

9-1-2009

## Southern Alumni

SIU Alumni Association

Follow this and additional works at: [https://opensiuc.lib.siu.edu/alumni\\_mag](https://opensiuc.lib.siu.edu/alumni_mag)

---

### Recommended Citation

, . "Southern Alumni." (Sep 2009).

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the SIU Alumni Association at OpenSIUC. It has been accepted for inclusion in SIU Alumni Magazine by an authorized administrator of OpenSIUC. For more information, please contact [opensiuc@lib.siu.edu](mailto:opensiuc@lib.siu.edu).

# SOUTHERN ALUMNI



## GREEN THUMB GRADS

Robbi and Bob Hursthouse  
combine faith and family as key  
ingredients in their business plan.

Inside: Southern Exposure, Homecoming Schedule, Last Season At McAndrew, and more...

---

# A Couple's Love For Southern

---

*M*ary Kay Moore and Tom Corpora have Southern roots dating back to their respective childhoods.

Moore, who grew up in nearby Benton, attended sporting events and summer camps at Southern. Corpora, reared in Rockford, watched his sister take the journey south to attend SIU Carbondale in 1965, and decided to follow suit four years later.

Mary Kay and Tom initially met in the late 1970s while serving as graduate assistants for professors who established the Center for Comprehensive Services (CCS) – a rehabilitation center for individuals who acquire brain injuries – in Carbondale. Having lived and worked in Carbondale for more than three decades, the two SIU graduates reflect fondly on a University that has had such a positive influence in their lives.

Their longstanding philanthropy has supported diverse facets of the University community, ranging from art, music and theater programs, WSIU broadcasting, to athletics, Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, and student affairs.

Mary Kay, president-elect of the SIU Foundation, acknowledges that in lieu of challenging economic times, tough decisions must be made related to private support. She and Tom made SIU a top priority among their charitable giving options.

"There are many great causes, programs and churches that need private money. SIU is the fabric of our daily lives and is the foundation of our region's economy, culture and quest for personal and educational growth," she says. "We are all making sacrifices and setting priorities on spending. Our economy will improve; but I'm not sure it's ever easy to give. It's difficult as you progress through various phases of life. It just has to become a behavior that you practice when and however much you can."

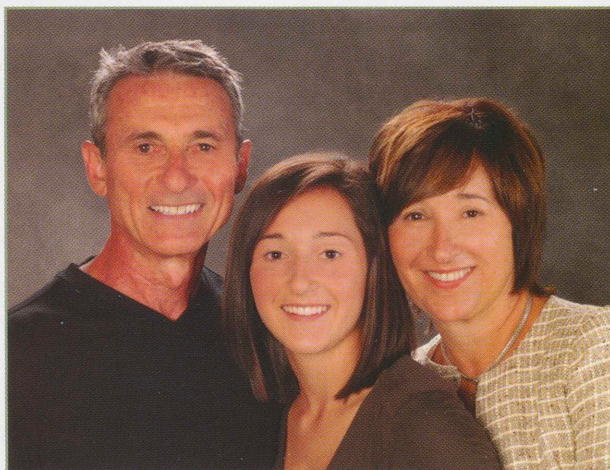
Mary Kay and Tom became full-time professionals/administrators at CCS in 1980, and assumed ownership in 1982 when one of the founding professors retired. During their 23 years at CCS, the company flourished in part due to its relationship with SIU. "Our partnership with SIU really set CCS apart from other programs around the country," Tom says. "Mary Kay and I have developed great relationships with deans, professors and staff over the years. We aspire to provide support of people who are making a difference."

They learned first-hand the impact of financial support while pursuing their respective degrees. Moore was a Presidential Scholarship recipient as an undergraduate. She and Corpora received federally-funded grants from the University to pursue their respective master's degrees. Mary Kay earned double master's degrees in speech pathology/audiology and rehabilitation administration in 1980, while Tom received a master's in special education a year later.

"SIU not only provided us with great undergraduate and graduate education, but actually found ways to fund that education," says Mary Kay. "Also, once CCS got off the ground, we relied on SIU professors as consultants, and funded several graduate student internships. CCS would have never grown into such a successful, groundbreaking, well-known program if it wasn't adjacent and so connected to SIU."

Giving to SIU has become natural practice for the couple.

"Why not support and give back to a University that has meant so much to us? There are wonderful people at SIU who put their heart and soul into educating young people," Mary Kay says. "Tom and I will forever feel honored to have been educated at SIU, and to be associated with it so strongly, if informally, during our careers, and to continue to live and work with such a great institution. We are the grateful ones."



Tom and Mary Kay are pictured with their daughter, Simone, a freshman at Carbondale Community High School. The couple has two older children: Jillian, 21, and Nic, 19, who both attend college in Oregon.

## STAFF

### Editor

Gene Green '75

### Staff Writer

Bonnie Marx '77

### Art Director

Todd Freeman '89  
The Noteworthy Group, Inc.  
Carbondale, Illinois

### Graphic Designer

Greg Baker

### Photography

Jeff Garner '08  
Athletic Media Services  
*Carbondale Times*  
*Daily Egyptian*  
*Southern Illinoisan*  
University Communications

### Contributors

Emily Britton  
Kathy Dillard '90  
Ryan Ernst  
Andrea Hahn  
Doreen Hees  
K.C. Jaehnig  
Elizabeth Rusch  
Greg Scott '91, M.S. '99  
Tina Shingleton  
Ashley Thompson  
Athletic Media Services  
University Communications

### Volume 71, No. 3 September 2009

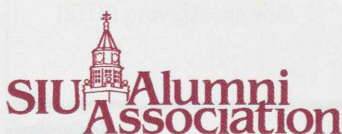
*Southern Alumni* (ISSN 1526-4238) is published quarterly by the SIU Alumni Association, Colyer Hall, SIU, Carbondale, IL 62901-6809 for members of the SIU Alumni Association.

Association membership dues, \$40 annually, include a magazine subscription. Periodicals postage paid at Carbondale, Ill., and at additional mailing offices.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: *Southern Alumni*, SIU Alumni Association, Colyer Hall, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901-6809.

## ON THE COVER

Robbi Hursthouse, co-owner of Hursthouse Inc. Landscape Architects and Contractors, talks gardening with a trio of young horticulturists. "I love to get children to watch things grow," she says. "It's a little miracle that they get to be a part of."



# CONTENTS

## DEPARTMENTS

Enjoy Your Magazine . . . . .	2	Terry Buck's Legacy . . . . .	32
Thanks For Writing. . . . .	3	In Memoriam . . . . .	35
More Value For You . . . . .	4	Students Feeding Students . . . . .	36
Southern Exposure . . . . .	6	Black Alumni Group Reunion . . . . .	37
2009 Homecoming Schedule . . . . .	17	Association News . . . . .	38
Saluki Sports . . . . .	22	Calendar of Events . . . . .	41
Last Season At McAndrew . . . . .	24	Class Notes . . . . .	42
Catching Up With David Henley . . . . .	30	Then And Now . . . . .	48

## FEATURES



### Her Walk In The Clouds

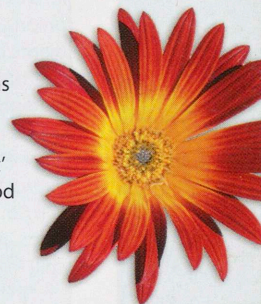
Less than two years after a car wreck in her native Nigeria left her paralyzed from the chest down, Stella Iwuagwu walked across the stage of Shryock Auditorium in August to collect her doctoral diploma from the College of Education and Human Services. "I told God every day, 'I refuse to be helpless,'" she said before graduation.

8

12

### Horticultural Heroes

For Bob and Robbi Hursthouse, running their own business has allowed them put together a plan that expresses their philosophy that family comes first – not just for them – but also for their employees. "We do everything according to a 'family-first' philosophy," she explains. "For us, it begins with our faith in God and a belief that people should be treated with respect."



### A Wave Of New Energy

Annette von Jouanne is one of the driving forces in the fast-growing field of wave energy, as well as its leading proponent. She will explain to anyone who will listen that unlike wind and solar power, wave energy is *always* available. "There's got to be a way to harness all the energy of an ocean swell," she says, "while doing it in a practical, efficient, and responsible way."

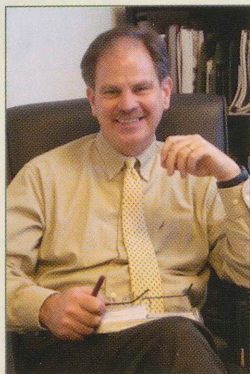
18

26

### Sports On A Sunday Morning

Now in its 50th year, KMOX Radio's "Sports On A Sunday Morning" is *the* longest-running sports talk show in the country and a staple on the 50,000-watt radio giant heard in most of the continental United States. Retired since 2007 as sports director at KMOX, Ron Jacober maintains a loyal association with both the station and historic program he has now hosted for more than two decades.





## Patrick's Homecoming Tradition Will Live On

by Gene Green

**S**outhern Illinois University lost a true friend recently when former Saluki football player Billy Patrick passed away at age 62 while vacationing in California. The 1974 Southern grad arrived from Oklahoma in the late 1960s to play football, but it was soon evident that this area would become his adopted home.

After graduating from SIU, Patrick coached football, entered the armed forces, and then returned to work with students at the college and secondary levels. At

the time of his death, he was employed by the Regional Office of Education in Jackson and Perry counties.

Funny, opinionated, and fiercely loyal to friends, family, and SIU football, Patrick was one of a kind. If you knew him well, countless stories could fill these pages, and most of the anecdotes would make you smile.

How many people knew him, however, was from his long Homecoming tradition of cooking chili for *anyone* who wanted to partake of his beef-laced concoction. As I noted in this magazine six years ago, it all began on a historic date, Oct. 23, 1976. On that rainy afternoon, Andre Herrera ran for a school-record 319 yards, and Patrick – just back in town after getting out of the Marine Corps – decided such a performance made it high time to ramp up tailgating activity outside McAndrew Stadium.

Using a borrowed 10-quart crock pot, Patrick's first batch of chili was produced on a gas grill. From that humble beginning, a homemade 16-gallon keg cooker is now required to prepare upward of 100 pounds of ground beef, gallons of tomato juice, pounds of onions, and countless other ingredients cooked each fall at the south end of the McAndrew Stadium parking lot.

It's been a special tradition for more than three decades, and Patrick's friends are determined it will not stop. As a special tribute, plans are in place to continue the chili feed on Oct. 10.

"Billy's Chili Crew" will consist of several friends who have been involved with the event in years past. The 2009 cookers include Jim Moake, David and LeAnn Brandt, Clay and Zeppelyn Brewer, Gary Stott, Chris Piech, Donna and Greg Walters, Diane Cheek, Bill Myers, and former Saluki quarterback Leonard Hopkins.

"I spoke with Leonard, and he was elated to be adopted as part of Billy's cooking crew," Clay Brewer says. "Of course as the rookie he *will* be assigned the task of dicing up 20 pounds of onions."

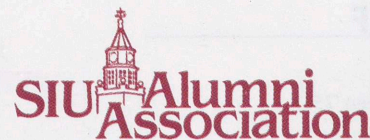
Before the first spoon of chili is served, however, family and friends will gather on the field at McAndrew Stadium for a 10:30 a.m. public memorial service. SIU Team Chaplain Roger Lipe will officiate, with speakers to include Hopkins, Carl Mauck, and "Voice of the Salukis" Mike Reis.

After the service, chili will begin to flow freely. And just as Patrick always wanted it, no one will be turned away.

"Anyone who walks by can eat," he once told me, "but if you are wearing maroon, we might just get you a bigger bowl."



A memorial service for Patrick, shown here mixing his chili for the 2003 Homecoming weekend, will be held at McAndrew Stadium October 10.



(618) 453-2408 Fax: (618) 453-2586  
www.siu alumni.com

### Board of Directors

#### President

Randy Ragan '67, M.S. '68, Springfield, Ill.

#### President-Elect

Ray Serati '59, Springfield, Ill.

#### Vice President

Howard Schlechte '58, Strasburg, Ill.

#### Vice President

Howard Spiegel '75, Buffalo Grove, Ill.

#### Treasurer

Michael Kasser '78, Carbondale, Ill.

#### Executive Committee At-Large

Steve Falat '87, Murphysboro, Ill.

Cleveland Hammonds '58, St. Louis, Mo.

Barry Smith '80, Paducah, Ky.

#### Executive Director

Michelle Suarez '85, M.E. '04

#### Members

Arthur Aikman '65, Decatur, Ill.

N. Lee Beneze '85, Springfield, Ill.

Winston Calvert '02, St. Louis, Mo.

Priciliano Fabian, student representative

Harry Fanning '83, Wright City, Mo.

Larry Fischer '68, Quincy, Ill.

Jim Hayes '62, Harrisburg, Ill.

Roy Heidinger '66, '67, '70, Carbondale, Ill.

Christine Heins '76, J.D. '92, Murphysboro, Ill.

Lindsay Holtmann, student representative

Sheri Hunter '76, M.S. '88, Marion, Ill.

Dede Ittner '61, Carbondale, Ill.

Darla Karnes '86, Carbondale, Ill.

Lowell Keel '66, Tullahoma, Tenn.

Robert Kraatz '58, Calabasas, Calif.

Jeffrey Kutterer '86, Saint Peters, Mo.

Todd Martin '86, LaGrange, Ill.

Andrea McNeill '82, J.D. '92, Johnston City, Ill.

Steven Middleton, student representative

Charles Neal '87, Ewing, Ill.

Richard Reynolds '56, M.A. '57, University City, Mo.

Mary Roe '65, '66, Pinckneyville, Ill.

Brian Schaffner '84, Carbondale, Ill.

Sandra Smith '72, Chicago, Ill.

Tim Southey '80, Bloomington, Ill.

Mark Temple '96, Bloomington, Ill.

Ben Weinberger '01, Durham, N.C.

## Also 'Like No Other'

If SIU's recent graduation was "like no other," then I also am "like no other."

I remember the experiences, the people, and the geography of southern Illinois. Unlike so many, I did not grow from that experience, but instead came to the area as a grown and mature 25-year-old in 1967.

As a student there I did not seek out an immature, insane social life. As with my two previous college experiences, I rejected much of the social aspects to concentrate on my Ph.D. Over the years I have decided that students need much more than guidance counselors, and universities need much more than an array of educational experts and professors to succeed.

I suffered from some of those experiences in the Midwest, but now am a quintessential New Yorker who is trying to find it all again.

**JoAnn Bellucci Ph.D. '71**  
*Life Member*  
*Valley Stream, N.Y.*

## JSTOR Benefit Appreciated By Member

I want to thank the SIU Alumni Association for making access to JSTOR a benefit for its members, especially when you consider that an individual subscription to this database is prohibitively expensive. JSTOR provides me with

access to a number of important journals in my field, allowing me to stay current in the research, which is critical to my professional development.

I understand that this is part of a pilot program, so I hope it will soon become a permanent benefit and that additional subscriptions to other scholarly databases can

also be provided in the future.

Thanks again. It is greatly appreciated.

**Jason Smith '97**  
*Raleigh, N.C.*

## Made Him Feel Like He Was There

Although I wasn't in southern Illinois when the recent weather event caused so much damage, I do have a niece and nephew in the area and still visit frequently. When I heard what had happened, it was hard to imagine how much the inland hurricane had actually impacted the region.

I saw the June issue of *Southern Alumni* and appreciated all the photos and descriptions regarding what had to be a tough time. My admiration goes out to all of those at SIU who were involved in not only feeding people during this power outage, but also to the countless faculty and staff who somehow pulled off graduation ceremonies that weekend. What a tremendous feat by all!

Also, I would like to thank magazine editor Gene Green for his story, "Holding Hands In the Dark." That was one of the most poignant, moving pieces I have seen in our alumni magazine. Had I been listening to River Radio myself during those days following the storm, I probably would have even more appreciation of his depiction. I felt like I was there as I read Green's column, and it made me realize my relatives in the region were truly a part of a large, extended family during that challenging time.

**Charles Hall EX '79**  
*Chicago, Ill.*

*Editor's Note – Although scenes like the one pictured here were commonplace only a few months ago, we're happy to report unbelievable progress on campus and in the region via cleanup efforts. It has been remarkable to say the least.*



# More Value For You

## Buffalo Wild Wings

In 1981, Jim Disbrow and Scott Lowery opened the first Buffalo Wild Wings in Buffalo, New York. With 622 locations, Buffalo Wild Wings

has become the place to watch your favorite sports team, meet up with friends, or fulfill those bar-beque cravings.

At their locations in Bolingbrook, Elmhurst, Plainfield and Romeoville, show your SIU Alumni Association



card and receive 15% off your food purchase. Also visit <http://www.buffalowildwings.com/>.

## Universitees

Universitees provides quality licensed apparel to colleges and universities throughout the Midwest.

In Carbondale and online, Universitees offers Saluki fans all the SIU apparel and gear they need to cheer on their beloved Salukis. SIU Alumni Association members receive 20% off their purchase. To receive your discount, visit the Carbondale location and present your membership card.

The logo for UniversiTEES. The word "Universi" is in a blue, sans-serif font, and "TEES" is in a red, sans-serif font. A red t-shirt icon is positioned between the two words, with its top edge overlapping the "i" in "Universi" and its bottom edge overlapping the "T" in "TEES".

Contact us online at [www.sialumni.com](http://www.sialumni.com) or call 618-453-2408.

# Check Out Our Benefit Program

Have questions? Please call us at 618-453-2408 or e-mail us [alumni@siu.edu](mailto:alumni@siu.edu).

## INTERNATIONAL

**Choice Hotels:** (at participating) Clarion Inn, Comfort Inn, Quality Inn, Friendship Inn, Econo Lodge, Rodeway Inn, Sleep Inn (up to 20%)  
**European Auto and Hotel** via destination Europe  
**JSTOR:** Browse thousands of scholarly journals through JSTOR's online database.  
**Sherwin - Williams Paints:** 20% off regular priced items, 5% off sale items. Call the Alumni Office for account number.  
**SIU Alumni Association Online Store:** 15% off merchandise (account number required)

## NATIONWIDE

**Allied Van Lines/Federal Companies:** 63% off on interstate moves  
**BeautifulDisplays.com:** 15% off list prices of trade show exhibit kits and graphics, call 800-697-4670  
**Boyer's Coffee:** 10% off. Call Alumni Association for account number.  
**Car Rental:** Alamo, Avis, Budget, Hertz, and National  
**CORD North American:** Up to 63% off on interstate moves  
**Cruise One:** 10-60% savings on leading cruise lines. Also waive \$14.95 service fee.  
**DELL Computers:** 7% savings on DELL computers and products. Please call the SIU Alumni Association office at 618-453-2408 for the promotional code.  
**Drury Hotels:** \$10 off double occupancy, 3rd and 4th persons stay free. Please call the SIU Alumni Association office at 618-453-2408 for promotional code.  
**Heartland Gifts:** 10% off a single gift order  
**JobBound:** Save 10% on all individual career services  
**KickBike America:** 10% off all online purchases for annual members; 20% for life members; 5% off purchase at Phoenix Cycles in Carbondale  
**Maberry Consulting:** 10% off grant writing/evaluation service, call 618-233-7455  
**RE/MAX Realty** - Dennis Sluga: 20% off fees when buying or selling a house anywhere in the continental United States  
**Ticketmaster:** Opportunity for savings on select event tickets on-line  
**Working Advantage:** Discounts on theme parks, sporting events, online shopping, ski tickets, gift certificates, and more. Please call the SIU Alumni Association office at 618-453-2408 for the promotional code.

## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

**A Petal Patch Florist:** Carbondale - 10% off  
**Alongi's Italian Restaurant:** DuQuoin - Free dessert with purchase of entrée (excludes banquet room & other coupons)  
**American Flooring:** Marion - 10% off any regular priced flooring plus 5% off standard installation. Call 618-993-2632  
**Angelo & Jan's Inn:** Murphysboro - 10% off regular rate  
**Balance Pilates & Fitness Studio:** Carbondale - 10% off all services  
**Barton House Bed & Breakfast:** Carbondale - advance registration required for 10% discount. Call 618-457-7717  
**Bella Terra Winery:** Creal Springs - 10% off menu items  
**Bike Surgeon:** Carbondale - 10% off new parts and accessories  
**Carlson Wagonlit Travel Agency:** Herrin/ Marion, 5% off all preferred cruises & vacations  
**Coleman-Rhoads Furniture:** West Frankfort - 15% off accessories  
**Common Grounds Coffee Shop:** Carbondale - 10% off  
**Enterprise Rent-a-Car:** Carbondale - 10%  
**Fazolli's:** Carbondale - Free soft drink with entrée  
**Fish Net Pet Shop:** Carbondale - 10% off  
**Furniture King:** Carbondale - 15% off accessories  
**Gambit Golf Club:** Vienna - 10% off room.  
**Garfield's Restaurant:** Carbondale - 20% off (not available on lunch specials)  
**Gold's Gym:** Marion - \$109 enrollment fee waived  
**Hampton Inn:** Carbondale - 10% off standard room rate  
**Harbaugh's Restaurant:** Carbondale - 10% off  
**Houlihan's:** Carbondale - Free appetizer with purchase of two entrées (excludes sampler/combo)  
**Huck's:** Carbondale - (S. 51 location only) - 3¢ discount per gallon of gas  
**Italian Village:** Carbondale - 10% off your meal  
**Lush Aveda Salon & Spa:** Carbondale - 10% off services  
**Makanda Inn:** Makanda - 10% off first night's stay  
**Mane Attraction Hair Studio:** Carbondale - 15% off services for annual members (\$15 or more), 20% off services for life members (\$15 or more)  
**Marion Econolodge:** Marion - 15% off room rate  
**Marion Ford Lincoln Mercury Hyundai:** Marion - 10% off auto parts and service (including Quicklane)

**Mary's Restaurant:** Herrin - 10% off lunch or dinner entree. Also 10% off regular room rates at Mary's Bed & Breakfast.  
**Midwest Ear Nose & Throat Clinic:** Herrin - 10% off hearing aids  
**Motel 6:** Carbondale - 20% off  
**Murdale True Value:** Carbondale - 20% off reg. paint, 5% off sale paint  
**Niemann Flooring, Inc.:** Carbondale - 10% off regular priced items  
**Owl Creek Vineyard:** Cobden - 10% off gift and food purchases  
**Papa Mike's:** Olney - 10% dine in only  
**Photography By Al Parr:** Carbondale - \$2.00 off 210 Campus Lake Calendars, 10% off matted prints featuring campus lake  
**Purcell Tire & Rubber:** Granite City, Mt. Vernon, and Springfield, Ill. - \$5 off oil change, 5% off any 4 tires, 10% repairs over \$100  
**Quatro's Pizza:** Carbondale - free pitcher of soda with medium or large pizza  
**Red Hawk Golf Course:** DuQuoin - 18 holes with cart for \$25  
**Reppert's Office Supplies-Furniture-Machines:** Anna - 10% off regular priced items  
**Saluki Bookstore:** Carbondale - 20% off for life members, 15% off for annual members on SIU imprinted items  
**710 Bookstore:** Carbondale - Illinois Ave. location only, 20% off for life members, 15% off for annual members discount on SIU Imprinted items  
**Shawnee Winery:** Vienna - 10% off merchandise  
**Spinoni's Pizza & Pasta House:** Carbondale - \$2 off any food purchase of \$10 or more (not valid on specials or with other offers)  
**The Sports Performance Store:** Marion - 10% off services, 10% off equipment. Call 618-694-3455  
**Super 8:** Carbondale - 15% off standard room rate  
**Talent Education School:** Carbondale - 20% off Wiggles-N-Tunes Pre-K music class  
**Train Inn:** Carbondale - 10% off advanced registration  
**Tres Hombres:** Carbondale - \$1 off dinner entrée; \$50 off lunch entrée  
**Uncorked Tours:** Carbondale - 10% off tickets  
**Universites:** Carbondale - 20% off  
**Visions Hair Studio:** Carbondale - 20% off products, \$10 off color services, 5% off haircuts (select stylists only)  
**Vogler Ford:** Carbondale - 10% off any car rental  
**Walt's Pizza:** Marion - 10% off

## OTHER

**Appraisal Matters:** Malibu, Calif. - 10% off appraisal report  
**Buffalo Wild Wings:** Bollingbrook, Elmhurst, Plainfield & Romeoville, Illinois - 15% off food  
**The Chuckwagon Restaurant at the Springfield Carriage Company:** Springfield, Ill. - 10% off menu items  
**Cold Stone Creamery:** Richmond Heights, Mo. (across from the Galleria Shopping Center) - 10% off  
**DPR Realty, LLC:** Glendale, Ariz. - discounted real estate listing - call 866-496-8377 for list of services  
**Keller Williams Realty:** Austin, Texas - ask for Steve or Judy Scott  
**Mehta Motors:** Elmhurst, Ill. - 10% off oil change and safety check  
**Meyers O'Donnell Banners and Signs:** Serious Saluki discounts for alumni events and SIU sports outings

## CAMPUS

**McLeod Theater** - 20% off adult/senior citizen tickets (excludes Summer Playhouse)  
**Morris Library privileges** - visit [sialumni.com](http://sialumni.com) for details  
**Old Main Restaurant:** Student Center - 10% off  
**SIU Career Services:** Free access to eRecruiting (job search system) and complimentary resume critiques  
**Student Center: Bowling & Billiards:** members receive SIU student rates; **Craft Shop:** 10% off Saluki merchandise  
**Touch of Nature:** 20% off lodging, 15% off programs  
**University Bookstore:** Student Center - 20% off SIU apparel  
**University Press Publications:** 20% off

This list is subject to change.

