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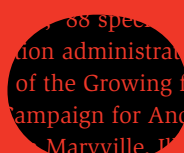
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Living Greener at SIUE

Living Greener

Sustainability and living green are important at SIUE. The University is continually looking for ways to ensure a healthy and sustainable campus life. Here are some examples of what green looks like at SIUE.

Green Roofs

SIUE has more than 17,500 square feet of green space on campus roofs.



Green Learning

SIUE offers more than 40 courses with a sustainability focus in fields as diverse as biology, engineering, business, English, anthropology and philosophy. Students can minor in environmental science or pursue an undergraduate specialization in ecology, evolution and environment.

Giving Back

Opportunities to volunteer and give back to the community are plentiful at SIUE. *Washington Monthly* ranks SIUE among the

Top 50 master's granting colleges and universities in the nation for its contributions to the public good.

Living Green

Students can live in a focused interest community and explore living sustainably with other students. The new Eco-House is a stand-alone house conveniently located next to The Gardens at SIUE.



Bike Share

The campus bike share program offers an easy way to explore the many trails available on or adjacent to campus, while ultimately developing an increased reliance on non-carbon modes of transportation.

Student Organization for Sustainability

SOS members coordinate the University's Earth Day celebration, hold campus clean-up events, and educate the campus and greater community about what can be done to solve environmental problems.

Alternative Energy

The SIUE School of Engineering's Environmental Resources Training Center recently installed a 120-foot wind turbine and 140 photovoltaic (solar) panels.

The Gardens


The Gardens at SIUE is a 35-acre living laboratory dedicated to supporting education and research. Environmental sustainability and stewardship are cornerstones of The Gardens' vision.

Nature's Best

The 380-acre SIUE Nature Preserve—protected from construction—is a dedicated location for student and faculty research, lab projects and class assignments.

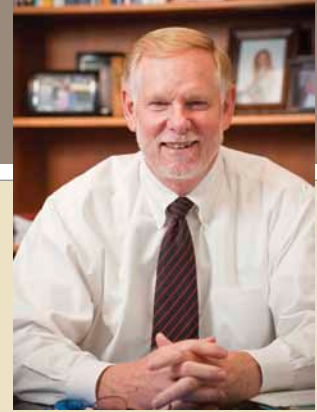
Sustainable Buildings

All new campus construction is Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) certifiable. The new Science Building is being designed to LEED-Silver specifications.

siue.edu/sustainability 

Dear Alumni and Friends of SIUE,

Welcome to the beginning of another exciting academic year in the life of SIUE! The University community uses the summer months to rejuvenate and prepare and there are now many plans in store as we advance SIUE's vision to be "recognized nationally for the excellence of its programs and development of professional and community leaders."



Here is a sampling of the University's recent achievements and a preview of coming attractions:

- All SIUE athletics teams are now playing full NCAA Division I regular season schedules and the wrestling program has a conference home for the first time in its history. SIUE wrestling is now a member of the Division I Southern Conference and will join Gardner-Webb (Boiling Springs, N.C.) and Campbell (Buies Creek, N.C.) as associate members, bringing the Southern Conference to eight members. The other league members include Chattanooga (Chattanooga, Tenn.), The Citadel (Charleston, S.C.), Appalachian State (Boone, N.C.), VMI (Lexington, Va.) and Davidson (Davidson, S.C.). SIUE begins a full conference schedule in the 2012-13 season.
- SIUE and the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM) at nearby Scott Air Force Base entered into a partnership that will allow for expanded and improved education efforts by providing more resources for educators through the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Center at SIUE. This collaboration will also enhance teacher access to the expertise of USTRANSCOM scientists and engineers in the Southwest Illinois region.
- For the second consecutive year, SIUE has been named, nationally, to the President's Honor Roll as a university "demonstrating a commitment to volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement." This is the first time the University has been named to the Distinction category. The award is determined by the Corporation for National and Community Service, which partners with the U.S. Departments of Education and Housing and Urban Development, as well as with the Campus Compact and the American Council on Education. SIUE's Kimmel Leadership Development Center offers a wide variety of service projects and volunteer opportunities throughout the year.
- SIUE's International Trade Center was awarded International Trade Center of the Year honors by Governor Pat Quinn at the 2011 Illinois Export Awards ceremony in June. The Center offers export counseling services to businesses in Southern Illinois and, over the past decade, has also provided Latin America-specific counseling services for clients throughout the state.

On the pages that follow, you will see that SIUE's vision is being realized. This issue will profile several distinguished alumni, of whom we are very proud, and will touch on the University's commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship. Through both people and programming, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is making its mark on a national scale.

Please join us for a visit in the near future and let us show you why "e" equals excellence.

Go Cougars! Go Big **e**!

Vaughn Vandegrift, Ph.D.
SIUE Chancellor

Celebrating Excellence

SIUE officially began the public phase of a \$50 million major gifts campaign with a celebration on March 19. At the kickoff dinner, SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift announced that more than \$26 million had already been contributed during the private phase of the campaign.

Vandegrift asked for the support of the entire university community, as well as the surrounding region. “Only private gifts can build the SIUE endowment, a permanent source of funding for scholarships, endowed professorships and other programs that attract the best students and faculty,” he said. “As alumni, your contributions ensure that future students will receive the same excellent education you received. Your support will help us attract the best faculty and students, continuing SIUE’s ascent in reputation and increasing the value of your diploma.”



Sue Vandegrift, Byron & Janice Farrell



Johnetta Haley, Cornell Thomas, Karen Haley Douglas

\$1 Million Gift Announced

The first major gift under the new public phase of the campaign was announced and celebrated—a \$1 million gift that will create the East St. Louis 21st Century STEM Learning Center to be located at the SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School. STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

The contribution is from Robert H. and Norma J. Graebe of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Robert Graebe, a native of East St. Louis and an engineer, made the gift to give back to the East St. Louis community.

The gift will be used to create a model, high-technology STEM classroom and companion STEM computer laboratory to provide Charter High School students, as well as students from East St. Louis schools, access to state-of-the-art technology, equipment and curricula, and to support teachers in providing students with hands-on, “minds-on” science learning.



Lisa & Paul Hemings, Julie Babington



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- Find out how donor support impacts SIUE

SIUE Today

ITC Wins Statewide Award

The Illinois SBDC International Trade Center (ITC) at SIUE won the International Trade Center of the Year Award. The Illinois Export Awards recognize companies that have achieved excellence in exporting and organizations that have provided substantial export assistance to Illinois companies. The ITC was recognized for its performance on behalf of clients whom the SIUE office assisted in furthering Illinois export opportunities during this past year. According to ITC Director Silvia Torres Bowman, the ITC at SIUE assisted its clients in the generation of more than \$71 million in export sales through its consulting, training and research services (\$182 million in export sales generated in the last six years).

Four-Star General Comes to SIUE

SIUE Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift and four-star Gen. Duncan J. McNabb, commander of the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM) at Scott Air Force Base, recently formally signed an Education Partnership Agreement. The Agreement paves the way for the expansion and enhancement of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education efforts at all levels of the education pipeline—from K-12 through undergraduate and graduate levels. According to Gen. McNabb, “SIUE is a superb partner, allowing increased opportunity for our young people and educators to positively interact with STEM initiatives.”

SIUE IceHunters Seek Icy Worlds

A new website developed by an SIUE team has people searching for icy worlds in the outer solar system. The team, known as the IceHunters, has challenged members of the general public to use the site, www.icehunters.org, to search for Kuiper Belt Objects, which are icy objects that orbit beyond Neptune. “It is hoped that among the myriad of new objects found by IceHunters – there will be one or maybe several—with just the right orbit to carry it on to a rendezvous with NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft,” said Pamela Gay, SIUE assistant research professor at the Center for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Research, Education and Outreach.

Graduate School Chosen as CGS Research Partner

The Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) chose SIUE among five universities across the nation as a research partner to participate in collecting information about how students in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) are prepared through master’s programs. SIUE will join Loyola University in Chicago, Purdue University, Texas A&M University and Wright State University in collecting vital data about students seeking master’s degrees in STEM disciplines. Data collected will allow stakeholders to better understand reasons for enrollment, factors that contribute to student success and promising practices to improve completion. CGS, an organization of more than 500 institutions of higher education in the U.S. and Canada, engages in graduate education, research and the preparation of candidates for advanced degrees. “This will be the first study of its kind in the United States and we are delighted to work with these innovative graduate schools,” said Debra Stewart, CGS president.

Road to Victory

Four SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School students competed in the 2011 Greater St. Louis Botball Regional Tournament held at SIUE. The students placed third out of 17 teams. In preparing for the competition, the team designed and built their robots and constructed practice boards for test runs. Maurice Mosley, SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School math teacher and botball coach, attested to his team’s efforts. “They worked hours in the evenings and on weekends,” said Mosley. The team spent some of those evenings training with SIUE engineering students. Hasan Sevim, Dean of SIUE School of Engineering, connected the engineering student group with the team. “It was good to see high school students with so many good ideas and so engaged with engineering,” said Va’Juanna Wilson, SIUE National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) vice president and graduate student.



