SIU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
SPRING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING ITINERARY
APRIL 27-28, 2018

Friday, April 27

12:00 p.m. Executive Committee Luncheon,
Morris Library, 3rd Floor Rotunda

1:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting,
Morris Library, DeJarnett American Heritage Room, 3rd Floor

3:30 p.m. SIU Distinguished Alumni Award Ceremony –
Morris Library, John C. Guyon Auditorium

SIU Distinguished Alumni Award Reception—(following Award Ceremony)
Morris Library, Hall of Presidents and Chancellors

6:00 p.m. Board and Director Social—(following Distinguished Alumni Reception)
Student Center - Old Main Room

Saturday, April 28

8:30 a.m. CO Task Force Committee Meeting
Student Center, Missouri Room

8:30 a.m. SIUAA/SIUUF Joint Committee Meeting
Student Center, Iroquois Room

10:30 a.m. Ralph E. Becker Pavilion Dedication Ceremony

11:30 a.m. Board of Directors Luncheon
Student Center, Old Main Room

1:00 p.m. SIU Alumni Association Full Board Meeting
Student Center, Ballroom B
(Meeting should end at approximately 4:30 p.m.)
SIU Alumni Association
Spring Board of Directors Meeting
Student Center – Ballroom B
Saturday, April 28, 2018
1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order – Larry Mieldezis, President

II. Roll Call – Tina Shingleton, Corporate Secretary

Harold Bardo
Steve Brown
Treg Brown
Emily Buice
Ken Buzbee
Kimberly Dahlen
Randy Dunn
Forrest Fairall
Mike Farmer
Johnathan Flowers
Nick Harkovich
Gary Heflin
Rick Hiatt
Molly Hudiggins
Dede Ittner
Mike Kasser
Bethany Krajelis
Holly Kruep
Camelle Logan
Paul Melzer

Larry Mieldezis
Scott Moller
Carlo Montemagno
Allison Niendiek
Slade O'Keefe
Jeff Parks
Darzel Price
Joel Sambursky
Rachel Seay
Wayne Sirles
Laura Soucy
Charles Stewart III
Drew Stoker
Elizabeth Walker-Smith
Ben Weinberger
Stephen Wilson
Steve Wyatt
Greg Wright
Rick Wysocki

Michelle Suarez (Executive Director)
Patrice DeBlois (Asst. Treasurer/Controller)
John Huffman (Legal Counsel)
Tina Shingleton (Corporate Secretary)

III. Action on Minutes of October 13, 2017–Larry Mieldezis

IV. President’s Comment – Larry Mieldezis

V. Executive Director’s Report – Michelle Suarez
VI. SIU President’s Comments – Randy Dunn

VII. Chancellor’s Comments – Carlo Montemagno

VIII. Vice Chancellor’s Comments – James Salmo

IX. SIU Foundation Report – Harold Bardo

X. Treasurer’s Report – Greg Wright
   A. Finance Report
   B. Budget for FY 2019

XI. College/School Representatives’ Reports – Larry Mieldezis

Reports that were provided are posted to the Board Portal and appear at the end of the posted materials.

A. College of Agricultural Sciences – Mr. Rick Hiatt
B. College of Applied Sciences and Arts – Ms. Camelle Logan
C. College of Business – Mr. Drew Stoker
D. College of Education and Human Services – Mr. Paul Melzer
E. College of Engineering – Mr. Slade O’Keefe
F. College of Liberal Arts – Mr. Stephen Wilson
G. College of Mass Communication and Media Arts – Ms. Bethany Krajelis
H. College of Science – Dr. Treg Brown
I. School of Law – Hon. Kimberly Dahlen
J. School of Medicine – Dr. Jeff Parks

XII. Student Directors’ Reports – Larry Mieldezis

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A. Student Alumni Council President –
B. Graduate & Professional Student Council – Johnathan Flowers
C. Undergraduate Student Government –

XIII. Other Committee Reports – Larry Mieldezis

- Audit Committee – Greg Wright
- College/Professional School Relations – Rick Wysocki
- Communications – Molly Hudgins
• Investments – Scott Moller
• Member Services – Rick Wysocki
• Policy and Organization – Rick Wysocki/Molly Hudgins
• Scholarships – Gary Heflin
• Student Relations – Laura Soucy

• Constituent Organizations – Gary Heflin
• Saluki Alumni Plaza – Larry Mieldezis, Rick Wysocki, Drew Stoker
• SIUAA Planning Committee – Larry Mieldezis

XIV. Mandatory Board Business – Larry Mieldezis

• Ratification of Board of Election Results
  
  Re-Elected to the board is: Molly Hudgins, Michael Kasser, and Laura Soucy

• FY 2019 Executive Committee Slate
  
  President – Rick Wysocki
  
  Immediate Past President – Larry Mieldezis
  
  President Elect – Molly Hudgins
  
  Vice-President – Scott Moller
  
  Vice President – Gary Heflin
  
  Secretary – Dorothy Ittner
  
  Treasurer – Greg Wright
  
  Director at Large – Laura Soucy
  
  Director at Large – Allison Niendiek

XV. Old Business – Larry Mieldezis

• Results of Board Self-Evaluation – Scott Moller

• Saluki Alumni Plaza Project
XVI. New Business – Larry Mieldezis

- Approval of Problem Payment Policy
- Approval of Change in Complimentary Graduate Memberships
- Board Service Awards – Larry Mieldezis
- Passing of Gavel

XVII. Announcements – Larry Mieldezis –

- Saluki Baseball Alumni Golf Outing - Saturday, May 5, 2018
- SIU Day at Busch Stadium – Friday, June 15, 2018 – St. Louis, MO (SOLD OUT/Pre-Game Available)
- SIU in Nashville, TN (Coast to Coast) – June 22-24, 2018
- SIU Day at Brookfield Zoo (Coast to Coast) – Saturday, June 23, 2018
- Chicagoland Area Golf Outing – Monday, July 9, 2018
- SIU/SIUE 5th Annual Springfield Alumni Reception – Wednesday, July 11, 2018
- Summer Executive Committee Meeting – July 14, 2018 (NSO)
- SIU Day at Wrigley Field – September 28, 2018
- Family Weekend – Saturday, September 29, 2018
- Fall 2018 Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 18, 2018
- Fall 2018 Board of Directors Meeting – Friday, October 19, 2018
- Half Century Club and Class of 1968 Banquet – Friday, October 19, 2018
- Alumni Band Group Reunion – Friday, October 19, 2018
- SIU Homecoming Parade – Saturday, October 20, 2018
- Homecoming Football Game – Saturday, October 20, 2018
*Visit www.siualumni.com for a complete list of events.

XII. Adjournment – Larry Mieldezis
## Engagement Report

**FY 2018 Report Quarter 3**

### Membership

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### Communications

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### Events/Attendance

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<td>1,860</td>
<td>804</td>
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<td>Total Attendance</td>
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### Data Stats

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<td>Graduates</td>
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### Student Engagement

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<td>104</td>
<td>88</td>
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<td>75</td>
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<td>Scholarship Committee Awarded #</td>
<td>174</td>
<td>130</td>
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### Alumni Engagement

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<td>Tell Us Your Story submissions</td>
<td>311</td>
<td>327</td>
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<td>Volunteer SIU</td>
<td>145</td>
<td>158</td>
<td>200</td>
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*Not including SIU Support*
The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2018

March 31, 2018

Greg Wright, FHFMA
Treasurer

Desiree Cox / Patrice DeBlois
Account Tech III / CPA Controller
The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

FINANCIAL REPORT

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The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

March 31, 2018
(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR MARCH 31, 2017)

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<td>Accounts Receivable</td>
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<td>23,505</td>
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<td>50,366</td>
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

$9,343,656  $8,530,407  $813,249  9.53%
The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2018 AND 2017

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<td>25,000</td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>6,974</td>
<td>6,588</td>
<td>10,000</td>
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<td>Investment Gains / (Losses)</td>
<td>526,951</td>
<td>757,951</td>
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<td>Dividend and Interest Income, Net</td>
<td>192,395</td>
<td>173,853</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,462,612</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,762,851</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,073,000</strong></td>
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<td>Operating Expenses</td>
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<td>Budget Expended from SIU</td>
<td>$380,021</td>
<td>$356,375</td>
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<td>Administrative</td>
<td>33,833</td>
<td>39,991</td>
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<td>Communications</td>
<td>185,292</td>
<td>205,789</td>
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<td>Member Services</td>
<td>18,542</td>
<td>84,278</td>
<td>111,100</td>
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<td>Promotions</td>
<td>2,968</td>
<td>2,812</td>
<td>11,000</td>
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<td>12,495</td>
<td>39,576</td>
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<td>Board of Directors</td>
<td>22,093</td>
<td>20,677</td>
<td>31,675</td>
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<td>Off Campus Programs</td>
<td>30,508</td>
<td>90,854</td>
<td>112,175</td>
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<td>Homecoming</td>
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<td>7,775</td>
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<td>University Master Contract Payment</td>
<td>7,766</td>
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<td>6,431</td>
<td>25,025</td>
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<td>Constituent Relations</td>
<td>2,316</td>
<td>3,931</td>
<td>6,500</td>
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<td>Awards and Contributions</td>
<td>25,493</td>
<td>19,845</td>
<td>50,749</td>
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<td>Operational Support</td>
<td>10,682</td>
<td>10,019</td>
<td>11,405</td>
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<td>Corporate Relations / Sponsorship Development</td>
<td>4,737</td>
<td>4,753</td>
<td>17,650</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>24,082</td>
<td>23,840</td>
<td>32,000</td>
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<td>On Campus Programs</td>
<td>11,066</td>
<td>23,206</td>
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<td>53</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1,250</td>
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<td>Professional Development</td>
<td>7,168</td>
<td>4,830</td>
<td>9,700</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>$787,393</strong></td>
<td><strong>$943,822</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,376,209</strong></td>
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Change in net assets | $675,219 | $819,029 | $(303,209)
1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

A. Organization: The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated (the "Association") located in Carbondale, Illinois exists for the primary purpose of cultivating support of Southern Illinois University ("SIU" or "University") in achieving its educational, research, and service goals and responsibilities through membership, alumni events, and keeping alumni informed of development at the University.

Due to the significance of the financial relationship with the University, in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, and GASB Statement No. 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units, the Association is included as a component unit of the University for financial reporting purposes. The financial activities included in the Association's financial statements are reported in a separate column in the University's financial statements to emphasize that the Association is an Illinois not-for-profit organization legally separate from the University.

These financial statements include all financial activities over which the Association exercises direct responsibility.

B. Financial Statement Presentation: Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in its Statement of Financial Accounting Standards SFAS No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under those provisions, net assets and revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the absence or existence and nature of donor-imposed restrictions as follows:

- Unrestricted net assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. The Association's Board of Directors has designated $1,000,000 of the unrestricted net assets for the construction of an alumni center and $4,000,000 of unrestricted net assets as a general operations fund for the Association. In addition, the Association's Board of Directors has designated $1,189,266 of the unrestricted net assets for scholarships as of March 31, 2018.

- Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the Association pursuant to those stipulations or that expire by the passage of time. There were no temporarily restricted net assets as of March 31, 2018 and 2017.

- Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Association. There were no permanently restricted net assets as of March 31, 2018 and 2017.

C. Cash Equivalents: For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Association considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Not included for interim statements.

D. Investments: The Association accounts for its investments at fair value. Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported as a component of investment income in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets.
E. Property and Equipment: Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided for in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives, on a straight-line basis. All items exceeding $1,000 are capitalized.

F. Deferred Revenue: Revenue on annual and life memberships is recognized ratably over the membership period. For life memberships, 20% is recognized the first year and the remaining is amortized over 40 years. Fees, including activities fees, are recognized when earned and credit card royalties are recognized over the length of the contract. Deferred revenue at March 31, 2018 represents the unexpired portion of memberships. The Association considers all receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

G. Revenue Recognition: Revenue is recognized under the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, dues are collected annually and are recognized as revenues in the applicable membership period on a monthly pro rata basis.

H. In-Kind Materials, Facilities and Services: Donated supplies and materials are recorded as contributions and as expenses of the appropriate program or supporting service at their determinable fair value at the date of donation.

I. Net Assets: The Association’s net assets are classified as follows:

- **Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:** This represents the Association’s total investments in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt obligations, if any, related to those capital assets.

- **Unrestricted net assets:** Unrestricted net assets represent resources available for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the Association, and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose.

- **Board designated assets:** This represents the Association’s Board of Director’s decision to dedicate funds for operations, scholarships, and an Alumni Center.

J. Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes.

K. Income Taxes: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a determination letter, dated August 20, 1990, indicating that the Association qualifies for federal income tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code except for income taxes associated with unrelated business income. No provision has been made as management does not believe it has significant unrelated business income.

L. Subsequent Events: Management has evaluated subsequent events for recognition and disclosure in the financial statements through March 31, 2018, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Through March 31, 2018 no subsequent events required recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

M. Prior Period Financial Information: The financial statements include certain prior-year comparative information. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Association’s financial statements for the period ended March 31, 2017 from which the summarized financial information was derived.
2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Deposits with Regions Bank: The Association deposits its cash receipts in Regions Bank. At March 31, 2018, the amount on deposit with Regions Bank totaled $134,665 and the carrying amount was $129,944.

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Association's deposits may not be returned to it. The cash held by Regions Bank follow strict collateralization requirements that are consistent with the requirements of the State Treasurer's Collateral Agreement. Deposits are FDIC insured up to $250,000. At March 31, 2018, the Association did not have deposits over $250,000.

B. Investments: The Board of Directors of the Association is responsible for the management of the Association's investments. The Board, through the bylaws, has given authority to the Investment and Transaction Committees to formulate an investment policy for funds and assets held by the Association. These Committees shall submit that policy to the Board for approval, periodically recommend changes in policy as appropriate, interpret that policy to any of Association's investment managers, and oversee implementation of that policy. Investment performance is reviewed quarterly and investments are reported at fair value in the Statement of Net Assets.

The Association determines the fair value of investments to be the amount at which financial instruments could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, usually quoted market prices. Also, certain money market investments having a remaining maturity of one year or less at time of purchase and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit with redemption terms that do not consider market rates are carried at amortized cost. Realized gains and losses and the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments are included in the net investment gain (loss) in the Statement of Activities.

C. Investment Risks:

- **Interest Rate Risk** - Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. In order to capture the highest yield and due to the fact that a majority of the Association's investments have a long time horizon, the Association has not set limits on investment maturities.

- **Foreign Currency Risk** – Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Association has investments in one mutual fund (American Funds Capital World Growth and Income) that invests in securities of various countries. The Association has not adopted a policy with respect to foreign currency risk.

- **Credit Risk** - Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Association's general investment policy is to produce the maximum total return consistent with acceptable risk levels. Moderately aggressive investment strategies are utilized to achieve investment goals, as growth of assets, rather than the production of income, is the primary portfolio objective.

- **Concentration of Credit Risk** - The Association has no limit on the amount that can be invested with any one issuer. As of March 31, 2018, the Association did not have more than five percent of the Association's investments with any issuer.

- **Custodial Credit Risk** - Custodial Credit Risk is the risk that, in the event of failure of the counterparty, the Association will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. As of March 31, 2018, the Association did not have any securities at risk.
3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Following are the changes in capital assets for Fiscal Year 2018:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<th>Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment</th>
<th>Less Accumulated Depreciation</th>
<th>Capital Assets, Net</th>
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<td>Balance June 30, 2017</td>
<td>$314,446</td>
<td>($241,531)</td>
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<td>Additions</td>
<td>1,533</td>
<td>(24,082)</td>
<td>(22,549)</td>
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<td>Retirements</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<td>Balance March 31, 2018</td>
<td>$315,979</td>
<td>($265,613)</td>
<td>$50,366</td>
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4. CREDIT CARD ARRANGEMENT

The Association entered into an agreement with Commerce Bank, effective July 1, 2014. During the year ended June 30, 2015, the Association received a $25,000 advance on royalties. Regardless of sales performance, the Association is not liable to pay back the advance. All $25,000 was recognized as earned income as of June 30, 2017.
5. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liabilities consist of deferred revenue. Activity for fiscal year 2018 was as follows:

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<th>Balance June 30, 2017</th>
<th>Balance March 31, 2018</th>
<th>Amounts due within One Year</th>
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<td>Royalties</td>
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<td>Dues</td>
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<td>1,770,486</td>
<td>83,780</td>
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<td>Activities and events</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,750,783</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,770,486</strong></td>
<td><strong>$83,780</strong></td>
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6. RETIREMENT PLAN

All full-time Association personnel are University employees. Retirement benefits and post-retirement benefits other than pension are available for eligible SIU employees under a contributory retirement plan (the "Plan") administered by the State Universities Retirement System. Participants of the Plan contribute eight percent of their gross earnings, and the University annually contributes an amount determined by the State Legislature from State appropriations and amounts from other current funds based on actuarially determined rates. Information pertaining to the Plan and Plan benefits can be found in the University financial statements. The Association does not own any of the Plan assets and has no responsibility for the Plan obligations.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Association has entered into a master contract with the Board of Trustees of SIU that specifies the relationship between the two organizations in accordance with the Legislative Audit Commission's University Guidelines, 1997, as amended. Among the provisions of the contract is a requirement that the Association, in return for staff and use of the facilities, agrees to annually reimburse the University for the proportionate share of costs involved. This reimbursement is computed as the annual salary cost of the University's Alumni Services Department times a percentage (6.45% in 2017), based on the total number of addressable alumni members divided by the total number of addressable alumni on file. Both the Association and the University agree to the percentage on an annual basis.