Present your membership card to receive your discount.

## Consider membership as a gift!

Members receive:

- The *Southern Alumni* magazine quarterly
- *Saluki Pride* electronic newsletter twice yearly
- Access to member-only areas of career and networking community
- 15% discount at the SIU Alumni Online Store
- Opportunity to attend events at member rates

## New SIU Alumni Association Life Members

Between 5/16/09 and 8/17/09

James and Colleen Badgley  
Michael and Phyllis Bergant  
Joshua Bradley  
Gregory Butler  
Brian Clavenna  
John and B. Susan Clemons  
David Condon  
Morris and Lynn Connley  
Dennon and Alicia Davis  
Tom Davis  
Daniel Dougherty Jr.  
Linda Gaither  
Ricky and Christina Galloway  
Robert Grant and  
Deborah Cavanaugh-Grant  
Donald and Vicki Griffin  
Wendy Harper  
Charles Herm  
Steven and Jamie Ikeda  
Kaylee Jaros  
Daniel and Nancy Katz  
Shawn and Stacy Larry  
Craig and Natalie J. Leech  
Scott and Beth Lucas  
Timothy McCarthy and  
Teresa Stokes-McCarthy  
David Modzak  
Zachary and Amy Niemann  
James Phegley  
David and Laurel Rowley  
John and Kathryn Schmitt  
Mr. Sun and Chang Shin  
Steven Spaner  
Judy Jones  
Steven Stahl  
Trent and Brooke Steinmann  
Myron and Cora Taylor  
Howard and Janet Thompson  
Helmut Vienup and  
Laura King-Vienup  
Jeffrey and Jan Watson  
Marjorie Yuill



## Princeton Review Lauds Southern As A Top University

Salukis know it already but (once again) it's official: Southern Illinois University Carbondale is one of the best colleges in the Midwest region. *The Princeton Review*, the prestigious education-preparation company, released its "2010 Best Colleges: Region by Region" recently, including SIU in its "Best Colleges" designation.



**Southern  
Illinois University  
Carbondale**

Colleges named in the "Regional Best" represent only about 25 percent of the four-year colleges and universities, putting Southern in the top quarter of universities nationwide, according to *Princeton Review*.

Southern was described as "affordable" and "diverse," noting a "very friendly" campus. Student quotes reflect overall satisfaction with the faculty, whom students describe as "approachable" and having a "genuine interest in their students." Students also noted the economic diversity, a hallmark of the University, and praised the beauty of the campus.

"We chose Southern and the other terrific schools we recommend as our 'regional best' colleges primarily for their excellent academic programs," Robert Franek, *Princeton Review's* vice president

of publishing, says. "We also work to have our roster of 'regional best' colleges feature a range of institutions by size, selectivity, character and locale. We choose the schools based on institutional data we collect from several hundred schools in each region, our visits to schools over the years, and the opinions

of independent and high school-based college advisors whose recommendations we invite."

He says they also take into account what each school's customers – their students – report to them about their campus experiences on an 80-question student survey. ■

### SIU To Host Technology And Innovation Expo

A special event will soon see the University playing matchmaker for business and academia, setting the table for economic growth in the area and beyond. The Technology and Innovation Expo will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Oct. 9 at the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center, 150 E. Pleasant Hill Road, in Carbondale.

Researchers, businesspeople, entrepreneurs, and others will be on hand, taking advantage of the networking and educational environment aimed at sparking economic development.

"The first annual Technology and Innovation Expo is a wonderful opportunity to see examples of applied research taking place on the campus of Southern Illinois University," says SIU President Glenn Poshard. "This event is about creating new opportunities for commercialization and furthering technology development."

During the event, SIU researchers will give presentations on their various technologies and inventions, focusing on business opportunities and licensing and their latest advances. The day also will include exhibitions, networking opportunities, and meetings with inventors.

During lunch, Curt Jones, a University alumnus and founder and CEO of Dippin' Dots, will talk about his company's rise, while Bob Gower, another SIU alumnus with Ensysce Biosciences Inc., will give the keynote presentation in the morning. Both are life members of the SIU Alumni Association.

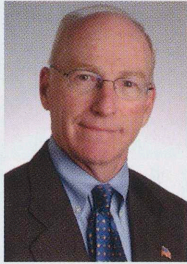
"The best research scientists are at universities, and most of the innovative developments in our country derive from small startup companies," Gower says. "This combination creates a real opportunity for the University to differentiate itself from others. It can step forward into a totally new era."

To attend the event, you must pre-register. Attendance is limited to 150 people. Tickets are \$15. Go to <http://techtransfer.siu.edu/tie/> to register and learn about sponsorship opportunities.

For more information, contact Jeff Myers, senior technology transfer specialist, or Amy McMorrow, technology transfer specialist, at the Technology Transfer Program, (618) 453-4556 or [techtran@siu.edu](mailto:techtran@siu.edu), or visit <http://techtransfer.siu.edu/tie/>. ■

## Two Elected To SIU Foundation Board Positions

Two individuals who have thrived as executives – one in central Illinois and another closer to home – have been elected to serve in key volunteer leadership positions for the SIU Foundation Board of Directors.



F. Lynn McPheeters

F. Lynn McPheeters, a retired executive with Caterpillar in Peoria, is the newly elected president of the SIU Foundation. Also, Mary Kay Moore, former co-owner and CEO of the Center of Comprehensive Services (CCS) in Carbondale, is president-elect of the organization. Both are SIU Alumni Association life members and began serving in their roles July 1.



Mary Kay Moore

McPheeters earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from SIU in 1964. Moore received a bachelor's in speech pathology/audiology in 1978 and double master's degrees in speech pathology/audiology and rehabilitation administration from Southern in 1980.

"Lynn and Mary Kay are proven leaders who have attained a great deal of success in their respective careers," says Rickey N. McCurry, vice chancellor for institutional advancement and chief executive officer of the SIU Foundation. "The SIU Foundation is fortunate to have the opportunity to continue benefiting from their experience and knowledge in these pertinent roles."

McPheeters has served on the Foundation board since 2002. He is a member of SIU Carbondale's College of Business External Advisory Board and has served as its chair. He was inducted into the college's Hall of Fame in 1988. The SIU alumnus completed a distinguished, 40-year career with Caterpillar when he retired as the company's vice president and chief financial officer in February 2005.

Moore has served on the Foundation board since 2003. She has also been active in the southern Illinois community as a symphony patron, a member of the SIU art and design board, and chairs the Southern Illinois Research Park Board of Directors.

The SIU alumna and her husband, Tom Corpora, became partners in CCS with fellow SIU Carbondale graduate Kathleen Fralish in 1984. CCS, a rehabilitation center for individuals who acquire brain injuries, was purchased by Boston-based National Mentor Inc. in 1998. Moore, who served as co-owner and CEO of CCS from 1980 to 1998, subsequently became vice president for brain injury services for Mentor. ■

## On The Side

### Kapur Earns Fulbright Award



Jyotsna Kapur, an associate professor in cinema studies and sociology at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, is a Fulbright award recipient. She will be at The Xavier Institute of Communications in Mumbai, India, and will also lecture at other universities during her six-month stay.

In 2007, Kapur received an "Excellence Through Commitment" top scholar award from the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts. In April, she earned the college's top teaching award, and with that came a complimentary watch from the SIU Alumni Association.

"We are proud that Dr. Kapur has received the second research Fulbright in our college in the past year," Dean Gary Kolb says. "This is a testament to the important research that our faculty is conducting." ■

### Freeburg Interim Chair Of Workforce Education



Elizabeth "Beth" Freeburg, associate professor in the Department of Workforce Education at Southern, became interim chair of that department this summer. She replaces C. Keith Waugh, who is returning to full-time teaching.

"Beth brings a wealth of experience to the position, having been a site coordinator in one of our off-campus programs and more recently associate professor and director of graduate programs for the department," says Dean Kenneth Teitelbaum. "She also is an accomplished scholar who is passionate about her teaching and service, values collaborative decision-making, and has a strong commitment to the well-being of the department."

The SIU Alumni Association life member joined the faculty as an adjunct in 1995, becoming site coordinator for the program at Scott Air Force Base four years later. Appointed as an associate professor in 2005, she began directing the department's graduate programs in January.

She earned her doctorate from Southern in 1994. ■

### Logue Named Associate Provost

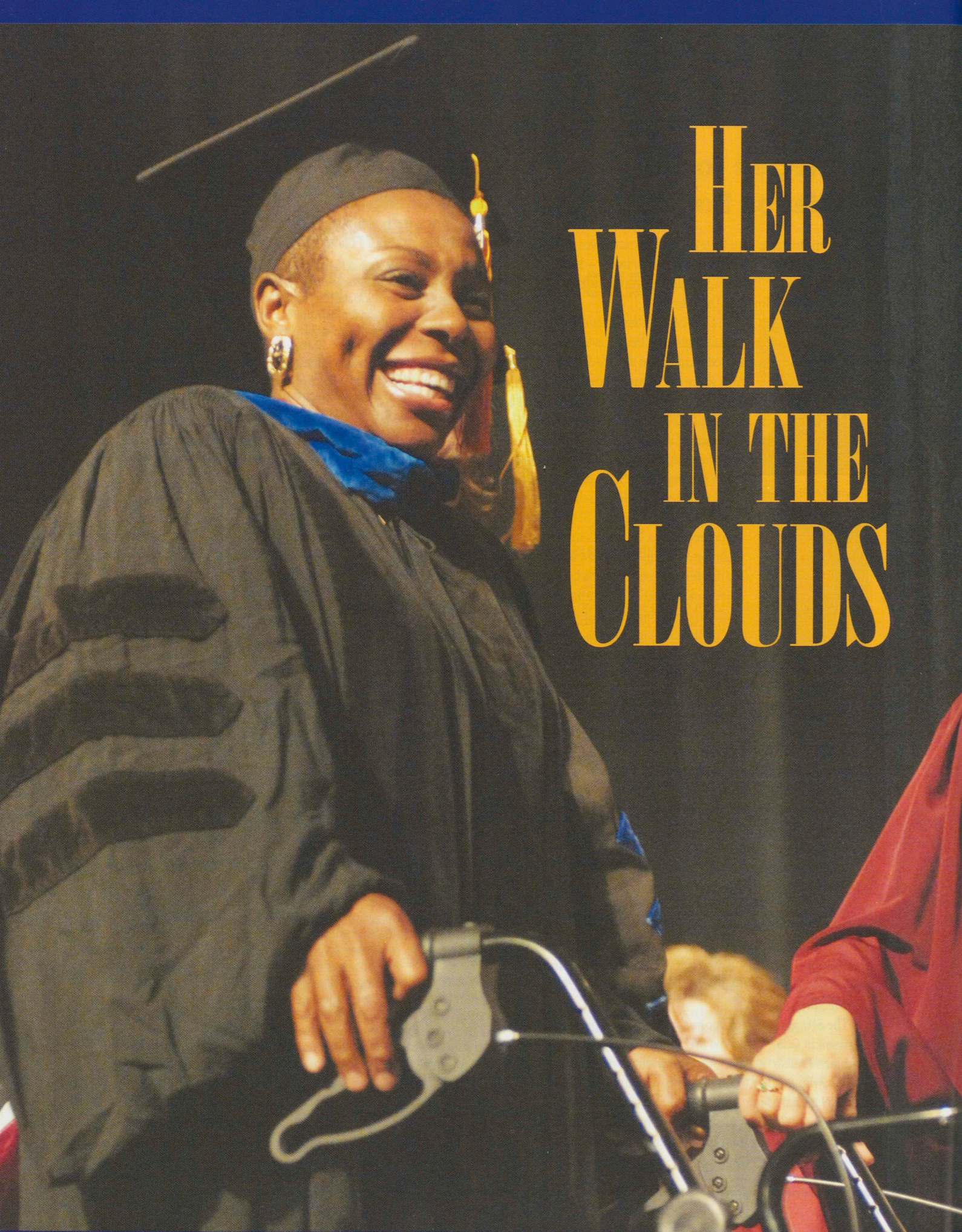


Susan Logue A.A.S. '86, '92 is the new associate provost for academic administration at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. A former associate dean of Library Affairs at Southern, she has worked at the University for more than 30 years. She began her new duties in June after serving as acting and interim associate provost for academic administration, beginning in July 2007.

In her new position, Logue reports to Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor Don Rice and is responsible, all or in part, for many aspects of faculty personnel. Those areas include hiring, salaries, sabbatical reviews, relations with the Faculty Association and Non-Tenure Track Faculty Association, grievances, and formulating policies.

"Susan is a pragmatic and straightforward person who is a quick study and a good people person," Rice says. "She gets to the heart of the matter and can offer good, constructive criticism. I'm very glad she's in this position."

Logue said she will enjoy the communications aspects of the position and working with talented individuals across the faculty and administration. "The nature of the job is working with employees, creating agreements and contracts, but also resolving issues of concern," she notes. ■



# HER WALK IN THE CLOUDS

Shouts and applause honoring Stella's monumental journey continued from the time she stepped onstage through being hooded – the moment she officially became Dr. Iwuagwu.

## Paralysis Can't Stop Student From Earning Doctorate

BY K.C. JAEHNIG

**L**ess than two years after a car wreck in her native Nigeria left her paralyzed from the chest down, Stella Iwuagwu walked across the stage of Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Shryock Auditorium to collect her doctoral diploma from the College of Education and Human Services.

In addition to her cap, gown, and back brace, she was wearing what she calls "the armor of determination" — armor she first donned in a St. Louis rehabilitation facility as she set out on her long, painful quest for recovery (March 2008 *Southern Alumni*).

"I told God every day, 'I refuse to be helpless,'" she recounted a few days before graduation, as she sat in the wheelchair she still uses when faced with fatigue or really bad weather. "I was going to walk again because Nigeria is not accessible. Being crippled was not an option."

A trained nurse, Iwuagwu, 39, founded and serves as executive director of the Center for the Right to Health (read more about it at [www.crhonline.org](http://www.crhonline.org)), a nonprofit advocacy group based in Lagos that works to make health care affordable and accessible to all Nigerians. It takes a particular interest in the poor, the uneducated, and those with HIV.

An American mentor told Iwuagwu that SIU had one of the field's top doctoral programs, and so, though she'd never heard of the University and had no idea where it was, she applied, was admitted, and in 2003 headed south from Chicago to enroll.

# “BEING CRIPPLED WAS NOT AN OPTION.”

“We drove and drove and drove and drove, and I said, ‘My God, this is like the end of the world,’” Iwuagwu recalls. “But when we passed Marion and I saw the trees and the lakes, I was in love. I was going through so much (personal difficulty), and this environment wrapped me up with a sense of peace and calm.”

## WHEN EVERYTHING CHANGED

Iwuagwu eventually finished her coursework at Southern and was accepted as a doctoral candidate. She decided to focus her dissertation on Nigerian women living with HIV and in September 2007 returned home to do her research.

One evening, while being driven to an interview, she dozed off. The next thing she remembered was a loud bang. A collision? A blown tire? Pirates trying to force the car to stop? She never knew. But suddenly, the car somersaulted across the road and tumbled end over end down into a ravine. When she came to, she knew from the pain that she’d broken her back. Passersby eventually pulled her out of the car.

“When I got to a hospital, I told them my back was broken but nothing was done (to minimize the damage) — no backboard, nothing. They just put on a

collar and did a cervical MRI. It wasn’t until the third day that they did a (full-spine) MRI and confirmed what I knew from the start: My back was broken.”

As Iwuagwu lay still in her bed in that Nigerian hospital, unable to move, sensation began to ebb from her toes, her legs, her hips, until at last she could feel nothing below her chest.

“It was like watching yourself die a bit at a time,” she says.

The hospital lacked the resources and expertise to perform the life-saving

surgery she so desperately needed, so family, friends, co-workers and strangers worked together to get her moved. “They rented an airplane and flew me to Ghana and had the surgery done the next day,” Iwuagwu says.

Four weeks later, her informal support team sent her to the St. Louis Rehabilitation Institute, where she would spend two months in intensive, painful therapy trying to get her life back.

## DETERMINED TO PERSEVERE

“Everyone was (depending on) me — my staff, my clients, my aging parents with their own medical problems, my children — and I lay there helpless,” Iwuagwu recalls, tears spilling from her eyes at the memory. “I couldn’t even turn over in bed or sit in a chair without falling out of it.”

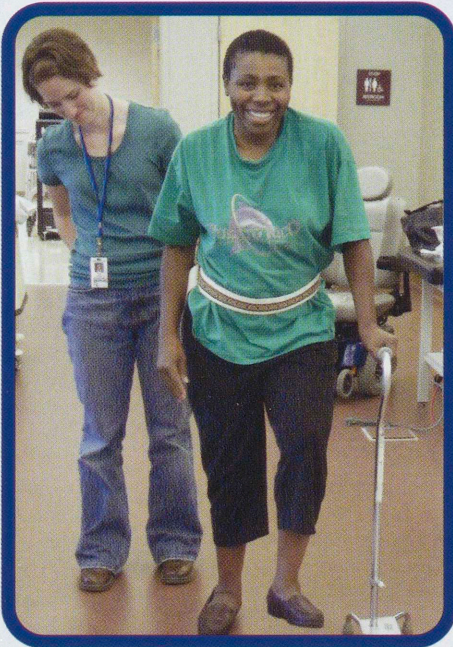
And then there was the pain. “It was excruciating — it still is, all the time,” she stresses. “It drives me crazy.”

But Iwuagwu was wearing the armor of determination.

“If they gave me an exercise and said, ‘Do five,’ I would do 15,” she recounts. “If they said, ‘Do 10 hours a week of therapy,’ I would do 40 because I *had* to walk.”

By December  
With all smiles on high  
beam, Stella Iwuagwu  
and Kathleen  
Welshimer, chair of  
her doctoral committee, take a  
moment to celebrate following  
the commencement ceremony.





With the help of therapist Kim Booker, Iwuagwu takes a step. Though some feared she would never walk again after a car wreck left her paralyzed, she crossed the stage Aug. 7 to collect her doctoral diploma from Southern on her own two feet.

## SMILES, APPLAUSE, AND OVATIONS

by Bonnie Marx

Wearing the most radiant of smiles along with her cap and gown, Stella Iwuagwu walked onstage at her commencement ceremony at Shryock Auditorium. The crowd erupted with applause, shouts, and many standing ovations that didn't subside until she was wearing her doctoral hood and headed offstage.

There's an ancient proverb that says that the longest journey begins with a single step. It couldn't be truer in Stella's case. She's spent two years fighting back from a paralyzing injury through herculean effort. Her therapists, she says, made her stand before she could even sit up because of the pain.

About 30 of Stella's "Carbondale family" — ones who have helped along the way — gathered after the ceremony at a Carbondale restaurant for champagne toasts and a meal. One of the toasts honored her parents, who "raised me right," she said. Stella's parents, along with her seven brothers and sisters, didn't get to be there in person, because of the time and money involved in traveling from Nigeria.

When the party ended late into the night, Stella headed home in what she calls her "robotic car-van that bows down to greet me." She's been driving for about a year now in the vehicle with hand controls. "Not being able to walk was not as bad as I thought it would be," she says, but not being able to drive drove her crazy.

Only 13 hours after earning her degree, Stella and her children departed for Cleveland, Ohio, where she has accepted an assistant professorship in health sciences at Cleveland State University.

After six years in Carbondale, Stella says it feels like home. Even in her darkest days, she was surrounded by quality care and support. "Whatever would work, people did for me."

And she's a firm believer in her father's wisdom. "My dad always says, 'he who has people is richer than he who has money.'"

2007, Iwuagwu was back in Carbondale, still actively working at therapy but bed-bound much of the time. And she still had her dissertation to write. "I had to do the dissertation, as it was the only way to get a job, and a job is the only way to get insurance. And so many people had invested their time, money, prayers, and energy in me. I had to get on with my life."

The challenge involved in completing her dissertation loomed large. For one thing, the medication she took for pain made her drowsy, and she had some memory problems, too. A strategy materialized after she met SIU sociology professor Kathryn Ward, who has long fought her own battle with multiple sclerosis.

"Kathy said, 'You can do this,'" Iwuagwu recalls. "Take it one minute at

a time, and do something with your dissertation for just 15 minutes a day.' She also bought me some books on meditation and told me that it was going to come down to mind over body."