2011 Teaching Excellence Award



Jason Stacy, assistant professor of historical studies at SIUE, is the recipient of the 2011 Teaching Excellence Award because he helps students “become critical thinkers capable of grappling with difficult questions,” as well as empowers them to reflect on their performance, according to the Teaching Excellence Awards Committee. Stacy was

selected as this year’s recipient because his “dynamic style and supportive interactions with students encourage thoughtful participation.” The award is the most prestigious teaching award a faculty member can receive at SIUE.

Space Camp Scholarships

The Boeing Co. honored 10 teachers on SIUE’s campus with scholarships to attend a 5-day space academy, commonly referred to as Space Camp. Held at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Ala., Space Camp provides an opportunity for instructors to learn innovative ways to enhance their students’ educational experiences in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM.) The 4th-8th grade teachers were chosen as part of a collaborative project between Boeing, the SIUE School of Education and the SIUE Center for STEM Research, Education and Outreach. “These scholarship winners are among the leaders in STEM education in our region,” said Sharon Locke, director of SIUE’s STEM Center. “On their return, they will use their Space Camp experience to ignite a passion for STEM in their students, schools and communities.”

SIUE Named To 2010 Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll

For the second consecutive year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has named SIUE to its list of colleges and universities demonstrating a commitment to volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement. This year marks the first time the University has been placed in the distinction category. SIUE students have opportunities to volunteer and work on service projects through the University’s Kimmel Leadership Development Center. These experiences develop personal growth, self-confidence and leadership abilities and prepare students for life-long learning.

Women’s Club Basketball Wins National Championship

The SIUE Women’s Club Basketball team won the 2011 National Championship title in the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association by beating Arizona State University 57-38. SIUE’s Jenny Bealmear and Georgia Mueller were named All-Americans in the finals. The SIUE club team beat the University of Virginia 47-37 in the semifinals before heading to the final championship game. The national championship win follows the team’s state championship win over Northwestern University.



Club Baseball Wins Conference Championship

In a series sweep, the SIUE Cougar’s Club Baseball team defeated the Carbondale Salukis to capture the 2011 District V South Conference Championship. The SIUE Club Baseball team clinched the conference championship with an impressive 12-3 conference record this year. As a result, the Cougars earned a regional bid in the 2011 District V tournament of the National Club Baseball Association. The club baseball team defeated Xavier University and the University of Minnesota before falling to the University of Wisconsin. The Cougars finished the season with an overall record of 17-5.

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Another Successful Season

Xfest, an exciting 4-day experimental theater festival, returned to campus in June. Xfest 2.0 featured five theater companies from SIUE, Seattle, Chicago and New York City. Audiences enjoyed world-premier performances, hands-on workshops and a symposium featuring Joan Schirle, founding artistic director, Dell'Arte International, and director, Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre. "We had the world premiere of a play by an out-of-town artist, a world premiere of a play by a local group, a puppet/dance piece from New York that was much more technically complex than we anticipated, and it was still amazingly smooth," said Xfest 2.0 Artistic Director Chuck Harper. The team is already looking forward to developing next year's event with some exciting ideas that include a special piece made especially for the Edwardsville community. "Without giving too much away, there will be a unique show created from interviews with area residents," said Xfest 2.0 Producing Director Peter Cocuzza.

siue.edu/xfest 

SIUE Assistant Professor Honored

Chris Herndon, assistant professor of pharmacy practice in the SIUE School of Pharmacy, was honored along with 37 other pharmacists from across the country, as a Fellow of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (FASHP). The FASHP Practitioner Recognition Program recognizes excellence in pharmacy practice and promotes public awareness of pharmacists who have distinguished themselves in practice. Herndon's research interests focus on pain and palliative care, as well as the challenges faced by educators in the field. Herndon worked with the Mayday Fund, an organization dedicated to alleviating the incidence, degree and consequences of human physical pain, to bring a collaborative, international pain summit to the SIUE campus in fall 2009.



Plant of the Year

The Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators (IAWPCO) recently recognized SIUE for its successes in water pollution control. The IAWPCO selected the SIUE wastewater treatment plant as Plant of the Year in its class. The Regional Office of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency nominated the plant last fall. The plant is run by SIUE's Office of Facilities Management and is overseen by the School of Engineering Environmental Resources Training Center. The committee credited the SIUE plant for being well maintained and having highly qualified personnel, as well as for the intricacy of its operations.



Noted Alumnus and Prominent Higher Education Advocate Honored at May Commencement

Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters: Clinton Van Zandt

A candidate for an honorary humane letters degree is any person who has made significant contributions to cultural, educational, scientific, economic, social, humanitarian or other worthy fields of endeavor.

An Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters was presented to Clinton “Clint” R. Van Zandt, an author and public speaker who has achieved prominence as an FBI profiler, hostage negotiator and expert analyst. Van Zandt began his career with the U.S. Army Intelligence Corps, serving during the Vietnam War. In 1971, he graduated from SIUE with a bachelor’s in sociology and joined the FBI as a special agent.

During his 25 years with the FBI, he served as chief hostage negotiator and as supervisor in the Behavioral Science unit, or “Silence of the Lambs Unit,” assisting in criminal investigations and hostage situations throughout the world. Van Zandt has lectured, taught and trained national and international counterterrorism teams, such as the FBI’s Hostage Rescue Team, U.S. Navy Seals, U.S. Army Delta Force and others.

The primary hostage negotiator in the 1987 Cuban prison riots, Van Zandt also personally negotiated with Branch Davidian cult leader David Koresh, as well as many national and international terrorists holding U.S. citizens hostage. Van Zandt retired in 1995 and founded Van Zandt Associates Inc. (VZA), a company specializing in corporate emergency management, threat assessment and forensic consulting services. The VZA team was responsible for identifying the “Unabomber” and correctly profiling the Oklahoma City bomber on the day of the tragedy.

Distinguished Service Award: Dolores Rohrkaste

Distinguished Service Awards are presented to any person who has given outstanding or unusual service to the University, the region or the state.

Dolores Rohrkaste received the Distinguished Service Award for her work over the years as an avid supporter of SIUE since its inception. During the early 1950s, Rohrkaste was a founding member of the Southwestern Illinois Council for Higher Education (SWICHE), an organization formed to establish an institution of higher learning in the region. The organization’s work resulted in the formation of SIUE.

After completing studies in art and architecture at the Chicago Art Institute and the University of Illinois, Rohrkaste operated a studio in downtown Edwardsville and also taught. She and her husband, William, were in the dairy business and joined the Edwardsville Chamber of Commerce. For a decade, Rohrkaste was the group’s only female member. In 1953, she became the local chamber’s first female president and, according to a *New York Times* article, was the only female chamber president in the country.

Rohrkaste also has served in the community with the Edwardsville Business and Professional Women’s Club; the Edwardsville Junior Service Club; the League of Women Voters, and the Edwardsville Hospital Association Board. She is a sustaining member of the Greater Edwardsville Area Community Foundation and was president of a local organization to provide school lunches for children. For her contributions to the community, she was voted the Outstanding Citizen of Edwardsville Award in 1959.

Looking Ahead



With less than a year remaining before final certification to NCAA Division I, SIUE is looking forward with pride. The men's soccer and softball programs prepare to play their second season as certified NCAA Division I sports, and the other Cougar programs will take the final step toward full certification beginning this fall. While teams must wait one more season for post-season eligibility, most Cougar teams will compete in a full Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) schedule in 2011-2012 and will be eligible for regular season championships for the first time as Conference members.

"My excitement is for the student-athletes," Director of Athletics Brad Hewitt said. "I am so happy they can finally compete for a regular season championship. Some of them will have spent as many as three years waiting for the opportunity."

Hewitt is confident the OVC is the right place for SIUE. "The ex-coach in me says 'never predict what will happen;' however, in my 31-year career I am confident to say we will challenge the traditional Conference leaders in most all sports," he said.

We asked some of the SIUE players and coaches to tell us what playing an Ohio Valley Conference schedule means to them.



"It's exciting to actually be in the OVC. It means something to us, but now to the other schools as well."

— Melia Duncan, senior, women's basketball



"It means a lot to finally compete for a championship. It's what I came here for."

— Raven Berry, junior, women's basketball



"It will be a good challenge for us, but I think we're ready for it and can do well. This is something we are really looking forward to as a team! Playing in the Conference will definitely make the season more fun and exciting."

— Mark Yelovich, junior, men's basketball

"This means the world to our players—to finally get the chance to play an OVC schedule."