The Association recognizes as revenue and expense those on-behalf payments for salaries made by the University for personnel of the Association. For the period ended March 31, 2018 these amounts totaled $380,021 and are included in Budget allocation from SIU and budget expended at SIU in the accompanying Statement of Activities.

The Association uses various services of the University and directly reimburses the University at a cost equal to that charged by the University to other users.
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<th>FY18 BUDGET</th>
<th>FY18 ACTUAL AS OF 3/31</th>
<th>FY19 PROPOSED BUDGET</th>
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<td>$100,000</td>
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<td>BUDGET ALLOCATION FROM SIU</td>
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<td>ROYALTIES AND OTHER INCOME</td>
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<td>SPONSORSHIP (9,600 non-cash)</td>
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<td>TOTAL REVENUES</td>
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<td>EXPENSES</td>
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<td>$1,472,135</td>
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<td>($359,285)</td>
<td>($18,634)</td>
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FY19 Proposed Budget - Expense
### Fiscal Year 2018
SIU Alumni Association Scholarship Committee Report
Through 3/31/2018

**Amount Available for FY 2017 Scholarships as of June 30, 2017:** $20,749.94

**FY18 Scholarship Investment Allocation (Greater of 10% of gains or $30,000):** $30,000.00

**Amount Available for FY 2018 Scholarships:** $50,749.94

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Scholarships Awarded in Fiscal Year 2017</th>
<th>Budgeted</th>
<th>Awarded</th>
<th>Remaining</th>
<th>Impacted</th>
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<td>Chapter/Club/Constituent Group Scholarship Matching</td>
<td>$3,000.00</td>
<td>$1,750.58</td>
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<td>Textbook Scholarships</td>
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<td>$3,092.58</td>
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<td>Registered Student Organization Support</td>
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<td>Dawg Days (Touch of Nature)</td>
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<td>10 Students</td>
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<td>Recruitment Video - 5 restructured colleges</td>
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<td>Multicultural Resource Center Textbooks</td>
<td>$750.00</td>
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<td>Chemistry/Biochemistry - Research Assistants</td>
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<td>$1,500.00</td>
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<td>College of Business - Alumni &amp; Prospective Student Reception</td>
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<td>Varies</td>
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<td>Saluki Athletic Scholarship Fund</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alexander Lane Internship</td>
<td>$3,500.00</td>
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<td>1 Student</td>
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<td>Extern Program Scholarship</td>
<td>$2,500.00</td>
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<td>8 Students</td>
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<td><strong>Total Scholarships Awarded</strong></td>
<td>$51,125.00</td>
<td>$26,153.00</td>
<td>$24,972.00</td>
<td>Approx. 90 Students</td>
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**Amount Remaining for FY 2018 Scholarships:** $24,596.94

**Projected Investment Gain/Loss (14.3% of Gain/Loss):**

**Projected Amount Remaining for Ending Balance FY 2018 Scholarships:** $24,596.94
Forever SIU
Alumni Association Landmark Project

Saluki Alumni Plaza

April 16, 2018

Project Committee: Drew Stoker, Nick Harkovich, Holly Kruep, Scott Moller, Pam Montemagno

SIUAA Staff Facilitators: Michelle Suarez, Patrice DeBlois

SIUAA Executive Committee: Larry Mieldezis, Rick Wysocki
Forever SIU Alumni Association Landmark Project

Saluki Alumni Plaza

The following material represents the work to date that has been completed for Saluki Alumni Plaza and is a work-in-process. This information may change as more details are determined and finalized.
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project
Saluki Alumni Plaza

Purpose of Briefing
- Brief Saluki Alumni Plaza to SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors
  - Background and Purpose
  - Design
  - Location
  - Timeline
  - SIU Colleges and University Participation
  - Artist John Medwedeff
  - Estimated Costs
  - Funding Approach
- Request Board Approval for Committee to Continue
Background

The SIU Alumni Association desires to create a landmark meeting place on the SIU-Carbondale campus for alumni, current (and prospective) students, faculty and staff. Completed a Create Research Activity with the board in November, 2017

Eventually the landmark would become a center-piece "theme" for connecting SIU Alumni, using the exact coordinates on campus as linkage from anywhere around the globe.

Over time, this could establish a new tradition at SIU:

- Great focal place for meeting friends, family and more:
- "Let’s meet at Saluki Alumni Plaza"
- Take keepsake photographs at the new Saluki landmark, catalyst for a new tradition and evoke emotional connection
- Similar to The Arch at the University of Georgia, The Columns at Mizzou, the University of Florida "Gator" statues, and the University of Kentucky Wildcat Alumni Plaza

Association Subcommittee presented concept consideration and associated details to SIU AA Executive Committee and Chancellor to consider moving forward.
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project

Saluki Alumni Plaza

Why? Why Now?

- Memorializes Southern Illinois University's 150-year anniversary
- Establishes a special gift from the Alumni Association to SIU
- Creates a central "Meet-Up" location and photo-op spot
- Communicates the positive impact an SIU experience has on the individual and society as a whole.
- Focal point sculpture designed by nationally recognized, local artist John Medwedeff
- A collaboration with many SIU partners
- Strategically located between Pulliam Hall and Woody Hall and adjacent to the Pulliam clock tower.
To celebrate Southern Illinois University’s 150-year anniversary and its rich and storied history, the SIU Alumni Association has initiated a gift to the campus to be known as Saluki Alumni Plaza. The plaza will serve as a campus meeting point for students, families, friends and alumni. The focal point of Saluki Alumni Plaza is a brass sculpture featuring three Saluki canines. The three canines represent SIU students past, present, and future. The trajectory of the dogs is noticeably forward to symbolize the positive impact an SIU experience has on the individual and society as a whole. The bounding movement of the Salukis calls on graduates to go out into the world to continue their journey and deploy their talents.

As an extension of the exhibit, the SIU Alumni Association will maintain 150 unique Saluki stories on its website. A committee comprised of students and alums will select these stories of inspiration and a new story will be added each year. Saluki Alumni Plaza will serve as the ideal campus location for students and alumni to capture memories with family, friends, and fellow students, such as the milestone of graduation from this great institution. The sculpture is the work of nationally-recognized local artist John Medwedeff and SIU PSO and hand-forged with the assistance of SIU students and alums. The plaza will be strategically located between Pulliam Hall and Woody Hall adjacent to the Pulliam clock tower."
Three statue form Salukis in running poses symbolizing completing their education at SIU and propelling themselves into their new exciting future endeavors.
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Saluki Alumni Plaza

Initial foam cut-outs of our written descriptions

First Visual of Photo Op!
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Full Size Mock-up with Pulliam and Clocktower as the Background

First Artist's Rendition of a Possible Saluki Alumni Plaza Concept
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Saluki Alumni Plaza

Landmark Location

• Multiple campus locations considered
• Proximity to approved Alumni Association office location
• Selected Location:
  • The open, grassy area between Woody Hall and Pulliam Hall
  • Provides vehicle access and parking
  • Reasonable walking access from most of campus
  • Clocktower in background for photographs
• Potential add-on or future expansion options (seating, etc.)
• Requires further coordination with appropriate SIU authorities/decision-makers
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project
Saluki Alumni Plaza

Project Timeline: Nov 2017 to April 2018 SIU AA Board Meeting
Anticipated Project Timeline: May 2018 to Unveiling

- **May-June 2018**: Finalize Design & Technical Matters
- **July**: Artist Design
- **Aug-Sep 2018**: Procurements - PSO
- **Oct-Nov 2018**: Artist: 3D scanning of Scale Models & CNC Milling
- **Dec 2018**: Full Scale Art Work & Carving thru Saluki
- **Jan-Feb 2019**: Installation
- **March 2019**: Unveiling at Homecoming
- **Oct 2019**: Update SIU AA Board

*Requires use of AA advance funding.*
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project
Saluki Alumni Plaza

Leverage SIU Colleges and University Participation
School of Art & Design: faculty and alumni Kay Zwickovich, Ron Dunkel and Nick Pellman

Overall design of the project

Produce or coordinate production of the Saluki statues

Plant and Services Operations (PSO): Brad Dillard, Shawn Bond, Dave Tippy

Support services in the design and build

Assist with determining landmark location

Lead role for producing the base, landscaping, utilities, etc.

Student Alumni Council: TBD

Engage following SIU AA approval to proceed

SIU Foundation: Jim Salmo, Toi Hatcher

Support obtaining funding for the project

Chancellor and President's Offices: Dr. Carlo Montemagno, Dr. Randy Dunn

Overall project support
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project
Saluki Alumni Plaza

JOHN MEDWEDEFF


Education
1991  M.F.A., Metalsmithing, Southern Illinois University Carbondale
1986  B.F.A., Metalsmithing & Sculpture, SIUC
      Memphis Academy of Art, Memphis, TN, 1980-1982

2006  Distinguished Alumnus Award, SIUC College of Liberal Arts, Shirley Clay Scott, Dean

Recognitions are on the accompanying J. Medwedeff resume:
Selected Sculpture Commissions
Selected Public and Private Architectural Metal Commissions
Selected Restoration Projects
Selected Exhibitions
Most Recent Lectures + Teaching
Selected Bibliography + Reviews
Selected Collections + Clients

John Medwedeff's sculpture, architectural metalwork, and design are represented in private, corporate, and public collections throughout the United States.
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Saluki Alumni Plaza

Estimated Costs

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Saluki Alumni Plaza

Funding Model Under Consideration

- 12-month fund raising campaign, target all SIU Alumni, goal of raising 50% of total cost
  - Joint Foundation and Association - multi-level touch points
  - E-mail, Print Advertising (magazine), chapters, internal calling campaign, campus events
- SIU Alumni Association will provide a dollar-for-dollar match up to 50% of total cost
  - Determine AA match sources
- Donor recognition inscription concept to complement design
- Target project work to begin Third Quarter 2018
- Target completion and unveiling to be Homecoming 2019, coinciding with SIU’s 150th anniversary
Committee Next Steps following SIU AA Board Approval to Continue

- Continue to develop and finalize design and technical details with SIU School of Art & Design faculty, alumni, SIUPSO and Artist
- Finalize Funding model with SIU Foundation
- Position project as part of anticipated Association Office relocation initiative on campus
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project

Saluki Alumni Plaza

Request SIU AA Board Approval at April 28, Board meeting
Committee to continue pursuing design/technical information and funding
Approach for Saluki Alumni Plaza

Planned Next Approval Steps

AA will conduct mid-summer vote of AA Board Members for Saluki Alumni Plaza

Target completion date of October 2019 Saluki Homecoming weekend
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Saluki Alumni Plaza

Thank You!
Forever SIU Alumni Association Project

Saluki Alumni Plaza

Other University Project Examples
University of Georgia Arch

- At nearly 160 years old, the cast iron Arch bordering North Campus and Downtown Athens, represents both the past and the future of the University of Georgia.
- The Arch is modeled after the Georgia state seal featuring the three pillars of wisdom, justice and moderation. To that end, the Arch is a reminder of the university's ties to Georgia as the birthplace of public higher education in America and its commitment as a land-grant and sea-grant university to serve the people of Georgia.
- For such an iconic symbol, the Arch's origins are remarkably unassuming. Ironworkers at the Athens Foundry, which produced ironworks across the city and the campus, probably forged the Arch in 1857 when an iron gate was erected to separate Broad Street and the north end of the university. At the time, cattle roaming the dirt road that is now Broad Street were grazing on the North Campus lawn. Functionally speaking, this 16-foot, roughly 5,700-pound monument first acted as a gateway for the fence, with two doors connecting the columns. In fact, it was referred to as "the gate" rather than "the Arch" until the early 20th century.
- The pillars at the Arch's base were apparently made from the iron light poles erected elsewhere in the city, and the arch over them was made from boiler retention rings. The wreath detailing that adorns the Arch has a striking resemblance to embellishments on the Lucy Cobb House porch in Athens. In short, the Arch was fashioned from existing pieces, rather than being made from scratch.
- Over time, the Arch has become synonymous with the university itself. Though it is nearly 70 years younger than the university's charter, the Arch's endurance through time mirrors the university's enduring motto "to teach, to serve and to inquire into the nature of things."
University of Missouri Columns

The traditional symbol of the University of Missouri is the row of six Ionic columns. The Columns once supported the portico of Academic Hall, the first building erected on campus. Academic Hall was built between 1840 and 1843 from plans drawn by A. Stephen Hills, designer of the Missouri State Capitol. It consisted of a domed central section of three stories with two wings and housed both educational and administrative facilities. Brick for the building was fired on campus. Limestone for the Columns was obtained from the nearby Hinkson Creek Valley, and was hauled to the building by ox-drawn carts.

On Jan. 9, 1892, Academic Hall was destroyed by fire and the Columns were all that remained. In August 1893 the Board of Curators voted to remove the Columns, considering them not only unsafe but unsightly. However, supporters of the Columns rallied to their defense, and after inspection showed the foundations were safe, the Board voted to retain them in December. 1893. Now the Columns stand as a beloved part of MU’s campus.
Standing hand in hand outside of Emerson Alumni Hall are the bronze life-size statues of Albert and Alberta. This mascot couple's love for each other reflects the love that we have for our school, especially on game days when students will stop and rub the statues for good luck on the way to the stadium. This well-known location is also a favorite among recent graduates for photo-ops with their family and friends. What better place to create a lasting memory than with the two most iconic ambassadors of UF?

In celebration of the recently completed construction of Heavener Hall, a building part of the Warrington College of Business Administration, this bronze globe with a gator on top illustrates that Gator Nation is everywhere. On any day, you can see students sitting and chatting around the landmark with their friends after getting Krishna lunch. Although current students take photos with their friends here now for fun, they'll all one day become UF alumni who will go wherever their careers take them, whether in a neighboring city or halfway across the world. This statue is a reminder that no matter where you go, you will always find great Gators who are products of this even greater school.
University of Kentucky

- Wildcat Alumni Plaza: The University of Kentucky Alumni Association is pleased to announce the beginning of a new tradition at UK - an intricately detailed bronze Wildcat sculpture that is the centerpiece of Wildcat Alumni Plaza!

- Across Avenue of Champions from the legendary Memorial Coliseum you will find a place called Wildcat Alumni Plaza. The Plaza is home to countless UK stories, etched in stone — forever part of the university's rich history. And the guardian of UK's Tradition of Legacy, is Bowman, the Wildcat sculpture.

- The intricately detailed bronze sculpture is a perfect representation of the spirit, perseverance and determination of John Bowman, the visionary who assured the creation of the University of Kentucky. Appropriately named after the school's founder, Bowman serves as a symbol of the University of Kentucky and a touchstone that will inspire a sentimental connection among present and future alumni to their alma mater.

- The idea of a Wildcat sculpture was suggested by a group of student leaders, and with the support of the campus community, the UK Alumni Association financed and lead the plaza project. Wildcat Alumni Plaza is now one of the most popular places on campus to take pictures (Bowman is very photogenic!), and students and visitors alike, are known to “pat the cat” for luck as they walk by. Bowman even gladly welcomes the brave at heart who venture to “ride the cat!”

- Be part of UK’s Tradition of Legacy: Join so many other alumni, students and friends of UK who have left their permanent mark on campus through the purchase of a Wildcat Alumni Plaza commemorative brick paver. Pavers are a great way to display your Wildcat spirit, memorialize a loved one or to give as a unique and sentimental gift for any member of Big Blue Nation.
Future Follow-On Phase Considerations
Secondary Phase: Linkage to Colleges and other University entities:

Eventually the landmark would become a center-piece "theme" for connecting SIU Alumni and University presence, using the exact coordinates on campus as linkage from anywhere around the globe.

- Place a single Saluki statue at each main college building on campus of beyond
  - Running pose but slightly smaller (younger) than the landmark Salukis
  - Point exactly (with coordinates) toward Saluki Alumni Plaza providing a linkage as students go through their college career and eventually exit the university into the world
- Cite "College of ______" or University entity on statue base
- Include text on a baseplate about students moving toward graduation and becoming alumni
- Etch the names of the colleges or entities on Saluki Alumni Plaza benches as pull back linkage
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Saluki Alumni Plaza

- Exact Coordinates of Landmark will serve as the geographic connection back home to SIU
- All Landmark extensions around the globe would point precisely at these coordinates as our SALUKI HOME

37°43'05"N 89°13'06"W
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1991 M.F.A., Metalsmithing, Southern Illinois University Carbondale
1986 B.F.A., Metalsmithing & Sculpture, SIUC
Memphis Academy of Art, Memphis, TN, 1980-1982

Selected Sculpture Commissions
2017 Monumental, suspended glass, aluminum, and polycarbonate sculpture (collaboration with Erica Strecker), University of Kentucky Children’s Hospital, Lexington, KY.
Monumental steel sculpture, Arts in Culture Alliance State St. Competition, Knoxville, TN.
Forged steel sculpture, Community Prayer Garden, Herrin, IL.
2016 Orbit, COR-TEN outdoor sculpture, residential commission.
Untitled, COR-TEN outdoor sculpture, residential commission.
2015 Guardian, forged bronze outdoor sculpture, residential commission.
Nucleus, monumental COR-TEN steel sculpture for Terra House, downtown Nashville, TN.
Emergence, bronze sculpture for Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.
Awarded: Monumental steel sculpture for the campus of the SIUC Transportation Center. Project awaiting State of Illinois Percent for the Arts budget line.
2014 Aperture, monumental steel sculpture for the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.
Confluence, monumental steel sculpture for Taylor Flats, a residential & commercial development in the Germantown neighborhood of Nashville, TN.
2013 Apex, monumental bronze, sculptural fountain, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL.
2011 Voyage, monumental bronze sculpture for SAS Institute Inc, Cary, NC.
Sparling, forged & fabricated bronze sculpture, residential commission, Marion, IL.
2010 Town Center Park Fountain, Sculptural Band Shell & Greenspace, a city park that incorporates a stainless steel sculptural band shell, amphitheatre, bronze fountain and native gardens adjacent to the Sallie Logan Library, Murphysboro, IL.
2009 Lieber Fountain, forged & fabricated bronze sculptural fountain, residence, St. Louis, MO.
2008  


**Willow**, forged and fabricated steel sculpture commissioned for the Boyle Investment Company Plaza through the UrbanArt Commission, Memphis, TN.