### Reaching Her Goals

Iwuagwu set a goal. She would graduate in May 2009. A friend — aptly named Faith — attended to her physical needs after she returned to Carbondale and became her study buddy, working with her two or three times a week.

"Gradually, a bit at a time, I was able to read the transcripts and analyze the material and do the write-up, and every little success encouraged me," Iwuagwu admits. While she didn't make her May graduation deadline, she successfully defended her dissertation June 29.

Another goal was that when she received her diploma, she wanted to walk across the stage on her own two feet.

Physical therapist Kim Booker worked hard to help her do it. "She had me start standing when I could barely sit," Iwuagwu says, "and would ask me to do things I didn't think I could do, but I would try, and I would do it. I would be shaky at first, but after five or six times, I'd be saying, 'Bring it on!'"

Iwuagwu had hoped to walk across the stage unaided, but she's not quite there yet. On Aug. 7 she used a walker to make her slow way toward her future. "But I wasn't rolling down that stage (in the wheelchair) — I was walking!" she says with obvious glee. "I stood tall and walked tall. The house came down with praise to God almighty and the people who have helped me." 

# HORTICULTURAL HEROES

**SOUTHERN GRADS SCULPT BUSINESS PLAN AROUND FAITH  
AND A FAMILY-FIRST PHILOSOPHY.**

**BY BONNIE MARX**





There's an old saying, "The cobbler's children have no shoes," a reference to the cobbler being so busy he didn't have time to make shoes for his own children. That's not the case with Bob and Robbi Hursthouse. They describe their Naperville home and its surroundings as a work in progress. This is one view of their spectacular backyard.

Any person in the landscape design business knows that the days of early spring mark the beginning of a grueling schedule of dawn to dusk labor, seven days a week, that stretches until late in the fall.

Bob '80 and Robbi '80 Hursthouse remember it well, for that was their life, too, until they founded their own company, Hursthouse Inc. Landscape Architects and Contractors, in Bolingbrook, Ill., in 1990. Spurred by the birth of their son and the desire to have more time together as a family, the Hursthouses put together a business plan that expressed their own philosophy. The idea was that family comes first, not just for them but also for their employees.

"Our company subscribes to a 45-hour, five-day work week that is virtually unheard of in the landscape industry," Robbi says.

"This allows team members time to recharge and be with their families. We do everything according to a 'family-first' philosophy. For Bob and me, it begins with our faith in God and a belief that people should be treated with respect. Our business should *always* be conducted according to those beliefs."



In their own yard and those of their clients, "Nothing thrills us more than being able to add beauty and meaning to people's lives through the outdoor living spaces we create," Bob Hursthouse says.

In the long run, she says, "treating team members in this way enhances their creativity and loyalty."

### THE EARLY ROOTS GROW

Robbi's life has always overflowed with an abundance of compassion and a love of nature. In her early childhood, her family lived near the woods in

Massachusetts, where Robbi's playmates were frogs, ferns, and other beings of nature. When she turned 8, her youngest sister was born with special needs, requiring the support of all family members.

"We really came together to make sure Annie enjoyed as many opportunities as possible," Robbi says. "I was

included in some of the special programs she participated in. I discovered at an early age how important a support system is to an individual with special abilities."

It's a cause to which she's devoted her life. A registered horticultural therapist since 1984, Robbi has managed the Garden Play program at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago for 22 years.

"The most important factor related to horticultural therapy is that it allows people to care for something living," she says. "For our patients, many things are predetermined, resulting in a loss of control. This program places children in the position of caregiver and allows them to regain their sense of control. This autonomy is really important for the normal development of children."

---

**"IF YOU LOVE  
WHAT YOU DO,  
YOU'LL NEVER WORK  
A DAY IN YOUR LIFE."**

---

Children come to the 90-minute program on their own schedules, at all hours of the day, to participate in a smorgasbord of specially adapted horticultural therapy activities.

"Our children get to watch this little plant grow. It's like a little miracle that they get to take care of, nurture, and take home with them," she says. "I've seen many children participate in the program from early childhood through high school graduation and even marriage. It's rewarding to feel like you've added something that has positively impacted their lives."

Robbi's program has garnered the attention of the city's leadership. Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley and his wife, Maggie, endowed the Garden



Play program when the mayor took office in 1989.

The success of Robbi's Garden Play program hasn't gone unnoticed. "This program is supported every year by the endowment our mayor and his wife gave our children," she says. "Everything we get is top quality. It really parallels the education I received at Southern in terms of having the highest horticultural standards."

### THE SOUTHERN YEARS

The beauty of the campus and the friendliness of its inhabitants drew Robbi to Southern. Her original goal, to become a professional equestrian, also factored in her college decision. She owned a horse and wanted to bring it along with her.

"It was important for me to be able to take her to college, too," she says. "So my father and I found a farm she could stay in that was within bicycling distance of the campus."

One of Robbi's most treasured college memories is serving as a personal care assistant for a roommate who had mus-

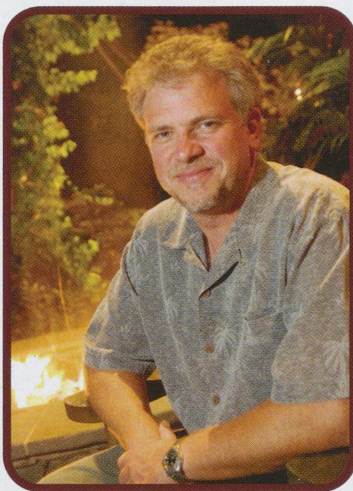


A glimpse of the Hursthouse's own yard is shown from inside the house, through French doors.

## BEAUTIFYING THE OUTDOORS

Bob Hursthouse has a love for the outdoors that stems from his childhood. Whether it was his fondness for camping, rock climbing, or roaming through the woods, the Naperville native has a passion for nature.

This is one reason the 1980 plant and soil science graduate chose to attend SIU Carbondale. "When I visited southern Illinois, I fell in love with the campus and Shawnee National Forest. The University and geographic area were both wonderful."



Bob Hursthouse says his goal is always to connect people's vision and lifestyle to their home environment.

His lifelong avocation has led to an accomplished career in landscape design. In 1990, Hursthouse and his wife, Robbi, co-founded Hursthouse Inc. Landscape Architects and Contractors. She came up with the idea for their own business as Bob contemplated job offers after departing from another landscaping firm.

"I received calls from clients and crew members interested in continuing their relationship with me. You build a sense of team and camaraderie," he says. "Robbi suggested that we launch a business ourselves as opposed to taking these clients and team members to another company. We had clients, team members, and faith ... but no money, which is pretty important for starting a business."

The Hursthouses received funds from an investor allowing them to launch. They eventually bought the investor out, and the company was established Jan. 31, 1990. "We bought our first truck and launched the company from a 12 x 15 office at an old dairy barn in Naperville," he says. "Our tools were stacked up in our garage, which didn't work well. Robbi opened the door one day while holding our son and the tools tumbled out. That was about the time we started moving to a different location."

Now located in more spacious surroundings in Bolingbrook, Hursthouse Inc., designs and installs more than 300 landscape contracts a year. Bob says the company's success is based on understanding each individual's values and lifestyle. He and his team members often commence the process by conducting an interview.

"It goes beyond asking what your favorite flower is. I would rather hear about your favorite vacation and what made it so enjoyable," he says. "I want to know how your home works for you, and what suggestions would create the perfect home environment for your family. We'll ask if you entertain family and friends outdoors, or if you have 20 kids playing in your back yard on occasion."

The company was on display for the third annual Jazz Fest in Glen Ellyn this July, as Hursthouse Inc. team members designed the streetscape, creating gardens with bistro tables throughout that allowed guests to sit near the stage and enjoy the music. The company received a Gold Award for "Excellence in Landscape" from the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association in 2008 for its efforts in designing and installing the streetscape for Jazz Fest 2007.

Hursthouse Inc. is also a design challenge winner for HGTV's *Landscape Challenge*. Most recently, the company was named as a category winner in the Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce's Small Business of the Year Award.

The Hursthouses live in the Naperville home that Bob grew up in. It's also where they raised their son, Scott, a college student at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. While their yard reflects the talents their firm is known for, Bob says he prefers a low-maintenance garden that frees him up for other activities.

"I'm out serving clients throughout the week and have plant material that is sustainable and easy to take care of," he says. "We want a garden that thrives with minimum care."

For more information about Hursthouse Inc., log on to [www.hursthouse.com](http://www.hursthouse.com).

cular dystrophy. "I wanted to make sure she had every chance possible to participate fully in college life."

Bob Hursthouse and Robbi Yoss met during a nursery management class at Southern, while both were majoring in plant and soil science. It didn't take long for Bob to notice his future wife's generous spirit.

"Robbi is a caring person who has always had a strong connection to people," he says. "If there is an individual at a party who needs someone to talk to, I'll



A fire pit and Adirondack chairs make up one of the focal points in the Hursthouse's outdoor space, an element that reminds the couple of their love of camping and canoeing.



The Hursthouse's dog investigates a ripple in the water, surrounded by lush tropical flowers and greenery, a small pond, and a stone patio that remind them of a trip to Polynesia.

typically find her talking to that person. She has that kind of sensitivity that draws people in."

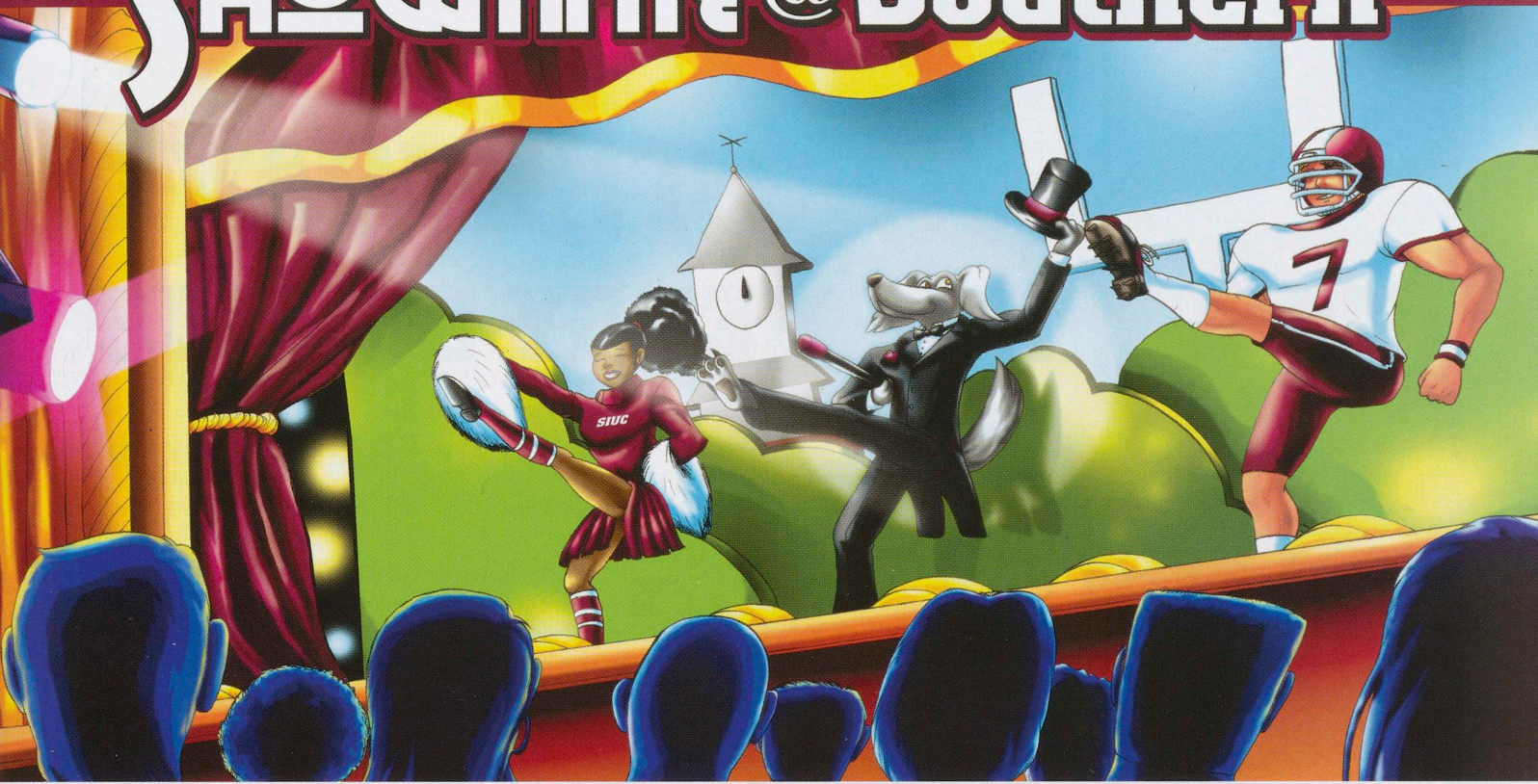
Robbi, who says she'd never heard of horticultural therapy before discovering it during a church retreat in the Adirondacks, recently agreed to lend her expertise to a horticultural therapy program at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. With the addition of this program, her life con-

tinues to be a "dream come true."

It seems she may be the perfect embodiment of the old idiom that if you love what you do, you'll never work a day in your life. "This is definitely rooted back to my childhood," she admits. "It's hard to believe that I get paid to do work that I love so much." 🌿

— Greg Scott also contributed to this story.

# SHOWTIME @ Southern



## HOMECOMING 2009

### Thursday, October 8

7:00 p.m. Homecoming Comedy Show, *Student Center Ballrooms* (sponsored by SPC Comedy Committee)

### Friday, October 9

9 a.m. Technology and Innovation Expo, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Dunn-Richmond Center, 150 E. Pleasant Hill Road, in Carbondale.

9:30 a.m.- Noon SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting, *Student Center, Ballroom B.*

8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Dental Hygiene Professional Seminar, New Horizons in Periodontal Therapy; Pathos of Pathology: Puzzles, Perplexities and Paradigms, (Featured Speaker: Betsy Reynolds, RDH, MS) *Student Center Auditorium*

10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Class of 1959 Brunch, *Student Center, Old Main Lounge*

11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Class of 1959 - Guided Tour of Campus and Carbondale, *meet at front of Student Center*

Noon-1:30 p.m. Lunch - SIU Alumni Association, SIU Foundation, *Student Center, Ballroom D*

2:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Distinguished Alumni Recognition Reception, *Student Recreation Center, 2nd floor, Alumni Lounge* Everyone Invited. (A program of the SIU Alumni Association)

5:30 p.m. Half-Century Club Reception, *Student Center, John Corker Lounge*

6:15 p.m. Half-Century Club Dinner, *Student Center, Ballroom D*

7 p.m. Alumni Band Group. Marching Saluki Alumni invited to attend a reception in the *Student Center, Cambria Room, 1st Floor*

7 p.m. Alumni Cheerleader and Mascot Reunion, Mississippi Flyway. For more information contact Nancy Lipe Esling at [spir-it@siu.edu](mailto:spir-it@siu.edu), Chris Booth Kruse at [christinesbridal@yahoo.com](mailto:christinesbridal@yahoo.com), Teri Ferguson Ryan at [tferg2@hotmail.com](mailto:tferg2@hotmail.com), or Amanda Bruns Ahner at [amandaahner@hotmail.com](mailto:amandaahner@hotmail.com)

### Saturday, October 10

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

10 a.m.-Noon Tailgating breakfast, University Museum, everyone invited

11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Alumni Tailgate**, *SIU Alumni Association Tent, lawn east of McAndrew Stadium. EVERYONE INVITED!!* (A program of the SIU Alumni Association) **REGISTER AT THE TENT TO ENJOY A COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH. BRING MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR EASIER TENT ACCESS.**

11 a.m. Saluki Row Tailgates, lawn north of basketball arena, Everyone Welcome.

11 a.m. SIU Wesley Foundation Alumni Reunion, Wesley Foundation, 816 South Illinois Ave. A special invitation is extended to graduates of the class of 1959. An open invitation is also extended to all other graduates.

2 p.m. **Homecoming Football Game - Salukis vs. Illinois State University Redbirds**, *McAndrew Stadium.* Tickets \$20 adults, \$10 children and can be purchased by visiting the ticket windows at Lingle Hall, Student Center 2nd floor, or at the game.

6 p.m. Alumni Band Group, Marching Saluki Dinner at *Spinoni's* (501 E. Walnut St., Carbondale)

7 p.m. Miss Ebonyess, Alpha Phi Alpha

**VISIT THE SIU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TENT prior to the football game!**  
Go to [sialumni.com](http://sialumni.com) for the complete and latest homecoming schedule.

### Special Offers For Alums:

**University Bookstore:** Hours are Friday, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 20% Discount on SIU apparel with your SIU Alumni Association membership card. For more information: 536-3321

**Student Recreation Center:** Alumni Special! FREE use of facilities with your SIU Alumni Association membership card. Friday, 5:00 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Free boat rental at Campus Boat Dock. For more information: 536-5531 or check out the website at [www.siu.edu/rss](http://www.siu.edu/rss).

**Student Center Bowling and Billiards:** Alumni Specials! Bowling for \$2.00 per game, \$1.00 shoe rental and \$3.00 per hour billiards games. Friday, 9 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.; and Sunday, Noon - 11 p.m. For more information: 453-2803.

**University Museum:** Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday-Sunday 10 p.m. - 4 p.m. *Remembering Old Main*, collection of items salvaged from the Old Main Building; Metalsmith exhibit sponsored by the School of Art & Design; *Movement and Light*, by Jennifer Johns; *Buffalo Robe*, Native American - Sioux. [www.museum.siu.edu/current.html](http://www.museum.siu.edu/current.html)

# RIDING THE WAVE TO A NEW ENERGY SOURCE

by Elizabeth Rusch

Annette von Jouanne stands in the ocean along Oregon's Otter Rock Beach, near where she's been experimenting with wave energy buoys.



**S**he was in the water when the epiphany struck. Of course, Annette von Jouanne '90, M.S. '92 was *always* in the water, swimming in lakes and pools as she was growing up around Seattle, and swimming distance freestyle competitively in high school and later at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

There's even an exercise pool in her basement, where she and her husband, Alex Yokochi '89, M.S. '92 (a former Olympic swimmer for Portugal and letterman at Southern), and their three kids spend a great deal of time.

But in December 1995 von Jouanne was bodysurfing in Hawaii over the holidays. She'd just begun working as an assistant professor of electrical engineering at Oregon State University. She was 26 years old and eager to make a difference – to find or improve upon a useful source of energy, preferably one that wasn't scarce or fleeting or unpredictable or dirty. The sun was going down. The wind was dying. She was bobbing in the swells.

"As the sun set, it hit me: I could ride waves all day and all night, all year long," says von Jouanne. "Wave power is always there. It never stops. I began thinking that there's got to be a way to harness all the energy of an ocean swell, in a practical and efficient way, in a responsible way."

## **AN ENERGY THAT IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE**

Today, von Jouanne is one of the driving forces in the fast-growing field of wave energy, as well as its leading proponent. She will explain to anyone who will listen that unlike wind and solar power, wave energy is *always* available. Even when the ocean seems calm, swells are moving water up and down sufficiently to generate electricity.

And an apparatus to generate kilowatts of power from a wave can be much smaller than what's needed to harness kilowatts from wind or sunshine because water is dense and the energy it imparts is concentrated. All that energy is also, of course, destructive, and for decades the challenge has been to build a device that

can withstand monster waves and gale-force winds, not to mention corrosive saltwater, seaweed, floating debris, and curious marine mammals. And the device must also be efficient and require little maintenance.

Still, the allure is irresistible. A machine that could harness an inexhaustible, nonpolluting source of energy and be deployed economically in sufficient numbers to generate significant amounts of electricity – that would be a feat for the ages.

Engineers have built dozens of the machines, called wave-energy converters, and tested some on a small scale. In the United States, waves could fuel about 6.5 percent of today's electricity needs, says Roger Bedard of the Electric Power Research Institute, an energy think tank in Palo Alto, California. That's the equivalent of the energy in 150 million barrels of oil – about the same amount of power that is produced by all U.S. hydroelectric dams combined – enough to power 23 million typical American homes.

### FINDING OUT HOW THINGS WORK

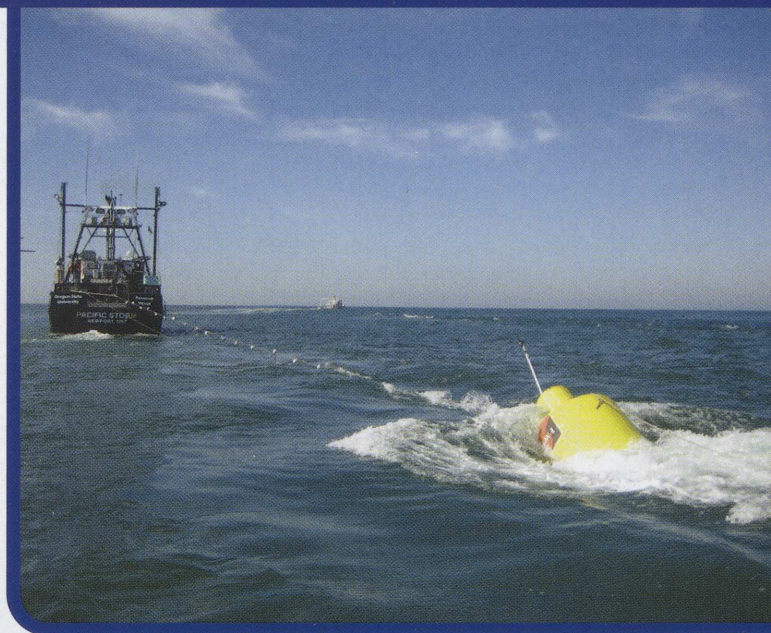
Aside from swimming, von Jouanne's other passion as a youngster was learning how things work. It started with small appliances. An alarm clock broke. She unscrewed the back, fixed the mechanism, and put it back together. She was about 8 years old. "That was so exciting for me," she says. She moved on to calculators and then to a computer she bought with money from her paper route. One day she waited for her parents to leave the house so she could take apart the television and reassemble it before they returned.

When her brothers, older by eight and 10 years, came home for college breaks, she pored over their engineering textbooks. (An older sister pursued a business degree.) "Reading them confirmed that, yup, this is what I want to do," she recalls.

She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering at Southern and her doctorate at Texas A&M. She was often one of the few women in a class. "I never saw myself as a woman engineer," she says. "I saw myself as an engineer trying to make things better for the world."

At Oregon State University she related her wave-tossed epiphany to Alan Wallace, a professor of electrical engineering who shared her fascination with the ocean's power. "We started saying, there's got to be a way to harness this energy," she recalls. They studied the wave-energy converters then being produced and looked up centuries-old patents for contraptions to extract power from waves. Some resembled windmills, animal cages, or ship propellers. A modern one looked like a huge whale. The gadgets all had one problem in common: they were too complicated.