— Derek Burton, head coach, women's soccer

"It is going to mean a lot to us to actually be able to prove to the OVC how good of a program we have."

— Brett Keeler, senior, baseball



Head Baseball Coach Gary Collins became the 55th coach in NCAA Division I history to record 1,000 victories in a 5-1 win over Eastern Kentucky. Collins ('70) has been the head coach since 1979 and has a career record of 1,001-738-7.

Spring Sports Update

Baseball

The Cougars finished the season with a 15-4 record against OVC opponents, including finishing 10-0 against OVC foes at Simmons Baseball Complex.



Senior Spencer Patton (pictured above) was selected by the Kansas City Royals organization in the 24th round (726th pick overall) of the Major League Baseball draft. Patton led the Cougars with a 9-3 record and a 2.55 earned run average. He fanned 109 hitters to become the fourth player in school history to pass the century mark in strikeouts in a season. Patton was awarded a Rawlings Gold Glove as chosen by the American Baseball Coaches Association.

College Baseball Newspaper named SIUE freshman outfielder Devin Caldwell to the Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American Team. Caldwell finished third on the team with a .314 batting average while leading the team in doubles (16), home runs (6), runs batted in (53), total bases (98), and slugging percentage (.513). His 60 hits were the third-most ever by a Cougar freshman.

Tennis

Freshman Rachel Webb led the Cougars with a 9-13 overall singles record, including a record of 7-9 in dual matches. Webb teamed with junior Maggie Boeckman to finish an even 9-9 in doubles, going 9-5 at No. 2 doubles in dual matches.

Senior Paulo Gonzalez led all players with a 7-6 record at No. 1 singles during dual matches and finished 12-7 overall. He also claimed top honors in the No. 1 flight at the Bradley tournament during the fall. Gonzalez and freshman partner Justin Spicer combined for a 12-6 record at doubles, including a 6-4 record at No. 1 doubles during dual matches.

Softball

The SIUE softball team finished in fourth place in the OVC and earned a spot in the league's postseason tournament in its first year of eligibility.

Sophomore second baseman Taylor Tooley was tabbed a second team All-OVC performer. Freshman shortstop Chelsea Yankolovich was named to the OVC's All-Newcomer team.

Senior Pitcher Erika Taylor (pictured below) was named first team All-OVC. She tossed the third no-hitter of her collegiate career at Tennessee State. Taylor became the first SIUE pitcher to throw three no-hitters against NCAA Division I competition. Taylor also became the all-time leader in strikeouts at SIUE and completed her career with 732.



Track and Field

Senior Ben Bishop started the indoor season with a record-breaking toss in the weight throw. He finished the indoor season placing ninth at the USA Indoor Championships. Bishop broke the SIUE hammer throw record twice during the outdoor season.

Sophomore William Lindsey set a school record in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 13.93 seconds (the 28th fastest in NCAA Division I). Lindsey also ran the second-fastest 400-meter hurdle time of 51.86 at the SIUE Twilight Meet, which was .01 off the SIUE record.

The 3,200-meter relay team of freshmen Renee Goodenough, Megan Petty, Dede Lofton and sophomore Elisha Crawley broke the SIUE record with an event-winning time of 9:32.33 at the Coastal Carolina Invitational.

Junior pole-vaulter Dana Fischer broke her own school record in the pole vault by clearing 10-2.5. Sophomore Colleen McDonough turned in the third-best performance in school history in the hammer throw with a mark of 161-0.



From Your SIUE Alumni Association Board President

Women of Excellence. Well, that being said, I would like to be able to tell you that I spent my early college career working in the Women's Movement or marching on the capitol to reform women's military status. I actually spent most of my energy in the early seventies wanting to sing back-up for Gladys Knight and the Pips or the never ending lofty pursuit of how to become a Charlie's Angel.

We celebrate Women of Excellence in this edition of the *eConnection*, an opportunity to acknowledge women who exemplify learning, passion and commitment. SIUE is honored to enjoy the successes of these named women, as well as the tens of thousands of female graduates who have swelled the ranks of commencement exercises for over 50 years, many if not most, being first generation university graduates.

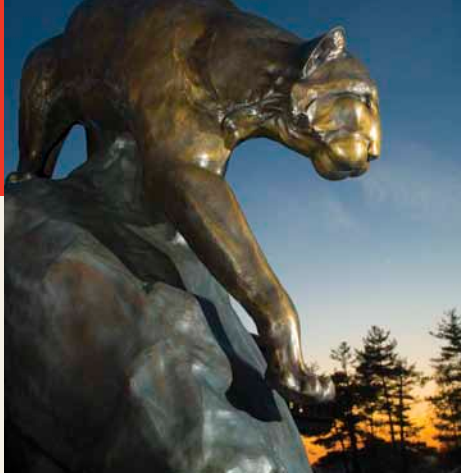
But let me also take a moment to thank the mothers, grandmothers, mentors who tirelessly toiled behind Granite City Steel typewriter pools, Ford production lines or Prairie Farms Dairy coolers to ensure that their daughters could all become Women of Excellence. We honor you all.

With apologies to Helen Reddy, *"I am Cougar, hear me roar."*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bev Henderson-George".

Bev Henderson-George, '75 BA, '79 MSED
SIUE Alumni Association President





We Are Cougars!

About the SIUE Alumni Association



The SIUE Alumni Association was founded nearly 40 years ago to keep SIUE graduates engaged with each other and our University. The Association has gone through a variety of transitions in those 40 years. The Association is now prepared to move into the next phase of its history, thanks to the efforts of the

Association Board of Directors who met in June to develop the strategic plan. That plan includes the following:

Mission

Be a valued partner of SIUE through the advancement and promotion of SIUE alumni, the University and its friends.

Vision

Foster a lifelong, mutually beneficial relationship among SIUE alumni, the University, and its friends.

Aspirations

Become known by every Cougar as the gateway to SIUE and the alumni community and to meaningfully engage more alumni in memberships, programs and services each year.

Based on its mission, vision and aspirations, the actions of the SIUE Alumni Association will be guided by four strategic initiatives which will drive annual operating plans, be shaped by market feedback from its constituents, and be tracked and

measured for success around selected key indicators.

The SIUE Alumni Association will also adhere to the core values of respect, generosity, service and quality of life.

Strategic Initiatives

1. Promote advocacy by cultivating an environment that develops and reinforces a sense of pride among alumni in the University and with each other.
2. Establish and nurture the relationship of alumni with each other, the Association and the University by focusing on well-planned, well-marketed and cost-effective events.
3. By serving as a gateway, the SIUE Alumni Association will cultivate mutually beneficial relationships between alumni and the University, the University and its alumni, alumni to each other, and alumni to students.
4. Expand the value and promotion of SIUE Alumni Association membership by expanding recruitment, transforming the membership process, expanding benefits and better marketing of memberships.

We invite you to join us in this journey as we strive to provide you with more services, greater access to the University and its offerings, and the opportunity to enrich your life. We also hope you'll become a part of our effort to increase the number and amounts of scholarships provided to students through the SIUE Alumni Association. You can join online: siue.edu/alumni, by phone: 618-650-2760 or by visiting us on campus at Birger Hall.



Stop by our office in Birger Hall. We'd love to see you!



Class of 2011

On October 7, 2011, the SIUE Alumni Association will induct 15 new members into the 2011 class of the Alumni Hall of Fame.

School of Business



Larry Heitz
'69 MBA

The first person to graduate from the SIUE MBA program, this highly respected corporate CEO, business owner and consultant, owns manufacturing firms in Colorado and directs the volunteer program with Tumbleweed Youth Services in Phoenix. Larry personally supports School of Business scholarship efforts and has frequently returned to his *alma mater* to make presentations to students.



Gail Liniger
'68 BA Business Administration

Co-founder of ReMax International, Gail was named CEO in 1991 and vice-chairman of the board in 2002. Recognized as one of the top 10 U.S. women for her outstanding achievement in business, she was named the Colorado Entrepreneur of the Year in the real estate and construction category by Ernst and Young and *Inc. Magazine* in 1989.



John Martinson
'75 MBA

John is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy and the founder and managing partner of the Edison Venture Fund. With more than 30 years venture capital experience, he has organized 150 equity financings, is a frequent speaker on entrepreneurship issues, and has served on the board of directors of 40 companies in a wide range of industries.

College of Arts & Sciences



Stan Ford
**'82, BM Music Performance,
MM Music Education**

Stan is a gifted pianist and performer, whose Fulbright Scholarship led him to the Universitat Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria and a faculty position. He has appeared on various television and radio program productions around the world and provided accompaniment for the Harlem, New York Opera Ensemble for "Carmen Jones."



Robert "Bob" Gibson
'79 MS Geography

A well-respected scientist and pioneer of the mine subsidence engineering models, Bob has spent 25 years with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Recognized nationally for his use of scanning and rectifying mining site imagery to help predict mine subsidence, Bob has assisted in the funding which has made the SIUE GIS program one of the best in the country.



