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2007 Fall Scholarship Awards

The Fall 2007 Staff Senate Scholarships were presented to James J. Feigl, III and Morgan Clymer, in the International Room in the Morris University Center during the November Staff Senate meeting. Chancellor, Vaughn Vandergrift was in attendance to present the awards to the students. Each Student was the recipient of a \$500.00 scholarship.

James Feigl, III is the son of Kathleen Feigl a Secretary in the Psychology Department. James is at this point undeclared but considering majoring in Philosophy. He is a sophomore and currently works in Lovejoy Library.

Morgan Clymer is the daughter of Kim Clymer a Painter with Facilities Management. Morgan is a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is employed by the States' Attorneys Office.

The University Staff Senate has made available \$1500.00 for scholarships from the Faculty for Collective Bargaining monies. The University Staff Senate handles the funds for the Faculty for Collective Bargaining Scholarship, which was established to provide scholarship awards to qualifying SIUE students.

If you know of a student who would be interested in applying for the University Faculty for Collective Bargaining Scholarship please contact Staff

You must be a labor union member or the son, daughter, grandchild or spouse of a labor union member or retired Civil Service (excluding non-status) or Professional Staff employee or Non-tenure track faculty member of SIUE.

You must meet admissions requirements for undergraduate study at SIUE and be admitted for full-time undergraduate study. For a more detailed list of qualifications go to: www.http://www.siu.edu/UGOV/STAFF/scholarship/scholarship_announcementFCB_20071210

Completed application are to be returned to the University Governance Office, Box 1252, Rendleman Building, Room 0103, **NO LATER THAN JANUARY 17, 2008.**

Senators Jesse Harris, Jr. or Melanie Schoenborn for more information.

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A complete list of your Staff Senate Members may be found at our website at www.siu.edu/UGOV/STAFF/

The Staff Senate is always interested in your questions, comments, or concerns. Contact us at staffsenate@siue.edu

Hi. Welcome to the winter edition of Staff Senate newsletter. The Staff Senate hopes to keep everyone informed with what is going on in the Senate and upcoming events on campus sponsored by the Senate. A primary reason for fund raising is to raise money for scholarships that are awarded to staff, employees and their families. With that being said, I would like to thank the following organizations for their contribution: The Brotherhood of Electricians Locals and the Brotherhood of Carpenters Locals, and all those that participated in the Civil Service Workers Banquet. Your contributions are deeply appreciated by the Senate and all those affected. I am looking forward to another productive year.

Thanks again,

Todd Bartholomew, President
SIUE Staff Senate

P.S. "you don't find Christmas under the tree unless you find Christmas in your heart."

DEGREE COMPLETION AWARD PROGRAM

The Degree Completion Award allows one Civil Service, Administrative Staff, or Professional Staff employee to complete his or her first baccalaureate degree as a full-time student each year. The award recipient receives two semesters off work with pay and a waiver of tuition for classes taken during the award period. Fees are the responsibility of the recipient.

To qualify for the award, you must:

- be a full-time Civil Service, Administrative Staff, or Professional Staff employee
- have worked for the University for at least three years
- be within 32 credit hours of earning your first baccalaureate degree at the time the leave commences
- earn the degree at SIUE
- be willing to sign an agreement requiring you to work for SIUE for two years following your return from the award period

The award is competitive and the decision is based on the applicant's essay, a letter of reference and grade point average. The decision is made by a committee of five faculty members and may not be appealed. In addition, the committee has the option of not presenting the award if no suitable applicants apply. Application materials for the award will be available in the Offices of Human Resources the first week of December each year. If you would like more information about this award, please call the Offices of Human Resources at extension 2190.

WEBSITES YOU SHOULD KNOW

IMPORTANT INSURANCE CONTACT & CLAIM INFORMATION

www.benefitschoice.il.gov

State University Retirement System

www.surs.org

State University Annuitants Association

www.suaa.org



Employee Blood Donation Leave Act.

An employee may use up to one hour to donate blood every 56 days in accordance with appropriate medical standards established by the American Red Cross, America's Blood Centers, the American Association of Blood Banks, or other nationally recognized standards. Employees may use the leave after obtaining approval from their employer.

For more information see Public Act 094-0033 at: http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?name=094-0033

Ice Cream Cabaret a Success!



"Life may be a cabaret" but on Friday August 24th in the Morris University Center Conference Center, it was all about the Ice Cream. The Staff Senate volunteers were dipping everyone's favorite flavors.

With a large number of tickets sold to the event the Staff Senate was able to raise approx. \$600.00 for Scholarship fund. With entertainment, Door Prizes and some of the best Ice Cream around you couldn't help but have a great time.

If you missed the 2007 Cabaret be sure not to miss it in 2008.

The Staff Senate would like to thank everyone for their donations to make the Ice Cream Cabaret a success.



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SIUE Staff Senate.