Von Jouanne's lab is named in memory of Wallace, who died in 2006, but the Wallace Energy Systems & Renewables Facility (WESRF) is familiarly known as "We Surf." Painted in deep blues and grays and bearing murals of curling waves, the lab has been a research facility and testing ground for such innovative products



A boat tows a wave energy buoy prototype out to sea.

as an all-electric naval ship, a hovercraft, and the Ford Escape Hybrid engine.

In one corner is a tall buoy that resembles a huge copper-top battery. Beside it another buoy looks like two cross-country skis with wire strung between them. The designs were among von Jouanne's earliest. "Breakthroughs are almost always born of failures," she says.

Her breakthrough was to conceive a device that has just two main components. In the most recent prototypes, a thick coil of copper wire is inside the first component, which is anchored to the sea floor. The second component is a magnet attached to a float that moves up and down freely with the waves. As the magnet is heaved by the waves, its magnetic field moves along the stationary coil of copper wire. This motion induces a current in the wire: electricity. It's that simple.

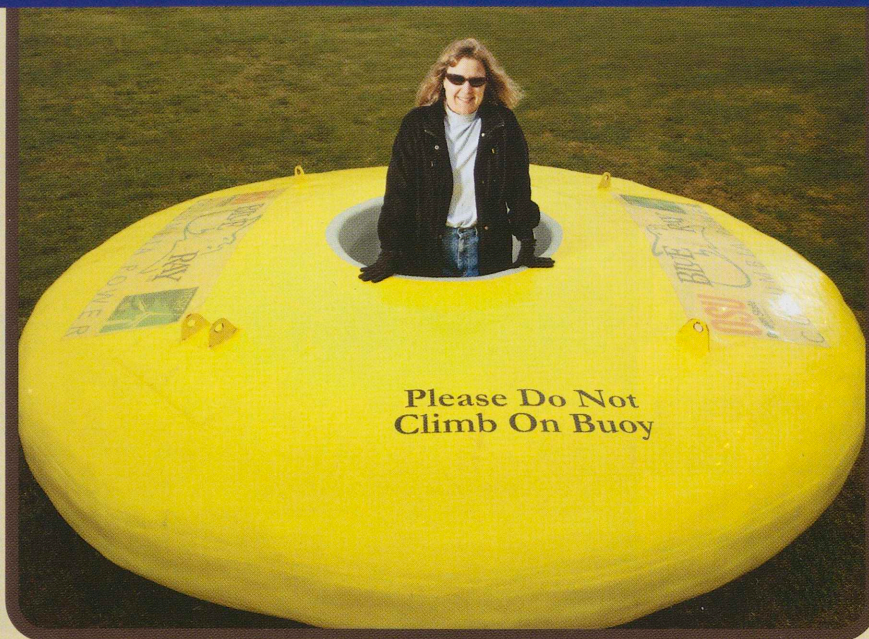
### FINDING THE RIGHT BUOY

By early 2005, von Jouanne had engineered one of her prototypes and wanted to test if it was waterproof. She hauled the wave-energy converter to her basement, into a flume that circulates water to let her swim in place. Her daughter, Sydney, then 6, sat on the prototype, much as a seal might cling to a real buoy. It floated.

Next she phoned a nearby wave pool, where people go to play in simulated waves. "Do you rent out your pool?" she asked. "For how many people?" the attendant asked. "Not many people – one wave-energy buoy."

The park donated two early mornings to her venture. Von Jouanne anchored the machine with ten 45-pound weights from a health club. It performed well in the playful waves, bobbing up and down without sinking. Then came the real test at one of the longest wave simulators in North America.

At the west end of the leafy Oregon State University campus, past the scholarly red-brick buildings, is a massive T-shaped steel shed in a giant paved lot. Though the building is 50 miles from



"We've had promising input that [this technology] is the way to go," von Jouanne says, shown here standing inside of one of the buoys used in the energy exercises.

the Pacific Ocean and well beyond the reach of killer tidal waves, a blue and white metal sign at its entrance says "Entering Tsunami Hazard Zone."

When von Jouanne first brought a buoy to test in the 342-foot-long concrete flume at Oregon State's Hinsdale Wave Research Laboratory, things didn't go as planned. Von Jouanne and co-workers plopped the buoy in the 15-foot-deep channel and buffeted it with two-, three-, and four-foot waves. The first

five-foot wave tipped it over.

"We had a ballast problem," von Jouanne says somewhat sheepishly. She goes on, "We're electrical engineers, and we really needed more help from ocean engineers, but to get them we needed more funding, and to get more funding we needed to show some success."

Von Jouanne kept refining her buoys. A small group watched as a five-foot wave headed for one of her latest versions. As the buoy lifted with the surge, a 40-watt

light bulb on top of it, powered by wave energy, lighted up. Everyone cheered!

George Boehlert, a marine scientist, cautions that "what we know now is what we don't know: ocean energy is a fast-moving field and environmental researchers have a lot of questions."

Buoys, as well as the power cables that would connect to the electrical grid on shore, emit electromagnetic fields. And mooring cables would thrum in the currents, like a guitar string. Might these disturbances confuse whales, sharks, dolphins, salmon, rays, crabs, and other marine animals that use electromagnetism and sound for feeding, mating, or navigation?

Would birds collide with the buoys or turtles become entangled in the cables? Would anchors create artificial reefs that attract fish not normally found in that habitat? Would deploying, maintaining, and removing buoys disturb the sea floor or otherwise change the ocean environment?

"I want to know the answers to these questions, too," von Jouanne says. "The last thing I want to do is harm the ocean and its beautiful creatures." To study the environmental risks and allow wave-energy engineers to test their inventions, she and colleagues at Oregon State, including



Doug Ingram

## FORMER SALUKI COACH SAYS IT WAS 'ALL IN THE FAMILY'

by Gene Green

**F**ormer Saluki Swimming Coach Doug Ingram recalls Annette von Jouanne's trek to Southern as something of a natural progression. After all, her older sister and brother had already attended SIU and were All-Americans in the sport she loved. "It was a fairly easy recruiting process," he says with a laugh.

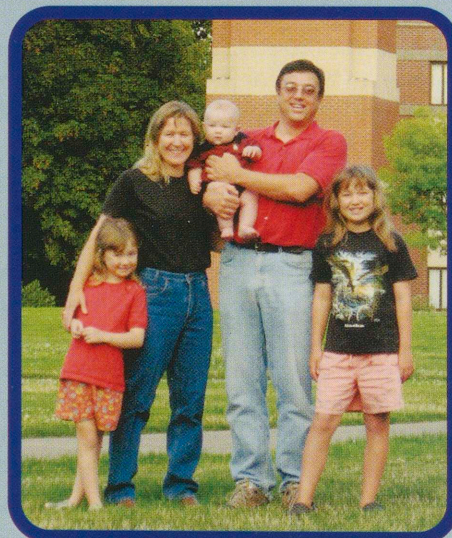
Her sister, Iris '88, competed at the University from 1985-88, and brother, Roger '82, M.S. '87, starred at Southern from 1978-82. Roger would later marry Saluki swimmer Pamela Ratcliffe '84. Roger and Pamela both are in the Saluki Hall of Fame, and Ingram still marvels at their accomplishments in the pool.

"A case could be made that Roger was *the* most versatile swimmer in SIU history," says Ingram, who now works for the United States Olympic Committee in Colorado Springs, Colo. "He was on our record board in the butterfly, backstroke, freestyle, and individual medley events. In fact, we always had a special celebration when someone actually surpassed any of Roger's records – sometimes over a decade after he had graduated!"

As for Annette '90, M.S. '92, she married fellow SIU swimmer Alex Yokochi '89, M.S. '92, who competed at Southern from 1986-89. The SIU Alumni Association life members have two daughters, Sydney (10) and Naiya (7), a son, Luke (born on New Year's Eve 2008), and reside in Corvallis, Ore. She says her family's personal lives are "driven by our Christian faith."

Annette's drive in the business world is equally impressive, and does not surprise Ingram. "I'm sure the same qualities she displayed as a swimmer are serving her well as a scientist."

And perhaps some of Ingram's old Saluki recruiting blood is flowing when he adds: "Annette was a dedicated athlete who made the most of her talents though hard work and smart work. Come to think of it, Alex had those same qualities too – we better keep an eye on their kids!"



Annette (second from left) with her daughter Naiya, 7; husband Alex Yokochi, holding baby Luke; and daughter Sydney, 10.

## "BREAKTHROUGHS ARE ALMOST ALWAYS BORN OF FAILURES."

Boehlert, are building a floating test berth nearby. It is scheduled to open next year and at its center will be a buoy full of instruments to collect data on how well wave-energy converters are performing.

### ONTO THE POWER GRID

The test berth is part of a massive effort to move wave energy out of the lab and onto the electrical power grid. Through a new Energy Department-funded national marine renewable energy center, researchers from all over the country will have the chance to refine their inventions, test them, and perfect them in the ocean. "This is what we need to do to fully explore wave energy as part of a renewable energy portfolio, for the state, the nation, and the world," von Jouanne says.

Boehlert and others say that even if wave energy has some local environmental impacts, it would likely be far less

harmful than coal- and oil-fired power plants. "The effects of continuing to pump carbon into the atmosphere could be much worse for marine life than buoys bobbing in the waves," he says. "We want ocean energy to work."

In the next two to three years, Columbia Power Technologies, a renewable energy company that has supported von Jouanne's research, plans to install a buoy generating between 100 and 500 kilowatts of electricity in the test berth off the coast of Oregon.

"A few years ago," Cox says of von Jouanne, "she was working on a shoe-string. Now she has government getting behind her work and companies knocking at her door. That's incredibly fast advancement that bodes well for the future of wave energy."

Another of von Jouanne's inventions, the first of its kind, is a machine that tests wave-energy converters without

having to get them wet. A prototype buoy is secured inside a metal carriage that mimics the up-and-down motion of ocean waves. Electrical equipment monitors the power the buoy generates. The test bed looks like an elevator car in the middle of her lab.

A student sitting at a nearby computer commands the device to simulate waves one meter high traveling 0.6 meters per second with six-second intervals between wave peaks. "That's a small summer wave," von Jouanne explains.

The machine hums, lurches, and heaves like an amusement park ride. As the buoy moves up and down, a gauge registers the juice it produces. The needle moves. One kilowatt, two, then three.

"That's enough to power two houses," smiles von Jouanne.

—Rusch originally wrote this piece for *Smithsonian* magazine



The SIU Alumni Association life member flashes a big smile while being surrounded by her team on the ship towing the wave energy buoy prototype out into the ocean.

## Football Salukis Look To Continue Winning Ways In MVC

Coming off an impressive conference co-championship in his first year at the helm, SIU head football coach *Dale Lennon* knows the bull's eye will be on his program even more in 2009.

"Last year, there was a lot of curiosity about what was going to happen," Lennon says. "This season, we have high hopes for what we can achieve, as everyone now knows one another and we don't have all the adjustments to contend with."

Missouri Valley Conference coaches apparently agree, as defending co-champions UNI and Southern were picked at the top of the league again in 2009 in a preseason poll. The Panthers received the top spot in a poll conducted by league coaches, media and sports information directors, claiming 314 points and 26 first-place tallies. The Salukis had 281 points and nine first-place votes

The Salukis return 18 starters, and that experience should be a boost for SIU in league play.

### 2009 Preseason Poll

*Team (First-Place Votes) Points*

1. Northern Iowa (26) 314
- 2. Southern Illinois (9) 281**
3. South Dakota State 231
4. North Dakota State (1) 206
5. Western Illinois 174
6. Youngstown State 171
7. Missouri State 111
8. Illinois State 90
9. Indiana State 42



Reigning MVC Coach of the Year Dale Lennon makes a point with his squad during preseason practice. The Salukis entered the 2009 season ranked seventh in the nation.

"We feel we can build upon our offensive package and do a little more with it," Lennon says. "Defensively, that's probably the strength of this team. We have 10 starters back and added a few things to our 3-4 package last spring."

The Salukis placed six players on the preseason all-conference team including linebackers *Brandin Jordan* and *Chauncey Mixon*, safety *Marty Rodgers* and cornerback *Korey Lindsey*. Punter *Scott Ravanese* and guard *Shawn Smith* also made the team.

One date for all Salukis to plan for is the final home game ever at McAndrew Stadium. On Nov. 14, the Salukis host Missouri State in a 2 p.m. game which not only serve as the facility's swansong, but also will feature special giveaways, former players and coaches of note returning to the campus, and other special treats. For more information and a look at the historic 2009 Final McAndrew Stadium poster, turn to the center section of the magazine.

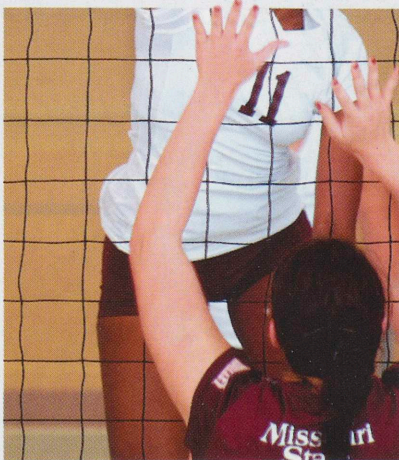
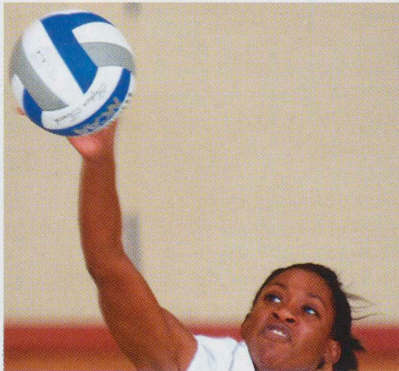


# Volleyball Hopes To Keep Climbing League Ladder

The Southern Illinois University volleyball team was picked to finish fifth in the Missouri Valley Conference annual coaches' preseason poll, the team's highest pick since Saluki head coach *Brenda Winkeler* took over the program five years ago.

The defending regular-season champion Wichita State volleyball team was tabbed as the league favorite, receiving nine first-place votes. The Shockers tallied 99 points and were a sound favorite over second-place pick Missouri State

Southern returns four starters from a 2008 team that saw the Salukis finish with their best record since 2002. Junior all-MVC outside hitter *Jennifer*



Chandra Roberson

*Berwanger*, who led the team in kills and digs last season, returns as the catalyst of the Saluki offense. Senior middle blocker *Chandra Roberson*, a second-team all-Valley selection in 2007, and junior *Sydney Clark*, will add to the Saluki offensive prowess.

The Salukis turn to underclassmen to step into the setter and libero positions, following the graduation of 2008

All-MVC pick *Brooklyn Robbins* and SIU's all-time digs leader *Kristy Elswick*.

"For the first time in the last few years, we have depth at every position," Winkeler says. "After an encouraging spring, I think the key to this season will be to provide offensive power consistently."

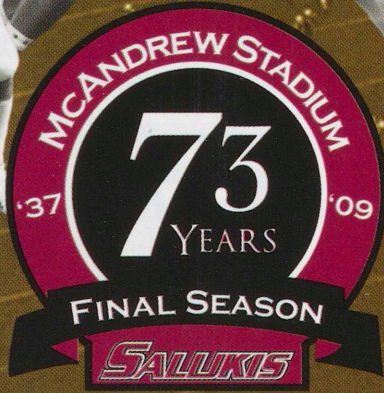
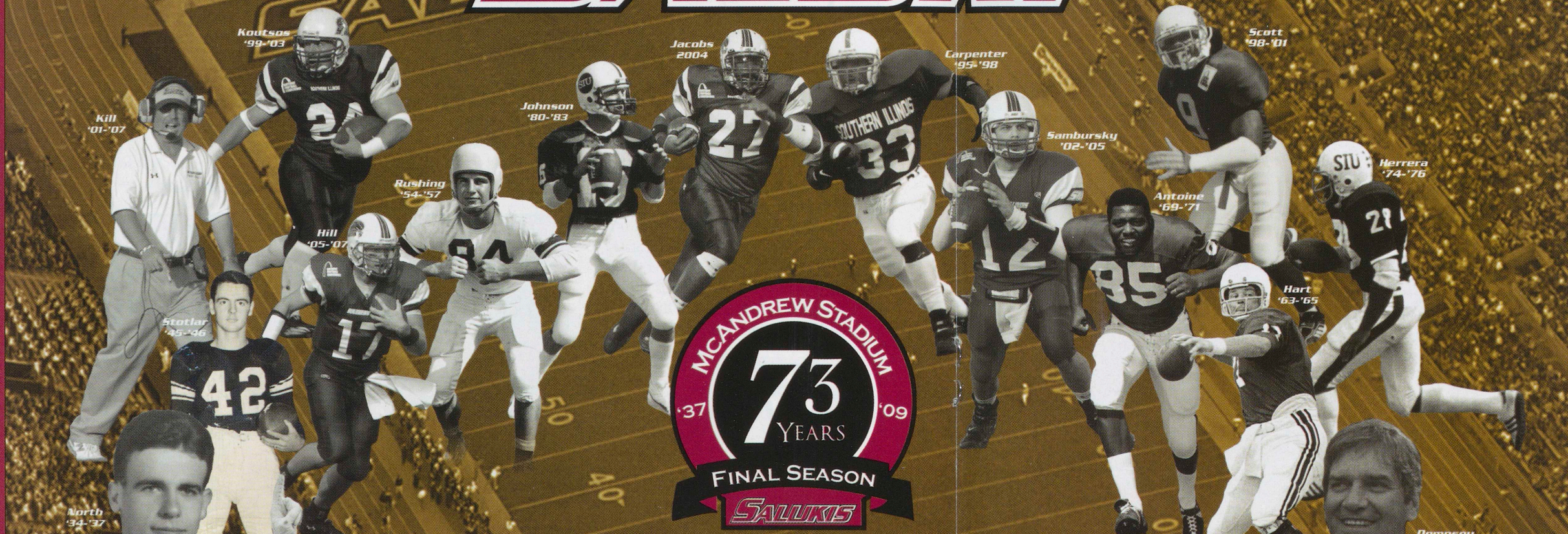
For a look at the 2009 schedule, go to [www.siusalukis.com](http://www.siusalukis.com).



## Student Affairs/Harvey Welch Golf Scramble Again Helping Students

Some former Saluki athletes talked about old times this summer at the 11th Annual Student Affairs/Harvey Welch Jr. Golf Scramble at Hickory Ridge Golf Course in Carbondale. The SIU Division of Student Affairs sponsors the event, with proceeds each year benefiting student scholarships and enhancing student services. From left, former basketball players Ray Rippelmeyer, Gene Tabacchi, Harvey Welch, and Bob Nickolaus enjoy a moment with two Saluki dogs before teeing off.

# FOOTBALL SALUKI™



## 2009 Schedule

Sept 5	@ Marshall	TBA	Oct 10	vs ILLINOIS STATE* Homecoming	2:00 pm	Nov 7	@ South Dakota State*	1:00 pm
Sept 19	vs SOUTHWEST BAPTIST Hawks & Dawgs	6:00 pm	Oct 17	@ Northern Iowa*	4:05 pm	Nov 14	vs MISSOURI STATE* Senior Day, Band Day, The Final Game	2:00 pm
Sept 26	vs NORTH DAKOTA STATE* Military Appreciation	6:00 pm	Oct 24	vs YOUNGSTOWN STATE* Family Weekend	3:00 pm	Nov 21	@ Southeast Missouri State	1:00 pm
Oct 3	@ Western Illinois*	6:05 pm	Oct 31	@ Indiana State*	12:05 pm ET	*Missouri Valley Football Conference Game		-HOME GAME

For Season Tickets call 453-2000 or 877-SALUKIS

Single game tickets available at the SIU Arena Ticket Office, Saluki Team Store in University Mall, and local Ticketmaster outlets.

For Group Tickets and Saluki Row information call 453-5153



## Final Season At McAndrew Stadium Shaping Up As Something Special

The 2009 Southern football season will be the final in the 73-year history of McAndrew Stadium. Saluki Athletics recently unveiled a special logo and special plans to celebrate the history of Saluki Football one last time at "The Mac."

"In the formulation of the many events surrounding the final season at McAndrew Stadium, we consulted with both collegiate and professional venues that have been in similar situations to compile any and all ideas that will bring the rich historical past into focus for all our fans," says SIU Director of Athletics Mario Moccia.

"With Mike Reis and SID emeritus Fred Huff on the committee we made every effort to make sure that as much firsthand knowledge of our football program's history was incorporated into these plans. I look forward to the many ex-players coming back to McAndrew for one final visit before we turn the page in our program's history."

The 2009 celebration of McAndrew Stadium will be visible this spring when special collector's edition schedule cards and schedule posters, featuring former Saluki greats, are released.

Throughout the summer Saluki fans were able to select their Top 5 "McAndrew Moments" on-line at [www.siusalukis.com](http://www.siusalukis.com). These moments are being announced throughout SIU's home games, with the top moment revealed during the final game at "The Mac" on November 14.

Each of the first four home games will be dedicated to an era of Saluki Football at McAndrew Stadium. The final regular-season game at McAndrew Stadium vs. Missouri State on Nov. 14 will honor all individuals who have played or coached at SIU. All Saluki Football alumni are invited back to campus to help close "The Mac."

"Over the course of time, a football field becomes sacred ground," says Saluki head coach Dale Lennon. "The memories of unbelievable victories, heartbreaking defeats, and incredible individual performances are forever embedded in that piece of land. I hope alumni come out to McAndrew one last time to be a part of the celebration."



# SPORTS ON A SUNDAY MORNING

Southern's Ron Jacober continues to host  
the longest-running sports talk show in America.

BY GENE GREEN

Jacober reacts to a guest's question while hosting "Sports On A Sunday Morning" at KMOX studios in St. Louis. The Southern graduate has manned the microphone for the longest-running radio sports show in the United States for more than two decades.

**M**oments before airtime, veteran KMOX Radio broadcaster Ron Jacober pores over notes and readies himself for the start of yet another edition of "Sports On A Sunday Morning." Now in its 50th year, the program is *the* longest-running sports talk show in the country and a staple on the 50,000-watt radio giant heard in most of the continental United States.

Retired since 2007 as sports director at KMOX, Jacober maintains a loyal association with both the station and historic talk show he has now hosted for more than two decades.

"When I retired as sports director, I was weary of getting up at 3 a.m. each day and was ready to switch to something part-time," the 70-year-old Jacober recalls. "Usually a place gives you a gold watch and points you to the elevator, but KMOX instead asked me if there was anything I still wanted to do. Without hesitation I told them I wanted to remain host of the Sunday morning show – that's what most people identify me with, even though I've done just about everything."