Richard "Dick" Goodwin
**'73 BA American Studies, BA Sociology,
'79 MA Sociology**

Left a quadriplegic in an automobile crash at the age of 21, Dick channeled his debilitating condition into a life of advocacy for the disabled. As a student, he was instrumental in creating a disabled-friendly environment at SIUE. He is the founder of IMPACT Inc., an organization known across the State for its work on behalf of the disabled. Sadly, Dick passed away June 13, 2011 at the age of 64.



Paige St. John
'86 BS Mass Communications

Paige began her career in journalism at the *Alestle*. Upon graduation, her career took her to United Press International, the *Detroit News* and the *Sarasota Herald Tribune*. At the *Herald Tribune*, she completed a three-year investigation into the property insurance crisis in Florida which led to her being awarded the 2011 Pulitzer Prize for Investigative Journalism.



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Randal Thomas
'73 BA English, '80 MS Instructional Technology

This retired Major General served three years with the U.S. Special Forces during the Vietnam War, being awarded the Bronze Star for Valor and the Purple Heart for injuries suffered in combat. He reentered military life in 1983 and served as the adjutant general of the Illinois National Guard from 2003-2007. His civilian life includes a 30-year career with Hillsboro High School in Illinois.

School of Dental Medicine



Dr. Samuel Lynch
'85 DDM

After graduating from the School of Dental Medicine, Dr. Lynch earned a doctor of medical sciences and specialty in periodontology from Harvard University in 1989. He served on the faculty at Harvard and the State University of New York before starting his own company, BioMimetic Therapeutics. Dr. Lynch is known worldwide as an authority in the biological principles and clinical applications of tissue engineering.

School of Education



Lt. Colonel Scott Foley
'95 BS Psychology

Immediately upon his graduation from SIUE, Scott was commissioned a Second Lieutenant and has served continuously on active duty with the U.S. Air Force. The recipient of the Bronze Star for his performance while deployed in Iraq, he is now in command of the 96th Security Forces Squadron at Elgin Air Force Base, Fla., where he leads law and order operations for the 75,000 personnel.

Cleveland Hammonds Jr.



'63 MEd Counselor Education

The late Dr. Hammonds served 27 years as superintendent in four different school districts, including St. Louis Public Schools. He was three times selected a member of "The Executive Education 100" described as North America's best and brightest superintendents. The Alton native was deeply involved in a wide-range of community organizations until his death in 2010.



Dr. Jean Harrison
'87 Specialist Degree-Education, '96 Doctor of Education-Instructional Process

Jean retired last year as the Chair of SIUE's Department of Special Education and Communications Disorders. She was regularly recognized for her teaching excellence with seven SIUE Excellence in Undergraduate Education Awards and two SIUE Excellence in Graduate Education Awards. She is a frequent presenter at state, national and international professional organizations.

School of Engineering



Ed Grady
'72 BS Civil Engineering

Ed began his career as the city engineer and director of public works for the City of East St. Louis. He went on to 14-year career with Monsanto and then to Silicon Valley where he led several companies to significant growth and success. Chairman and CEO of REEL Solar, Ed's expertise in solar energy has him serving on the boards of Advanced Energy, Evergreen Solar and Electro Scientific Industries.



Roland Thouvenot
'72 Civil Engineering

In nearly 25 years at the helm of Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen Inc., Rollie has grown the firm from a small company, largely serving the Belleville area, to the largest engineering firm in Southwest Illinois and the 11th largest in the greater St. Louis region. He serves on numerous boards, professional associations and committees and holds professional engineering licenses in Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky and Nebraska.

School of Nursing



Mary Anne Wehrle
'66 BS Nursing

Mary Anne has been a champion of SIUE and the nursing profession since her graduation. She has been active in SIUE School of Nursing alumni groups, providing leadership and inspiration for more than 20 years. An alumna of the first graduating class of the SIUE School of Nursing, she retired in 2001 as the chief nurse executive for St. Louis Veterans Administration Medical Center after more than 30 years of service.

SIUE Homecoming!

Make plans now to join SIUE for Homecoming 2011: Pride on the Prowl! You won't want to miss an exciting, event-packed weekend with the SIUE Alumni Association including the Hall of Fame Dinner, SIUE soccer game, Alumni Reunion Lunch and Three Dog Night Concert!



SIUE Homecoming - October 3-8, 2011

Schedule of Events:

Friday, Oct. 7

SIUE Alumni Hall of Fame Awards Dinner

6:30 p.m. – Cocktail and Appetizer Reception

7:30 p.m. – Dinner and Awards Ceremony

Conference Center – Morris University Center

Saturday, Oct. 8

SIUE Alumni Reunion Lunch

1961, 1971, 1981, 1991 and 2001

Sponsored by Liberty Mutual

12-2 p.m. • Meridian Ballroom – Morris University Center

SIUE Men's Soccer vs. University of Evansville

7 p.m. • Korte Stadium

Arts & Issues Homecoming Concert featuring *Three Dog Night*!

Saturday, Oct. 8 • 9:30 p.m. • Vadalabene Center Gymnasium

Flash back to the days of the Mississippi River Festival and celebrate the end of Homecoming weekend with legendary music icons **THREE DOG NIGHT**. From 1969 through 1974, no other group achieved more top 10 hits, moved more records or sold more concert tickets. Three Dog Night's hits include "Mama Told Me (Not to Come)," "Joy to the World," "Black and White," "Shambala" and "One."

To purchase tickets, visit siue.edu/homecoming. The concert is open to SIUE alumni, students, staff, family and community members.



2011 SIUE Alumni Homecoming Committee Members

Ed Huneke
1971 BS, Business

Dr. Fran (Diesbach) Karanovich
1971 BS, Elementary Education
1974 MS, Elementary
Education

Dee Joyner
1971 BA, Government
1973 MS, Government

Grady Ambuel
1981 BA, Mass Communications

Margaret Kuhn
1980 BS, Speech Pathology
1981 MS, Speech Pathology

Andy Sanders
2001 BS, Economics and Finance
2002 MS, Economics and Finance

Ed Travis
2001 BS, Business/Human
Resources Management

Wilma Schmitz
1981 BS, Recreation

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Alumni events are all about you connecting with fellow alumni for business and pleasure! We look forward to seeing you at upcoming events.

March 2011

The Alumni Association hosted a free networking breakfast at the Regency Conference Center in O'Fallon, Ill., on March 15. The featured speaker was Alonzo Byrd, a 1981 graduate from the College of Arts and Sciences and the vice president of public affairs for Enterprise Holdings Inc. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Steve Gregov, '86 BS, and Sara Colvin, '98 BS, '05 MA.



The Alumni Association, STAT and the Office of Educational Outreach hosted the 3rd Annual SIUE Speednetworking event on March 29. Similar to speed dating, the event offered current SIUE students the chance to network with alumni volunteers from various career fields.



**Looking for an old friend or classmate?
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April 2011

The SIUE Women's Basketball Club team competed in the NIRSA National Championship tournament, hosted by the University of Texas, April 1-3. Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Nobby Emmanuel and Assistant Director of SIUE Campus Recreation Keith Becherer, '04 MSED, hosted an alumni reception on April 2 at Jorge's Tex Mex as part of the trip.

SIUE alumni and friends enjoyed a wine tasting at Westview Wine Cellar in Collinsville on April 14. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Melissa Glauber, '03 BS; Pat Hufford, '86 BS; and Connie Pival, '67 MSED.



The Alumni Association and the Office of Educational Outreach hosted the SIUE Grant Writing Workshop on April 19. Julie Pietroburgo, '98 MPA; Diana Cuddeback, Debbie Humphrey and Kimberley Parks conducted the workshop.



SIUE Alumni Association

May 2011

The Alumni Association hosted a free networking breakfast at the Inn at 835 in Springfield, Ill., on May 17. The featured speaker was Dr. Erik Constance, a 1984 graduate from the SIUE College of Arts & Sciences and the associate dean of student affairs at the SIU School of Dental Medicine. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Adam Paillai, '06 BS; Stephanie Medhurst, '09 BS; and Dr. Travis Willeford, '09 PharmD.



More than 100 alumni and friends attended the SIUE Alumni Happy Hour at Global Brew Tap House in Edwardsville on May 26. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Bev George, '75 BA, '79 MSed; Melissa Glauber, '03 BS; and Jeremy Plank, '05 MBA, '08 BSA.

June 2011

All members of the SIUE Alumni Association were invited to the Annual Meeting on June 2 at Evergreen Residence Hall. The Board recognized the recipients of the 2011-12 SIUE Alumni Legacy Scholarship and the Stahlschmidt Family Legacy Scholarship during the meeting.