2006  

**Bloom**, forged and fabricated bronze sculpture, Lewis & Clark College, Godfrey, IL.

2005  

**Centripetal**, forged and fabricated bronze, Judicial Complex, Sarasota, FL.

**Parhelion**, forged steel sculpture, Carbondale Community High School, Carbondale, IL.

2004  

**Momentum**, fabricated steel and aluminum sculpture, College of Engineering, SIUC.

2003  


2002  

**Millennium Plaza Fountain**, forged & fabricated bronze, Montgomery County Courthouse, Clarksville, TN.

**Oasis**, fabricated bronze sculptural fountain, Harper College, Palatine, IL.

2001  

**Whirl**, fabricated steel, aluminum sculpture, Vance Park Riverfront, Memphis, TN.

2000  

**Zephyr**, forged and fabricated steel sculpture, IL Capitol Development Board, Illinois Artisans Building, Springfield, IL.

1999  

**Smysor Plaza Fountain**, forged bronze, Elizabeth Smysor Park, Murphysboro, IL.

**Combustion**, forged and fabricated steel wall sculpture, State of Illinois, Communications Building, SIUC.

1998  

**Halfside Jack**, a forged steel Celebratory Arch Sculpture, IL Capitol Development Board, Illinois Artisans Building, Springfield, IL.

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**Selected Public and Private Architectural Metal Commissions**

2017  

**Custom Public Benches for Carbondale, Illinois**, Carbondale Community Arts competition.

2016  

**Custom Fire Screens** for the Mercer County, KY Public Library. Design collaboration with Erica Strecke of Lexington, KY.

**Mello Entry Railings**, residential commission, Brentwood, TN.

**Plummer Entry Railings**, residential commission, Nashville, TN.

2015  

**Portis custom bronze furniture**, ongoing residential commission, Nashville, TN.

2014  

**Auxier Stair Railing**, forged and fabricated steel, residential, Murphysboro, IL.

**Solomon Garden Railings**. An ongoing series of forged steel sculptural railings and fixtures for GATOP, a renowned forest garden in Knoxville, TN.

2010  

**Forged and fabricated custom Ironwork** for **Mariposa**, a residence in Rancho Santa Fe, CA. Commissioned work included two forged steel chandeliers, four large steel mirror frames, four sets of forged fire tools and one large “lantern” light fixture.

2009  

**Berlin Coffee Table**, a large custom table for a Chicago residence commissioned by Jed Johnson Associates, NY, NY.
2008  **Lieber Fountain**, forged and fabricated bronze sculptural fountain, residential commission, St. Louis, MO.

2007  **Hood Railing**, forged & fabricated bronze, one flight, residential commission in Manchester-By-The-Sea, MA.

**Manchester Grand Stair Railing**, forged and fabricated bronze, monumental stair railing with no repeating patterns. A large-scale residential commission in Manchester-By-The-Sea, MA, comprised of three flights and a landing railing.

2006  **Smucker Stair Railing, Door Knocker, Vanity Stand, Soap Dish** *(forged bronze)*, all but the dish are forged steel, residential commission, Springfield, IL.

2005  **Dining Table**, forged steel, glass, created for exhibition at Function/Art, Chicago, IL.

Private collection.

**Sculptural Plaque for USN**, a monumental, forged, fabricated, laser cut, cast, machined, carved bronze and stainless steel marker (located on the corner of Hillsboro Road and Edgehill) identifying the University School of Nashville, TN.

2004  **Gately Arch & Light Fixture**, forged and fabricated steel exterior archway and forged steel porch light fixture, residential commission, Chicago, IL.


2002  **Fricke Memorial Gate**, a monumental, forged and fabricated steel gate for the baptistery, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, MO.

1997  **Agricultural Motifs**, 10 monumental forged steel designs centrally placed in the truss work of the new John Deere Exhibit Pavilion, The Deere Company, Moline, IL.

1996  **Elements**, forged steel door knocker created for the exhibition *Fe, an Exploration of Iron Through the Senses*, a juried exhibit organized by the British Artist Blacksmiths Association (BABA).


1988  **North Sea Fire Set**, forged iron, collection of the National Ornamental Metal Museum, Memphis, TN. I also forged a custom mailbox and other objects for the Museum during and after my apprenticeship there.

### Selected Restoration Projects

Restoration of a monumental, cast iron J. L. Mott fountain, a gift from the class of 1889 in the Lewis & Clark College Monticello Sculpture Gardens, Godfrey, IL.

2015 Created a conservation program for the Monticello Sculpture Gardens at Lewis and Clark College, an ongoing project for our studio.

Selected Exhibitions


2014 *Prow*, forged steel sculpture on exhibit at the Knoxville Botanical Garden, Knoxville, TN.

2013 *Metal Museum Apprentices, Then and Now*, Metal Museum, Memphis, TN.

2012 *Iron Twenty Ten, A Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Blacksmithing*. Catalog. A touring exhibit, which travelled to these venues from 2010-2012:
- Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, Wausau, WI
- University Museum, SIU Carbondale, IL
- Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA


2010 *Iron: Forged, Tempered, Quenched*, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX

2009 *John Medwedeff, Sculptor + Metalsmith*, University Museum, SIU Carbondale.

2009 *The Art of Blacksmithing*, Quincy Art Center, Quincy, IL.


2006 *Prow* at RawSpace, SOFA Chicago at Navy Pier. Catalog.

2005 *Heavy Metal*, Function+Art Gallery, Chicago, IL.

*Working Drawings*, invitational exhibition of drawings by metal sculptors, Biggin Gallery, Auburn University, in conjunction with an exhibition of bronze works and drawings by August Rodin held at the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art, Auburn, AL.

*Tending the Fire, Tools for the Hearth*, Metal Museum, Memphis, TN.

2004 *Iron, A New Vocabulary*, a traveling invitational exhibition of contemporary American ironwork curated by and exhibited at Penland Gallery, Penland, NC, then touring these venues: Winthrop University Galleries, Rock Hill, SC; Deland Museum of Art, Deland, FL.

2002 *Metal Arts*, Chiro Studio & Gallery, Kansas City, MO.

2001 *Contemporary Ironwork*, Lynn Tendler Bignell Gallery at the Brookfield Craft Center, Brookfield, CT.

*Earth, Fire, Water, Contemporary Forged Metal*, invitational group exhibition toured these venues from 1998-2001:
- Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, Laurel MS
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant, OK
Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum, Milwaukee, WI
University of Georgia Student Union, Athens, GA
Delaware Agricultural Museum, Dover, DE
Masur Museum of Art, Munroe, LA
Visual Arts Center, Sioux Falls, SD
Oak Ridge Arts Center, Oak Ridge, TN
The Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, IA
Zanesville Art Center, Zanesville, OH
Slidell Cultural Center, Slidell, LA
Pensacola Museum of Art, Pensacola, FL
J. Wayne Stark Center Galleries, College Station, TX
Texarkana Reg. Arts & Humanities Council, Texarkana, TX
Anniston Museum of Natural History, Anniston, AL
Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

2000  *Made for Use: Furniture and Accessories*, Metal Museum, Memphis, TN
      *Art-in-Architecture Maquettes*, Illinois Art Gallery, IL State Museum, Chicago, IL.
      *The Premiere Exhibition of the Pelissier Gallery*, invitational exhibition of master metalsmithing, South Norwalk, CN.
      * Implements of Construction: Tools Made or Collected by Iron Workers*, Penland Gallery, Penland, NC.
1996  *Iron & Gold*, Pelissier Gallery, 70 Greenwich Avenue, Greenwich, CT,
      *Fe, an Exploration of Iron through the Senses*, juried exhibit organized by the British Artist Blacksmiths Association (BABA). Catalog. Exhibition toured these venues in Scotland and England:
      Tullie House, Carlisle
      The Smith Gallery, Stirling
      Mead Gallery, Coventry
      Fire and Iron Gallery, Leatherhead
      Oriel Gallery, Clwyd
      Bradford Design Exchange Centre, Little Germany in Bradford
      The Shire Gallery, Stafford
      Harley Gallery, Nottingham
      Kelingrove Art Gallery, Glasgow
      Northern Centre for Contemporary Art, Sunderland
      Milton Keynes Exhibition Gallery, Milton Keynes
1995  *Peters' Valley Craft Center Faculty Exhibition*, Kutztown University Gallery, Kutztown, PA.
1994  **ABANA Comes of Age**, an exhibit of work by members of the Artist-Blacksmiths' Association of North America. Juror: Dr. Richard Wattenmaker, Director of the Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution. Metal Museum, Memphis, TN.

**ABANA Conference Exhibition**, June 15-19, Washington University, St. Louis, MO.

1993  **The Blacksmith Craft Continuum**, Metal Museum, Memphis, TN. An exhibit of work by members of the Artist-Blacksmiths' Association of North America based on the recommendations of educators, museum professionals, and fellow artist-craftsmen.

1992  **Faculty Show**, Penland School for Crafts, Penland, NC.

**Metals Retrospective**, Brent Kington and Southern Illinois University, Sloss Furnaces

National Historic Landmark, Birmingham, AL.


1990  **National Ornamental Metal Museum Collection**, Corporate Office of Schering-Plough, Memphis, TN.

1989  **Fifth Annual Birmingham Blacksmithing Festival Juried Exhibition**, Sloss Furnaces National Historic Landmark, Birmingham, AL.


**MFA Thesis Exhibition**, University Museum, S.I.U. Carbondale, IL.

1986  **Rickert-Ziebold Trust Award Recipients**, University Museum, SIU Carbondale, IL.

**A Decade of American Blacksmithing**, Metal Museum, Memphis, TN.


**Twenty-Seventh Annual Delta Art Exhibition**, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR.

**Most Recent Lectures + Teaching**

2016  **John Medwedeff Lecture**, Seattle Metals Guild 21st Annual Northwest Jewelry & Metals Symposium, Broadway Performance Hall, Seattle, WA

**Master Artist Workshop – Sculpture from the Forge** with John Medwedeff, PRATT FINE ART CENTER, Seattle WA

**Meet the Artist: John Medwedeff, Sculptor**. Webster Groves Public Library, St. Louis, MO

**Visiting Artist Lecture**, Memphis College of Art

2013  **Master Blacksmith**, *Fire On the Mountain*, Spruce Pine, NC, Penland School of Crafts

2012  **Blacksmithing as Sculpture** class, Touchstone Center for Crafts, Farmington, PA

2008  **Lecture/demo: The Magnificent Seven**, Touchstone Center for Crafts, Farmington, PA

**Selected Bibliography + Reviews**


Featured in the multimedia documentary produced by the SIU Carbondale College of Mass Communication and Media Arts titled *South of 64*, “A Weekend in Murphysboro.”

Mathew Clarke, From Fire to Form, Sculpture from the Modern Blacksmith & Metalsmith, Schiffer, Atglen, Pennsylvania. John wrote the forward for this book. It also contains numerous color photos and citations about his art. 2009.


**Honors**

2017 Silver Award in Sculpture, NOMMA Top Job National Competition: *Aperture*, a monumental steel sculpture.

Silver Award in Bronze Furnishings, NOMMA Top Job National Competition: *Portis Table*.

Bronze Award in Restoration, NOMMA Top Job National Competition: *J.L Mott Fountain*.

2016 Gold Award in Sculpture, NOMMA Top Job National Competition for *Confluence*, a monumental steel sculpture.

2015 Silver Award in Sculpture, NOMMA Top Job National Competition in for *Apex*, a monumental bronze sculptural fountain.

Silver Award, NOMMA Top Job National Competition in Interior Architectural Ironwork-Forged Ferrous category for the *Auxier Grand Stair Railing*.

2009 Alumni Hall of Fame, Harding Academy, Nashville, TN.

2007 Distinguished Alumnus Award, University School of Nashville.

2006 Finalist, Sculpture Commission, Fairbanks Alaska Airport, international competition.

Distinguished Alumnus Award, SIUC College of Liberal Arts, Shirley Clay Scott, Dean.
2004 **Finalist**, Sculptural Portico Commission for Penland Craft School, Penland, NC.
2003 **Finalist**, Public Art for Northwest Medical Center, Oro Valley Arts Council, Tucson, AZ.
**Finalist Award in Sculpture**, Illinois Arts Council
1986 **Rickert-Ziebold Trust Award for Excellence in Art**, SIUC

**Selected Collections + Clients**

Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, MO
City of Fairhope, AL
City of Memphis, TN
Henry B. Urban, Inc., New York, NY
H.O.K. Studio E Architects, St. Louis, MO
Illinois State Museum, Springfield, IL
Jed Johnson Associates, New York, NY
James Scott Weaver, AIA, New York, NY
Lewis & Clark College, Godfrey, IL
Memphis Arts Council, Memphis, TN
Michigan State University

Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN
Robert A.M. Stern Architects, New York, NY
Sarasota County, FL
SAS Institute Inc, Cary NC
Scott Cornelius, Architect, New York, NY
SWH Residential Partners, Norcross, GA
The Deere Company, Moline, IL
The Metal Museum, Memphis, TN
University of North Carolina, Charlotte
William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL
Private Collections in New York and others

Medwedeff CV 2018
1. Payments older than one year:
   
a. If the member has previously been contacted by phone, email and letter; transfer amount to donation. If the member has not been contacted by all three communication efforts, follow process of attempting contact through phone, email, and a letter. The letter should state that the payment will be acknowledged as a donation three weeks from the date of the letter. Wait three weeks for a response and then process as a donation if the person doesn’t respond.

2. Overpayments less than a year old (Current):
   
a. Paid membership fee twice in one period: Contact the person using phone, email, and letter to see if they either want a refund, to extend their membership, or want to make a donation. The letter should state that the payment will be acknowledged as a membership payment three weeks from the date of the letter. Document each date of contact and outcome. If contact was not made wait three weeks. If no response occurs extend the membership or apply toward the paid balance if membership type is an installment method.

b. Already life member or paid too much for appropriate membership fee (ex. renewing a joint annual membership which is $60, but sent in $75). Follow the contact steps in a. above asking the member if they either want a refund or to donate the overpayment amount. The letter should state that the overpayment amount will be acknowledged as a donation three weeks from the date of the letter. Document each date of contact and outcome. Wait three weeks for a response and then process the overpayment amount as a donation if the person doesn’t respond. Fill out the URO form and send to the Foundation so that a tax form is mailed for the donation.

3. Underpayments less than a year old (Current):
   
a. Did not pay enough for membership type: Contact the person using phone, email, and letter to see if they either want to send in the remaining fee, be refunded, or if they would like to donate it. The letter should state that the payment will be acknowledged as a donation three weeks from the date of the letter. Document each date of contact and outcome. Wait three weeks for a response and then process as a donation if the person doesn’t respond. Fill out the URO form and send to the Foundation so that a tax form is mailed for the donation.
3-Year Complimentary Memberships for New Graduates

Proposal:

The board is being asked to vote on a measure that would change the one-year complimentary membership program for new graduates of Southern Illinois University Carbondale into a complimentary three-year membership, effective July 1, 2018.

Rationale for Adoption:

In 2014 the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors, under the wishes of a previous president, adopted a program in which new graduates would be offered a one-year membership, free of charge, as a gift. The hope was to introduce young alumni into the benefits of being an Association member and giving them the opportunity to stay connected to their alma mater during their initial year away from campus.

While adoption rates were always healthy, retention was weak, as opportunities to reach these new alumni were often limited during their initial year out of college. In short, the Association learned one year simply wasn’t enough time to get student accustomed to all the opportunities available for engagement.

This new three-year membership program would do two things: 1) Allow the time necessary to get young alumni involved in university activities post-graduation and 2) Be sensitive to the financial demands of new graduates, who oftentimes find even nominal annual membership fees too much to spare when it’s time to renew. This new program will be supported by an expanded series of young alumni-specific communications and engagement opportunities to share the highlights of their post-graduation life with others in the Saluki community.

This program was an idea born from a conversation with SIU Chancellor Montemagno, in which he expressed the desire to remove as many barriers as possible to keep alumni engaged in the life of the university. The three-year new graduate membership, the Association believes, is a step that aligns with the spirit of this desire.
COLLEGES/SCHOOLS and STUDENT DIRECTORS

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APRIL 28, 2018
College of Agricultural Sciences
Report for the SIU Alumni Association Board
Spring 2018

The College of Agricultural Sciences is celebrating another successful semester! Enrollment in the college shows another decline overall, but we are hopeful for a steady fall despite expectation for the campus overall.

- There are a total of 855 students in the College of Agricultural Sciences, a decrease from Spring 2018. There are 753 undergraduate students, and 102 graduate level (masters and doctoral) students.