Jacober's long broadcast career paved his way into the St. Louis Radio and St. Louis Media Halls of Fame, and his work on television earned him two Emmy Awards. In addition to management duties as sports director, his booming voice has described games for the St. Louis Cardinals, St. Louis Blues, various soccer teams, college basketball teams, Super Bowls, World Series, Stanley Cups, Final Fours, and served him well as a commentator at the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

"Not too bad for a kid who came to Carbondale more than 50 years ago to study photography," he laughs. "I doubt many in those days saw all of that coming."

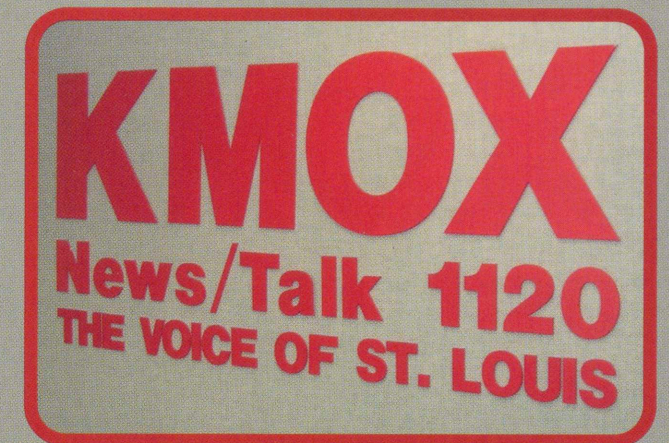
#### THE FIRST FROM HIS FAMILY

Jacober grew up in Highland, Ill., a part of a large extended family. His father had four brothers, and collectively "they had a lot of kids – and I was the first from that collection that decided to attend college." Plenty of eyebrows were raised when he left town in 1956 to come to Carbondale and pursue a college education.

"I arrived at SIU, moved into Thompson Point, and planned to major in photography," he recalls. "I had always loved doing that in high school and had taken most of the pictures for our year-books. That plan lasted less than a year before I decided to switch to journalism."

Switch he did, but Jacober weathered a rocky start in the curriculum, as well as a blunt reality check delivered by legendary former department chairman H.R. Long.

"I no doubt wasn't working as hard as I could have been in the classroom," Jacober says with a grin. "Although I didn't realize the scope of it at the time, Long obviously did and decided to get my attention. He called me into his office at the end of my freshman year, sat me down, and said: 'Son, you're **not** going to make it in



Working at the 50,000-watt giant KMOX has been a thrill for Jacober, who retired as the station's sports director in 2007.

journalism – if you are going to stay at SIU, you better think about changing your major."

While the wake-up call initially made Jacober mad, it also soon motivated him. He eventually would serve as both sports editor and managing editor of *The Daily Egyptian* and earned his bachelor's degree in journalism in 1961.

During his senior year something happened that would eventually help guide him to a new career path. He took a broadcasting class as an elective and as an assignment, barked a play-by-play of a Saluki basketball game into a portable tape recorder. When he turned it in to his instructor, he was surprised by what he heard.

"That's pretty well done," the instructor said. "You've obviously done that before." Jacober said it actually it was his maiden voyage into broadcasting, but the praise planted a seed that would eventually grow.

#### INTO THE ARMY

After earning his bachelor's degree, Jacober began graduate school at Southern and worked part-time at WJPF Radio. That stint at the Herrin, Ill., station was cut short when he decided to leave school and join the Army.

After serving his country, Jacober entered "the real world" by working in public relations for AAA Auto Club of Missouri. He enjoyed writing and editing the organization's publications and representing AAA on visits to media outlets in the region.

One such trip took Jacober to WIBV Radio in Belleville, where he was to promote a school safety patrol program. "The program director knew me and asked: 'You've done some radio work before, haven't you?' I told him just a bit in college – and it hadn't amounted to much at all.

"He responded by offering me part-time work on weekends, which I took for the extra money but figured would lead to



"Getting to know Stan Musial on a personal level was a thrill," Jacober admits. "When I told my dad years ago that Stan and I were on a first-name basis, I'm not sure he really believed me."

nowhere. KMOX News Director Bob Hardy was from Belleville, and had eventually heard me on the air. He called and asked if I wanted to do the same type of weekend work at KMOX.

"When Hardy offered me a job *there* it was like God calling," he says.

Even though Jacober had been moving up the ladder at AAA, he soon jumped into radio with both feet when a full-time job at KMOX came along in 1968. Spinning records, reading news, and serving as a staff announcer, he was initially thrilled.

"But after about two years of getting little direction, I began to get frustrated," Jacober admits. "Jay Randolph, who had come to KMOX years earlier to do sports, had since left and was the sports director at KSDK-TV 5 in St. Louis. I called him just to talk to someone, venting a bit about where I thought things were headed, and asked him to let me know if he heard of anything I might be interested in."

Randolph stunned Jacober by telling him that the person he was going to hire as a sportscaster had not worked out. "Could you come over and do an audition tape as soon as possible?" he asked. Despite no background in television,

With the fabled St. Louis Arch framed outside the KMOX studios, Jacober takes a break during his three-hour show. "I never get tired of this view," he says.

Jacobers audition went well. The program director at TV 5 hired the Saluki a day later, and his 15-year television career was launched in 1970.

In addition to his in-studio work, Jacober became a recognized figure on Cardinal baseball telecasts and appeared ready to stay the course in this media format. But radio would come calling again, although his first foray back to the airwaves would be somewhat forgettable.

### BACK TO RADIO - ONCE AND FOR ALL

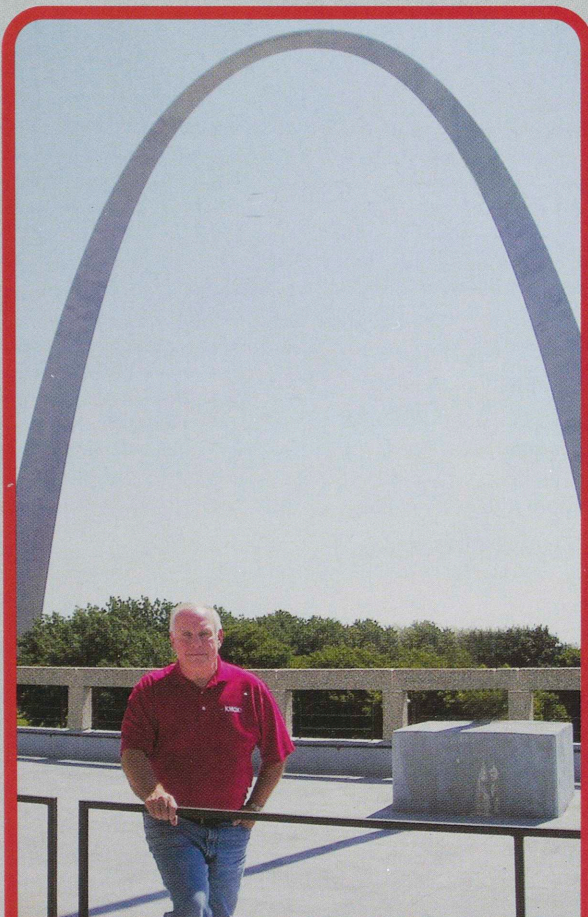
After the long and successful stint on TV 5, Jacober was lured away in 1985 to join KXOK Radio in St. Louis. "The station had acquired the rights to Blues hockey and was trying to sort of re-create KMOX over there," he recalls. "Dan Kelly, the legendary Blues announcer, was leaving KMOX, and they wanted me to do the hockey games with him, serve as sports director, and host some talk shows.

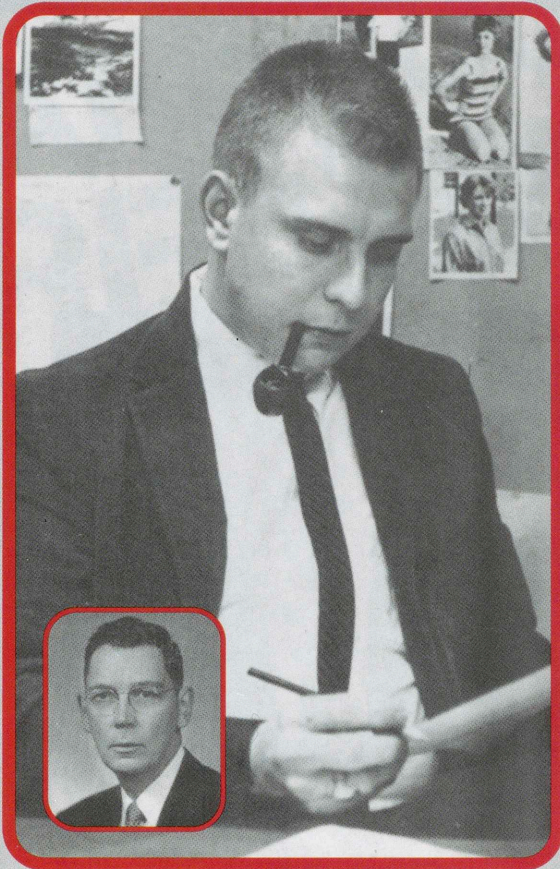
"That all got my attention, and maybe I was up for a new challenge. I accepted their offer and stayed two years, but it was a disaster! Finances were never in place and the grand plans the owners had never came close to fruition."

In 1987, during one of his darkest days at KXOK, Jacober received a call he wasn't expecting. KMOX General Manager Robert Hyland wanted to talk to him about returning to the "Voice of St. Louis."

"Hyland (who died in 1992) was generally recognized as one of the toughest, most powerful people in the industry," Jacober says. "He met and talked with me in generalities about returning to KMOX, but soon put the decision off for what he claimed were budget issues. I knew things were a mess where I was at, and actually thought I might have to get out of the business if something else didn't come along soon.

"I sort of played poker with Hyland, calling him back and issuing an ultimatum. I told him I had several other things going on - which I didn't - and needed a decision by next Monday on whether he wanted me to return. In typi-





In part because of a "kick in the rear" from former department chairman Howard Long (inset), Jacober flourished in journalism school and served as editor of *The Daily Egyptian*. Here he is shown in 1960 working at the *DE*.

it," Jacober says. "Sometimes I would ask Jack what he wanted me to do on a certain matter, and his answer was almost always the same: 'Whatever you want to do, kid'"

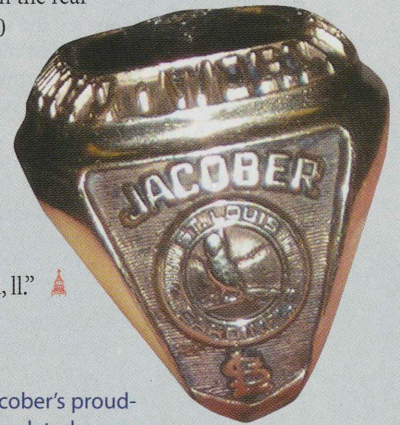
That was fine with Jacober, who says he treasures "every moment I ever spent with Jack. He was an easy person to work with and relaxed those around him. He also was the most generous person I've ever known."

"We always had interns at KMOX, and Jack knew all of their names and often would shake their hands in the hall. Often as he strolled away they would find a \$50 or \$100 bill placed in their palm – he knew they were always struggling for money."

"Jack must have also had an inside arrangement with every restaurant in the country, as I never once saw him **not** pick up the check. A bowl of soup cost him \$400 once in New York, because he paid for the big group that was eating with him. That's just the way the man was."

Such memories still make Jacober smile, and he takes great pride in working closely with men like Buck and sports figures such as Stan Musial, Ozzie Smith, Whitey Herzog, and Tony LaRussa. None of those luminaries, however, came to mind when he stood on stage in 2005 to be inducted into the St. Louis Media Hall of Fame.

"That evening I said I wished SIU's Howard Long could be there with me," he recalls with a smile. "I knew Long would have been proud to see that his kick in the rear almost 50 years before had paid off nicely for the kid from Highland, Ill." 🍷



One of Jacober's proudest sports-related possessions is a 1982 Cardinal World Series ring presented to him following that championship season.

cal fashion, Hyland told me on the phone that he didn't think that was possible – and then hung up on me!

"He hung up on *everyone*, and never said goodbye," Jacober recalls with a chuckle. (Legendary Cardinal announcer Jack Buck said one of his goals in life was to just once hang up on Hyland *first*. "It never happened," Buck once deadpanned, "because he always beat me to it.")

Jacober went home that night and told his wife, Lois, that they might soon be "moving to Keokuk or somewhere, because I had probably provoked Hyland with my demand." On Monday a welcome call arrived – he had been rehired at KMOX and was to report to work that day.

### THE BUCK STOPS HERE

Within six months of returning to KMOX, Jacober was handed the reins of sports director – at least in responsibility. The legendary Buck had the actual title but little interest in the duties that came along with it.

"I did get the title years later, but for a while I made most of the decisions without



## THE JACOBER FILE

**Age:**  
70, earned bachelor's degree in journalism from SIU in 1961.

**Family:**  
Ron and his wife, Lois, have two sons: David, an Army veteran who is currently a police officer, and Jeffrey, a Naval Academy graduate and former top gun fighter pilot, who is now a pilot for Southwest Airlines. His sister, Lynn Petruska, is a 1978 graduate of Southern, and his late brother, Larry, earned his bachelor's at SIU in 1962 and his master's in 1965. He was superintendent of the Carbondale Elementary School District for many years.

**Civic Interests:**  
Ron is involved with several St. Louis area charities and is a lector and president of the Parish Council of Christ Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

**Favorite Interview:**  
"It surprises people, but my favorite is Muhammad Ali," he says. "I've interviewed him several times, and while always entertaining and outrageous when you were taping a segment, he then became this thoughtful, engaging man when the microphone was turned off."

**Favorite Manager:**  
"Whitey Herzog was the smartest manager I ever met. He was always a few plays ahead of anyone else he was managing against. Tony LaRussa is in that same category, and I respect him a great deal as well."

**Proudest Possession:**  
"The Cardinals gave me a 1982 World Series ring that I still wear today. I was humbled and honored when they told me they were including me in the group that received those rings."

# Former Saluki Baseball Hurler Shining As Prep Hoops Coach

by Ryan Ernst

**D**avid Henley AAS '87, '89 has put down roots in Kentucky. And in the state where basketball is king, he's being treated like hoops royalty as the 2009-10 approaches.

The former SIU baseball player (1986, 88) has spent the last 12 seasons switching sports as the head varsity basketball coach at Holmes High School in Covington. In March this year he led the school to its first-ever state title. It was just the second championship to return to Northern Kentucky in the 92-year history of the state's single-class tournament.

And the trophy, along with Henley, came home in style.

The coach and his players returned to Covington the morning after their double-overtime 67-63 championship game victory over Louisville Central at Rupp Arena in Lexington. Their charter bus received a police escort through fan-lined streets back to campus. Things were soon hectic – a parade, a pep rally, a proclamation at the city commission meeting, a ceremony at the state assemblies in Frankfort, a formal acknowledgement at the school board meeting, another parade, a reception, a banquet.

"It was always something," Henley remembers. "But I wouldn't trade it for anything." Especially if you are this SIU Alumni Association member. For him and for his program, the title was a long time coming.

Henley grew up in Carlisle County, a basketball-crazy community tucked neatly into Kentucky's southwest corner. Despite its standing as one of the area's smallest schools, Carlisle County High School has reached the state tournament six times. From early on, he was a Sweet Sixteen junkie. And luckily for him, his father, Jim, was Carlisle County's basketball coach.

"He went to lots and lots of basketball games," his father says. "When he was old enough, he sat on the bench with us and took care of the ballplayers, bring 'em towels and water. He thought he was pretty big when he was eight or nine years old."

When the younger Henley was nine, his father led the Comets to the 1975 Sweet Sixteen. Henley was the team's water boy for its first-round loss to Henry Clay.

"I was one of those kids who would read the state tournament program front to back. My daddy would go every year, and



Henley led Holmes High School to the Kentucky state prep title last season.

he'd bring one back," Henley recalls. "I knew every good player in the state."

As a senior, he was a standout guard on Carlisle's greatest team of all time. The Comets were 70-9 during his final two seasons. The program's success landed the tiny 245-student school a feature story in *USA Today*. The Comets entered the 1983 tournament with a 37-3 record. After storming through the first two rounds, they edged Owensboro 51-49 to advance to the state finals against state power Henry Clay, the school with the most titles in Kentucky history.

"We had won 40 games, and we were the underdogs," says Craynor Slone, the Comets' coach in 1983. "We were this tiny little school going up against this great big school. I think that's one of the reasons Kentucky hasn't classified (the state tournament). That game probably kept it from happening."

Not only did Carlisle County reach the game, it competed. The teams went back and forth throughout. The teams went to overtime, then another, then another. With time winding down in the third overtime, the score was tied 33-33. Henry Clay held for the last shot, an errant jumper from the baseline. Then forward Greg Bates grabbed the rebound and scored a layup as time expired. Game over: Henry Clay 35, Carlisle County 33.

"Oh good lord, he was heartbroken," Jim Henley says of his son. "He was just totally devastated."

Henley regrouped, played baseball his senior year, then went to Southeastern Illinois Junior College for two years. He

played both baseball and basketball before choosing SIU to continue his baseball career. He pitched for the Salukis' 1986 Missouri Valley Conference championship team and later graduated in 1988 and began coaching basketball – first at a high school in Florida, then as an assistant at Murray State and Duquesne.

When the job opened up at Holmes – a school with a state tournament history like his own – he applied. The Bulldogs were 0-2 in state championship games, losing the 1978 title game on a controversial goal-tending no-call.

Henley led them back to the tournament in 2005. They reached the semifinals in 2007 and the finals in 2008.

Heading into the 2008-09 season Holmes – despite 20 trips to the Sweet Sixteen – had the worst record in state finals history. But the Bulldogs stormed through the first three rounds of the tournament, entering the finals with a 35-2 record. Playing in front of 15,632 fans, they trailed 37-30 midway through the third quarter then battled back to take the lead. In double overtime they finally pulled away.

"It was the greatest feeling in the world," Henley says. "Our community takes so much pride in the boys' basketball program. And I knew last season that win was going make a lot of people happy in Covington. I'm happy for them." ■

—Ryan Ernst is a reporter for the *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

# ARE YOU FOR READY FOR SIU FOOTBALL?

Visit the SIU Alumni Association Online Store  
for the latest shirts, hats, hoodies and more!




[WWW.SIUALUMNI.COM](http://www.siualumni.com)

**15%**

**DISCOUNT**  
for all Association Members

Also, **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**  
for the new SIU football stadium by purchasing your  
2009 Saluki Football Saluki Way T-shirt for just \$10.

**SIU Alumni Association**  
Online Store

# ENDOWMENT ESTABLISHED FOR FORMER DIRECTOR

**Buck's Legacy Lives On At Student Health Center**

BY EMILY BRITTON



SIU Alumni Association life members Terry and Jackie Buck say their recent endowment is a way of saying thanks for all that Southern has done for them.



**A**fter dedicating more than 30 years to Southern Illinois University, Terence “Terry” Buck now has a room to call his own at the Student Health Center.

The second floor administrative conference room in Center is now designated as the Buck Conference Room. Buck was the director of Student Health Programs from 1993 to 2000.

“When I asked the staff about Dr. Buck, they referred to him in affectionate terms, like the ‘gentle giant,’ and said he exhibited ‘calmness under fire.’”

Student Health Center Director Dr. Ted Grace said during a recent ceremony honoring Buck. “They helped me pen the words that are on the plaque officially dedicating the room in his name.

“It reads, ‘In grateful recognition of your distinguished leadership – for your willingness to inspire and mentor, gentle spirit, wisdom, friendship and visionary insight for a new student health facility.’”

Buck’s transformative vision of Southern’s student health programs began in 1969, when he was hired as coordinator in counseling and testing. During his time at Southern, he united the existing health programs under the title of Student Health Programs, earned accreditation for the center, helped the program become self-insured, and established the groundwork in planning for the new building.

After graduating from Wentworth Military Academy, the Lexington, Mo., native earned three degrees from the University of Missouri, and served his country in the U.S. Army. Buck continued to serve as a captain in the reserves for a year after coming to Carbondale, where he arrived 40 years ago after teaching at Michigan State University for three years.

He and his wife, Jackie, have a blended family, including five children and nine grandchildren: his daughters, Cindy and Robin; his son, Dan; Jackie’s son, Mark; and her daughter, Megan. Jackie earned her Ph.D. from Southern and is a clinical psychologist in Carbondale. She says she owes both her successful career and her marriage to her time at Southern.



## Terence Dunford Buck, Ph.D.

*In Grateful Recognition of Your Distinguished Leadership and Service at SIUC from 1969-2000:*

*For Your Willingness to Inspire and Mentor, Gentle Spirit, Wisdom, Friendship, and Visionary Insight for a New Student Health Facility*

**The Buck Conference Room  
and Endowment Fund**

The conference room at the SIU Student Health Center now bears the name of Buck, who was the center’s director until 2000.

“Both Terry and I had the same professor and mentor at the University of Missouri who recommended I come and see Terry while I was in process of moving to the psychology program. That’s the first time we met,” says Jackie. “I didn’t see him again for another three years when I completed an internship at the counseling center. We were married during my second year of that internship.”

At that time, Buck was working as the dean of student services, just one of many titles he held during his time at Southern. He began as an assis-

tant professor in psychology and quickly rose through the ranks, becoming associate professor, acting director of counseling and testing, and dean of student services in 1972. In 1993, Buck was named director of student health programs.

He says one of his first goals as the director of student health programs was to seek accreditation from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc.

“When I assumed responsibility for student health programs, no one had ever sought any kind of accreditation,” he says. “I wanted to demonstrate to the students, parents, and community at large that this is a true medical facility capable of delivering the same quality of medical care as the other medical services in Carbondale.”

The SIU Alumni Association life member took his vision a step further by consolidating SIU’s existing programs under one title – Student Health Programs.

“The major component of consolidation was bringing the counseling center under the umbrella of student health services,” he says. “When I became director, the student health programs were very spread out, they were linked administratively, but were physically spread out.” The consolidation proved beneficial to the center’s staff, as well as the students who sought treatment.

“It provides more continuity of service to the students, and offers a more seamless treatment process,” Buck explains. “It also allows the professionals working in the center to work with each



SIUC Chancellor Sam Goldman (center) beams a smile as he congratulates Buck at a reception honoring the longtime University employee.

other in more constructive ways, providing a team approach to each student.”

Southern’s students were the driving force behind many decisions he made, including student insurance program becoming self-funded, a move he says initially saved \$750,000 annually in costs to the students.

While Buck is responsible for numerous improvements to Southern’s student health programs, he gives much credit to his predecessor, Sam McVey, for his efforts toward plans for the new health services building.

“Dr. McVey had been working for a number of years on plans for a new student health building, but was never able to gain enough support for it,” Buck notes. “One thing I did to move it

forward was to convince both the undergraduate and graduate student councils to financially support fees to construct the building.”

Buck says he is honored to have a room in the building named after him, and credits his wife with making it possible by creating an endowment in his name. She recently donated \$50,000 to the Student Health Center to create the Terence Buck Endowment Fund. The money will fund training and development opportunities for the Student Health Center’s staff, something which will in turn benefit students.