The SIUE Department of Intercollegiate Athletics hosted a baseball alumni event to honor the four former Cougars who went on to play for MLB teams—Champ Summers (Detroit Tigers), Dennis Werth (NY Yankees), Aaron Rakers (Baltimore Orioles) and Clay Zavada (Arizona Diamondbacks). The event was held on May 21 at the Simmons Cooper Baseball Complex.

Volunteer Opportunity

The SIUE Office of Admissions is recruiting volunteers to assist with recruitment of prospective students. You will attend college fairs in your community with an SIUE admissions counselor during the fall 2011 academic year. Interested? Please contact Eboni Thompson: 618-650-2754 or ebthomp@siue.edu.

One hundred thirty SIUE alumni, staff, family and friends attended the Cardinals vs. Cubs game at Busch Stadium on June 5. The event included a pre-game lunch at Carmine's Steakhouse.



SIUE alumni and friends from the Columbia, Ill., area enjoyed a happy hour at Reifschneider's Grill and Grape on June 23. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Sara Salger, '04 BS; Blake Salger, '04 BA; and Candice Nettleton, '11 MSA.



The Alumni Association hosted a group outing to the Circus Flora performance of Vagabond Adventures in St. Louis on June 25. SIUE alumni, staff and family members attended the event.

July 2011

The Alumni Association hosted a networking breakfast at Scott Credit Union in Edwardsville on July 13. The featured speaker was Frank Padak, a 1984 graduate from the SIUE School of Business and president/CEO of Scott Credit Union. Alumni Event Ambassadors were Sara Colvin, '98 BS, '05 MA; Jim Harper, '08 BFA; Alan Kehrer, '92 BS; Tom McRae, '82 BS; and Dr. Rhonda Green, '92 BA, '96 DMD.



SIUE alumni and friends enjoyed a free private rooftop party at Wrigley Field during the Chicago Cubs vs. Florida Marlins game on July 17. The event included food and drinks.



Staying Connected

There are so many ways to connect—and stay connected—with your fellow alumni

Online — siue.edu/alumni 

- Learn about membership benefits
- Check out upcoming events
- Facebook • LinkedIn • Twitter
- Cougar Tracks (your on-line community)
- Stay connected with SIUE at siue.edu/media

In person

- Social events
- Volunteering
- Lifelong learning opportunities
- Mentor a current student

Upcoming Events

SIUE Alumni Day at the Grafton Winery & Brewhaus

Saturday, Oct. 22

3rd Annual SIUE Alumni Trivia Night

Saturday, Nov. 12

Visit siue.edu/alumni for a complete schedule of events



Join the SIUE Alumni Association and Campus Rec for the SIUE Annual Ski Trip to Colorado!

Dec. 18-23, 2011

Winter Park, Colorado

Package includes 5 nights lodging and 4 day lift tickets

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Arts & Issues Series 2011-2012

Three Dog Night – SIUE Homecoming Concert

Saturday, Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m.

Vadalabene Center

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Thursday, Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center

Green Fire: Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic for our Time

with speaker Dr. Curt Meine

Thursday, Feb. 2, 7:30 p.m.

Dunham Hall Theater

Ken Waldman and the Secret Visitors: From Madison County to Moose Pass

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center



Nrityagram Dance Ensemble of India

Friday, March 16, 7:30 p.m.

Wilkey Theater, Edwardsville

Arts & Issues and the SIUE Music Department present

The SIUE and SIU Carbondale combined orchestras featuring David Kim, violinist and Philadelphia Orchestra concertmaster

Wednesday, March 28, 7:30 p.m.

Dunham Hall Theater

Neil DeGrasse Tyson

Sponsored by the Kimmel Leadership Center, the Shaw Memorial Fund and the SIUE Graduate School

Thursday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center

To purchase tickets 618-650-5774

artsandissues.com



STAT — Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow

STAT offers SIUE students the opportunity to interact with alumni before graduation through social and educational networking events.

January 2011

STAT hosted a School Spirit Contest on Jan. 26 when the SIUE women's and men's basketball teams played Murray State. Students competed for prizes in three categories: most guests, best dressed fan and loudest fan. Alumni judged the contest during the game. STAT also hosted a pre-game pizza party for student and alumni participants of the STAT Alumni Mentor Program.



February 2011

STAT hosted an All-Member Meeting on Feb. 9. STAT members learned about upcoming events and how to get more involved with the organization's committees.

STAT hosted the Nearly Naked Mile on the SIUE Quad on Feb 17. Participants ran a one-mile fun run starting at 12 p.m. The event collected warm clothing items for the Glen Ed Pantry.



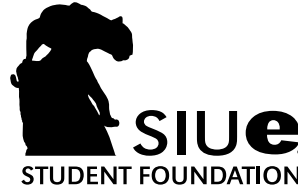
April 2011

Rainy weather couldn't spoil the fun at the STAT End-of-the-Year Picnic on April 16. The group brought the party indoors and enjoyed good food, fun games and great people!

STAT hosted the SIUE Yard Sale on April 30. The community yard sale gave students, staff and alumni the chance to sell gently-used furniture, decorations, electronics, clothes and more.

May 2011

STAT sold roses during the May Commencement ceremonies. The event serves as the main fundraiser for the organization.



SIUE Student Foundation

The SIUE Foundation is creating a Student Foundation with the help of the STAT Philanthropy Committee. The mission of the organization is to create a sense of committed giving by students while strengthening their lifelong loyalty to SIUE. The Student Foundation will work with the SIUE Foundation staff to increase student donations and host educational events on the importance of giving back to the University.

Message from the 2011-2012 STAT President

I would like to welcome all new students, STAT members, alumni, faculty and staff to the new school year. As a



member of STAT and now the incoming president, I am extremely excited to see how our organization will keep growing and improving. I have trust in my board and committees that everyone involved in STAT will be creating opportunities to interact with SIUE alumni and other students while strengthening their lifelong loyalty to SIUE.

—Jamie Springer

2011-2012 STAT Executive Committee

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SIUE Alumni Scholarship Recipients

Part of the mission of the SIUE Alumni Association involves supporting students of our *alma mater*. Thanks to the dues paid by members of the Association, our organization is able to make several scholarships available to incoming freshmen and current SIUE students. One freshman-to-be and one current student are awarded a full-year tuition and fees scholarship. We also present five \$100 awards. Next year, the amount will rise to five \$500 awards.

It is our pleasure to introduce you to the scholarship recipients for 2011-12.

Incoming Freshman

Yasmyn Knight

Dear SIUE Alumni Association,

Joy, amazement and hope were the key emotions that overcame me when I first read the confirmation letter that I had received the SIUE Alumni Legacy Scholarship. I am thankful to God and to the SIUE Alumni Association for this full tuition scholarship. This is a wonderful gift. On behalf of me and my family, I humbly



accept this generous offer. Receiving this scholarship has alleviated many financial stresses for my first full year of college.

Before I was chosen as one of the recipients of the scholarship, my mother and I prayed and believed that this scholarship was for me. I certainly did not want to burden my mother with my school loans, especially during these difficult economic times. I have always accepted that hard work and determination would pay off, and I am thankful that it did.

The SIUE Alumni Legacy Scholarship has given me confidence, reassurance, and most of all unspeakable joy to my life. Receiving this scholarship is truly a blessing sent from heaven. Again, thank you Alumni Association for your vote of confidence. In my closing, I must express how I am looking forward to all SIUE has to offer me, as I am looking forward to giving SIUE all that I have to offer. Thank you!

Current Student

Kristina Copeland

Thank you to the SIUE Alumni Association for your support of my education at SIUE for the second year in a row. It is so important that people like you help students change their lives and achieve their dreams. Your generosity has made a difference in my life, and will continue to change the lives of so many students in the years to come.



I was excited to hear that I had been chosen to receive the Alumni Legacy Scholarship for a second time. As a recipient of this prestigious scholarship, words cannot explain how fortunate I feel to have been selected. This scholarship will be very helpful to me in continuing my education at SIUE and, in turn, helping me achieve my dreams.

\$100 Legacy Scholarship Recipients

Zachary Corey of Collinsville

Kathryn Rausch of New Douglas

Jamie Seiffert of Carlyle

Steven Wolff of Ferguson, Mo.

Xiang Zhang of Belleville

SIUE Alumni Association Great Teacher Award 2011

The Great Teacher Award was established in 1970 by the SIUE Alumni Association. Each year, an SIUE faculty member is recognized for continuous excellence in teaching.

The SIUE Alumni Association is proud to announce that the recipient of the 2011 Great Teacher Award is **Bradley Noble**. Noble is an associate professor of electrical and computer engineering with the SIUE School of Engineering. The SIUE Alumni Association received numerous nominations from students and colleagues on Noble's behalf. His nominators said Noble helps students build character and integrity through teaching with passion and respect, and integrates positive learning opportunities in and out of the classroom environment.