- Programs of study in the College of Agricultural Sciences still include: human nutrition dietetics; hospitality and tourism; crop, soil, and environmental management; horticulture; agricultural systems and education; forestry hydrology; forest recreation and park management; urban forest management; wildlife habitat management and conservation; equine science; and pre-veterinary medicine.

- Karen Midden was named Interim Dean effective February 9, 2018. She also continues the responsibility of oversight of the University Farm Operations.

- The University Farms continues to be the foundation of the college. Every student has the opportunity to get involved in work, research labs, or class at the 2,000 acre farm system adjacent to campus. This farm system has fully functional beef, equine, swine, agronomy, horticulture and tree centers. The farm centers also continue to be the hub of our research and teaching activities to test new ideas and discoveries and to provide our students with real world hands-on experience.

- Dr. Amir Sadeghpour joined the faculty in Plant, Soil, and Agricultural Systems effective January 1, 2018. He is an assistant professor in Soil Science. Feel free to contact him at amir.sadeghpour@siu.edu or by phone at 618/453-1795.

- The SIU Board of Trustees at the April 12 meeting approved the promotion of the following faculty to full professor in the college effective with the 2018-2019 academic year – Rupali Choudhary (PSAS), Ahmad Fakhoury (PSAS), and Matthew Rendleman (ABE). Congratulations to all three faculty.
COLLEGE NEWS

The Fall season was another busy one for the college. The FFA Fall Festival event was held on Thursday, October 12 in the Agriculture Building. Approximately 100 high school FFA members visited campus and attended hands on learning sessions in various topics including human nutrition, tree identification, animal physiology, and many others. Coach Barry Hinson spoke to the group to start the day and lunch was served in the Agriculture Breezeway prior to students departing from the event.

The College once again hosted an Alumni Event at the Annual Illinois Farm Bureau/IAA Annual Meeting in Chicago on December 3, 2017, at Potter’s Lounge in the Palmer House Hotel. This event was hosted by students from Collegiate Farm Bureau along with staff from the Dean’s office. The event was a great turnout and an enjoyable time by all attending. SIU System President Randy Dunn and First Lady Rhonda Dunn, as well as Chancellor Carlo Montemagno and wife Pam, joined the students, staff, and alumni for the weekend to represent SIU and the College of Agricultural Sciences. This has become an annual signature event for the college with almost 200 in attendance.

The 2017 year started off with several recruitment and alumni events. On January 3, the annual FFA Night at the Basketball Game was held. The evening began with a welcome from Chancellor Carlo Montemagno and keynote speaker Rod Stoll from Farm Credit Illinois. The group then walked to the arena for the game. Coach Hinson joined the students for remarks and a group photo. It was a great evening with the Saluki’s winning a close game against Evansville.

Farm Bureau/FFA Acquaintance Day took place on Tuesday, January 30. Over 400 FFA students participated in sessions with the theme “I Can. We Will”. Students learned about health and wellness, preparing for college and the future, the importance of serving the community, and using their voice for legislative affairs. Chancellor Carlo Montemagno was the keynote speaker for the opening session.

The 66th Annual All Ag Banquet was held on Friday, February 23. This year was another record crowd of over 330 attending! Special guests included State Senator Paul Schimpf and Representative Teri Bryant. Several awards were presented. The Donald Elkins Excellence award was presented to Dr. Alan Walters; the Gary Minish Outstanding Mentor/Advisor Award to Dr. Erin Perry; Outstanding Senior presented to Renee Kinzinger; Outstanding Junior presented to Gabriel Ann Wrye; a new award of Outstanding Sophomore to Kendra Flood; and Outstanding RSO to both Collegiate Farm Bureau and Forestry Club. This year the Beta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity Alumni Association and Farm Credit Illinois sponsored each award with a $500 scholarship. The 67th Annual Banquet is scheduled for February 22, 2019 at the SIU Student Center Ballrooms.

Upcoming events include the annual Horticulture and Livestock Judging Contests on Friday, April 20 with approximately 500 pre-registered participants; the New Alumni Party for our Spring Graduates tentatively scheduled on Wednesday, May 2; and the Cooperative Council
Conference returns to SIU this year with 60-70 prospective students expected on June 7-8. The College will also be participating in State FFA Conventions in both Illinois and Indiana this summer, and hosting the FFA State Officer Training in July.

**UNIVERSITY FARMS**

University Farm Director Greg Osman is planning for the spring planting season – as soon as the weather cooperates! Alumni are always invited to contact Greg or Interim Dean Karen Midden if interested to schedule a time to visit the farm.

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRIBUSINESS ECONOMICS**

The Department of Agribusiness Economics (ABE) has continued to prosper. Enrollment held steady at 100 undergraduate students with an additional 40-50 minors. There has been an expanded interest in our Farm Management sequence, so much so that the 300 class has been split into two sections. One section focusing on tradition farm management and one section specializing in equine. In the spring of 2017, a class on the Social Perspectives of Environmental Issues was offered had 50 students enrolled.

Another bright spot is the ABE Masters programs. Graduates are finding rewarding careers with many students having multiple job offers before graduation. ABE is also recruiting for the new Master’s program. This program has graduated 12 students from our Accelerated MS, which is a professional track designed to have students graduate with an MS in ABE in 12 months. This has brought total MSE enrollment up to 15-18 students, also an all-time high. The Accelerated MS program entered its first semester in Fall 2016. The department is also in the later stages of recruiting for our online MBA with a concentration in ABE. We currently have four students admitted for that separate program, administered through the College of Business.

**DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY**

The Department of Forestry is pleased to report that it has continued to be successful in our educational, research, and outreach programs. Enrollment continues to be strong especially in our nationally accredited Bachelor of Science program. We continue to be very proud of our graduates and their achievements.

The SIUC Forestry Club reports that following their Conclave 1st place victory last April, they hit the ground running for the 2017-2018 school year! October saw timber sports demonstrations at both the Homecoming tailgate and Tree Campus USA’s 2nd annual Tree Day. Most of the fall practices were spent familiarizing new members with timber sports and splitting firewood to raise funds. So far, highlights from spring semester include winning Outstanding RSO of the Year for the 2nd year in a row, some successful demonstrations at Touch of Nature’s annual Maple Festival, and daily practices preparing for Conclave coming up on April 20th, at the University of Steven’s Point, Steven’s Point, Wisconsin. The Conclave Team wants to pass along how much they appreciate all of the alumni support, through sponsorships, that they receive every year. They could not participate in the events they do without it that support.
The Department is happy to announce that once again we have a chapter of the Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANNRS) RSO. MANNRS mission is to promote academic and professional advancement by empowering minorities in agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences. The club president is working with their sponsor, Dr. Kofi Akamani on developing increasing the group of members. The last meeting of MANNRS was on January 30. The club currently has 25 members and will be having a MANNRS Information Booth near the Morris Library/Lawson Hall area on Wednesday, April 15, to recruit more members.

The SIU Shooting Team has been very active over the past year. The team hosts weekly practice on Sundays at the SIU Police Range, alternating between rifle/pistol one Sunday, and trap on the next Sunday. The club has recently made changes to their constitution to update range safety procedures and have added steps to ensure safety for members who are on and off the range. This includes the utilization of chamber flags in firearms that are not in use, and restricting firearm handling by participants who are not on the firing line until they are up next to shoot. The club members recently attended a number of events including: SIU RSO Fair where they received contact info for over 50 potential new members; U.S. Department of Agriculture banquet; and members volunteered at the Friends of the NRA banquet in Marion. Some upcoming RSO activities include: participating in the Shot at Life trap shoot this month; participating in the Hannibal-LaGrange trap invitational this month; and, participating in the Mascoutah Trap Tribe invitational this month. The Shooting Team will also be running a trauma course this month (medical class taught by a Carbondale paramedic). This course is being funded by USG event funding. The funds awarded to the Shooting Team allows the club to purchase over $1000 worth of medical equipment which will enable them to handle any traumatic event on and off the range. During this course the RSO members will learn how to identify certain velocity wound types and identify the appropriate medical device to deploy on the victim before first responders can arrive. The SIU Shooting Team is looking into joining one of the several gun ranges in the Southern Illinois area in order to expand our capabilities. And, they have several individuals and businesses both in the area and out of the area that are donating money to the team; and well as continuing to pursue grants from the NRA and other sources.

Finally and importantly, the team will be expanding the focus of the Team from a recreational/competitive club to an educational one and, are developing programs to take inexperienced members and non-members and giving them the training required to safely handle a firearm and how to act appropriately while at a shooting range. The goal is that members and SIU students who have not had experience or education on firearm safety can receive it from the team which makes them and the people around them safer.
Faculty Feature: Clay Nielsen

Dr. Clay Nielsen, our wildlife conservation specialist, has been busy with new research projects and opportunities. Dr. Nielsen traveled to China in March to give seminars at Jinan University and South China Normal University. He spoke on large carnivore recolonization of the Midwestern U.S. and was received warmly by students and faculty. New international wildlife conservation projects are being planned for Argentina and Brazil. In more local news, Dr. Nielsen just began new projects on striped skunks, eastern woodrats, and armadillos in southern Illinois. The skunk work will focus on survival, habitat use, and parasite loads. Genetics will be the primary research topic for woodrats. Factors supporting the colonization of Illinois by armadillos also will be studied. Several new graduate students will be conducting the field and data analysis portions of this work.

Photo Caption: Announcement for Dr. Nielsen's presentation at Jinan University.
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE, FOOD & NUTRITION

Over the last year, the Department of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition had numerous faculty recognized for their outstanding contributions to the department, college and discipline: Lynn Gill, Non-Tenure Track Teaching Award; Sylvia Smith, Civic Engagement Award; Gary Apgar, College Excellence Award; Eduardo Gastal, Research Scholar Award; Rebecca Atkinson and Sylvia Smith, each recognized as Ibendhal Excellence Awardees; John Farrish, Katherine Witrick, and Gary Apgar recognized for Innovation Challenge entitled “Determining the Attributes of the Optimal Barbecue Hog”; and Erin Perry was the recipient of the Gary L Minish Outstanding Advisor/Mentor Award from the SIU agriculture undergraduate community. Congratulations on a job well done.

The department continued using its Facebook page to help highlight activities and events in the Department and College of Agricultural Sciences. The page is utilized as a tool to provide information about the Animal Science, Food & Nutrition department to alumni, potential students, and the public. Visit us on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/siuasfn.

The department welcomes W. Clarke Griffin, MBA, CFBE, CDM, CFPP as an Instructor in Hospitality and Tourism Administration. Clarke Griffin’s industry experience includes working with Marriott as a Sous Chef at the Renaissance Grand and Suites Hotel in St. Louis, MO, and the Marriott Washingtonian Center in Gaithersburg, MD. Executive Chef and Assistant General Manager with Franklins’ Restaurant and Brewery in Hyattsville, MD. Mr. Griffin is a Certified Food and Beverage Manager from the American Hotel and Lodging Association and a Certified Dietary Manager | Certified Food Protection Professional from the Association of Nutrition and Foodservice Professionals. In 2007, Mr. Griffin made the transition to higher education at Kaskaskia College, in Centralia, IL as the Culinary Arts Program Coordinator and Director of Food Service. Most recently Mr. Griffin was at St. Louis Community College as an Associate Professor of Hospitality Management. Mr. Griffin received his MBA from McKendree University in Lebanon, IL and his culinary training at The Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, NY. Mr. Griffin has an office in Quigley Hall 207A and can be reached at walter.griffin@siu.edu.

Animal Science

Highlights of the many successful events in the Animal Science (ANS) program and its related clubs include:
— The 2nd Annual Saluki Enrichment Pre-Vet Program (SEPP) is scheduled to occur June 10-12, 2018 and limited to the first 30 who apply. SEPP is designed to give high school students hands on experience with alumni veterinarians. Participants will be able to claim 48 hours of the 500 needed with veterinarian supervision. Our alumni veterinarian base continues to grow, and those who assisted had a great time and enjoyed being back home at SIU and sharing their experience with the students both at SIU and as a veterinarian. To apply for admission to this year’s camp, please go to the following website: http://dce.siu.edu/wconnect/http://dce.siu.edu/wconnect/ace/CourseStatus.awp?&course=18W0201601
The Equestrian Show Team hosted an Intercollegiate Huntseat Horse Show on the weekend of Sept. 30/Oct 1. The show was held at Le Cheval Stables in Carbondale and a significant number of Universities competed for top honors and qualifying regional points.

The Livestock Judging Team attended many events, and participated as individuals in Louisville this year.

The Bull Test Center had another successful auction, with an average sale of $2734.78.

Megan Elcombe, Mallory DeChant, and Ellie Powell successfully defended their MS theses/research papers. Megan intends to attend veterinary school upon graduating; Mallory plans to pursue her Ph.D.; and Ellie is beginning the search for industry employment.

We have two Equestrian Team riders qualified for the regional competition in April Jenna Pecora in Novice Flat and Claire Dietrich in Walk Trot Canter.
At NIU’s Hunt show in March, our Equestrian Team was Reserve High Point Team, and Emma Sykes was Reserve High Point Rider.

**Hospitality and Tourism Administration**
The Hospitality and Tourism Administration (HTA) program had a very productive year and has fully implemented the Online HTA degree. The HTA program continued the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) High School Challenge program. The HTA program also provided many educational, research, and service activities with the goal of enabling students, as well as industry and community professionals, to function in an ever-changing environment. Highlights from the HTA program over the past year include:

— The 2017 Solar Eclipse offered a unique opportunity for three SIU students in the Hospitality and Tourism Administration program to gain real-world experience. In partnership with SIU Housing Department, three students helped transform a dormitory into lodging facilities to accommodate visitors from all over the world.

— The FBLA Hospitality Business Challenge continues with area high schools. In partnership with the College of Business, this year’s challenge is “Corporate Social Responsibility: Best Practices in Illinois.”

— The HTA Minor was approved by the Faculty Senate and the Board of Trustees to promote the HTA discipline to non-majors in business and fermentation science.

— With support from the Jean and Cal Ibendahl Award, the Sustainable Meals Multicultural Cooking project had professional training workshops on August 28. The cooking demonstrations are set to begin on WSIU River Regions in late September.

— The program, in conjunction with SIU Career Services, held another successful etiquette dinner for students, preparing them for all manner of professions.

— HTA and HND student clubs were selected, along with Dr. Smith, to cater the Chancellor’s box at five SIU home football games in 2017.

— Drs. Farrish, Apgar, and Witrick developed a research proposal to determine the attributes of the perfect hog for competitive barbecue purposes. It was based on the notion that, since the drive to eliminate fat from diets, the pigs being bred for sale in the US had had most of the fat bred out of them. They attended the Big Apple Barbecue Block Party in New York - a gathering
of some of the finest pitmasters in America - to survey the barbecue experts there in order to refine a survey questionnaire we will now administer to the 80-odd pitmasters gathered here in Murphysboro for their barbecue competition. Once the survey data are compiled we will be able to determine whether there is consensus among pitmasters as to what the perfect barbecue hog looks like.

-Drs. Smith, McCarroll, Farrish and Witrick received a USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant in collaboration with the Fermentation Science Institute at Southern Illinois University investigating best practices and management strategies for growing hops in Illinois and will share the findings during an educational conference to new farmers, viticulturists, and craft brewers for the potential of starting a hops market to support the craft brewing industry in Illinois. The main purpose of this proposal is to analyze research on best practices for managing hops production in Illinois, to include: on-farm start-up and growing practices, food safety and supply chain management, production costs, and sustainability options. Findings from the research will be communicated to stakeholders (new farmers, viticulturists, and craft brewers) at an educational conference at the Fermentation Science Institute at Southern Illinois University.

—The HTA program has also secured a sizable donation for the eventual creation of a student-run Competition BBQ registered student organization. The purpose of the organization will be to train students on food preparation and serving, as well as competing in various BBQ contests. A large barbecue smoker was purchased with these funds, and the RSO, called the Smokin’ Dawgs, had a very successful initial meeting in February.

-On Wednesday, March 28, the SIU chapter of Eta Sigma Delta International Hospitality Honor Society inducted 10 new students to the organization.

-The HTA program hosted their 5th Annual Advisory Board meeting and Career Fair in Morris Library. The event was a great success with 10 companies and over 50 students attending the career fair in the Guyon Rotunda.

-The HTA program had one retirement in Dr. Anthony Agbeh, but his position was filled with the hiring of W. Clarke Griffin.

**Human Nutrition and Dietetics**

The Dietetic Internship Program (DI) and Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) highlights include:

-The Dietetic Internship Program welcomed 7 new interns in August 2017 and are looking forward to seeing who matches with in the coming days for next year’s class.

-The Dietetic Intern pass rate for the Registered Dietitian Exam continues to exceed national and accreditation standards at 87%.

-The Dietetic Internship Program toured Monsanto Research Center and talked with dietitians to understand their roles within the company.
The Dietetic Interns were able to attend their first ever Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo (FNCE) held in Chicago, Illinois. The interns were able to attend nutrition sessions, network with mentors and preceptors, and learn how as a future dietitian, the importance of continuing education will be.
- The Dietetic Internship Program was also a part of the pilot year of Camp Beta. The camp was designed for Type 1 Diabetics ages 8-17. The interns worked as camp counselors and help the campers understand the importance of nutrition, specifically carbohydrates, in relation to their disease. From this experience, the program is taking a bigger part with the design aspect of the camp and two of the interns have taken leadership roles on the board. We are looking forward to the 2018 Camp Beta!

