key roles by being understanding of the challenges she had to balance.

"I was scared to death when I enrolled in class," she now laughs. But her husband, a painter by trade, took on countless duties, and the couple was aided by great babysitters and help from Bob and Glenda Sheffer of Olmsted and Dave and Brenda Graham of Du Quoin. Somehow she survived the chaos and earned her degree.

"It was a juggling act," she is quick to admit. "But I couldn't have done it without all the support. Everyone helping together is the only way I've been able to do this."

Mathis is a reporter for The Southern Illinoisan, and Pamela Kay Schmalenberger a staff photographer. The full version of this feature was originally published in the paper on Aug. 2, 2003.
20 Years Ago …

It has been two decades since the 1983 SIU Football Team captured the 1-AA National Championship. Brought back in October for a reunion (see page 78), the gridiron alumni perhaps gave Southern’s talented 2003 squad something to shoot for. In one of the most famous photos from 1983, head coach Rey Dempsey shares some wisdom with his attentive quarterback Rick Johnson.
David Kenney and Wanda Carter met in a Southern Illinois University classroom as freshmen in 1940. Today they are still a part of the University landscape, seldom missing a public lecture on campus or an SIU sporting event.

After World War II broke out, Dave left to spend 18 months in the U.S. Army at Chanute Field in Illinois as a radar instructor, while Wanda, after two years of training at Southern, taught school in her hometown of Eldorado, Ill. Returning to campus in 1946 to resume their studies, they married that June.

They graduated in 1948 – he with a master's degree in political science and she with a bachelor's in education – and headed north, where Dave began work at the University of Illinois on his Ph.D. in political science. "Wanda taught three grades in a one-room school in rural Urbana for those three years," he recalls. "She was there all day. She didn't drive, so I'd drop her off at 7:30 in the morning and pick her up at 4:30 that afternoon. Fortunately she didn't have to fire the furnace, but she did have to throw erasers at the mice."

They hadn't exactly planned on returning to Carbondale when he graduated, but Dave's father fell ill and they came back to be with him. "I got a job – half time in the SIU political science department and half time in the graduate school – where I think I was the first graduate teaching assistant."

In the late 1950s as assistant dean of the graduate school, Kenney took the lead in developing Southern's Ph.D. curriculum and establishing 24 doctoral programs – many of which are still offered today. In 1969 he was elected to the 6th Illinois Constitutional Convention and worked with others from across the state to create a new constitution for Illinois. "It was an important experience and one that fit well with my role in the SIU political science program," he notes.

Kenney served as director of the SIU Public Affairs Research Bureau and taught full-time until being called to Springfield by Gov. James Thompson to serve as director of the State Department of Conservation. The Governor later appointed him to head the new Department of Historic Preservation.

Kenney retired in 1986, but continued teaching as a visiting professor in the SIU political science department until 1993. One of Kenney's students, Jerome Mileur, created the Ward Morton and David Kenney Public Affairs Lecture Series in 1995 to honor his former professors.

An avid conservationist and environmentalist, Kenney writes political and history books, with two currently in the works.

The couple recently established a scholarship in the zoology department honoring Wanda's two brothers, W.D. "Pete" Carter and the late James Paul Carter. The Carter-Kenney Scholarship is given annually to a student in fisheries or wildlife management.

For devotion and contributions to their alma mater, state, and community, the SIU Alumni Association proudly salutes life members Dave and Wanda Kenney.

"I feel great affection and loyalty for SIU. I feel that at the time we were undergraduates we got as good a liberal arts education that anyone could get in the United States. Since retiring – and as I've grown older – I appreciate it more and more."

David Kenney '47, M.S. '48 and Wanda Kenney '48
Carbondale, Ill.
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