“I strongly believe in the training of staff and the ripple effect that goes to all students who come in contact with that staff,” she says. “I’m also a believer in

promoting holistic health, where professionals learn from each other and not just focus on their own specialties.”

The 1981 Southern Ph.D. graduate says she saw the endowment as a way to say “thank you” to Southern while honoring her husband at the same time.

“I feel the University has treated both of us extremely well,” she says. “I received an excellent education here and I’ve had a rewarding career. I attribute a lot of that to professors who had high standards of excellence, which in turn became my high standards of excellence.”

“So many people like Terry do wonderful things for many years, and it is never acknowledged. I think this kind of dedication deserves acknowledgment.” 🏆

## Alumni Deaths

**HARTMAN**, Mary R., ex '31  
06/16/09, Woodlawn, Ill.

**BIBY**, Clara M., '34  
07/30/09, Waterloo, Ill.

**BULLARD**, Ferne B., ex '38  
08/07/09, Cisse, Ill.

**NORTH, JR.**, Thomas H., '38, M.S. '56  
06/21/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**MACFARLANE**, William N., '40, M.S. '48  
06/30/09, Johnston City, Ill.

**SIMMONS**, Paul D., '40  
06/03/09, Benton, Ark.

**DUGGER, Dorothy A.**, '44  
08/03/09, Sesser, Ill.

**HARRELL**, Alvis F., ex '42  
07/22/09, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

**LEMING**, Verna M., ex '44  
05/13/09, Mattoon, Ill.

**WALKER**, Marian L., ex '44  
07/14/09, Marion, Ill.

**LOOMIS**, Theresa M., ex '45  
07/11/09, Centralia, Ill.

**HEDLEY**, Jane D., '46, M.S. '59  
07/11/09, West Frankfort, Ill.

**HEYDE**, Dorothy L. Jones, '46  
06/08/09, Tucson, Ariz.

**JILEK**, Shirley Adams, '47  
06/29/09, Dallas, Texas

**WOOD**, William H., '47  
06/12/09, Greenville, Ill.

**YEHLING**, David, '47  
07/05/09, Rantoul, Ill.

**POOLE**, Dorothy J., ex '48  
05/26/09, Omaha, Ill.

**HANCOCK**, Earl "Steve", '49  
09/09/08, Hobart, Ind.

**STONE**, Walter E., '49  
05/06/09, Knoxville, Tenn.

**WALKER**, Robert "Bob", ex '49  
07/27/09, Marshall, Minn.

**GIDCUMB**, James W. "Toddy", '50  
05/17/09, Santee, Calif.

**HAASE, JR.**, John M., ex '50  
05/30/09, Anna, Ill.

**MC GEE**, James R. "Bob", '50  
06/16/09, Breese, Ill.

**CHILDERS**, Bessie F., ex '52  
07/22/09, Marion, Ill.

**TATE**, Charles G., '52  
02/03/09, Ft. Myers, Fla.

**BELLAH**, Nannie A., '53  
08/08/09, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

**COWAN**, Bill M., '53  
08/04/09, Cartersville, Ill.

**VANORS DALE**,  
Elizabeth Hamilton, ex '53  
08/01/09, Niantic, Ill.

**WALKER**, Eleanor R., ex '54  
07/02/09, Grantsburg, Ill.

**BREMER**, Mary K., '55  
06/04/09, Metropolis, Ill.

**CRAWFORD, PH.D.**, Richard J., '56,  
M.A. '58  
07/23/09, Denver, Colo.

**KARR**, Elvin D., '56  
05/28/09, Reisterstown, Md.

**OVIES**, Joseph, ex '56  
07/12/09, Smithton, Ill.

**HISE**, William A., ex '58  
06/27/09, Pontiac, Ill.

**WINTERS**, Juanita R., '58, M.S.Ed. '65  
06/02/09, Marion, Ill.

**CONNELL**, James R., '59, M.S.Ed. '61  
08/02/09, Homosassa Springs, Fla.

**HANEY**, Thomas W., '59  
08/07/09, Herrin, Ill.

**MILLER**, Gene R., '59  
05/19/09, Metropolis, Ill.

**MIRANDA**, Samuel C., M.S.Ed. '59  
05/28/09, Lawrence, Kan.

**REANO**, Joseph W., '59  
06/29/09, Greenville, S.C.

**RUSHING**, Carolyn S., '60, M.S.Ed. '74  
06/23/09, Herrin, Ill.

**TRACY**, J. Edward, '60  
05/16/09, Mt. Vernon, Ind.

**WARREN**, Nolan C., '60  
07/20/09, Fairfield, Ill.

**HORRELL**, Ettelye M. Hanser, '61  
05/21/09, Collinsville, Ill.

**HAMMER**, Robert W., '62  
06/23/09, Grand Junction, Colo.

**MALEK**, Julia C. Moffitt, '62  
08/05/09, Naperville, Ill.

**OTNESS**, Jeanette Hall, '62  
07/26/09, Belleville, Ill.

**RIFE**, Lorene K., '62  
07/10/09, Dongola, Ill.

**SIVELS**, Tyrone T., '62  
08/04/09, Colp, Ill.

**TATE**, Virginia S., '62  
07/17/09, Greensboro, N.C.

**MORGAN**, Donald L., '63  
04/14/09, North Little Rock, Ark.

**CATES**, Robert R., M.M.Ed. '64  
07/17/09, Belleville, Ill.

**COZBY**, Meta K., B.M.E. '64  
07/27/09, Jonesboro, Ill.

**DYROFF**, Louis J., '64  
06/26/09, Dupo, Ill.

**GREGORY**, Charles R. "Ron", '64  
06/28/09, Seattle, Wash.

**JETER**, Lowell E., '64, M.S.Ed. '76  
07/20/09, Marion, Ill.

**MACK**, Lonnie B., '64  
05/17/09, East Brunswick, N.J.

**ABEL**, Elbert "Larry", '65  
06/27/09, Jackson Twp., Ill.

**JEREMIAH**, Cheryl L., '65  
05/30/09, Alto Pass, Ill.

**KERN**, Golda Waggoner, '65, M.S.Ed.  
'74  
07/25/09, Macedonia, Ill.

**MCCORMICK**, Arthur G., M.S.Ed. '65  
08/02/09, Glen Carbon, Ill.

**MITCHELL**, Lucille J., '65  
08/03/09, Shawneetown, Ill.

**WHEELOCK**, Steven E., '65  
05/29/09, Grove, Okla.

**BEARD**, Delbert S., '67  
05/18/09, Shiloh, Ill.

**PENNELL**, Dr. Doris E., '67  
05/27/09, Winona, Minn.

**TOLLEY**, Morris W., '67  
08/10/09, Denton, Texas

**BOICE**, Shellie M., '69  
07/23/09, Indianapolis, Ind.

**KARR**, Alan W., '69  
05/12/09, Jacksonville, Fla.

**REIDEL, JR.**, Richard F., '69  
07/11/09, St. Simons Island, Ga.

**BECKER, SR.**, Albert W., M.S.Ed. '70  
07/08/09, Plainview, Ill.

**HARPER**, John R., '70  
07/12/09, Oak View, Calif.

**HOFFEE**, Nonnie C., M.S. '70  
05/27/09, Cisse, Ill.

**HOOD, M.D.**, Roger W., '70  
06/29/09, Olathe, Kan.

**LOMEX**, Patricia A., '72  
08/04/09, Catlin, Ill.

**LUCKEY**, James M., '70, M.B.A. '72  
06/16/09, San Marcos, Calif.

**WILSON**, Beverly D., '70, M.S.Ed. '72  
05/20/09, Plymouth, Mass.

**FRY**, Daniel L., '71  
06/13/09, Fredrick, Ill.

**GREATLINE**, Stanley E., M.S. '71  
05/07/09, Albion, Ill.

**MUNN**, Gary R., '71  
02/28/09, Melbourne, Fla.

**PAGE**, Daniel P., '71  
06/24/09, Anna, Ill.

**PETRONE**, James V., '71  
07/10/09, Shrewsbury, Mass.

**DEGRAFF, PH.D.**, Alfred "Skip" H., '73  
06/26/09, Fort Collins, Colo.

**JACOBS**, Julie S., '73  
05/29/09, Champaign, Ill.

**HELSTERN**, Martin "Marty" A., '74  
06/08/09, Chicago, Ill.

**HOFFMEISTER**, Gary P., '74  
07/16/09, Waterloo, Ill.

**LYCZAK-NOLL**, Donna J., '74  
06/03/09, Dyer, Ind.

**MCELLEN**, John J., '74  
07/13/09, Palos Park, Ill.

**PATRICK**, Billy D., '74  
07/15/09, Murphysboro, Ill.

**BERNARD, PH.D.**, Thomas J., '75  
07/28/09, State College, Penn.

**BULLINGTON**, Joseph R., '75, '76  
07/24/09, Christopher, Ill.

**FRIEDRICH**, Fred B., '75  
05/23/09, Sarasota, Fla.

**JOHNSON**, Ollie J., '75  
07/16/09, Columbia, S.C.

**BARTLETT**, Lisa B., '76  
02/21/09, St. Louis, Mo.

**PRINEAS**, Gregory E., '76, '81  
07/25/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**WRIGHT**, Robert W., '76  
06/13/09, Phoenix, Ariz.

**GARTNER**, John E., Ph.D. '78  
06/22/09, Canton, Ohio

**LIPE**, Larry W., '78, M.S. '93  
06/20/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**SCHLOSSER**, Ann L., Ph.D. '78  
06/25/09, San Antonio, Texas

**BAYARD**, John W., ex '79  
06/15/09, Kalamazoo, Mich.

**HEID**, Christopher R., J.D. '79  
07/04/09, Enfield, Ill.

**WISS**, Thomas A., '79, M.D. '82  
06/13/09, Springfield, Ill.

**ZAPOLSKY**, Tina D., '79  
05/25/09, Sanford, N.C.

**CASSIN**, Kevin A., '80, M.A. '86  
06/28/09, River Forest, Ill.

**SMITH**, Bradley J., '80  
07/07/09, Champaign, Ill.

**MCMEEN**, Patricia S., J.D. '81  
05/24/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**TUKE**, Graham F., '81  
07/18/09, Beacon Falls, Conn.

**POLIAN, SR.**, Kevin J., '82  
10/27/08, Wichita, Kan.

**HAGEN**, Anita W., '83  
05/26/09, Desoto, Ill.

**CHAUHAN**, Ram P., Ph.D. '84  
07/13/09, Belleville, Ill.

**MOSBY, JR.**, Leo P., '84  
06/13/09, Brighton, Ill.

**CASEY**, John S., M.S. '85  
06/29/09, Garner, N.C.

**HAASIS**, Joseph J., '86  
02/06/09, Greer, S.C.

**VINSON**, Andrea L., '86  
07/17/09, Phoenix, Ariz.

**SMITH**, Robert L., M.D. '87  
05/07/09, Decatur, Ill.

**VALRIE, USMC (Ret.)**, MSGT James E., '87  
06/12/09, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

**PEARSALL**, Mary F. Mayes, '89  
06/28/09, Fairview Heights, Ill.

**FRANK**, Joan L., '91, M.S.Ed. '93  
07/25/09, Cartersville, Ill.

**RARICK**, Philip J. "P.J.", '91  
05/25/09, Edwardsville, Ill.

**GISLADOTTIR**, Margret, '92  
06/08/09, Murphysboro, Ill.

**SMITH**, Deborah D., '93  
03/04/09, Prophetstown, Ill.

**RODEN**, B. Patricia, '94  
07/25/09, Goose Creek, S.C.

**KENDRICK**, Robert L., '95  
04/10/09, Wetumpka, Ala.

**LINDECKER**, Scott P., '00  
06/07/09, Charleston, Ill.

**PIGG**, Thomas M., '05  
07/11/09, Carlyle, Ill.

**TUTUNJIAN**, Brian K., '07  
05/13/09, San Diego, Calif.

**TERESI, II**, John A., '08  
06/29/09, Chicago, Ill.

**KOON**, Arthur C., '09  
03/20/09, Mareno Valley, Calif.

## Faculty & Staff

**ALLEN, Ph.D.**, Harry A.  
Emeritus Professor, Rehabilitation  
Institute  
06/20/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**BACCUS**, Mary E. Crain  
Assistant in Cosmology, Technical &  
Adult Education  
06/07/09, Metropolis, Ill.

**BUCKLEY**, Sally Wood Cox  
Emerita  
Maternal Child Health Clinic, School of  
Medicine  
06/19/09, Springfield, Ill.

**DOOLEN**, Deane R.  
Emeritus  
Student Affairs, School of Medicine  
07/27/09, Rehoboth Beach, Del.

**FORBY**, Nyle W.  
Emeritus Civil Service  
Storekeeper III, Flight Services  
07/14/09, Grand Tower, Ill.

**JOHNSON, M.D.**, Robert P.  
Emeritus Associate Professor  
Assistant Chairman, School of  
Medicine  
06/11/09, Santa Rosa, Calif.

**MCAFFEE**, Clara M.  
Emerita Civil Service  
Medical Humanities, School of  
Medicine  
06/05/09, Springfield, Ill.

**PATTERSON**, Camilla  
Building Services Sub-Foreman,  
Physical Plant  
06/29/09, Carbondale, Ill.

**WATSON, PH.D.**, Richard E., '32  
Emeritus Professor  
Physics & Astronomy  
06/03/09, Carbondale, Ill.

## Students To Grow Organic Produce For Dining Halls

by Andrea Hahn

Southern Illinois University Carbondale students don't have to leave "homegrown" produce at home when they live on campus.

The new student-led organic garden project brings produce grown on campus into campus dining halls, giving students the opportunity to eat food that is locally grown, and grown without chemicals.

The project is in the early phase, with students preparing the soil and making the raised beds of the garden. Leah May, a geography and environmental resources student from Peoria and one of the project's coordinators, says planting may begin as early as this fall with such cool weather crops as lettuce, carrots, broccoli, onions, and garlic. The garden is on Pleasant Hill Road.

May says the project got its start in an organic gardens group in the geography field methods class. "That's where we planned out the who, what, when, and how of the student organic garden idea."

May and the other students in the group incorporated the plans into a research poster describing a proposal with a map and plot layouts. The group won \$500 in the Department of Geography and Environmental Resource's annual research poster contest. Rather than pocket the money, the group donated the money to help found the SIU LOGIC – the Local Organic Garden Initiative of Carbondale.

Chef William Connors, known campus-wide as Chef Bill, will incorporate the garden produce into food preparation for Residence Halls Dining. His guidance helps determine the planting schedule for the gardens for the maximum benefit to students using the dining halls on campus.

May says the garden is an integral part of a circle of sustainability. "This is a step in the right direction of making SIU more sustainable," she stresses. "We will be growing produce for the dining halls that is both local and organic. The waste from the dining halls goes to the worms in the composting facility. The worms make compost that will be used to grow the food for the dining halls."

"Student involvement is paramount in making positive change on campus," Jonathan Dyer, a geography and environmental resources student from Edwardsville, says. "As students, we must be agents of change because many times we provide



Leah May, from Peoria (left), and Melissa Brandt, from Mundelein, help set up the organic garden site for Southern. The garden will produce food for use in the SIU University Housing dining halls.

that extra spirit, determination and optimism that is critical to making progress."

Dyer is part of the organic garden project and has been an integral part of other green initiatives on campus.

Students who want to help with the garden can learn more by visiting the Web

site at <http://sustainability.siu.edu>.

Other student and campus organizations involved in this project include the Student Environmental Center, Eco Dawgs, University Housing Residence Hall Dining, Plant and Service Operations, Campus Sustainability Project, and the Vermicomposting Center. ■

### SIU Wesley Foundation Alumni Reunion

A special invitation is extended to graduates of the class of 1959 to attend an SIU Wesley Foundation Alumni Reunion. The event will take place on Sat., Oct. 10, at 11 a.m. at the Wesley Foundation, 816 South Illinois Ave. This is also an open invitation to other **all** graduates from the classes of 1955 to present day Salukis.

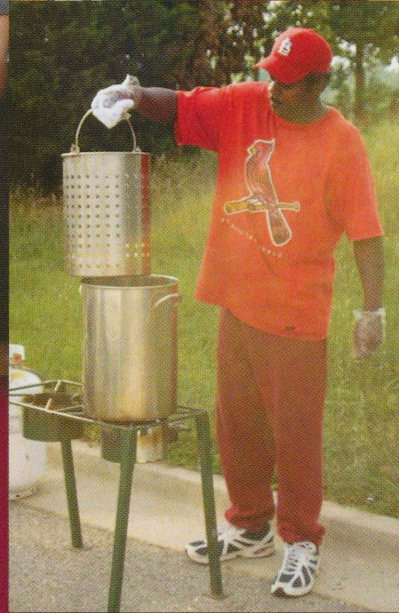
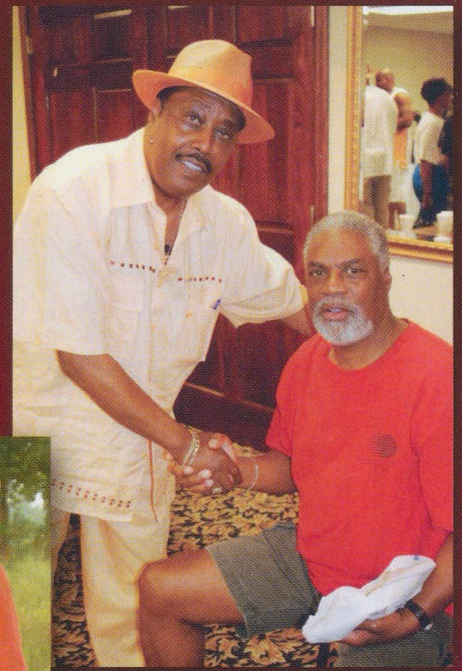
Wesley Foundation Director Sherry Smedshammer and current Foundation students will serve as hosts. Former administrators Don Carlton, Gerry Gulley, Murriel Nance, and Ron Seibert will also be a part of the event. A light lunch will be served at noon.

Motels and hotel rooms in Carbondale are already sold-out for this weekend, but arrangements for overnight stays at the Little Grassy United Methodist camp can be made through Smedshammer by calling 618-457-8165 or e-mailing her at the address below. It is recommended that you arrive arriving early and park in public lots east of McAndrew Stadium.

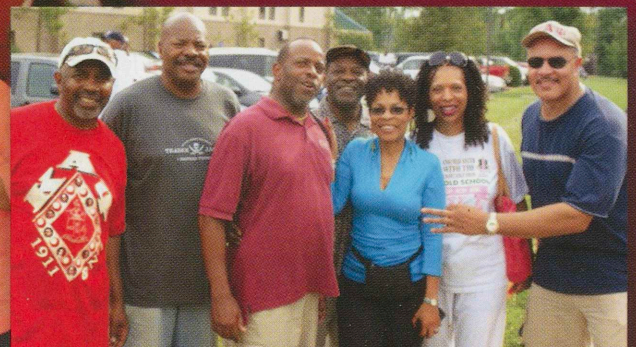
Please send a letter with your name, your spouse's name (if attending), address and phone number to Ron and Maurine Seibert (1436 Keebler Road, Collinsville, Ill., 62234. 618-344-2899 or e-mail him at [rmseibert@juno.com](mailto:rmseibert@juno.com). You may also contact Smedshammer via e-mail at [umwesley@siu.edu](mailto:umwesley@siu.edu), placing "Homecoming RSVP" in the subject box.

If you are unable to attend the reunion please send a photo and a note updating fellow alumni on your family and professional endeavors.

# BAG Reunion Brings Alumni Together Again



One of the most popular events of the summer was the bi-annual Black Alumni Group reunion. The reunion was held the weekend of July 9-12 on campus and the registration produced 55 individual annual Association memberships, five individual life installments, and one joint life installment membership. There were 209 full registrations for a total of 305 people (counting children), making for a full weekend of fun activities. BAG officer elections were also held and C. Lynn White was elected president; Anthony Curtis, vice president; Gary Heflin, treasurer; and Donna Edgar, secretary. SIU Alumni Association President Randy Ragan was in attendance for the weekend event, as were Association Executive Director Michelle Suarez and several staff members.



## 10th Annual Greater Michigan Alumni Picnic

A large group of Salukis enjoyed getting together at the annual Greater Michigan picnic in July. One of those attending was College of Applied Sciences and Arts Interim Dean Terry Owens, who was impressed with the event. "I really appreciate the efforts of those organizers for putting it together and for taking the time to keep everyone informed and involved. I hope to visit again in the future."



## 1st Club And Chapter Symposium

The SIU Alumni Association hosted 22 club and chapter representatives from all over the country to participate in discussions and presentations on how they can work with the Association. Topics included ways to grow their club and chapters to bring SIU alumni together in their respective areas in support each other and the University. John Washburn, a nationally-recognized speaker and consultant, facilitated the workshop. Rooms in the Mae Smith residence hall were made available for those who wished to stay on campus.

In addition to the working sessions of the symposium, participants enjoyed a Sunset Concert, the family-style chicken dinner at Giant City Lodge, and a tour of campus. The symposium was a success and everyone felt it was very beneficial.

## Bucky Fuller Event At The Museum Of Contemporary Art

The SIU Alumni Association hosted 85 alumni and friends at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago in June. Steve Belletire, assistant professor of art and design at Southern Illinois University gave a gallery talk prior to a reception about the teachings of former SIU faculty member Buckminster Fuller, specifically regarding product design and sustainability.

Attendees also had an opportunity to view the Buckminster Fuller exhibit and attend a reception. A big thank you to our gracious sponsors of this event; SIU alumni Bill and Gail McGraw, Walter "Peter" Steffen, and these alumni-affiliated businesses: Leopardo Construction, and Whitney & Q Design.



## Decatur Celebration Event Helps Chapter Fund Scholarships

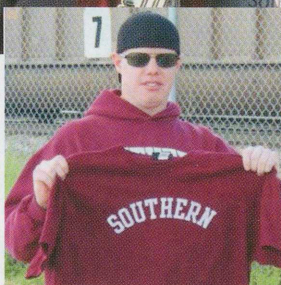
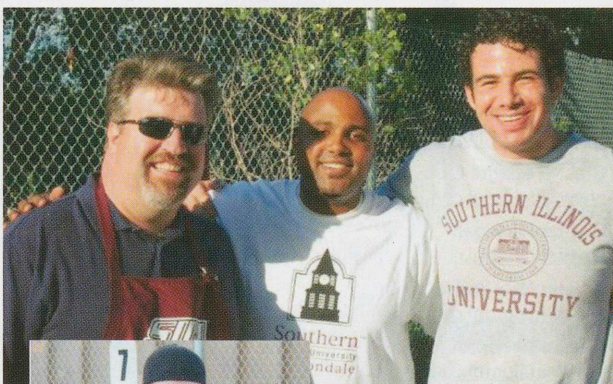
The Central Illinois Chapter had a part of making the annual Decatur Celebration a success. Members of the chapter were again selling foot-long Saluki Dawgs as a fundraiser for the group. The money will be used to fund scholarships at Southern.