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—The HND program exceeded national rates of acceptance into dietetic internships.
—Survey results indicate 100% of dietetic intern directors rate SIU graduates as very well prepared for the internship process.
—SIU exceeds accreditation standards for passage rate on board exams to become a registered dietitian.
—The Student Nutrition Academic Council (SNAC) has been involved with:
  • Gum Drops, a non-profit organization, in providing weekend backpacks containing child-friendly food for at-risk children in Southern Illinois
  • Meals-on-Wheels
  • Head start
  • Farmers Market
  • OPTIONS Transition to Independence
  • Rocky Ledges Fundraiser
  • Grocery tours
  • Feed Your Neighbor
  • For Kids’ Sake Art Hanging Night
  • The Big Event: A Saluki Day of Service
—SNAC has also participated in several community health fairs in the region, as well as many other community outreach events.
—HND student Lindsey Eigsti received the Dean Keepper Ag Heritage and Donald Kloth
Scholarships.
—HND student Katie Garver received the Southern Illinois Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Scholarship.
—A men’s nutrition and health committee consisting of undergraduate males completed their research and write up regarding the nutrition concerns of college men at SIU.
—In the DI Program, Dietetic Intern Alyssa Tripp received the graduate nutrition scholarship award from Southern Illinois Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.
—There are 7 Dietetic Interns on rotations in the St. Louis area and throughout Central and Southern Illinois.
—The Dietetic Internship program secured a new site with Monsanto and placed our first intern in January 2017.
—The annual DPD/DI Advisory Board meeting was held in March 2018. In this meeting, the preceptors provided recommendations on the new accreditation standards that will begin in July 2017. In addition, new Dietetic Interns were selected for admission into the program in the Fall.
—The Dietetic Interns toured dairy farms in the region this past Fall to learn about different dairy farms and how they produce milk and cheese for the consumer. It was a true farm to fork experience! The Dietetic Interns also toured the Monsanto Headquarters. The students learned about the history of genetic modification in crops and were able to participate in a forum and ask questions specifically about how food is grown.
—This Spring, the Dietetic Interns are working with schools across Southern Illinois to provide nutrition education by way of health fairs or classroom education to elementary school aged children (K-8). Lastly, we are continuing the successful Peer Nutrition Education program and the Dietetic Interns continue to provide free nutrition education to SIU students, staff, and faculty.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT, SOIL AND AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS

Highlights from the Agricultural Education program include:
• Nine students are completing their student teaching this year; two in the fall, and seven in the spring.
• On October 19th, sophomore Kendra Flood was appointed to the office of National President of Alpha Tau Alpha, the national honorary organization for Agricultural Education.
• At the All Ag Banquet this year, two Ag Ed majors were recognized as outstanding students in their classes:
  o Outstanding sophomore of the year: Kendra Flood
  o Outstanding junior of the year: Gabriel Wrye
• This year, the SIUC Ag Ed Club hosted the 2017 National ATA Conclave, an honor usually reserved for land-grant universities.
• The Ag Ed Club won 1st Place in the national ATA Quiz Bowl competition.
• Ag Ed majors, Christian Stanley and Kendra Flood, took 1st Place in the national ATA Essay Contest.
• In May 2018, the Agriculture Education Program will graduate its fourth Ph.D. student in three years: the soon to be Dr. Howard Heavner.
March 28, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Camelle Logan  
President  
CASA Board of Counselors

FROM: Andy Wang  
Dean

RE: CASA Report for Alumni Association Board Meeting Spring 2018  
Covering September 2017 through March 2018

Listed below are some news items to report from the College of Applied Sciences and Arts at the Spring 2018 Alumni Association Board meeting.

Interior Design Alumni Mixer The Interior Design (ID) program held an alumni mixer in St. Louis while the students were on a field trip visiting firms in the city September 3 - 6, 2017. Becky Long, class of 2007, now with Knoll, one of the leading furniture companies for office environments in the world, helped host the event. Special thanks to Laura Morthland for this well-organized event.

Aviation Technologies Air Evac On September 6, the Aviation Technologies (AVT) Helicopter specialization class visited the Marion, Illinois, Air Evac Base. Air Evac brought in their regional, senior, and local base mechanics, along with their company training supervisors to talk to the students about their company's maintenance needs and expectations. Students were invited to tour the helicopter hangar, crew quarters, and the Bell 206L helicopter itself. Air Evac employs multiple graduates from the Aviation Technologies Helicopter Specialization program.

Aviation Interview Partnership On Thursday, September 7, 2017, Chancellor Cario Montemagno signed an agreement with Republic Airline to participate in an “aviation interview partnership” program allowing SIU aviation students to interview with the airline before graduation. If the students meet Republic's qualifications, they could receive a signing bonus of as much as $10,000 or receive their final 100 hours of flight time to meet airport transport pilot (ATP) certificate requirements. Flight fees can range between $150 and $300 per hour depending on the course level and aircraft in use. This agreement helps SIU aviation students toward a professional career in aviation.

SIU aviation alumni, Captain Nate Steele and First Officer Jon Galante, along with Valerie Penn, Republic Airline University Relations Consultant, arrived at Southern Illinois Airport at 9:00am on Thursday, September 7, 2017, with the airline's Embraer 175, a 76-seat regional jet. After the signing ceremony, they met with students in the afternoon. Congratulations to aviation faculty, staff, and students for another agreement with commercial airlines helping the University in attracting future aviators.
Republic Airline, based in Indianapolis, operates a fleet of 186 Embraer 170/175 aircraft and offers scheduled passenger service with 900 daily flights to 100 sites in 35 U.S. states, Canada, the Caribbean and Central America. The airline provides fixed-fee flights operated under its major airline partner brands of American Eagle, Delta Connection and United Express. The Airline employs about 5,200 aviation professionals. More information about Republic Airline is available at www.rjet.com.

**HFMA Event** The Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA), a Registered Student Organization (RSO) in the School of Allied Health, hosted an event for Health Care Management (HCM) and Master of Healthcare Administration/Health Informatics (MHA/MHI) students on Wednesday, September 13, 2017. HFMA and its associates are dedicated to providing mentoring, networking, and professional development opportunities to students interested in areas of financial management in the healthcare industry. Over 40 students attended the event. They were able to learn about different career paths in the healthcare industry from several professionals currently working in the field. HFMA provided details on the benefits of becoming a student member and eventually an associate member. At the end of the event, students were able to network with professionals currently in the field. All students that attended registered to be student members of HFMA.

**SIU Cybersecurity Day** The School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) hosted the 2017 Cybersecurity Day on Saturday, October 21, 2017. The event was organized by the SIU Security Dawgs. Students and faculty from other schools are encouraged to participate. This year, focus was on providing interesting and useful hands-on workshops that help prepare attendees for a mini cyber defense competition. Workshops were on varying topics for every skill level.

**Girls in Aviation Day** On September 23, 2017, Women in Aviation International chapters around the world brought all of the passion, exploration, learning, and excitement of aviation and aerospace to people for an extraordinary day of fun and inspiration. Here at SIU Carbondale, over 30 local girls participated in this year’s Girls in Aviation Day (GIAD). Dozens of SIU Women in Aviation students and some aviation faculty and staff helped make this day possible.

**Route 66 Mother Road Festival** In partnership with the SIU Alumni Association and the Prairie Capital Area Alumni Chapter, the Automotive Technology Department helped promote and recruit for SIU in downtown Springfield at the end of October. One of the largest street festivals in Springfield is the Route 66 Mother Road Festival with over 80,000 attendees. Through support from various alumni and the SIU Alumni Association, SIU was able to obtain a prime event location in the heart of the festival. SIU Automotive took its Saluki Racing 1966 Chevrolet Nova and car trailer to be the draw of attention. SIU alumni from the surrounding area were invited to come enjoy a cookout and reconnect with SIU. Students, instructors, and guidance counselors from the area high schools and community colleges were invited to come learn about the many programs offered at SIU. Eight SIU Automotive Technology students also traveled to Springfield to help staff the SIU display during the 3-day event.

**Fall Automotive Student Car Meet** SIU Automotive Technology hosted its annual Fall Student Car Meet. Each year on Family Weekend, SIU automotive students, their families, faculty, and staff gather to display their rides and develop the bonds of the SIU Automotive Family. The event this year was sponsored by General Motors where they provided lunch, t-shirts, sunglasses, and gift bags for everyone. They also shipped in for display a 2018 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray, a 2018 Midnight Edition Chevrolet Silverado, and limited edition 2018 Camaro ZL1 with the 1LE package. Fun was had by all, with music and games during the morning. The event wrapped up at 1:00 to allow the students and families to participate in the SIU family weekend events racing with the Saluki Drag Racing Team.

**Wings over Southern Illinois** The Aviation Technologies Ambassadors RSO organized a "Wings over Southern Illinois" event during the SIU Family Weekend with great success. Over 300 guests attended, and
40 Young Eagle rides and numerous discovery and sightseeing flights took place. Alumni and locals flew in for the event, enjoying the flying and outstanding weather.

**FDM Special Guest** Emmy-nominated costume designer Ms. Rita McGhee, who is extremely busy in Hollywood working on many different television shows and movies, spent the day with Fashion Styling, Design and Merchandising students on Thursday, October 12, 2017. She made a presentation in the evening in Quigley 119. Students were able to view her original design sketches from Disney Channel’s "Zombies," television scripts, designs, fittings and call sheets from ABC’s newly aired show "The Mayor," and have one-on-one time with her to discuss the realities of the behind-the-scenes entertainment and costume design business. Shelby Adkinson, Instructor of Fashion Design and Merchandising (FDM), worked on bringing Ms. McGhee to campus for about two years.

**2017 ASA Multidisciplinary Research Symposium** was held successfully on November 4, 2017, in the Transportation Education Center.

**2017 Region VIII SAFECON** was held October 23-28, 2017 at KUIN - Quincy Regional Airport, in Quincy, IL, hosted by Quincy University. The Flying Salukis won all eight events:

1. Aircraft Preflight Inspection: Top 2 winners are Trent Medernach and Connor Schlottman from SIU;
2. Aircraft Recognition: #1 and #4 are Zachary Rawlings and Andrew Roadcap from SIU;
3. Competition Safety Award: SIU;
4. Computer Accuracy: Top 5 winners are Robert Kay, Connor Schlottman, Colin Heisler, Jonathan Ezell, and Dalton Thompson from SIU;
5. Flight Events Championship: SIU;
6. Ground Events Championship: SIU;
7. Message Drop: #1 and #2 are Jonathan Ezell and Zachary Rawlings from SIU;
8. Navigation: Top 4 winners are Connor Schlottman, Dalton Thompson, Robert Kay, and Brody Wilson from SIU;
9. Power-Off Landing: Top 4 winners are Dalton Thompson, Jonathan Ezell, Trent Medernach, and Zachary Rawlings from SIU;
10. Short Field Landing: Top 3 winners are Connor Schlottman, Dalton Thompson, and Andrew Roadcap from SIU;
11. Simulated Comprehensive Aircraft Navigation: #1 and #2 are Connor Schlottman and Robert Kay from SIU;
12. Top Pilot: Connor Schlottman from SIU;
13. Top Scoring Contestant: Connor Schlottman from SIU.

**20th Annual MSFS Embalming Colloquium** was held December 8th at the Transportation Education Center (TEC). The event started at 7:30 am with a three-judge-panel evaluating the posters portion of the event. Each student presented a 15-minute PowerPoint on a particularly difficult embalming topic. Nineteen (19) students presented and awards were given to the winner and runner up. The event was co-sponsored by the SIU Mortuary Science and Funeral Service (MSFS) Program and the Egyptian Funeral Directors Association. The event was well attended by an estimated 150 people.

**SIU Day of Giving** on Wednesday, March 7, 2018, CASA raised $12,421 from 306 gifts. Among 28 participating units of the University, our College had the highest number of participants in the one-day fundraising event. Our College’s participation increased by 170 percent (170%), and the total raised increased by 31.96% compared to last year.

**Security Dawgs** placed second in the Illinois State Wildcard Cyber Defense Competition on Saturday, March 10th, 2018. Winning this competition means the Security Dawgs have earned the opportunity to compete in the 2018 Erich J. Spengler Midwest Regional Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (CCDC). This event takes place on March 23-24 at Moraine Valley Community College.
VTI-CASA Alumni Reunion is being planned for Saturday, April 14, 2018, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Garden Grove Event Center in Carbondale. The goal of this event is to celebrate our rich 68-year history as a Vocational Technical Institute (VTI), School of Technical Careers (STC), College of Technical Careers (CTC), and College of Applied Sciences and Arts (CASA). We hope to keep our alumni and friends engaged in campus life and seek their continuous support for our academic programs during and after the academic reorganization. Alumni are our vital stakeholders and we appreciate their continuous support.
Spring 2018 SIU-C College of Business Report to the Alumni Association Board of Directors
Terry Clark, Dean

A. Students

1. College of Business PHD Students Win Award for their Research – People sometimes buy expensive items just to impress others, a phenomenon known as conspicuous consumption. But two Southern Illinois University Carbondale marketing doctoral students have discovered that there’s more involved in those purchasing decisions than meets the eye. The research paper covering their findings, titled “Need for more: Conspicuous consumption, social settings and materialism,” earned Ramin Bagherzadeh, and Jose Saavedra Torres national recognition as The Pearson Education Michael Solomon Best Paper in Consumer Behavior Track.

2. Trained SIU student volunteers prepare tax returns for free - Free income tax preparation is now available at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, thanks to a group of student volunteers. Beta Alpha Psi, an SIU College of Business honors accounting organization, is again sponsoring the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program to assist fellow students and low- and moderate-income people from the community with tax returns. On Saturday mornings, Feb. 10th through April 14th, excluding March 10th and 17th due to SIU’s Spring Break, free tax preparation help is offered on the SIU campus. From 8 a.m. until noon, people may come to the computer lab on the lower level of Rehn Hall, located at 1025 Lincoln Drive. Each of the students is an IRS-certified volunteer tax preparer and has completed mandatory ethics and basic tax exam courses. The VITA coordinators review all returns the students prepare and assist with more complicated questions. In addition, Benna Williams, a School of Accountancy lecturer and former tax practitioner who serves as Beta Alpha Psi’s faculty adviser, along with other faculty, are available to provide their expertise. Students have given invaluable assistance through the VITA program for more than 25 years. Student volunteers completed more than 300 tax returns last year – all at no charge.

B. Alumni
1. **Childress Scholarship Endowment** – The posthumous $2 million dollar contribution by James B. and Rosemary Samuel Childress to maintain an SIU scholarship with the College of Business will continue to help students for years to come. Following his service in the U.S. navy in World War II, James was able to put himself through SIU working at a post office and went on to become a successful businessman. The couple wanted to help people that could also be successful if they just had some help.

“We know scholarships make a difference in the lives of our students,” said SIU Chancellor Carlo Montemagno. “We at the university witness that every day. The Childresses felt that impact while they were living. Seeing how scholarships affected students meant a great deal to them. Their bequest to the Childress Endowment will help students in the College of Business in an even more significant way for years to come. Those students and SIU are most appreciative of the Childress’ generosity.”

2. **Lynn McPheeters Establishes McPheeters Family Scholarship** - Growing up on a farm near Canton, F. Lynn McPheeters never imagined he would become the chief financial officer and vice president of Caterpillar Inc. Now, he’s donating $1 million to Southern Illinois University Carbondale, his alma mater, to help future Salukis succeed. The endowment gift establishes the McPheeters Family Scholarship to benefit undergraduate College of Business students, Chancellor Carlo Montemagno announced this week. “Without SIU, I would never have been in a position to have the opportunity to do something like this,” McPheeters said. “I’m a first-generation college student, and being able to attend SIU – a national, state-supported college – enabled me to have the career and life I’ve had. My hope is that this scholarship will allow others who are in similar situations the opportunity to attend SIU and succeed in their chosen field as I was able to.”

3. **Ashlee Church – Management ’09; MBA ’10** – Ashlee is the General Manager of Volkswagen of Marion and has been recognized by Southern Business Journal as one of Southern Illinois outstanding leaders under the age of 40.

**C. College of Business**

1. **Inaugural “Meet the Firm” Event** - The Business Placement Center (BPC) conducted the inaugural Meet the Firm Event in October as another initiative to help prepare students for their business careers and connect them with potential employers. Representatives from Banterra Bank, Enterprise, Hire-
Level, First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, Northwestern Mutual, and Walgreens participated in the event by speaking with students outside the BPC in Rehn Hall. Many of the business representatives were impressed by the questions students asked and the quality conversations that ensued. Some of the traits expressed by the representatives to the students include the ability to deliver good customer service, build relationships, commitment to building a career, ask the interviewer questions about his/her career to help break the ice, obtain professional work experience while still in school because it is important to know how to interact and feel comfortable in a professional setting, and take advantage of SIU opportunities and services like those the Business Placement Center offers. As evidenced by the positive feedback from participating companies and students as well as the quality advice representatives provided, the Meet the Firm Event proved to be a wonderful opportunity for College of Business students and local businesses.