"I can say that I could have completed my degree without him, but I cannot say that I would have obtained such a degree of knowledge and problem solving skills towards engineering without him," said recent graduate Jordon Albers. Noble's nominators said he blends experiences from his life into current projects and teaching in his curriculum, and has taken a personal interest in the education of his students. As senior engineering student Brian Kasmarzik stated: "I consider Dr. Noble to be a great friend, a great teacher and a role model."



Stahlschmidt Family Legacy Scholarship

A Family Tribute

Janet Stahlschmidt Hohenstein (center) presents the award certificates to the 2011 recipients of the Stahlschmidt Family Legacy Scholarship named in honor of her parents. Camille Keymon (left), a graduate of Civic Memorial High School in Bethalto, and Haylie Patterson (right), a graduate of Northwestern High School in Palmyra, each receive a \$1,500 scholarship. The children of Dorothy and Raymond Stahlschmidt established the Stahlschmidt Family Legacy Scholarship in 2008. The Madison County Illinois farm couple believed deeply in the benefits of a college education and, thanks to their provision and support, eight of their 10 children attended and graduated from SIUE. If you'd like to know more about this annual award, visit us online: siue.edu/alumni.



Women of Excellence

Four alumna stars, just part of a galaxy of successful SIUE women.

Tyria Riley

Tyria Riley always knew she wanted to be an engineer. “I was always good with electronics,” said the East St. Louis native who moved to Fairview Heights at age 15. “You know the cliché of taking things apart and putting them back together? That was me.”

After graduation from Belleville East High School, Tyria initially pegged the University of Illinois as her first choice for college, but changed her mind at the last minute. “I wanted to be closer to my family and I liked the way the campus looked, so I came to SIUE.” She adds she never regretted her decision. “Being able to interact with the faculty was priceless to me. I know at larger universities, you don’t get that opportunity. Even now, when I see the faculty, I know them and they know me.”

The faculty member Tyria credits with being her mentor is Associate Professor Brad Noble. “He was actually my advisor once I declared my major (electrical engineering) and he was helpful and patient with me,” she said. “Even after graduation, he was still able to give me advice on pursuing higher education.”

Tyria graduated in August 2002 and her first task was finding a job. For over a year she did contract work and then landed a position with The Boeing Co. as an electrical installer on the F-18 military aircraft being built for the U.S. Navy. She has also worked as an instrumentation engineer for the F-15s destined for South Korea, conducted design work with Israel Aircraft Industries, and worked on the electrical design of the wings on the A-10 Thunderbolt for the U.S. Air Force.

The Boeing Co. took notice of this woman with aspirations. Tyria is part of a select group of employees accepted into Boeing’s Engineering Skills Rotation Program. She is not designing now, but is responsible for determining the best ways to save the corporation money through either lean projects or program savings, while still enabling the labs she is currently working with to meet their cost-saving goals.



Tyria is photographed in The Boeing Co. James S. McDonnell Prologue Room. The air and space history exhibit is located in the Boeing Defense, Space & Security headquarters in St. Louis.

“I’m blessed beyond measure!”

As an SIUE student, Tyria served as secretary and president of the SIUE student chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). In 2011, she served as the chairperson of the Technical Professional Conference for the annual NSBE convention, something she calls very time consuming, but an opportunity to create the first-ever national Executive Mentoring Program which brings executives to the conference to mentor participants.

Tyria admits that being a minority female engineer has posed its challenges, but as she put it, “I go into something knowing that I have just as much to bring to the table as anybody else. As long as I’m doing the best I can and am knowledgeable about my area, I am able to contribute.”

How much of that attitude does she attribute to SIUE?
A lot of it.

“At SIUE, it was comfortable and easy to approach people. I was able to take that experience out into the workplace, step out of my comfort zone and talk to people,” she said. “Not being afraid of taking risks, having faith and having professors who kept pushing to help me finish made the environment of this school great!”

Paige St. John

For a print journalist, being named the recipient of the Pulitzer Prize is as good as it gets. Thanks to her determination, dedication and a fire ignited at SIUE, Paige St. John can be counted among the few so honored.

Paige grew up in Elgin, Ill., but her father lived and worked in Edwardsville. She became very acquainted with the Amtrak Sunset Limited and the campus rising out of the cornfields, her father among the builders. “One of my earliest memories was going out to pick asparagus in the fields which were to become the campus and then picking up dad at the work site,” she said.

SIUE became the only university to which she applied. Paige initially thought she would pursue the sciences or anthropology, but an introductory journalism course and a job writing the calendar of events for the *Alestle* changed her mind. As she put it, “I was hooked.”

Paige credits several people with “lighting the fire” that helped create a Pulitzer Prize winner for investigative reporting. At the top of the list stands Professor Emeritus of Mass Communications Bill Ward. “It was a relationship of terror and inspiration,” she said. “You wanted to please him and impress him and get his approval, and of course we would complain bitterly, too.”



Ward would later go on to declare Paige St. John among the best journalism students he ever had the pleasure to teach. Paige walked in the 1982 commencement ceremony, but later learned she was missing one class. She is officially considered a member of the class of 1986.

Her career has taken her from Iowa to Tennessee to West Virginia to the *Detroit News*, and now the *Sarasota Herald Tribune*. It was with that paper that she would begin the nearly three-year long investigation that would lead to recognition of journalistic excellence.

Florida was in an insurance crisis thanks to several hurricanes and a corrupt property insurance system. The process for Paige became, as her editor put it, “like digging a well.” The more she dug, the more she found. She would work 18 hours a day, seven days a week in her quest.

The investigation would find her “following the money” to places like Monte Carlo and Bermuda. When asked if she ever felt intimidated by the powerful nature of the targets of her investigation, Paige commented, “The intimidation is to get it right!” She got it right, and legislation and information for the property owners of Florida are spreading.

She looks back on the process as one of the most difficult things she has ever done. “I would wake up in the middle of the night in a sweat thinking, ‘My God, I can’t do this. It’s too big.’” She quickly adds, “You have to stretch and reach for what you don’t think you can get.”

Paige stresses that SIUE gave her a start. “I am still, to this day, working to live up to Bill Ward’s expectations and achieve his approval.”

“It’s like being hit by lightning! It’s a great affirmation for me and for the paper that what we’re doing is right.”



Annice Brave

Annice Brave says everything in her life has been an accident, but the results have been nothing less than outstanding for the Illinois Teacher of the Year, and one of four finalists for the 2011 National Teacher of the Year.

Annice describes her life growing up in Bethalto as one in which her experiences were as limited as the family income. She only took the ACT because a friend forced her. The results of Annice's ACT were good enough to make her an Illinois State Scholar.

"I had looked around at schools because I wanted to leave home," she said. "When my dad found out I could go to SIUE for free and live at home, he decided that's what I was going to do." She quickly adds, "If I hadn't been able to go to school for free, I wouldn't have gone to school. It's that simple."

Annice loved SIUE from the moment she got here. For someone who had never cared much for school or learning, she made countless discoveries. "There was something about the freedom and opportunity to explore through those

"I am such an advocate of public education. I am here because of public schools. That includes SIUE."

old general studies classes," Annice said. "I got to explore all of these things that I had never heard of before and just loved it."

She eventually got a letter indicating she had to declare a major or forfeit her enrollment. Her adviser asked if she liked to write. She said yes. The next thing she knew, she was a journalism major with a minor in English.

Like many journalism majors of that time, Annice Brave found inspiration in Emeritus Professor of Mass Communications Bill Ward. "I think any of us in his classes would have moved heaven and earth just to try to get some approval from him," she said. "He was a crusty old guy, but I just adored him." She credits journalism instructor Harry Thiel with giving her the ability to meet deadlines.

The skills she acquired at SIUE quickly led to a job at Lewis and Clark Community College after her graduation in 1974. She returned to SIUE a year later to work in news services until the birth of her first daughter. She became a stay-at-home mom until the birth four years later of a daughter who developed hearing problems. When she couldn't get the special services her daughter needed, Annice returned to SIUE to get her special education certification and went to work for the Alton School system.

In 1995, Alton High School needed a journalism teacher, so she went. She worked with the school newspaper, established a cooperative agreement with the radio station at Lewis and Clark, and worked with students to create video announcements. Her superintendent encouraged her to submit materials to the Those Who Excel program. As a result, Annice was named Illinois Teacher of the Year. Annice soon got word she was one of four finalists for the National Teacher of the Year award. "I met the other three finalists, and I was just awed by all of them."

President Obama recognized all state Teachers of the Year at the White House, where Annice said the President first shook hands, gave her a hug and then a fist bump for Illinois. Was she disappointed she was not selected? "I think they picked the right person." Her state award enables her to promote what she calls the "good teaching in the great public schools in Illinois."