## Greater New York Gathering

The Greater New York Alumni Club of the SIU Alumni Association hosted 16 people at Sahara East Egyptian restaurant in May. They enjoyed dancers, music, and great food as well as the fellowship of other Salukis in the region.

## Alums Gather In Minnesota

A first-ever baseball event for alumni in Minnesota was held in July at Midway Stadium in St. Paul. The group enjoyed a cookout prior to watching action between the St. Paul Saints and the Lincoln Salt Dogs.

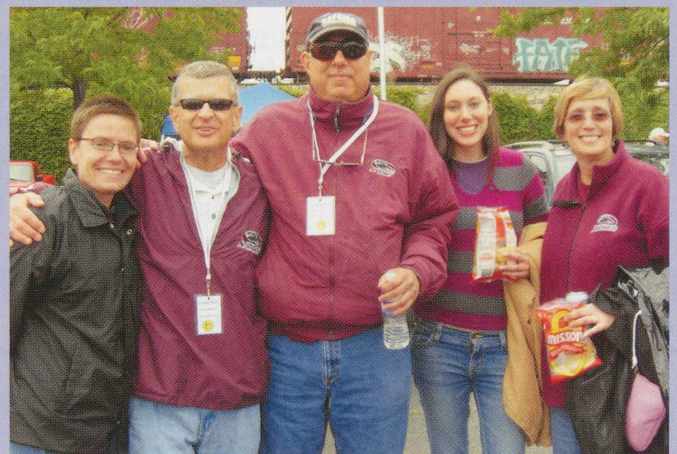


Above, from left, Brent Honcharenko, Ra Phoenix Thompson, and Max Orenstein enjoy the pregame festivities. At left, Patrick Dixon holds his favorite type of shirt.



## 8th Saluki Family Day

The SIU Alumni Association hosted 348 alumni and friends at a pregame tailgate at U.S. Cellular Field before the game between the White Sox and Indians. Free t-shirts were handed out at the tailgate, an event that has continued to grow in popularity over the years.



From left, Karen and Nick Harkovich, and Howard, Becky, and Kerri Spiegel, are shown before going to the White Sox game.

## 32nd SIU Day At Wrigley, Take 2...

Although the 32nd annual SIU Day at Wrigley Field was rained out on April 19, more than 700 Salukis (out of 1,000) kept their tickets and returned for the makeup game on July 12 and saw the Cubs beat the Cardinals in the first game of a day-night doubleheader.

Before the game, WGN Radio personality John Williams threw out the first pitch. At left, Williams is shown with SIU Alumni Association directors Gene Green and Laura Taylor on the field before the game.



## Get Involved With An Alumni Club Or Chapter

SIU alumni clubs and chapters exist to bring together the efforts of alumni to establish an SIU presence in their area, to encourage participation in the life of the University, to provide information about the University, and to facilitate involvement and camaraderie among Salukis around the world. Characteristics of clubs and chapters include strong leadership of local alumni and approximately 1,000 or more SIU alumni living within a specific geographic region.

### Illinois Clubs & Chapters

- Chicagoland Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/chicago](http://www.sialumni.com/chicago)
- Central Illinois Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/ilcentral](http://www.sialumni.com/ilcentral)
- Greater Rockford Club  
[www.sialumni.com/rockford](http://www.sialumni.com/rockford)
- Jackson County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/jackson](http://www.sialumni.com/jackson)
- Lake County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/lakecounty](http://www.sialumni.com/lakecounty)
- Peoria Tri-County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/peoria](http://www.sialumni.com/peoria)
- Perry County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/perry](http://www.sialumni.com/perry)
- Prairie Capital Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/prairiecapital](http://www.sialumni.com/prairiecapital)

- Quad Cities Club  
[www.sialumni.com/quadcities](http://www.sialumni.com/quadcities)
- Randolph County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/randolph](http://www.sialumni.com/randolph)
- Union County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/union](http://www.sialumni.com/union)
- Williamson County Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/williamson](http://www.sialumni.com/williamson)

### U.S. Clubs & Chapters

- Austin-San Antonio Club  
[www.sialumni.com/txsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/txsalukis)
- Central Florida Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/cfsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/cfsalukis)
- Cincinnati Tri-State Club  
[www.sialumni.com/cincysalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/cincysalukis)

- Colorado Club  
[www.sialumni.com/cosalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/cosalukis)
- Greater Atlanta Club  
[www.sialumni.com/atlsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/atlsalukis)
- Greater Michigan Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/michsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/michsalukis)
- Greater New York Club  
[www.sialumni.com/nysalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/nysalukis)

- Greater Phoenix Club  
[www.sialumni.com/azsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/azsalukis)
- Greater Virginia Beach Area Club  
[www.sialumni.com/vasalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/vasalukis)
- Indianapolis Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/indysalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/indysalukis)
- Los Angeles Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/lasalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/lasalukis)

- Minneapolis/St. Paul Club  
[www.sialumni.com/mnsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/mnsalukis)
- Northeast Florida Club  
[www.sialumni.com/noflasalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/noflasalukis)
- Orange County California Alumni Club  
[www.sialumni.com/orangecosalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/orangecosalukis)
- San Francisco Bay Area Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/sfsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/sfsalukis)
- St. Louis Area Chapter  
[www.sialumni.com/stlsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/stlsalukis)
- South Florida Club  
[www.sialumni.com/sflsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/sflsalukis)
- Washington D.C./ Baltimore Club  
[www.sialumni.com/dcsalukis](http://www.sialumni.com/dcsalukis)



## October 2009

- 3 Saluki Football at Western Illinois, 6:05 p.m.
- 8-9 Class Ring Days, University Bookstore, Student Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 8-11 *Company*, McLeod Theater, Thurs.-Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m.
- 9 Technology and Innovation Expo, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Dunn-Richmond Center, 150 E. Pleasant Hill Road, in Carbondale. SIU Distinguished Alumni Induction Ceremony and Reception, Alumni Lounge, Student Recreation Center, 2:30 p.m.
- 10 **Homecoming: Parade 9:30-10:30 a.m. SIU Alumni Association pregame tailgate under the "Big Tent," east of McAndrew Stadium, 11 a.m.-1:30 pm. Saluki Football vs. Illinois State, 2 p.m.** (See full Homecoming schedule on page 17.)
- 17 Saluki Football at Northern Iowa, 4:05 p.m.
- 24 **Family Weekend: SIU Alumni Association pregame tailgate on Saluki Row. Saluki Football vs. Youngstown State, 3 p.m.**
- 29-31 *Working Week*, Christian H. Moe Theater, Thurs.-Sat. 7:30 p.m.
- 31 Saluki Football at Indiana State, 11:05 a.m.



## November 2009

- 1 *Working Week*, Christian H. Moe Theater, Sun. 2 p.m.
- 7 Saluki Football at South Dakota State, 1 p.m.  
*New Faces 2009*, Christian H. Moe Theater, 7:30 p.m. Free
- 10 *Music of America*, Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra, Shryock Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.  
*Resurrection of Alice*, McLeod Theater, 7:30 p.m. Free
- 14 **SIU Alumni Association pregame tailgate on Saluki Row. Saluki Football vs. Missouri State, 2 p.m. Final game at McAndrew Stadium**
- 15 *In the Continuum*, Christian H. Moe Theater, 2 p.m. Free
- 21 Saluki Football at Southeast Missouri State, 1 p.m.

## December 2009

- 3 *Poulenc's Gloria*, Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra joined by SIU Concert Choir and Choral Union, Shryock Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 3-6 *Lysistrata: A Woman's Translation*, McLeod Theater, Thurs.-Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m.
- 4 Art Over Easy, fifth anniversary, Friday, Dec. 4, 7-9:30 p.m. at the Surplus Gallery. (art sale and auction to benefit the School of Art & Design)
- 19 Commencement

## Looking Ahead

- March 11-14, 2010 MVC Men's Basketball Tourney in St. Louis, Mo.
- April 18-20, 2010 MVC Women's Basketball Tourney in St. Charles, Mo.



## SIU Alumni Association THE PLACE TO BE ON SALUKI ROW!

### Saluki Row Tailgates are back!

Join us on Saluki Row before each home football game for food, beverages, music, and more! Know someone who is not a member that would like to join the fun? Bring them with! Nonmembers may attend one tailgate and then join anytime to receive all the benefits of an SIU Alumni Association membership!

DATE	OPPONENT	TAILGATE TIME	KICK-OFF
SAT SEPT 26 <sup>TH</sup>	NORTH DAKOTA STATE	3:00 PM	6:00 PM
SAT OCT 10 <sup>TH</sup>	ILLINOIS STATE (HOMECOMING)	11:00 AM	2:00 PM
SAT OCT 24 <sup>TH</sup>	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	12:00 PM	3:00 PM
SAT NOV 14 <sup>TH</sup>	MISSOURI STATE	11:00 AM	2:00 PM

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THIS SEASON'S SPONSORS:  
Venegoni Distributing, Pepsi MidAmerica, River Radio

Alumni listed in **maroon** are SIU Alumni Association members.

## 1950s

**Dick Henley '57, M.S. Ed. '67**, owner of Egypt Trophy and Awards Inc. in Herrin, has been recognized by the City of Herrin with a lifetime achievement award. Henley was recognized for service to area schools, including serving as assistant principal at Herrin High School from 1968 to 1984 and as athletic director until 1990. He was also a basketball and football official in the area for 22 years.

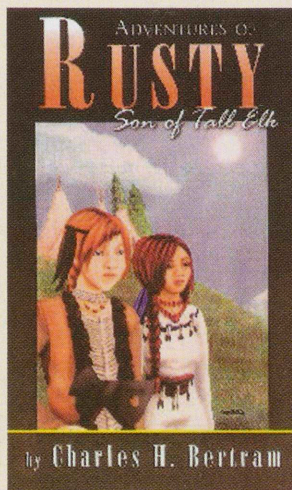
**Kenneth Hull '58**, retired former chairman, president, and CEO of the Follett Corporation in River Grove, Ill., received the 2009 Public Service Award from the Illinois CPA Society for his lifetime of contributions to public service and the accounting profession. Hull is a member of the board of directors of the SIU Foundation and chairs the College of Business External Advisory Board. He and his wife established the Kenneth J. and Jacqueline M. Hull/Illinois CPA Society Endowed Scholarship fund to provide financial assistance to accounting students at SIUC.

## 1960s

**Charles Rose '63**, retired from Bronson & Bratton Inc. in Burr Ridge, Ill., received the Distinguished Service to Powder Metallurgy Award from the Metal Powder Industries Federation. The award recognizes professionals who have devoted a major part of their careers to the powder metallurgy industry. Prior to joining the company, he was chief manufacturing engineer at Amsted Research Laboratories and served a six-year stint as design engineer of gas turbine engines for General Motors Research. He

holds several patents in the area of gas turbine regenerators.

**Charles H. Bertram '65** has released the second of a four-book series of young-adult historical fiction, *Adventures of Rusty, Son of Tall Elk*. Bertram worked his way through



Southern as a photographer. Later, while teaching in special education, he started an apple orchard, did commercial photography, and adopted three children. In 2001, he retired to Ormond Beach, Fla., to write. He also writes a regular column for *Seniors Today*, a publication in Daytona Beach, titled, "If I Were In Charge." The book is published by Infinity Publishing.

For more than 30 years, **John White A.T. '65** and his family of St. Charles, Mo., have enjoyed their quiet retreat at Pheasant Valley Farms in Coffeen, Ill. Today the farms encompass 230 acres, including two homes. White and his wife, Vicki, who have turned the property into a natural wildlife habitat, are now opening up one of the two homes as a bed and breakfast, with plans to eventually open the second house for bed and breakfast. White began his career in dental technology in 1965 in St. Charles, Mo., where today he serves as a county councilman.

## Bradley Signing Off At WUIS In Springfield

**W**hen radio station WUIS-FM in Springfield first went on the air on Jan. 3, 1975, the first program on the air was the voice of **Rich Bradley '63** delivering the station's first newscast.

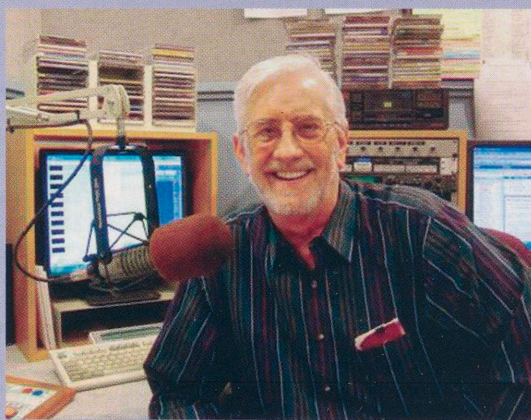
Bradley has been the station's first and only news director for more than three decades. He's a local legend to PBS listeners in central Illinois with his familiar baritone bringing in-depth coverage of state government every morning. In August he announced he would retire at the end of September. "I was always so crazy about being a news jockey and working in public radio news," Bradley says, "but let's face it. Thirty-five years is long enough. It's a young person's game and I'm more than happy to let them have it."

WUIS is based at the University of Illinois Springfield, an environment that Bradley says has kept him young. He still uses the same office he started in when he was hired in 1974. In one corner, a black metal, state-issue bookcase holds nearly two decades worth of reel-to-reel tapes, which was the standard format before electronics took over.

Bradley grew up on his family's Champaign County farm, where they raised corn, soybeans, and Angus cattle. He first attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, attempting an ambitious plan to major in engineering, geology, and accounting.

When it didn't work out, Bradley transferred to Southern, where he earned a degree in radio-television. After radio jobs in Herrin, Carbondale, and Danville, he moved to Springfield in 1965 as news director of a Top-40 station. He co-founded a statewide news network and worked there for two years before accepting the news director position at WUIS (then known as WSSR-FM and later as WSSU-FM).

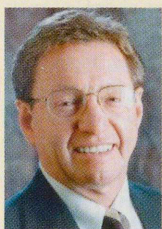
Bradley says he has no immediate plans for his retirement except to stop setting his alarm clock for 3:15 a.m. His last day on the air is scheduled for Sept. 30.



Bradley delivered the station's first newscast in 1975.

**Ed Willis '65**, retired eighth-grade teacher for Murphysboro schools, continues to win awards for his photography, an avocation he took up 20 years ago. Most recently he took first place in the building category and second in the people category for the Logan Days photo competition, hosted by Gen. John A. Logan Museum in Murphysboro.

**Dan Graveline '66, M.S. Ed. '69** will retire at the end of the year after 33 years leading the nation's fourth-largest convention center, the Georgia World Congress Center.



Graveline has been executive director since 1976, when the center opened, and is the

only person to have held the position. He began his career in facility management at the SIU Arena, where he was assistant manager from 1968 to 1970. The *Atlanta Business Journal* reported in a July story that "perhaps no person in Atlanta has done more to shape the hospitality industry in Atlanta over the past three decades."

**Karen Kendall '68, M.A. '76, J.D. '81**, a partner in the law firm of Heyl, Royster,



Voelker & Allen in its Peoria office, has been elected president of the American Academy

of Appellate Lawyers by the academy's board of directors. Kendall has been a fellow in the AAAL since 1997 and a member of the board of directors since 2003. As an appellate advocate, Kendall handles appeals for all of Heyl Royster's offices in the five Illinois appellate districts, the Illinois Supreme Court, and the U.S. Court of Appeals.

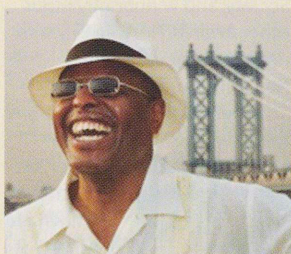
## 1970s

**Donna Boros '70, M.S. Ed. '95** is the new regional superintendent of schools for the Jackson-Perry Regional Office of Education. Boros taught for 18 years as a junior high language arts teacher at De Soto Elementary School before joining the regional office as staff development director in 1995. Most recently she served as assistant superintendent. Boros replaces longtime educator

**Robert Koehn '73, M.S. '87**, who retired after five years in the post.

**Eric Frazier '71** is releasing his seventh and eighth CDs in a two-volume set titled *The Eric Frazier Quintet Live at Cecil's Jazz Club*. It's the first time he has recorded music other than his

own original music. Eric Frazier Productions is based in Brooklyn, N.Y.



**Duane Suits '71** received the 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Illinois CPA Society for his years of outstanding and distinguished service to the profession and the society. Now retired from Sikich LLP, Suits was one of the four founding partners of its predecessor firm, Sikich Gardner & Co. For much of his 32-year career he served on the firm's executive committee and was the partner in charge of assurance services and professional practices. He currently provides consulting and contract services for financial institutions and professional practices.

**Karen Greathouse '72, M.S. '74**, professor of dietetics at Western Illinois University in Macomb, has been named

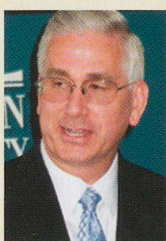
interim chair of the Dietetics, Fashion Merchandising and Hospitality Department at WIU.



Before joining Western in 1989, Greathouse held positions in both clinical and administrative

dietetics at several hospitals, worked as a private contractor for the USDA, and ran her own dietetics consulting business specializing in eating disorders.

**John Fozard '74**, president of Mid-America Christian University in Oklahoma City, Okla., for 10 years, received the 2009 Distinguished



Ministries Award from the Anderson (Ind.) University School of Theology. John and his wife,

**Brenda Fozard '74**, are the parents of two children and also have two grandchildren.

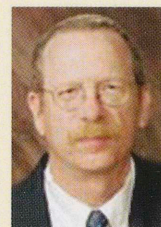
**Patrick Cullinane M.S. '75** is the new director of the University of California at Berkeley Retirement Center.



The center serves more than 11,000 retirees through programs and services that support the

UCB community. Before joining the retirement center, Cullinane spent 18 years as director of special projects for the American Society on Aging, based in San Francisco.

**David Hedin '75**, professor of physics at Northern Illinois University in De Kalb, is one of three named 2009 Board of Trustees Professors, an award that recognizes faculty members who have achieved a



consistent record of excellence in teaching, academic leadership, scholarship or artistry, and service

and outreach. The award comes with a \$10,000 stipend, renewable annually for five years.

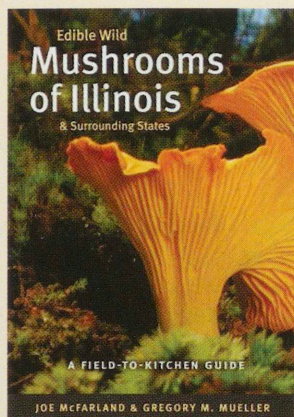
**Jim Lightner '75**, partner and CEO of Orion Energy Partners in Denver, Colo., received the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States' highest award last May, Wildcatter of the Year. The lifetime achievement recognition honors Lightner's character, achievements, service, and philanthropy.

**Dr. Julie Anderson '76** has joined the medical staff of Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau as a specialist in hyperbaric medicine and wound care.



**John Brewster J.D. '76**, a partner in the law firm of Winters Brewster Crosby & Schafer LLC in Marion, has been named city attorney for Herrin. Brewster, who serves on the board of the Bank of Herrin and chaired the board of Southern Illinois Healthcare, is a former member of the SIU Board of Trustees. Brewster replaces **Patricia McMeen, J.D. '81**, longtime Herrin city attorney, who died in May.

**Gregory Mueller '76, M.S. '79**, vice president of science and academic programs at the Chicago Botanic Garden in Glencoe, Ill., is co-author of *Edible Wild Mushrooms of Illinois and Surrounding States*, published by the University of Illinois Press. Mueller, an internationally known mycologist, was curator of fungi at the Field Museum of Natural



History for more than 23 years. He and his wife, **Betty Strack '76, M.S. '79**, live in Chicago, where she manages the scanning electron microscope lab at the Field Museum.

**James Rosengren '78** is the new deputy director for the Blaffer Gallery, the art museum of the University of Houston. Before his arrival in Houston, he lived in Ocala, Fla., working as an independent consultant for technology startup companies. As deputy director at Blaffer, Rosengren will provide oversight of museum administration, finance, physical plant, and security operations.

**John Erbes J.D. '79**, a clinical professor with the SIU School of Law Legal Clinic, is the clinic's interim director. During the one-year appointment, Erbes, in addition to overseeing the law school's



clinical program operations, will be a visiting assistant professor of law and teach the public

externship course and a section of the legal profession course. He and his wife, **Julie '80**, live in Murphysboro and have two sons.

**Jack Reed A.A. '79**, assistant fire chief for the Marion (Ill.) Fire Department and a member of the department for almost 30 years, has been pro-

moted to fire chief for the city. He replaces **Anthony Rinella '06**, who resigned the post to become a member of the Marion City Council.

## 1980s

**Jim Anaston-Karas '80**, project team manager at MSCW Inc., a collaborative design firm in Orlando, Fla., has been elected vice president of Sustainable Treasure Coast Inc., a nonprofit organization engaged in creating sustainable communities. He has more than 26 years of experience in public administration and advocacy, land planning, and environmental resources.

**Michael Baratta '80**, CEO and founding partner of Vector Consulting LLC in Chicago, has been named the 2009 Global M & A Network Boutique Turnaround Consultant of the Year. Baratta worked with a team of lawyers in implementing ypOne's turnaround plan. ypOne is a publisher of quality print and online yellow pages directories in the U.S. and Canada. The turnaround awards honor "brilliant leaders, victorious deals, firms and professionals from distressed M & A, restructuring and reorganization communities.

**Cheryl Tama Oblander '80** has joined the Chicago law firm Butler Ruben Saltarelli & Boyd LLP as a partner. She will concentrate her practice in labor and employment, business reorganization, bankruptcy, and insolvency. She also co-chairs the Joffrey Ballet Circle Committee and focuses her pro bono activities on education and the arts.

**Mary Rudasill J.D. '80**, an associate professor and clinical director at the SIU School of Law, retired June 30 after two decades with the University. A one-time junior high physical education teacher and coach, Rudasill switched career paths to attend law school and joined SIU in 1985 while still in private

practice. As clinic director, she has presided over providing free legal assistance to the elderly, domestic violence victims, and agriculture mediation. In retirement she will be involved in the not-for-profit Dispute Resolution Clinic, a group formed by her and other attorneys, which will specialize in alternative dispute resolution and mediation cases.

**Curt Jones '81, M.A. '86**, founder and president of Dippin' Dots ice cream, is the newest member of the Southern Illinois Research Park Board, appointed by the SIU Board of Trustees last May. Jones is a distinguished alumnus of SIU, a board member for the International Ice Cream Association, a lifetime member of the Entrepreneur of the Year Society, and winner of various other awards. He, wife Kay, and daughter Tracey live in Nashville, Tenn.