2. **New online MBA Analytics Concentration Available this Spring!** We’ve all heard of the growing collective called “Big Data” and the important role analytics continues to play in making sense of all that raw information. Starting in the spring of 2018, Southern Illinois University (SIU) will offer an online MBA program that focuses on training a new age of professional to identify, sort and understand what's important within a seemingly-infinite stream of information. According to Jim Nelson, SIU associate professor and director of the Pontikes Center for Advanced Analytics and Artificial Intelligence, adding the new analytics concentration is an essential part of offering a complete MBA education that reflects today’s business needs. “Big data isn't just data that’s big. It's data that’s HUGE. Companies have petabytes of data, that’s a million gigabytes, that must be sifted through with more data flooding in every day,” he says. A big part of the focus for the SIU program is to develop an understanding of all the tools available, including analytics techniques and artificial intelligence, which has boosted productivity and increased the quality and complexity of analytical models far beyond what has been seen before. The Online MBA Analytics Concentration, which offers real-world cases and guest lectures from Pontikes Center industry board members, is made up of four courses: Data Science for Managers; Analytics and AI for managers; Analytics and Data Visualization for Managers; and a final capstone analytics course puts everything into practice with real-world problems. The corporate advisory board for this SIU CoB program includes Edward Jones, The Boeing Company, Caterpillar, Nike and Ascension Health.

3. **Online MBA Program Earns National Recognition** – Once again, Southern Illinois University Carbondale’s online MBA program has earned national recognition, claiming the No. 24 spot on the inaugural Poets and Quants Online MBA Ranking list. Just 25 programs across the U.S. were ranked. According to the list,
which was released today, SIU has the top program in Illinois. “This is a wonderful external endorsement proving the quality of our program,” Terry Clark, dean of the College of Business, said. “It is a validation of our product from someone who sets the standards.” This is the second time in as many months that SIU’s online MBA program has garnered national attention. The university tied for the No. 54 spot in the country on the U.S. News and World Report Best Online MBA Programs rankings released in January. On that list, SIU was also given the top spot in the state and was the only Illinois program in the top 60. In addition to the inaugural Spring 2018 Online Concentration in Data Analytics, in partnership with the College of Agricultural Sciences, the College of Business, in partnership with the College of Agricultural Sciences, launched an optional agribusiness economics concentration online MBA in 2016 for professionals who are interested in career advancement in the growing field of agribusiness. Few institutions of higher learning in the country offer either concentration.

4. Additional College of Business Happenings in Spring 2018 - The Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI) and the Business Placement Center (BPC) have planned seminars, workshops and events to ensure that students do well at SIU and beyond. The first noteworthy event was the ODI’s Operation Impact Workshop on Jan. 31st. This seminar focused on how to be a successful student. Its inspiration came from the realization that some students are still struggling with the transition to college life. Manifestations of this issue include taking on too many social activities, not studying enough and not knowing who to reach out to when help is needed. This seminar helps as it covers topics including time management and email etiquette, how to properly take notes and creating effective resumes. A guest from SIU’s Student Health Service was also available to discuss common challenges students face such as stress, and what resources are available to them at SIU.

Another ODI event to note was the Black Business Expo on Feb. 23rd. Held during Black History Month, the expo served as a celebration and showcase of successful black business owners. ODI staff reached out to Carbondale black small business people and will offer them space to showcase their businesses and speak to students. “With this event, we hope to build a bridge between the local community and students,” Jazlyn Stanciel, graduate assistant in ODI, said. “We want to give African-American community members a platform to showcase the businesses they run and allow students to connect with these leaders.”

The ODI hosted a women-centric event, the “Empower” Networking Lunch-In on April 12th. It featured a panel of female leaders from the community discussing topics relevant to women working in professional settings, including navigating the workforce, pay and sexual harassment. During the lunch, students
were seated with successful professional females so they may discuss their experiences and receive advice.

The Business Placement Center kicked off the semester with another “BPC After Dark” event on Feb. 19th. The office stayed open until 8:00 p.m. so students could get their resumes critiqued as well as check out clothes from the Career Closet prior to the career fair on Feb. 20th and Marketing U on Feb. 22nd.

The BPC also sponsored its first Chicago Career Trip March 29th-30th. During this weekend trip students had the opportunity to meet with representatives from two of four participating companies depending on their major: two companies for marketing and management students and two companies for finance and accounting students. Participants left Thursday morning, enjoyed a provided lunch and finished the day in the city at a reception with business professionals, SIU alumni and prospective students. They spent the night in a hotel and then visited companies on Friday.

“Marketing U: Career Success Seminar,” is a free annual event planned and presented by the College of Business (CoB) Marketing Department. This year it was held on Feb. 22nd. It was initially developed by college alumni on the Marketing External Advisory Board to help current and students and recent graduates achieve job-hunting success and continued success throughout the initial stages of their careers. The event, now in its sixth year, is one of the many unique opportunities the CoB provides for students to network and gain confidence speaking with potential employers and professionals. What’s more, it affords students a chance to address their job market concerns and ask current professionals for advice. For many students, the seminar has become an effective rehearsal for their future interviews. The seminar included three one-hour presentations with participants choosing their preference of two available topics for each. The topics covered included entrepreneurship, the job interview process, career selection, salary negotiation after a job offer and investing. A photographer was also available to take head shots between and after the presentations. Over 100 students showed up in their professional business attire to take advantage of the seminar.
College of Education and Human Services
Alumni Association Board Report
Highlights September 2017 – May 2018

Dean Keefer was elected Chair of the Illinois Association of Public Colleges of Education (IADPCE) for the 2017-2018 academic year.

A CoEHS student was named Teacher of the Year—The Illinois State Board of Education named Lindsey Jensen of Dwight Township High School. State officials say Jensen's colleagues described her as having high expectations and infectious positivity. Jensen says she believes "teaching requires becoming part of students' lives and making connections that no other professional experiences."

The CoEHS and the Rehabilitation Institute hosted a lunch for the Honorees of the upcoming 2018 Guy A. Renzaglia Lecture & Student Awards Program in April.

The Office of Teacher Education hosted 31 Marion high school students in November to provide them with general information about becoming a teacher in Illinois and specific information for SIU programs. Two current teacher candidates spoke to the group about their experiences here, praising the preparation program, especially their clinical experiences.

The Rehabilitation Institute’s student organization, National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) was included in the December National NSSLHA “In the Loop” newsletter for their Audiology Awareness/Protect Your Hearing Month Project! This newsletter was emailed to all National NSSLHA members across the country, showing the National NSSLHA community the impact SIU NSSLHA is able to make in our local community.

Educational Administration and Higher Education’s Superintendent Endorsement Program earns national recognition and certification—The Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation awarded this recognition according to Saran Donahoo, associate professor and chair of the College Student Personnel Program and doctoral program in the Department of Educational Administration and Higher Education within the College of Education and Human Services.

Dr. Patricia Saleebey, Associate Professor, School of Social Work, was recently appointed by the National Association of Social Workers Press to the editorial board of the journal “Health and Social Work” for a three year term. For 20 years, human services professionals have relied on Health & Social Work for the latest advances in areas such as aging, clinical work, long-term care, oncology, substance abuse, depression, and maternal health. Articles also cover research, policy, specialized services, quality assurance, in-service training, and other topics that affect the delivery of health care services.

2nd EHS/Talks: Lightning talk event occurred December 14th. The event showcases faculty research and its impact on the regional community. This year there were eleven presentations with fourteen presenters.
Naomi Arseneau was named the Office of Teacher Education Coordinator of Clinical Placements. She has completed more than 100 placements of pre-student teachers. This office is also documenting retention rates for these students.

The Office of Teacher Education held its 2nd Annual Student Teaching Pinning Ceremony in December. Twenty-two teacher candidates received an SIU pin as a statement was read about their accomplishments and the educators' oath was recited. Dr. Nancy Mundschenk, Director, welcomed all and introduced Dean Matthew Keefer who provided brief comments.

Elaine Jurkowski, professor in the School of Social Work, has been named Provost Faculty Fellow for spring 2018 semester. Jurkowski will be part of the university’s team responsible for SIU Carbondale’s Quality Initiative required by the Higher Learning Commission. The initiative is focused on identifying roadblocks faced by first generation students, and initiatives to increase recruitment and retention. The Quality Initiative is a collaborative effort of the Provost Office, the Center for Teaching Excellence, the Core Curriculum office, and Student Affairs.

Dr. Maria Claudia Franca, Associate Professor, Rehabilitation Institute (Communication Disorders and Science program) presented a seminar entitled “Toolbox for cultural competence – From evidence-based to practice” at the Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA) Annual convention in Chicago, February 7-10, 2018. ISHA’s convention is attended by over 1600 members, including speakers from across the country and abroad who are considered experts and well known in their fields. ISHA is considered to be among the best among state speech-language conventions.

The Office of Teacher Education met with academic advisors of licensure programs outside the college on February 6. The OTE staff and Director Mundschenk attended the February 15 Union County Career Fair at Anna-Jonesboro High School where they met with 25 high school students and their parents to talk about attending SIU and the teaching profession.

Cynthia Snair joined the College in March as our Recruitment and Retention Coordinator. She will visit high schools, community college campuses, and college fairs as well as new student orientations. Snair is analyzing enrollment and admission data for the College and preparing reports to assist with recruitment needs.

The Illinois Public Health Association, Eta Sigma Gamma Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter and the CoEHS Department of Public Health and Recreation Professions on March 6th partnered to host the 1st Annual Illinois Public Health Career Fair. The event helped numerous agencies and employers to promote their internships, career opportunities, summer jobs, and graduate school programs to alumni and students in public health and other related fields from SIUC and other students throughout Illinois.

2018 SIU Day of Giving: The College outdistanced all other campus groups by collecting the most monetary gifts during the SIU Day of Giving on March 7 with $96,996 raised for valuable scholarships and programs to strengthen the university's educational mission.
Cynthia Sims led the Junior Faculty Development Network. In September 2017 junior and mentoring faculty met at the Student Center Bowling & Billiard’s for a social evening of bowling and food. At the March 2018 meeting, Dr. Kim Asner-Self, Associate Professor, Counseling, Quantitative Methods, and Special Education and Dr. Patricia Saleeby, Associate Professor, School of Social Work spoke. Saleeby plans to present a grant writing and finding grants workshop for the next event.

COEHS was represented by Faculty presenting at the CASA 2018 Research Flash Talks: Phil Anton, Associate Professor, Kinesiology; Valerie Boyer, Associate Professor, Rehabilitation Institute; Julie Partridge, Associate Professor, Kinesiology all presented at the event on March 21.

The SIU 2nd Annual SIU System Diversity and Inclusion in Higher Education Conference was held in March. Dr. Cynthia Sims, Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs & Dr. Casheena Stephens, Instructor, COEHS provided a workshop titled The Benefits and Application of Graduate Workforce Diversity Concepts in Post-Graduate Students’ Lives and Workplaces. Jenevieve Nelson, Master Student in Educational Administration and Higher Education, presented a workshop titled The Persistent Journey: Intercultural Competence in Student Affairs. Ana Hernandez, Student, School of Social Work, presented a workshop titled Factors Impacting Retention of First-Generation Latino Students in Higher Education. Walter Davis, Academic Advisor, COEHS, presented a workshop titled Let’s Talk About Diversity and Inclusion.

Educational Administration & Higher Education department hosted the April Southern Illinois Law and Leadership Conference at SIU. Libi Gil, Chief Education Officer, Illinois State Board of Education was the Keynote Speaker.

The John Allen Symposium was held April 5, 2018 at Touch of Nature. This signature event once again drew Recreation alumni from across the state back to SIU to team up with Rec Students for symposia, presentations, and outdoor events. Once again, this highly anticipated and well attended event was a great success.

The 50th Anniversary of the Special Olympics was held at Touch of Nature. The CoEHS was an important sponsor and participant at this stellar event.

The CoEHS and the Rehabilitation Institute hosted the 40th Anniversary of the Renzaglia Lecture Series GALA event on April 10th. The Gala reception and dinner before the lecture honored the Rehabilitation Institutes’ “Legends”, “Achievers” and “Pillars”.

The Rehabilitation Institute hosted the 40th Anniversary of the Renzaglia Lecture Series. The Lecture was held on April 10th followed by a reception.

Poster at the 2018 Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Forum in April! Anderson is a McNair Scholar and presented her research at their research forum last summer.
COMING SOON

In June COEHS’ Curriculum & Instruction Department will be hosting the 35th Challenge to Excellence summer program for academically talented students. The program focuses on experiences designed to improve a student’s higher level thinking skills in math, science, and creative writing as well as in other skill and content areas. This program is one of the most respected and long-standing summer residential programs for academically-talented students in the Midwest. One former Challenge to Excellence student has received a Pulitzer Prize for journalism.

Also in June is the Mindfulness Camp for Kids, a community outreach opportunity sponsored by COEHS’ Rehabilitation Institute. Mindfulness is a scientifically validated technique that has been proven to help children think better, stay more focused in school, do better on school projects, help reduce anxiety, social fears and increase their overall awareness. The mindfulness camp is a great opportunity for children to learn various breathing techniques, beginning yoga, exploration of the mind and the environment around them. One of the camp leaders, Dr. Mark Dixon, Professor, Rehabilitation Institute, is a national expert in acceptance and mindfulness and has overseen mindfulness activities for over 300 children. He has been featured in Newsweek, Time, The New York Times, NPR, This American Life, and regional affiliates of ABC, CBS and PBS. Mark enjoys various outdoor activities and exploring new places.
College of Engineering Brag Points – 2018

"What's been happening at my College??"

We offer fully accredited degrees in these departments:
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering and Energy Processes
- Mining and Mineral Resources Engineering
- Technology

We offer seven undergraduate degrees, six master’s degrees, and Ph.D. degrees in engineering sciences and electrical and computer engineering. An on-line degree for a Master’s in Manufacturing Systems was recently added.

EXCERPTS FROM THE COE WEBPAGE COLLEGE NEWS SECTION – For additional reading please visit http://engineering.siu.edu/ for full story coverage.

APRIL 2018
Southern Illinois University Carbondale will proudly host the American Society of Engineers - 2018 Mid-Continent Student Conference! This will include the Steel Bridge Building and Concrete Canoe Competitions on Campus.

March 17, 2017
Robotics teams take top spots in Midwest contest
by Tim Crosby

CARBONDALE, Ill. – Two robotics teams at Southern Illinois University Carbondale came home with the top spots after competing at the Midwest Robotics Design Competition last weekend.

The two teams from SIU’s College of Engineering – a team from the registered student organization affiliated with the Association of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering and the SIU Robotics team – placed first and second, respectively, at the competition, held March 10-11 at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. A third SIU team, Absaluki, did not place in the competition.

The two-day competition tested the skills and creativity of engineering students who participated in one of the longest-running robotics competitions in the country.

It was just the second time SIU participated in the competition. Last year, the ATMAE team from SIU made its debut at the MRDC and captured second place.
Jan. 17, 2017

Sam Oltman: Hats Off To NASA

Sam Oltman was 7 years old when he first visited NASA’s Kennedy Space Center. His parents bought him this hat, which he then had signed by an astronaut.

Seven-year-old Sam Oltman from Putnam, Illinois, looked down at what would become one of his most prized possessions. The baseball cap he held wasn’t from a game -- it was a gift from his visit to the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex in Florida with his parents. The trip became even more memorable as Sam stood in line to have his hat signed by an astronaut. Little did young Sam know that his journey to NASA would eventually come full circle.

Sam’s involvement with NASA began while studying mechanical engineering at Southern Illinois University. For three years, he was a member of a team that participated in the annual NASA Human Exploration Rover Challenge in Huntsville, Alabama. Through this challenge, the students were tasked with designing and racing rovers -- essentially moonbuggies -- over simulated extraterrestrial terrain.

Full STEAM Ahead!
July 17 – 19, 2017

Girls in Engineering & Science Day Camp is a three-day program designed for middle school girls to explore science, technology, engineering, agriculture and math during the summer break from school. Faculty and students from the College of Engineering, College of Science, and College of Agricultural Science will lead students through hands-on experiments, exploring the natural environment and engaging demonstrations. The goal is to explore the world around us, to enhance confidence in problem solving, to meet new people and to spark our students' interest in important careers that can improve the world in which we live.

Sponsored by College of Engineering, College of Science and the College of Agricultural Science.
November 10, 2016
SIU team sweeps national robotics competition
by Tim Crosby

CARBONDALE, Ill. -- The robotics team from Southern Illinois University Carbondale swept the Association of Technology Management and Applied Engineering national robotics competition Nov. 2 in Orlando, Fla., winning nearly half of all the possible points available to teams competing.

This year's competition featured both an obstacle course and a course in which the robot had to run autonomously during a relay race. The SIU robot, dubbed "Dusty 2.0," dominated the head-to-head competition, which was worth 40 percent of the overall scoring. The team also took first place in all the remaining categories, which included Best Electronic Control Methodology, Best Fabrication/Innovation, Best Poster, Best Technical Presentation and Audience Favorite.

Bruce DeRuntz, professor of technology and faculty adviser for the team, said SIU's Industrial Management and Applied Engineering degree in the Department of Technology is an ATMAE-accredited program, and the organization is known across the country for bringing the leading university and college robotic teams together annually for this intense competition....

April 25, 2016
$1 million NSF grant fuels energy scholarships
by Tim Crosby

CARBONDALE, Ill. -- A national research agency has awarded Southern Illinois University Carbondale a new $1 million grant aimed at helping community college students prepare for careers in the energy sector.

The National Science Foundation awarded the grant from its Division of Undergraduate Education to SIU, said Lizette Chevalier, associate dean of the College of Engineering. The grant, which also serves as a research project in the area of STEM education, is a collaborative, cross-disciplinary effort that involves several academic departments on campus. STEM stands for "science, technology, engineering and mathematics," which is receiving a major push by education leaders throughout the country.