Joyce Slocum

Joyce Slocum is a “Texas girl” who grew up in Dallas. Relatives in the area and the arts environment on campus led her to SIUE. “I’ve always been extremely interested in people and what makes them tick, and what makes a community a community,” she said. “I really enjoyed the mix of students at SIUE.” The nature of the campus community appealed to her and fed her desire to study sociology.

When she graduated in 1978, Joyce put her plan to go to law school in effect, graduating from St. Louis University three years later. Not wanting to be a criminal lawyer, she focused her energy on business and constitutional law. Texas called, and she headed back to Dallas and a job with a large law firm.

Her career took her to the Southland Corp., owners of the Seven-Eleven store chain; then to a company which handled production and distribution of quality children’s entertainment including “Barney,” “Bob the Builder” and others.

Her firm decided it was going to wind down operations in Dallas and offered to move her to London or New York,

places she did not want to live. She got a call from PBS, with whom she had worked closely thanks to the children’s programming. She applied, and was hired for, the position of general counsel with National Public Radio, and moved to Virginia.

“I’ve told people there might be three other jobs which would make me move away from Texas, but I can’t think what the other two might be,” Joyce said. She set about the task of putting “best practices” in place for the board which included a succession policy in the event of an abrupt departure of the CEO. She knew the board had placed her name at the top of that list, but she hoped the board would never have to take a look at the policy. That changed when the CEO was removed and Joyce became the interim CEO and president of National Public Radio.

Joyce said she will not be a candidate for the permanent position, but she believes she will be a better general counsel having sat in the CEO chair. Joyce proudly declares that in a period of 100 days, National Public Radio was recognized with more than 60 awards for journalistic excellence. “Every business has its challenges, and we certainly are navigating those in the best ways possible, and we’re doing very, very well.”

For the woman who loves being a lawyer, excellence began as a process of discovery for Joyce. That process began at SIUE. “I can remember what I call parking lot moments at SIUE—similar to NPR driveway moments,” she said. “As you are walking out to the parking lot, you get so engrossed in the conversation that you stand in the parking lot for 30 minutes continuing the conversation.”

“There was such a rich collection of people at SIUE with a lot of different perspectives and experiences, and you understand the world better by hearing from a range of opinions.”



Reaching Above and Beyond *Staying Connected*

Since her graduation from the SIUE College of Arts and Sciences with a bachelor's in philosophy in 1972, Pat Mercurio has risen to prominence as a St. Louis business professional in the banking industry. She joined Bank of America in St. Louis in 1984 and has found success in a variety of management and executive positions in Human Resources and Operations. Pat is currently the market president for the company.

The St. Louis native is also dedicated to enhancing the community, having served on numerous boards including the Girls Scouts, Urban League, St. Louis Zoo, the St. Louis Children's Hospital board of trustees, the executive committee of the United Way board of directors and Civic Progress. Mercurio works on downtown revitalization as a member of the Greater St. Louis Economic Development Council at the RCGA.

Mercurio credits her SIUE education with giving her the solid foundation that has helped her thrive in a global marketplace. As a 2008 inductee into the SIUE Alumni Association Hall of Fame and an honorary campaign chair for *Defining Excellence: The Campaign for SIUE*, Mercurio remains connected with the University and encourages others to do the same.



e: How have the skills you learned at SIUE helped in your corporate career?

Pat: The broad-based liberal education and real-world experience I was fortunate to receive at SIUE has influenced my success in a variety of endeavors. SIUE provides a strong foundation for critical thinking and problem solving that is applicable in any field.

e: How is SIUE serving the educational needs of the region?

Pat: I recently read in *St. Louis Commerce Magazine's* "Who's Who, What's What in St. Louis 2011" that SIUE produced the largest number of bachelor's degree graduates in 2009-2010 in the St. Louis region. That, combined with the breadth of programs available at SIUE, is great for the business community—it is very important to keep talented young graduates in the St. Louis area to ensure that our business sector is strong and growing.

e: SIUE continues to achieve national recognition by publications like *U.S. News and World Report* and *Washington Monthly*. How do you feel this improves the value of a degree from SIUE?

Pat: SIUE provides an excellent affordable education to thousands of students every year. I felt I was getting a valuable education when I was there years ago, and the quality and variety of educational options has only improved over the years. It is certainly no small feat to be recognized among a small number of universities as an "Up-and-Coming School" by *U.S. News*. SIUE offers a first class education; you couldn't ask for anything better.

So many people are not aware of the great reputation SIUE has throughout the country. The national recognition the University has received is terrific and we need to get the word

out to St. Louisans and other members of the region so they can be as proud as I am of my SIUE education.

e: Why do you think it is important for alumni to stay connected with their *alma mater*?

Pat: The campus has changed and evolved for the better in so many ways—you can't even begin to appreciate the growth without a visit to campus. The SIUE you may have known when you were going to school there is likely drastically different from the SIUE of today—for the better. As alumni, we have the opportunity to be such a rich resource for the University by serving as word of mouth ambassadors. Not only will you be pleasantly surprised by a visit to campus just as I was, but you'll also be better prepared to share the many great reasons students should want to attend SIUE.

e: As president of a major corporation, we are so grateful that you have lent your name to our major gifts campaign, *Defining Excellence: The Campaign for SIUE*. How does SIUE define excellence?

Pat: SIUE defines excellence in so many ways, it's difficult to summarize! But in particular, its biggest contribution is growing future leaders to make our community better.

You can major in finance (which of course I would be partial to!) or healthcare or any number of liberal arts majors, and you'll finish feeling prepared to take on the emerging careers and challenges of the 21st century. SIUE offers something for everyone! And students not only find value inside the classroom—the University collaborates with area businesses to develop curricula that effectively prepare our region's future workforce.

SIUE's unwavering commitment to preparing students for successful careers and lives of purpose—that is excellence.



SIUE Love Connection

Kelley and Johnny Brooks attended SIUE in the '90s when Cougar Village was still known as Tower Lake Apartments.



“We used to say we were going to ‘The Lakes’,” said Johnny. “It was the cool thing to call it.”

It was at “The Lakes” that the couple met in 1996. At that time, buildings 524 and 525 were considered the houses for the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. “My roommate and I were living in Woodland Hall and we decided to go over to the Alpha house,” said Kelley. “Johnny and I didn’t talk then, but he gave his number to my roommate to give to me.”

“She never called though,” said Johnny.

The couple may have never gotten together if Johnny hadn’t run into Kelley’s roommate on campus a few weeks later.

“She gave him my number,” said Kelley. “Without my permission, that is!”



After their first date, Kelley and Johnny were inseparable and remained that way for the rest of their time at SIUE. Kelley graduated in 1999 with a BS in sociology; Johnny studied business and construction before leaving to take a full-time job in construction.

The couple got engaged on a chilly night in October of 2000.

“We went out to dinner and then he was insisting on going on a carriage ride, but it was too cold and I said no,” said Kelley.

Little did Kelley know, she was changing Johnny’s plan for a romantic engagement. He proposed in the car instead.

She said: “I almost had an accident!”

He said: “It would have been a lot safer on the carriage ride.”

Since getting married in 2001, Kelley and Johnny have not only maintained relationships with the sorority and fraternity members that made up their wedding party, the couple has also kept in close contact with SIUE. Kelley currently works as an admissions counselor and the couple loves bringing their young son to campus.

“When you graduate, you never think you’re going to work for the same university,” said Kelley. “Now I love being back on campus and seeing familiar things,” said Kelley. “We can bring our son here and say, ‘this is where your mom and dad met.’”

Read Kelley and Johnny’s full interview at siue.edu/alumni



Class Notes

Have you recently gotten married or started a new career? Share news with your fellow Cougars by submitting a class note at siue.edu/alumni.



*Thoughts from Steve Jankowski, '74 BS
Director of SIUE Alumni Affairs*

In this edition of our alumni magazine, we present profiles of four of our “women of excellence,” knowing full-well our alumni are heavily populated by women and men of excellence. One of our goals in the strategic plan we have laid out in other portions of this

publication is to ensure that the successes of our alumni, the “product” of this University, are celebrated and recognized at every opportunity. Paige’s story came to us through a press release, but we realize each of you has had successes worthy of announcing to a larger audience. So please don’t hesitate to “blow your horn” and share your stories of success with us. It would be an honor to include those successes here in this magazine, and beyond. Send your stories to me at sjankow@siue.edu.

School of Business

1960s

James H. Nelson (BS '64, MBA '70) retired from Laclede Steel in 2000 after 36 years of service.

Patrick Dillon (BS '65, MBA '69) is employed by Edward Jones. He lives in O'Fallon, Mo., with his wife and three sons.

Garrett C. Reuter (BS '69) was recognized as an Illinois Super Lawyer in the areas of Closely Held Business, Estate Planning, and Probate and Tax. Reuter also continues as a member of the Southwestern Illinois Leadership Council.