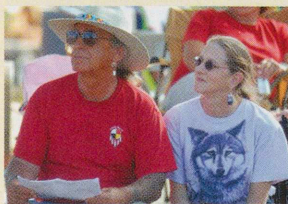
**Allen Meadors Ph.D. '81** is the new president of the University of Central Arkansas,



the school from which he graduated in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in business

administration. An Arkansas native, Meadors comes to the school after serving the past 10 years as chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

These days **Cheryl Farabaugh M.S. '82, Ph.D. '89**, former director of Institutional Research and Studies and executive assistant for information resources for the Office of the President, is known as Talking Bird and lives in the mountains



of Alabama. She and her husband, Keith Little Badger (a member of the Metis Tribe of Canada), are known as The Drum People. Keith builds the drums; Cheryl paints them. See their work at [www.thedrumpeople.com](http://www.thedrumpeople.com).

Master craftsman **Stephen Walker M.F.A. '82** and his wife, Susan, are celebrating their 25th anniversary in business together. Walker Metalsmiths Celtic Jewelry opened its first shop in 1984 in Andover, N.Y. Their newest store, located in Fairport, N.Y. is managed by their daughter, Jeanne.

**David Delaney '83**, president of PCS sales for the Potash Corp. in Northbrook, Ill., was honored for service to the agriculture industry by the SIU College of Agricultural Sciences during the college's awards banquet in February. He lives in Lake Forest.

The Illinois State Crime Commission honored Naperville Deputy Fire Chief **Richard Mikel '83** with an Award of Excellence in Public Safety. Mikel has more than 30 years experience in fire service. After earning his degree at Southern in fire science management, he went on to graduate from the Executive Fire Officer Program, U.S. Fire Administration, National Fire Academy, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

**Alan Rauch M.S. '83**, associate professor of English and president of the Society for



Literature, Science, and the Arts at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, has

published a book, *England in 1815: A Critical Edition of the Journal of Joseph Ballard*. It's a reprint of a travel narrative written by an American just after the War of 1812, published by Palgrave Macmillan. Rauch also spent 13 years at

the Georgia Institute of Technology as a faculty member in the School of Literature, Communication, and Culture.

**Kay Adkins '84, M.S. Ed.**

'90 took over the post of president of Yuba College in



Marysville, Calif., on July 1. She had previously been provost at Columbus (Ohio) State Community

College. In addition, Adkins has held various executive positions in Florida and Illinois in both rural and urban community colleges, and has experience working with business and industry, as well as secondary education and university partners.

**Scherrie Giamanco '84, M.S. '86** has been named state executive director in Illinois for the Farm Service Agency at the U.S. Department of Agriculture beginning July 1. Since 1997, Giamanco has been the price support program chief for the USDA Farm Service Agency in Illinois. She has worked with the USDA in Illinois since 1994 and is the recipient of several awards for outstanding performance. Prior to joining the USDA, Giamanco worked for U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, where she coordinated with federal departments on flood relief efforts and directed special projects.

**Will Devenport M.S. Ed. '85**, associate professor and director of the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies at SIU's College of Applied Sciences and Arts, has been named acting associate dean for the college. Before joining Southern in 1982, he worked as an independent building contractor, electrician/service technician, consultant, and as a vocational electronics instructor at East Richland High School in Olney.

**Colin Low '85, '85, M.B.A. '87**, General Electric's president



for Singapore, Philippines, and Cambodia, says developing people and attract-

ing talent to his company is his passion as well as his responsibility. He held positions formerly at Singapore Technologies (director of business development), ST Aerospace (market development manager and regional manager for North America), and at GE Aircraft Engines, as director of marketing and sales for the South Asia Pacific region and later managing director and general manager for Southeast Asia. He was the first Singaporean to be employed by the company.

**Russ Ward '87** has been named the new executive director of the Southern Illinois Tourism and Development Office, an organization that serves the southernmost 22 counties in Illinois. Ward, who was previously president of Commercial Images and Design Corp., a Jackson County-based advertising agency, was chosen for the post because of his experience in advertising, marketing, and public relations.

When she's not on stage performing, professional actress **Jane Brockman M.F.A. '89** travels the country leading workshops in audition technique and also teaches voice privately. This summer, Brockman and her husband, Tim Shew, led a workshop at the Hershey (Pa.) Area Playhouse that highlighted their careers on Broadway and provided an audition workshop.

**1990s**

**Karl Dukstein M.F.A. '90** was named Master Teacher for the 2008-2009 school year at Front Range Community College in Fort Collins, Colo. He is a professor of visual and media arts and heads the Visual and Media Arts program.

**David Recce '90** has been promoted to vice president of Research Facilities and Engineering Support Services at Arcata Associates Inc. He



manages Arcata's prime contract at the NASA Dryden Flight Research Center in

Edwards, Calif. Recce's division provides engineering, operations, maintenance, information technology, and multimedia services to the Western Aeronautical Test Range, Research Aircraft Integration Facility, Dryden Air Operations Facility, and the Dryden Flight Research Center. Prior to joining Arcata, Recce was the deputy manager of the Deep Space Network Infrastructure, Validation, and Verification Office for JPL.

**David Hartley '91** has been selected vice president and chief information officer at St. Louis-based Arch Coal, one of the nation's largest coal producers. Hartley will be responsible for information system operations, applications, infrastructure, security, and compliance for the entire corporation, including its subsidiaries. Before joining Arch Coal, Hartley was a founding member of Protiviti, a global consulting firm, where he served as director of the St. Louis office for seven years. Hartley, who is married to **Barbara Hartley '91**, has also served as a senior manager at both Ernst & Young and Arthur Andersen.

**Sandy Lang M.Acc. '92, Ph.D. '01**, associate professor



and chair of the McKendree University School of Accounting, is one of three professors selected

to receive the Illinois CPA Society's 2009 Outstanding Educator Award. The award recognizes Illinois educators at a university, college, or community college who excel in leadership and teaching, and who have made continuous and outstanding contributions to accounting education.

Poet **River Michaels '95**, whose graduation name was **Candace Gonzalez**, has



released her second book of poetry, the second in a projected seven-volume series. The newest

book is entitled *A River of Peace* and it is published by Outskirts Press. The first book, *A River of Rain*, appeared in 2008. For a look at her work, see [www.rivermichaels.com](http://www.rivermichaels.com). A native of Texas City, Texas, she now resides in Houston.

**Michael Burgener '96**, associate professor of aviation technologies, is the new chair of the department. He's been with the University since 2002; prior to that he served as program coordinator in aircraft maintenance technology at Trident Technical College in Charleston, S.C. His experience also includes work with Piedmont Airlines, and as an aircraft group support equipment mechanic with the US Air Force.

**Brian Lawrence '96**, as Republican staff director and communications director of the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Veterans'



Benefits and Memorial Affairs, helps U.S. veterans secure their rights and benefits. His job involves being adviser and counsel to the ranking member and other members of Congress with leg-

islative and oversight responsibilities for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The Muscatine, Iowa, native and his wife, Linda, live on a small island community on the Chesapeake Bay, near Annapolis, Md.

**Kristy McKearn '96** has been appointed undersecretary of Louisiana Economic Development. Beginning Aug. 3, McKearn will be responsible for business incentive services, including management of staff

functions for the Board of Commerce and Industry and the Louisiana Economic Development Corp.; accounting and budget control; procurement and contract management; human resources; program analysis; business recovery services; and legislative relations.

## 2000s

**Nathan Schaumleffel '98, M.S. '01**, assistant professor of



recreation and sports management at Indiana State University, was honored with the university's Community-Based Learning and Scholarship Award last April, an award that recognizes outstanding faculty who have made serving the community an integral part of their academic goals and activities through community-based learning activities and scholarship focused on community issues. Schaumleffel is also executive director of the American Humanics Program at ISU and creator of the Indiana Rural Recreation Development Project. Nathan and his wife, **Melissa '00**, are the parents of a son, Coleman, age 3.

**Greg Schwipps M.F.A. '99**, an assistant professor of English at Depauw University in Greencastle, Ind., was a finalist in the emerging author category for the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Authors Award, which is open to Indiana natives or Indiana residents of at least five years. He lives in Martinsville, Ind., with his wife, **Alissa Cayton '98**.

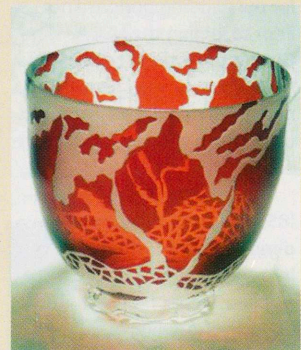
**Matthew Guenette M.F.A. '99** received an Outstanding Achievement in Poetry award from the Wisconsin Library Association for his poetry collection, *Sudden Anthem*. The award is given annually to Wisconsin authors; Guenette lives in Madison. The collection also was the 2007 winner of the American Poetry Journal Book.

**Mahmud Khan '01, M.S. '04, Ph.D. '07** is the winner of this year's Richard and Donna Falvo Outstanding Dissertation Award at SIU. Khan, who earned his doctorate in physics, won for his research titled, "Magnetic Entropy Changes and Exchanges Bias Effects Associated With Phase Transitions in Ferromagnetic Heusler Alloys."

Beginning in late September, **Tim Marsh '02, M.F.A. '06** becomes a fellow and resident at the Vermont Studio Center as one of 12 writers and part of the greater community of 50 total artists focusing on creative work. He will also receive an artist's grant.

**Matthew Gindlesparger '03** is faculty adviser and principal investigator for the University of Arizona's team competing in the 2009 Solar Decathlon Competition. The biannual competition, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, involves the design and fabrication of an energy-efficient home. Twenty teams from universities around the globe are selected to participate in each competition. The competition solicits prototypes of tomorrow's way of living and permits budding designers to gain a thorough understanding of the principles and possibilities of sustainable design. Gindlesparger grew up in Murphysboro and is the son of **Mark '76** and **Sue '76 Gindlesparger**.

Glassblower **Todd Manicki '03**, owner of Farmer City Art Glass in Farmer City, Ill., showed off his one-of-a-kind works in



June at the Pontiac Summer Bash. Manicki, who began his business in 2003 shortly after graduating with a bachelor of fine arts, teaches private classes on the art of glassblowing. See more of his work at [www.farmercityglass.com](http://www.farmercityglass.com).

**Sam Erwin '04** is the new principal of Oakwood Junior

## A Windy City Proposal

Whether one is a Cubs fan or a Cardinals fan, the annual SIU Day at Wrigley field is always an exciting event.

For **Joe Campbell '06**, this year's game, set for April 19, promised to be one of the most important days in his life. He planned to surprise his girlfriend, Amanda McKinney, during the seventh inning



stretch with a proposal of marriage and to give her a ring encased in a hollowed-out baseball.

Amanda, a bilingual/bicultural elementary education teacher in Waukegan, had no inkling of what was to come when the two decided to attend the game and invite their families – hers in the

Chicagoland area, his from Coulterville – to join in the fun.

On game day, torrential rains caused the game to be postponed. But undaunted, the group still showed up at the Association's pregame event at The Cubby Bear to eat, drink, and be merry. And as the event drew to a close, Amanda knew something was afoot when their relatives began crowding around her with cameras in hand.



When Joe flipped open a baseball and asked that important question, Amanda couldn't say yes quickly enough, even though she wasn't getting to do it in the friendly confines of Wrigley Field. They've set the date for October 2010.

Joe, a design engineer at KMI Systems Inc. in Crystal Lake, comes from a Saluki family. His parents are **Dean '74** and **Cookie '74, M.S. Ed. '00**. Dean is owner of

Campbell Farms in Coulterville, and Cookie is a fifth- and sixth-grade reading and language teacher in Coulterville. His sister, **Amy Campbell J.D. '08**, lives in De Soto.

High School in Vermilion County, Ill. He served as assistant principal of Hardin County High School in Elizabethtown last school year and had recently been promoted to principal for that district's grade school.

**Lindsey Cox '05** is community relations coordinator for Pathways Rehabilitation Facilities in southern Illinois, which is owned by the Peoria-based Petersen Health Care. Her territory covers health care facilities in Benton, West Frankfort, Enfield, McLeansboro, Jonesboro, and Harrisburg.

**Andrew Horonzy '05** is the new features editor for the Galesburg (Ill.) *Register-Mail*, covering features, lifestyles, food, and entertainment. A native of Le Roy, Ill., Horonzy was a managing editor for the *Daily Egyptian* and entertainment editor of its sister publication, *The Pulse*. Before joining the *Register-Mail*, he worked in Los Angeles as online editor for the Walt Disney Internet Group's startup site, Family.com, and then for MTV Networks, where he edited content for its video game site.

**Andrew Tanielian '06**, a reporter for WICS-TV in Springfield, received the 2009 National Edward R. Murrow Award for writing in the small-market television category. The awards, presented by the Radio-Television News Directors Association, honor excellence in electronic journalism. His entry in the competition was a compilation of three stories, available for viewing at [www.rtnda.org/2009MurrowAwards/play/playnational.php?id=1795](http://www.rtnda.org/2009MurrowAwards/play/playnational.php?id=1795).

**Nicole Defenbaugh Ph.D. '07**, assistant professor of communication studies at Bloomsburg (Pa.) University, is one of six winners of the second annual Celebrating UC

Success essay contest, a program that honors people who have

found personal ways to manage their ulcerative colitis, a form of inflammatory bowel disease.

**Esteban del Valle '07** is one of four young artists in residence at Hub-Bub in Spartanburg, S.C., a program that provides loft apartments and a monthly



stipend for 11 months. In exchange, the resident artists assist with Hub-Bub events and duties for 20 hours a week and also participate in community projects. A native of Chicago, del Valle earned his B.F.A. in painting at SIU. Along the way he also became a McNair Scholar and earned a REACH (Research-Enriched Academic Challenge) creativity award.

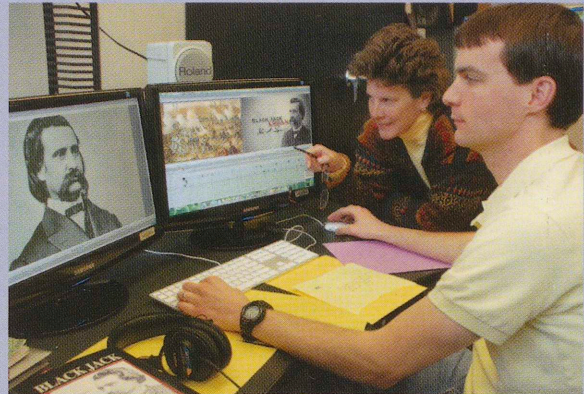
**Debra Fitzl M.S. '07** is the new assistant athletic trainer at the University of Illinois at Springfield. She spent the last two years as interim assistant athletic trainer at Indiana University and last January served as the trainer for the USA Under-21 Field Hockey Team at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival in Sydney. Fitzl also worked two years as a graduate assistant athletic trainer at SIU, where she worked with the football team, men's and women's basketball teams, and the spirit squads.

The photography of **Sarah Paz Hyde '07** was exhibited through August at the Tribeca Restaurant and Gallery in Paducah, Ky. Titled *Momentitos Peruanos*, the photos were taken on travels to Peru and the Philippines, her mother's home country. Sarah traveled with her brother, **Josh Hyde '02**, a writer and director, to help film the movie, *Postales*, where she acted as set photographer and assistant to the art director.

**Joe Vachon '07**, a native of Peoria, Ill., is an artist in resi-

## Yoars Wins Broadcast Award

**Chris Yoars M.S. '09** earned a Best of Festival King Foundation Award at the Broadcast Education Association's Festival of Media Arts last May for his documentary, *West Frankfort Mine*, an introspective look at the December 1951 New Orient No. 2 underground mine disaster that killed 119 men. Both the mine documentary and his one-hour documentary on Gen. John A. Logan (*Black Jack Logan*) aired on WSIU-TV.



Yoars works with Jan Thompson, an associate professor in radio-television, on "Black Jack Logan," a documentary on the life of southern Illinois hero and Civil War Gen. John A. Logan.



dence at D Acres of New Hampshire, an educational center that researches, applies, and teaches skills of sustainable living and small-scale organic farming. As the resident blacksmith, Vachon scours steel distributions, scrap yards, and buildings being renovated or torn down for useful pieces of steel that he can recycle through blacksmithing. He pounds out his creations on an English anvil he estimates to be 400 to 600 years old. More information about D Acres is available at [www.dacres.org](http://www.dacres.org).

**Eduardo Carrion '09** took over as CEO of the Regional Transportation Authority in Corpus Christi, Texas, in January. He had formerly been interim general manager.

As she works toward a second bachelor's degree at Southern, **Christine Holuj '09** is putting her artistic talents to work with an independent business, Murals by Christine, in her hometown of New Lenox, Ill. She began her mural business six years ago, but only offered it to the public three years ago. Her



brushes have been busy ever since. This fall Holuj will be student teaching in Naperville and Joliet. Once that's complete, she'll be eligible to teach K-12.

**Jackie Salemi '09** joined the staff of the Western DuPage Special Recreation Association as Special Olympics coordinator. Responsibilities include organizing the Special Olympics programs, supervising and mentoring coaches, staff, and volunteers.

# SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

*Then*



*...and now*



Students arriving at Southern in 1958 were often helped by upperclassmen wearing white beanies, labeling them as members of the New Student Week Committee. They would assist incoming freshman during the stressful day in much the same manner as students today. Here, two of those members help a student move into her new room at Woody Hall.

Now an official t-shirt helps new Salukis spot groups ready to assist them during New Student Week. Kay Ogunro, from Chicago, receives a helping hand from Student Development members Danelle Carter (far left, a junior from Oswego, Ill.), and Rabecca Woodhurst, (second from left, a junior from Rock Falls, Ill.), as he moves into Thompson Point. Along for the ride was his sister Mora and mother Cynthia Ogunro. Also helping students this August were employees at New Student Programs and University Housing.



The "Legacy of SIU" honors those who came before us, encourages us to be proud of our history, and inspires each of us to continue to be a part of the rich legacy of SIU. Visit us at [www.siu.edu/legacy](http://www.siu.edu/legacy)



---

## SIU Remains His First Passion

---

*F*or Andy Marcec '56, M.S. Ed. '73, the world has grown a lot larger and much more interesting than the one in which he grew up.

As a youngster in East St. Louis, Marcec trundled home from school every day to tend the chickens and turkeys his family raised in their backyard, a daily chore that kept him from participating in sports and other extracurricular activities.

After high school, he spent three years mixing chicken and horse feed in St. Louis-area mills, until friends convinced him that he ought to give college life at SIU a try. "My buddies told me a lot of things about Southern," Marcec says with a smile, "but they didn't tell me to study."

Education wasn't exactly his strong suit – he says he finished "eighth in my high school class – eighth from the bottom." And when he arrived at SIU, he says he was promptly enrolled in "dummy English," a five-day a week class.

But with the help of a few mentors who "helped me find out how much fun it was to learn," Marcec began to thrive. His sophomore year he was elected student government president, a position that brought him into regular contact with the likes of Delyte Morris, Charles Tenney, Robert MacVicar, and other University administrators.

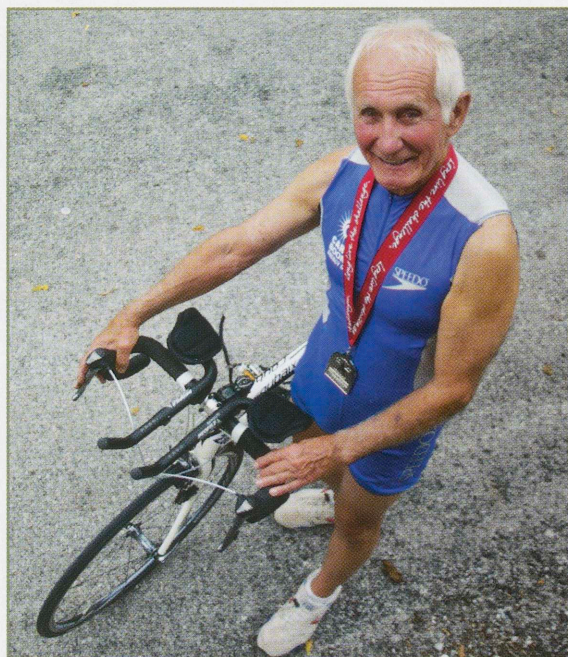
After earning a degree in agriculture, Marcec worked in that industry for several years, then accepted an offer from SIU to work at continuing education. For the next 26 years, he coordinated all manner of medical continuing education courses, working with hospitals, community colleges, and a consortium to accomplish his goals. During that time, he was integral in procuring more than \$1.4 million dollars in research and training money for medical professionals.

After he retired from the University, he spent another nine years recruiting physicians for Southern Illinois Healthcare.

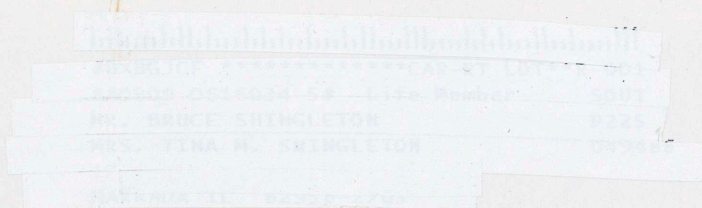
Once retired, Marcec found he had lots of time to devote to his other passion, fitness. He began running marathons in his 50s and in the last several years has graduated to triathlons, an event that involves running, biking, and swimming. This summer, at age 78, he brought home a silver medal from the 2009 Senior Olympics, and is proud that he still works out three hours per day.

But SIU remains his first passion. "We all have to stop and reflect on how important college is to your family and your work life. I wish people would regard what the University has done for them."

The longtime life member of the SIU Alumni Association wishes "everyone could share the love I have for this place. I'd like for people to stay involved and support the Association. You owe it to SIU, and it's a good way to say thank you for putting a new worth in your personal and work lives."



Marcec, who was president of the SIU Alumni Association from 1969-70, competes in several running, biking, and swimming events each year.



## Every Saluki has a story.



I arrived in Carbondale in 1998 as an awkward, homesick 18-year-old kid who'd never lived a day outside of California. My father flew out with me to SIU. He rented a car and moved me into my dorm. On the day he left he told me that it was a big world out there and people got lost in it all the time. But that didn't mean you stayed out of it. I remember the awful sense of uncertainty as I stood on the curb of Schneider Hall and watched him drive away – a feeling that I'd entered into something I wasn't nearly prepared for. For the rest of that first year, uncertainty would be my permanent condition. Gradually that condition would change. Uncertainty would fade to confidence, confidence to curiosity. Since that time I have lived in Italy, Ireland, Korea, and Newfoundland. I have written stories about places and people I could never have imagined without first seeing them with my own eyes. After so many years and adventures it becomes important to find the beginning, the alpha, that point, place, and time from which all your journeys and adventures sprung. For me, SIU is less an institution than a genesis. It is the place where the world first unveiled itself promising and diverse, a large grand thing worth entering.



TIMOTHY MARSH  
BA '02 Administration of Justice  
MFA '06 Creative Writing