Students can apply now for the Southern Illinois Energy Scholarship, which on average will be worth about $7,000 a year for two years, Chevalier said....
During Fall 2017, we welcomed a new Chancellor to our campus as well as five new CoLA faculty members [Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, Linguistics, Philosophy, and Psychology] and 281 new freshmen into our college. Each month, we featured one of our Arts programs [Theater, Music, Art & Design] in the local newspaper, the Southern, sharing some of the exciting work our faculty and students are accomplishing. Our caring alumni were generous as ever and extended their warm support, encouraging us in our endeavors. Several faculty members won prestigious awards as well as grant funded initiatives and others presented their creative and research activity at regional, national, and international forums. Listed below are some of the 2017 achievements of our talented faculty and students.

--Meera

Activity update across the college, October 2017–March 2018:

Accomplishments within the Arts

*School of Art and Design, Aaron Scott and his design students on their work with a local entrepreneur, Dave Restivo, developing a ceiling fan cleaning tool called Blade Maid. WSIL's interview with Aaron Scott and Dave Restivo can be viewed here http://www.wsiltv.com/story/36922128/southern-illinois-inventor-hopes-to-inspire-more-innovation?autoStart=true&topVideoCatNo=default&clipId=13933822

*Associate Professor of Digital Media, Mark Pease's animation "Designer 2018" was selected to be part of the Cube Art Project, a 3-dimensional mega screen on the UBT Union Bank building in Lincoln, NE. This project is sponsored by the City of Lincoln, Lincoln Partners for Public Art and ColorKey Media LLC., and will run through the year. More info can be found at: http://www.canopyst.com/rallyyard/cube.

*Edward Benyas, School of Music, was awarded a grant of $11,800.00 from the Illinois Arts Council Agency (IACA) from state funds for the Southern Illinois Symphony operating support.

*School of Music Piano Students were awarded the following from the Illinois State Music Teachers Association (ISMTA) South, Piano Solo Competition, Young Artist Division, held at Millikin University on October 21, 2017:

Saem Lee, 2nd year Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance - 3rd Place
David Prudent, 1st year Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance - Honorable Mention
"Crossings: Contemporary Music for Chinese Instruments" has been released on Albany Records. Two tracks include performances by SIU faculty: Eric Lenz, cello, and Christopher Butler, percussion. One of these tracks, "Into the Changing Light," is music written by SIU Assistant Professor Christopher Walczak, who was instrumental in facilitating the project in coordination with the Little Giant Chinese Chamber Orchestra, of Taiwan.


*Junghwa Lee, School of Music, has been invited to present her research on "Teacher's Temperament and Student Success" at the Korean Association of Piano Pedagogy Conference in Seoul, Korea in May 2018. Dr. Lee has also been invited to present a lecture recital presenting "Albeniz's Iberia Book III" at the Piano Literature Research Society in Seoul, Korea in June 2018.

*Anne Fletcher, Department of Theater, was recently awarded the Everett Helms Research Fellowship to investigate Orson Welles Collection at the University of Indiana's Lilly Library for an invited chapter on his production of Julius Caesar; she has also had two books published this academic year: Contextualizing New Plays (Cognella) with SIU Ph.D. alum and Associate Dean Western Michigan University, Scott Irelan that also features plays by Associate Professor Jacob Juntunen, MFA playwriting student David Dudley, and PhD playwriting student Greg Aldrich, and Modern American Drama: Playwriting in the 1930s (Bloomsbury).

*Anne Fletcher, Department of Theater, was awarded The Eugene O'Neill Foundation's Travis Bogard Artist in Residence Program at Taos House in Danville, CA. This award provides housing, meals, and local transportation, and the opportunity to utilize the resources of the Taos House Library in Eugene O'Neill's home, now a National Historic Site. Dr. Fletcher will be going for a two-week residency to conduct research for an invited book chapter on Provincetown Theatre designers and a manuscript proposal for a full-length study on O'Neill's influence on American scenography.

Accomplishments within the Humanities


*CoLA recognizes the achievements of Mont Allen, Assistant Professor of Art History & Classics, and Gretchen R. Dabbs, Associate Professor of Anthropology, who were named the College of Liberal Arts' Undergraduate "Mentors of the Year" by the Center for Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities.

*Natasha Zaretsky, Department of History, published a new book, "Radiation Nation: Three Mile Island and the Political Transformation of the 1970s". Here is the link: https://www.amazon.com/Radiation-Nation-Island-Political-Transformation/dp/0231179812/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1516051748&sr=8-
Also, Dr. Zaretsky has just been named co-editor of the respected historical journal The Sixties.

**Mont Allen, Assistant Professor of Classics & Art History,** was recently interviewed by the *Wall Street Journal* for a story titled “Going Out in Style: Custom Caskets Bring Joy to Life’s Saddest Ritual”. The story, which quotes him, was featured on the front page of the WSJ’s Friday (Jan. 26) print issue. It can also be read online [here](#). Mont Allen was also awarded a Summer Research Fellowship by the Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst. The fellowship funds three months of research at a German academic institution of the recipient’s choice. Dr. Allen will spend the summer at the German Archaeological Institute in Berlin, conducting research for his book on ancient Roman sarcophagi.

**Jeffrey Punske, Department of Linguistics,** was awarded a Kutztown University Visiting Faculty Summer Fellowship for Summer 2018. As part of this fellowship, he will be working with Dr. Amy Lynch-Biniek of Kutztown on developing ways to incorporate Linguistics into College Composition classrooms.

**Robert Hahn, Department of Philosophy,** has just published his fourth research book in the Ancient Philosophy series of the State of New York University Press, *The Metaphysics of the Pythagorean Theorem: Thales, Pythagoras, Engineering, Diagrams, and the Construction of the Cosmos out of Right Triangles.* He has also been invited as a Keynote Speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Classics Association of Great Britain this April 6-9, and he will be the featured speaker at the Burroughs School in St. Louis, Mo. on April 21 at a meeting sponsored by the departments of Classics and Mathematics on his new book.

**Accomplishments within the Social Sciences**

**Leslie Duram, Department of Geography and Environmental Resources,** received the 2017 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Department of Geography at Kansas State University! She earned her Master’s Degree from K-State in 1991, graduating Summa Cum Laude.

**Trent Ford, Department of Geography and Environmental Resources,** was selected to receive the 2018 University-Level Early Career Faculty Excellence Award! This award recognizes Dr. Ford for his commitment to and exceptional performance in the areas of scholarship, teaching, and professional activities.

**Benjamin Bricker, Department of Political Science,** was awarded a Summer Research Fellowship by the DAAD. The fellowship will fund a summer residency at the University of Mannheim, where Dr. Bricker will conduct research on the German court system.

**Usha Lakshmanan, Department of Psychology,** was an invited Keynote speaker at the conference on Assessing World Languages held at the University of Macao from Nov 10-11, 2017. The title of her talk was: *Language and Theory of Mind: Assessing Sequential Bilingual Children’s Narratives for Mental State Term Use.* Dr. Lakshmanan’s doctoral student advisee, *Yee Pin Tio,* was the second author (co-author) of this research presentation.
* Kristen Barber, Department of Sociology, was recently interviewed for a New York Times article titled, "What's the Deal with that Guy's Fluffy Hair." Dr. Barber does research on how interactions at work perpetuate gender inequalities, and published a book on the subject in 2016, Styling Masculinity: Gender, Class, and Inequality in the Men's Grooming Industry Rutgers University Press. https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/07/fashion/mens-style/whats-the-deal-with-that-guys-fluffy-hair.html

* Paul Echols, Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice, received a 2018 Defender of the Innocent Award from the Illinois Innocence Project. Echols is being honored for his work to secure a posthumous exoneration for Grover Thompson, who was wrongly convicted for a crime committed by Dennis Krajcir. He is a retired Lieutenant with the Carbondale Police Department, the author of In Cold Pursuit (detailing the identification of Krajcir as the killer of nine women), and the founder of the Nine Angels scholarship in the honor of those victims.

* Matthew Nowak, an Anthropology doctorate student, worked with the international team of researchers who recently discovered a new species of orangutan, Pongo tapanuliensis. More information can be found here http://news.siu.edu/2017/11/110217tjc17047.php

* Matthew Jamnik, a graduate student in the Brain and Cognitive Sciences program in psychology recently won the Midwestern Psychological Association Graduate Student Paper Award! The award is for his paper on "Caffeine use and anxiety: The role of exercise frequency."

*Sociology major, Baylee Hudgens, presented a paper at the Illinois Sociological Association conference in fall 2017. Her paper was awarded 3rd place in the lower level (freshman/sophomore) student paper competition.
Date: April 11, 2018
From: Dr. Deborah Tudor, MCMA interim dean
Re: MCMA report for the SIU Alumni Association Board’s spring 2018 meeting

Spring semester is always an exciting and busy time for us, with Honors Day and Commencement preparations. We wrapped up a wonderful fall 2017 semester and I’d like to mention a couple of events that occurred.

One of our most productive associations has been with the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting. Each year, the School of Journalism brings reporters from the Center to campus. This is a highly successful event, allowing us to bring global reporting to our students.

Last fall, the Pulitzer Symposium featured independent reporter Jeanne Carstensen, who covered the mass arrival of 500,000 refugees to Lesbos and Eastern Aegean islands, and the smuggling operation in Turkey. In 2016, she reported on the 60,000 refugees trapped in Greece after the Balkan route closed. She also covered refugee integration issues in Germany, France and Hungary. Her work has appeared several publications, including in Foreign Policy, PRI’s The World, The Nation and The Intercept. Jordan Roth, also of the Center on Crisis Reporting, spoke about visual storytelling and reaching new audiences. And students Morgan Timms, Jessica Edmonds, Ryan Michalesko and Steve Matzker presented their own journalism work at the Nov. 15, 2017, event.

This semester, we held the 40th Anniversary of the Big Muddy Film Festival. The closing reception on Feb. 24 was held in the middle of a giant rainstorm and minor flood that stranded the caterer’s truck in the mud. But, the award ceremony and reception went ahead and was a great deal of fun. This year, two of the jurors were MCMA alumni:

1. Ben Kalina, a 2003 graduate, is chief operating officer of animation production company Titmouse. He is responsible for overseeing production and development across its three studios. He helps promote and maintain overall vision, facilitates incoming jobs and manages processing techniques. Prior to Titmouse, he worked at Warner Bros. Animation & VFX. While serving as producer on Amazon's Niko and the Sword of Light series, the show won an Emmy for Outstanding Children's Animation Program.

2. Tom Ludwig, a 1981 Cinema and Photography alum, is an award-winning filmmaker who teaches film interpretation at Western Michigan University, and film and video production for Education for the Arts, a unique countywide arts education program for the public schools in Kalamazoo County. His personal body of experimental and documentary film has gained recognition through film festivals, public television and special screenings.
Around the College

On March 24, the MCMA eclipse documentary production, In the Shadow, premiered at Shryock Auditorium. It has now been entered into three film festivals: Chicago FF (with an Illinois category), the St Louis FF, and the Austin FF. The documentary was executive produced by MCMA Interim Dean Deborah Tudor, and produced by the creative team of HD Motyl, chair of both Radio-Television-Digital Media and the Department of Cinema and Photography, and Mark Stoffel, a digital media specialist and instructor at the college.

Dr. Aaron Veenstra, of the School of Journalism and associate dean for Graduate Studies, was named MCMA’s Graduate Student Mentor of the Year. A ceremony took place April 9.

Bill Recktenwald, a professor in the School of Journalism, recently participated in an event commemorating the Chicago Sun-Times 25-part series in January 1978 that chronicled undercover work by reporters who purchased a run-down dive bar — the Mirage tavern — to expose corrupt city inspectors who glossed over obvious code violations in exchange for bribes. The event was moderated by Chris Fusco, the Sun-Times’ editor-in-chief. Bill also spoke about this project at a Brown Bag seminar on campus on Feb. 1. https://chicago.suntimes.com/news/40-years-later-reporters-remember-how-they-bought-a-bar-to-expose-corruption/

Cinema and Photography freshman Emma Neumeyer won a Textbook Scholarship Award from the SIU Alumni Association this month. Emma is from Red Bud, Ill.

Steven Dew, a Radio-Digital-Television alum and recipient of the 2016 Lincoln Academy of Illinois student laureate for Southern Illinois University, headed the production team behind the Chancellor’s video for the 2018 Day of Giving campaign. For a glimpse behind the scenes of the video’s production, check out the Chancellor’s blog at https://blog.chancellor.siu.edu/.

Cinema and Photography professor Cade Bursell’s Waveland screened on Dec. 7 in a curated program, titled Microcosm/Macrocosm, at an underground cinema in Stevens Point, Wisc.

Dr. Novotny Lawrence interviewed actor Pam Grier (Coffy, Jackie Brown, Bad Grandmas) about her 47-year career in film and television as a part of the St. Louis International Film Festival’s tribute to the legendary actress.

Alumni News

We’re very proud of alum Steve James for his recent Oscar nomination for Abacus: Small Enough to Jail. This is the second time in four years that our alums have been recognized by the Academy. Edgar Barens received an Oscar nomination for Short Documentary Film in 2014 for Prison Terminal: The Last Days of Private Jack Hall. Another alum, Milcho Manchevski, was nominated for an Oscar for Best Foreign Film, Before the Rain, in 1994. All three men graduated from the Department of Cinema and Photography.

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Collaboration at the College
These following two items demonstrate how our professors collaborate with students on work that gets exhibited internationally.

Jennida Chase and the Cinematography class shot a film at the St. Louis City Museum last spring semester with MFA alum Mike Maxwell, called Remnant Thought. The film is screening at MystiCon Independent Film Festival in Roanoke, Virginia this month (April 2018). SIU Theater Department alumna Elizabeth Dennis also collaborated with this project on make-up and costume. This is the second festival screening for Remnant Thought.

The Fawn (Jennida Chase, Hassan Pitts and the Cinema and Photography Cinematography class) which was shot at The St. Louis City Museum in Spring of 2017 was accepted in to Time is Love 11th International Video Art Program which circumnavigates the globe annually. This year’s first screening is at Lily Agius Gallery in Sliema, Malta. Also in 2018 The Fawn is screening at San Mauro Film Festival in San Mauro Torinese, Italy; the Beloit International Film Festival in Beloit, Wisconsin, The Bronx World Film Cycle in New York, NY and the Velcom Smartphone Mobile Film Festival put on by The Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Belarus in Minsk, Belarus. The Fawn screened in over 20 festivals, museums and galleries in 2017.
MEMORANDUM

Date: April 11, 2018
To: Tina Shingleton, Administrative Aide and Corporate Secretary to the SIU Alumni Association Board
From: Christopher Behan, Acting Dean
SIU School of Law

RE: School of Law News

I. Award-Winning Academics

Health Law Policy

SIU’s Health Law & Policy Program continues to be a gem of the School of Law. It is home to one of only a handful of MD/JD programs in the nation. Students benefit from a diverse and accomplished faculty willing to take on the most confounding problems facing America in classwork, public lectures and respected interdisciplinary symposia. Some highlights include:

National Health Law Moot Court Competition


John and Marsha Ryan Bioethicist in Residence

March 21-23, 2018, Dr. Alice Dreger presented a lecture titled “Who Should Count as a Woman on the Playing Field? The Question of Intersex and Trans in Sports.”
Health Policy Institute

On May 18, 2018, SIU and Southern Illinois Healthcare tackle the nation’s most pressing health crisis. Entitled “Opening Pandora’s Bottle: Law, Policy and America’s Opioid Epidemic,” the 19th Annual Health Policy Institute. The interdisciplinary symposium is expected to draw experts from around the country and media attention. Continuing Legal, Medical and Nursing Education credit is available.

International Law and Immigration

SIU School of Law operates at the forefront of International Law and Immigration, teaching tomorrow’s leaders through the experience of travel and serving a growing public need for immigration legal services.

Legal Globalization and Comparative Law

Over 2018 Winter Intersession, Acting Dean Chris Behan and Professor Mark Schultz led a group of students to Botswana and South Africa for one of two offerings in Legal Globalization and Comparative Law. Students studied the legal systems and cultures of two very different countries. Acting Associate Dean Cindy Buys is leading the 2018 Summer Intersession Class in Cuba. This will be a unique opportunity to be in Cuba as Americans shortly after the first presidential election in which a Castro is not running since 1960.

Pro Bono Immigrant Detention Project

As part of its experiential learning component, SIU Law offers students an opportunity to assist immigrants who have been detained at the Pulaski County Detention Center. Students must first receive one hour of specialized training. Populations have increased at the detention center, so the students must work quickly to interview detainees.
Lesar Distinguished Lecture (March 27, 2018)

The SIU School of Law was privileged to present a lecture by Adam Weber, who recently returned from The Hague where served for 10 years as a lead prosecutor at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY). Weber obtained war crimes convictions against General Radko Mladic, who became known as the “Butcher of Bosnia.”

Faculty at the Forefront of International Law

- **Professor Cindy Buys** is the Acting Associate Dean and Director of International Law Programs, and is often consulted by news media regarding immigration law.
- **Professor Michael Koehler** is a prominent authority on the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and White Collar and Corporate Crime.
- **Professor Andrew Pardieck** is fluent in Japanese language and law.
- **Professor Mark Schultz** is an influential voice in public policy debates regarding Intellectual Property, a current hot topic since the U.S. just placed tariffs on China.

United States Constitution, Federal Law and State Law

SIU School of Law faculty also have expertise in areas of current interest in and among the United States.

U.S. Constitutional Law

- **Professor Ed Dawson** is a Constitutional Law scholar who clerked for Justice Kennedy.
- **Associate Professor Steven J. Macias** is a scholar of legal thought in the Early American Republic and publishes on the application of critical theory to contemporary issues of sexuality, gender and family law.
- **Assistant Professor George Mocsary** publishes on the Second Amendment.

Federal Laws & Courts

- **Professor Cheryl Anderson** is an authority on workplace discrimination. Her scholarship has focused on disability discrimination and sexual harassment.
- **Professor William A. "Bill" Drennan** holds a CPA and JD, and teaches federal income tax, trusts and estates and basic estate planning.
• **Professor Trish McCubbin** teaches environmental and administrative law.
• **Professor Alice Noble-Allgire** is a former award-winning journalist who is published in the areas of real estate law, property rights, and diversity issues.

**State Law and Policy**

On Thursday April 5, 2018, the School of Law presented the Gene and Katy Simonds Lectureship in Democracy. The 2018 Scholar is Eileen Norcross, who gave a riveting analysis of the State of Illinois’ fiscal crisis. Norcross is the Director for State and Local Policy Project and Senior Research Fellow at the Mercatus Center at George Mason University.

**Local Law and Pro Bono Services**

SIU School of Law has been recognized for the last four years as one of a “Best School for Practical Training” by National Jurist Magazine. This year, *National Jurist* changed the way it ranks schools and gives each a grade. SIU has been named a B+ school in the 2018 assessment.

**Domestic Violence**

Clinical Professor Gail Thomas has received the 2018 SIU Teaching Excellence Award. The award is only given to a non-tenure track faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding teaching in her discipline. Only one award is given each academic year. Professor Sheila Simon coordinated the exhaustive application and said,

*She had letters fabulous letters of support from former clinic students. Most of what they emphasized was that Gail didn’t just teach them how to advocate, she lived it. Each of the grads said that Gail’s example of service is one that they continue to draw on in their careers. In short, Gail Thomas rocks.*

Professor Thomas supervises the Domestic Violence program at SIU School of Law. She will be granted the permanent title of Distinguished Teacher.
Veterans Legal Assistance Program (VLAP)

Through the VLAP externship, students provide pro bono legal assistance to veterans in Southern Illinois who cannot afford or do not have access to legal representation. In November 2017, the Illinois Armed Forces Legal Aid Network (IL-AFLAN) was launched at SIU, providing a statewide hotline for legal support services. The VLAP program at SIU has received a grant from AFLAN, which expands services the program can provide in Southern Illinois.

Focused Workshops

Women in Leadership Workshop (January 11-12, 2018)

Acting Assistant Dean Cindy Buys and Professor Angela Upchurch coordinated the Eighth Annual Women in Leadership Workshop. Over 30 students participated in leadership training at the School of Law. A closing dinner was held at the SIU Student Center Ballroom with Keynote Speaker Lois Wood. New this year, Workshop organizers honored three SIU Law alumni:

- Hon. Kimberly Dahlen (Class of 1979) was recognized for Lifetime Achievement.
- Family Law Attorney Kelly Giraudo (Class of 2010) was given the Trailblazer Award.
- The Organizational Award was granted to Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard – Carbondale Office, represented by Managing Partner, Kathy Pine (Class of 1979).

The Fifth Annual Business Boot Camp (January 13-14, 2018)

Professor George Mocsary founded and coordinates the Business Boot Camp, which offers an introduction to the vocabulary, concepts and skills required to effectively communicate and advise business clients. The workshop is taught by various members of the faculty during winter intersession.
Career Services

Assistant Dean Mike Ruiz this year offered a number of opportunities for students to explore future careers while enjoying free lunch courtesy of industry sponsors. The 2017-18 Market Sector and Career Track Workshops included:

- Solo/Small Firm
- Mid-to-Large Firm
- Judge Advocate General
- Alternative & Non-legal
- Clerkships and Fellowships
- Public Service
- Patent Bar
- Diversity Clerkships (STL)
- Business & Transactional Law
- Corporate Law
- Access to Justice/Pro bono
- Criminal Law
- Family Law
- Human Rights Law
- International Law

On April 26, 2018, Career Services is co-hosting with the Student Bar Association a Speed Networking Event at which students can meet alumni in person and on teleconference.

Continuing Education

Legal practitioners can earn continuing legal education (CLE) credits while learning about our most current and relevant legal topics.

Animal Law

The Animal Law Section of the Illinois State Bar Association held a well-attended Animal Law Workshop in January 2018. The event was coordinated by Alicia Ruiz, who recently retired as SIU School of Law Communications Director.

Law Journal Symposium

"Exploring the Second Amendment 10 Years After D.C. vs. Heller" is the topic of the 2018 Law Journal Symposium at SIU School of Law.
11th Annual Joint CLE

The SIU School of Law was the site of this popular free CLE offered by the Jackson and Williamson County Bar Associations. Over 200 attorneys, many of the SIU Law Alumni, will attend the event with the opportunity for up to 6.0 hours of CLE credit.

II. Award-Winning Students

Cody Benway

Cody Benway (3L) accepted a highly competitive Honors Clerkship with the U.S. Department of Justice and will begin working for the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) in September 2018 after taking the bar exam.

Sheena Hart

Sheena Hart (3L) was selected to attend a National Women's Leadership Academy at Harvard Law School.

Victor Feraru

Victor Feraru (3L) was named a 2018 Law Student of the Year by National Jurist Magazine. This was the second time a SIU Law student received the award. Willie Lyles III received the award in 2017.

Moot Court

Under the leadership of Professor Cheryl Anderson, SIU School of Law continued a long history of Moot Court success. SIU Law hosted an annual Moot Court Intramural Competition and the National Health Law Moot Court Competition in September and November 2018, respectively. At Intramurals, SIU Law students took first, second and third place in the Best Oralist Category; First and Second Place Brief, and two teams advanced to the finals, including the Champion team of Schyler Sullivan and Cooper Powell.
At the Asylum and Refugee Law moot court national competition at UC-Davis. Second-year student Schyler Sullivan was named Best Oralist and advanced to the quarter-final rounds with his partner, Chris Sieleff.

**Trial Team “Most Professional”**
The SIU mock trial team of Youssef Boudjarane, Keegan Nowlin, and Dakota Kee received the Most Professional Team award at the 2018 Show-Me Voir Dire and Opening Statement competition in Kansas City, Missouri. The team was coached by Deannah McClendon.

**Alumni Engagement**

**Alumni Holiday Receptions**
In December 2017, we hosted Annual Alumni Receptions in four locations: Chicago, Springfield, St. Louis and a new location, Murphysboro. All of the receptions were well attended.

**Alumni Meet-&-Greets**
In March, we joined the SIU Alumni Association to cheer on the SIU Men’s Basketball team that made it to the Arch Madness basketball tournament in St. Louis.

**Annual Giving**
Following the Alumni Holiday Receptions and mailing of the Annual Alumni Holiday Giving Letter, contributions from Alumni rose. Additionally, the Second Annual Day of Giving was a tremendously successful at the School of Law. On March 7, the School of Law saw significant increases in both the total amount raised and the number of participants who gave gifts:
- Total donated $33,311, a **493.99%** increase over last year’s total of $5,608.
• The average gift this year was $139.96, a 224.21% increase over last year’s average gift of $43.17.

• The Suzanne J. Schmitz Scholarship Fund, which helps provide support to recent graduates preparing for the bar examination. Emeritus Professor Suzanne Schmitz established this scholarship fund last year. This year, she matched the first $500 raised for this fund during the Day of Giving, helping us to raise a total of $5,855 for her scholarship fund.
April 5, 2018

TO: Jeffrey Parks, MD
School of Medicine Alumni Representative to the SIU Alumni Association Board

FROM: Julie Robbs, MA
Director of Alumni Affairs

RE: Spring 2018 SIU-C Alumni Association Board Meeting

Listed below are news items to report from the School of Medicine (SOM) at the Spring Alumni Association Board meeting.

1. Class of 2018 Residency Match Results - Senior medical students in the graduating Class of 2018 at SIU School of Medicine received results from the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) on Friday, March 16, at the same time other U.S. medical students learned their matches to postgraduate training programs. Sixty-eight SIU seniors have secured residency positions. Thirteen students (19%) will specialize in family medicine, and thirteen (19%) will specialize in emergency medicine. Seven students (10%) will begin residencies in internal medicine, six (9%) will go on to general surgery residencies, and six (9%) will specialize in pediatrics. Anesthesiology and radiology each attracted 4 students, and dermatology, obstetrics-gynecology and psychiatry each attracted 2 students. Three students (4%) will specialize in ENT/otolaryngology. Child neurology, medicine-psychiatry, orthopedic surgery, plastic surgery, transitional medicine and urology each attracted one student. Fifteen (22%) of the 68 senior medical students will begin their residency training in SIU-affiliated programs. The class will graduate May 19. https://www.siumed.edu/pr/highlights/siu-med-students-residency-programs-meet-their-match.html

2. NIH Grants Boost Research on Depression, Endometriosis Treatments - Two scientists at SIU School of Medicine's Department of Physiology have received federal funding to develop more effective therapies to treat two major health problems: depression and endometriosis. http://www.siumed.edu/pr/highlights/nih-grants-boost-research-depression-endometriosis-treatments.html

3. The SIU School of Medicine Alumni Society Board of Governors chose Dr. Paul Checchia,
MD, class of 1993, to receive the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award at the May 19 commencement. Dr. Paul Checchia completed a pediatrics residency in 1996 and fellowship in 1999 in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Children’s Memorial Medical Center, Northwestern University Medical School. He completed a research fellowship at Feinberg Cardiovascular Research Institute at Northwestern. He held academic appointments at Washington University SOM and Loma Linda University SOM. He is currently professor of pediatric critical care medicine and professor of pediatric cardiology at Baylor College of Medicine.

4. From Clinic to Community: Population Health Focus Strengthens - SIU Medicine joins a select number of US medical schools that have formal offices aimed to provide solutions to population health challenges. The creation of OPSP is the latest indicator of the strengthening direction of the “service” mission of SIU School of Medicine. www.siumed.edu/pr/highlights/clinic-community-population-health-focus-strengthens.html
Student Alumni Council Board Meeting Report

Hello, my name is Rachel Seay, and I am the newly elected SAC President. I will serve in this role for the 2018-2019 school year. During the 2017-2018 school year, I served as the Secretary. I am excited to lead and serve other Salukis through my presidency.

I want to extend a thank you to the SIU Alumni Association and the Board of Directors for all of the continuous support that you provide to the SAC team. Without you, we would not be able to plan and effectively execute our community service, academic, leadership, and engagement activities. We are also grateful for the opportunities to network and learn from fellow Saluki alumni.

In conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year, we have recently elected our Executive Council and Chair members to lead us confidently into the 2018-2019 school year.

President- Rachel Seay, Vice Pres.- Cornelius Moore, Secretary- Vacant, Student Engagement- Gabrielle Reed, Community Service- John Lindt, Leadership – Jena Andreasen, Social Media- Karli Illum

Near the start of this semester, we implemented the first annual SAC Week. During this week, we were able to showcase what Student Alumni Council is about. The goal of SAC Week is to recruit and promote the RSO. From guest speakers to team building at the Rec Center, the week was filled with nightly engagements. Hopefully, we can continue to highlight SAC through this new tradition and add members to our team.

Because SAC values philanthropy and community service, we volunteer weekly through GumDrops and monthly for Adopt-A-Spot and Green Earth. The goal of GumDrops is to provide an at-home meal to over 2000 local elementary students who may not get to eat after school hours. As an organization, we have successfully completed a year-long volunteer commitment to Gum Drops. Every 3rd Saturday of the month is Adopt-A-Spot Highway Clean-up and Green Earth. Our team collects trash and litter, on the sides of the road, from Panda Express to Regions Bank. Through Green Earth, we participate in nature trail cleanup.

As the semester comes to a close, SAC is preparing for an end of the year celebration. This year, we are planning to celebrate at Giant City Lodge on May 5th. During this gathering, we enjoy the successes of the organization for the 2017-2018 school year and look to make future plans. This includes preparing for officer training and team building exercises with our Advisor.

In SAC everyone works together to help improve campus and each other’s lives. Every Saluki student has a purpose and we are all are ambitious and excited to change the world. Again thank you, for your support. You allow SAC to change our lives. Remember, we have only just begun changing tomorrow’s world.

Thank you and GO SALUKIS!

Respectfully,

Rachel Seay, Student Alumni Council President
To: SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors  
From: Emily Buice, President of Undergraduate Student Government  
Date: April 2018  
Re: Constituency Report

Undergraduate Student Government (USG) has seen a change in leadership this past semester. Therefore, I have included information from my presidency, but this report may not include all information from previous leadership.

USG has spent the 2017-2018 academic year working to resolve student concerns on campus, foster a culture of discussion and engagement within the student body, and engage undergraduate students with the academic restructuring underway at SIUC.

**Resolving Student Concerns**

USG has sponsored town hall meetings for students to voice concerns with issues on campus. Several issues brought up include: parking availability on campus, especially near Morris Library and the middle of campus, the late night dance policy at the SIU Student Center and the costs associated with hiring SIU Police per this policy, enforcement of smoking policies on campus, and various concerns about the academic restructuring which will be covered later in this report.

USG has met with the SIU Parking Division to discuss student concerns and possible solutions. The USG representative to the Parking and Traffic Committee reported that feedback was taken and the committee has made recommendations for re-zoning several parts of campus pending the Chancellor’s approval. In addition, USG passed a resolution supporting these changes. USG has representatives on the Late Night Dance Policy committee to provide student insight as the policy is revisited and adapted.

USG also passed a resolution in fall supporting a new system to determine final exam schedules. The new system, implemented in spring of 2018, reduces the amount of students who take three or more exams on one day.

**Discussion and Engagement within the Student Body**

As stated above, USG has sponsored town halls for student input into campus issues. USG also facilitated several meetings of the Diversity and Equity Affairs Committee to discuss issues students are facing on campus. One such meeting addressed DACA students and options moving forward from the elimination of the program. USG also passed a resolution this year supporting DACA students and proposed support programs for DACA students.

USG also implemented trainings for Senators that would give them a broader understanding of the world around them. At our fall retreat, we invited Vern Cooper from the LGBTQQA Resource
Center to lead a discussion on the role our campus leaders have to ensure the representation of marginalized groups. For our spring retreat, USG sponsored the SIU Health Center’s event *Suicide: The Ripple Effect*. Senators were offered the opportunity to attend a Gatekeeper Training or attend the film screening of *Suicide: The Ripple Effect*.

The Vice President of Student Affairs of USG meets with every Umbrella RSO twice a semester for feedback on USG and the University in general.

USG will also be voting on a resolution regarding the new *Saluki Visions* (originally Honor Code). These are a group of statements meant to define the Saluki experience and help create a sense of community within the student body through shared values. Each academic year (freshman, sophomore…) has a statement that is intended to represent the goals and experiences of that year. The proposed statements were developed through a committee that solicited student feedback through a D2L/email survey. The results were compiled and used to write the following:

I am capable, I will be engaged.

Freshmen coming onto campus are prepared to explore new horizons. Sometimes in the rush of newness, it’s easy to forget you are capable of handling the challenges and experiences you encounter. As you move through your first year, you’ll find that uncertainty is an opportunity to become engaged.

I am growing, I will be grounded.

Sophomore year is marked by growth, sometimes through enduring failure. Comparative realization will make the campus seem a lot smaller, but the future is a lot larger. You’ll set down strong roots that will keep you grounded throughout the next two years and beyond.

I am driven, I will be a steward.

As a junior, your passions and goals become clearer, framing your experiences. Your drive will shape your work ethic, and you’ll realize all you offer as a steward to your community.

I am reflective, I will be accomplished.

In your senior year, you reflect on your Saluki experience as your mind turns to the future. Your triumphs, struggles, and relationships become the pillars that support your accomplishments.

As of April 10, 2018, USG has allocated $198,000 to the development of Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) on campus. This figure includes operating budgets of Umbrella Organizations, the Executive Budget, and event funding for RSOs. USG has reevaluated its Funding Guidelines in order to streamline the funding process and better serve its students.

**Academic Restructuring**

USG had invited student input into the academic reorganization throughout the process. In the fall, we requested reports from Senators with an overview of constituent comments of the
reorganization. We also hosted a Town Hall meeting for constituents to attend and provide student insight.

USG has met with the Faculty Senate president to discuss providing additional seats for undergraduate students on the Undergraduate Education Policies Committee, which is one of very few areas where undergraduate students have direct influence on the academic restructuring of SIU. Currently the one seat is filled by Senator Colton Newlin. Additionally, I have been evaluating College Operating Papers to identify areas where undergraduate students have representation.

The SIU Chancellor will also be visiting USG in the coming weeks to provide an opportunity for Senators to obtain information regarding the restructuring for their constituents. Additionally, the External Affairs Committee is planning a Facebook Live with the Chancellor for constituents to ask their questions as well.

In response to the reorganization, USG has taken steps to alter the makeup of the Senate to prevent disruption in the 2018-2019 school year. Legislation will be voted on during the April 17th meeting to reword the division of academic senate seats.

**Moving Forward**

USG has elected its new Executive Board, who will take office the last Friday of the spring semester. The 2018-2019 USG President is Toussaint Mitchell.

The current Executive Board is working with the newly elected Board to make the transition period as smooth as possible.