1970s

James L. Muehlhauser (BS '74) is president and CEO with Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Crystal City, Mo.

Larry E. Cranford (BS '76) graduated from the Illinois Master Naturalist Program that is part of the University of Illinois Extension.

James A. Dohr (BS '76, MBA '80) is the president of Coldwell Banker Gundaker Realty in Chesterfield, Mo.

Dennis M. Terry (BS '76) is president and CEO of First Clover Leaf Bank in Edwardsville and was named to the Federal Reserve Board's Thrift Institutions Advisory Council.

Edward J. Blake, Jr. (MBA '77) is an attorney with Blake and Allen, P.C. in Belleville. His areas of concentration include real estate, business law, estate planning, trusts and estates, divorce, and family matters. He is a member of the American Agricultural Law Association.

Robert P. Gray (BS '77) manages the Texas Forensic Accounting and Litigation Services practice for ParenteBeard LLC.

Dr. David L. Kapaska (MBA '78) was named regional president and CEO of Avera McKennan Hospital & University Health Center in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Captain Joseph Parsley ('78 BS) has been appointed Vice President, business development of the life-cycle management business unit of QinetiQ North America. Joe joined the company after a 14-year career at Northrop Grumman.

Milan R. Case (BS '79, MBA '85) is the reimbursement manager at Sisters of Mercy Health Systems in St. Louis.

Daniel R. Donohoo (BS '79) retired this year as County Recorder of Deeds for Madison County.

Joseph G. Uram (BS '79) is a principal in Alton-based St. Louis Capital Partners.

Bernard C. Wicklein (BS '79) is vice president and operations manager at Nooter Construction Co.

1980s

John E. Grizzle (BS '80) is an engineer with Todd Corp. and currently is pursuing membership in the 50 States Marathon Club based in Texas. He has completed marathons in 45 states and only has Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut and South Carolina remaining.

Anthony T. Holdener (BS '80) joined the First National Bank of Waterloo as senior vice president in the bank's lending area.

Grant B. Walsh (MBA '80) of Burlington, Ontario, was appointed by Canada's Transport Minister to chair the board of directors of the Canada Lands Company Limited.

James A. Conley (BS '81, MBA '86) was employed by John Henry Foster Co. in St. Louis before moving to Springfield, Mo., to pursue entrepreneurial aspirations. Currently, he is a member owner of Rangeline Marketplace LLC and an associate of the Kingsley Group.

Katherine “Katie” A. Elrod (BS '81, MBA '86) is the owner of To-Do's, The Ultimate Party Store, located in Edwardsville. The store specializes in themed party supplies and carries a wide selection of traditional holiday items.

William T. Rickher (BS '81) manages the business development program at Korte & Luitjohan Contractors Inc.

Kevin J. Fitzgerald (MBA '82) was named vice president and compliance officer for First Clover Leaf Bank. He resides in Edwardsville with his wife.

Robert J. Roennigke (MBA '82) is a risk manager for Citicorp Inc. and is board president of The National Alliance on Mental Illness Southwestern Illinois. The agency is dedicated to providing support, education and advocacy for persons with mental illnesses, their families, and others whose lives are affected by these diseases.

David B. Warning (BS '82) heads commercial lending as executive vice president for M&I Bank.

Arlene Hyde ('83 BS MGMT/MIS) has joined CoreLogic as senior vice president of strategic relationships for Business and Information Services. She will be a strategic resource for the company's sales and business operations leaders.

Cynthia S. Reinhardt (BS '83) released her first book, *Leclaire*, which is about the N.O. Manufacturing Co. enclave. It was published as part of the Images of America book series.

Doris K. Reynolds Johnson (BSA '83, MBA '85) is the founding member and CEO of Pragmatica Healthcare Solutions, a healthcare consulting practice. She also serves on the Advisory Board of the SIUE School of Business.

Steven F. Springgate (BSA '83) is a business and planning analyst at the Boeing Company in St. Louis.

Patty J. Thiede (BS '83) is the Glen Carbon Director of Finance and Administration in Glen Carbon.

Class & Faculty Notes

Mark J. Deschaine (MBA '84) is the president and founder of the investment firm Deschaine & Co. LLC, in Belleville.

Mark D. Haskell (BS '84, MS '88) lives in Orlando and is vice president of Disney's food and beverage group for the domestic parks and resorts.

David W. Weygandt (BSA '84) is the senior vice president at Gannon Realty Group St. Louis.

Deborah R. Collins (MBA '85) was an accountant for the Department of Army, Aviations Systems Command, before holding positions with the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Home Administration (now called Rural Development). She retired in 2008 with 32 years of service.

Joel H. Harres (MBA '85) owns Harres Home Furnishings in Columbia.

Rodney L. Harris (MBA '85) is a research specialist for the Learning Sciences Research Institute at the University of Illinois Chicago.

James P. Juna (MBA '85) is the vice president of quality assurance and compliance at Johnson & Johnson/McNeil Nutritionals in Ft. Washington, Pa.

Sean P. Madix (MBA '85) is the employee benefits executive director of NECAD IBEW 134 in Chicago.

Darryl G. Mayhew (MBA '85) is a financial planning and budget manager with Bi-State Development Agency in St. Louis.

William A. McKenzie (MBA '85) is a 757/767 technical pilot for The Boeing Company in Seattle.

Mark W. Nienas (MBA '85) works for Alliant Technical Systems in Mesa, Ariz., as director of operations.

Gordon F. Satkowiak (MBA '85) is retired and currently resides in Jonesboro, Ga.

Stephanie A. Slabaugh Popp (MBA '85) is the corporate accounting manager at AGIA Inc. in Carpinteria, Calif.

Karen L. Watkins-Watts (MBA '85) is the grants administrator at Brockton Public Schools in Brockton, Mass.

Janice A. Wilson (BS '85) has opened Barry Wilson Funeral Home and Cremation Services Ltd. Maryville.

George J. Vogel (BS '85) of Atlanta, Ga., was inducted into the most recent class of the SIUE Athletics Hall of Fame.

Dr. John "Al" Bornmann (MBA '86) is senior principal at SRA International and resides in Alexandria, Ga.

David P. Krantz (MBA '86) is senior product manager at Farmer's Insurance in Simi Valley, Ca.

David M. Lavelly (MBA '86) is director of St. Louis operations for Steris Corp.

Lyle C. Smith (MBA '86) is retired and currently resides in Ballwin, Mo.

Louis E. Wray (MBA '86) launched LiveAnew, a self-funded, web-based business that capitalizes portfolio value. LiveAnew is designed to help clients lead fulfilling lives—from teaching in Tahiti to volunteering for Habitat for Humanity.

Ann M. Schnelt Ficken (BSA '88) was selected as the board treasurer at FOCUS St. Louis. She recently retired as general partner with Edward Jones.

Lisa Safarian (BS '88, MBA '91) has been named one of St. Louis' Most Influential Business Women for 2011.

Gregg E. Korte (BS '89) is the general manager of Korte & Luitjohan Contractors Inc. He is active with the Pregnancy Care Center of Highland, a Christian-based nonprofit center.

Jeffery E. Merry (MBA '89) is owner and senior analyst with The Business House in Gainesville, Ga. He was the top producer in 2010 for the Georgia Association of Business Brokers (GABB). He is a member of the Million Dollar Club with \$40 million in business for 2010, and was the top producer for the previous five years as well.

Katherine M. Smith (BS '89) specializes in corporate and real estate law at her Alton law firm. She also serves on the Madison County Board District 5.

1990s

Tom A. Hoppenjans (BS '90) is a realtor for Exit Realty Consultants in Belleville. He owns KT Ventures LLC, a real estate investment company.

Bryan C. Keller (BSA '90) is partner-in-charge with RubinBrown's real estate services group in St. Louis.

Anthony J. Short (MBA '90) is the vice president of business and wholesale development at AB-InBev in St. Louis.

Bradley J. Barnard (BS '91) has joined Contegra Construction Co. as a project executive.

David P. Hutt (BS '91) joined Mutual of Omaha in 2008 and was named a member of the company's Chairman's Council for 2009, an honor club for sales representatives.

Michael O. Schmelzle (MBA '91) is the senior vice president of mortgage lending at Reliance Bank.

James M. Maxwell (BS '92) is a recruiter at Westport One in St. Louis.

Susan M. Young (BSA '92) created Young & Company, an auditing and accounting services firm located in Glen Carbon.

Chris W. Maschhoff (BS '93) has joined First National Bank in Carlyle as a vice president and senior loan officer. He is located at the main bank facility in Carlyle. He resides in Nashville, Ill.

U.S. Representative John Shimkus (MBA '97) was awarded the Golden Plow award by The American Farm Bureau Federation for his work on critical issues including cap-and-trade legislation, biofuels and animal health and food safety. This is the highest honor the nation's largest general farm organization bestows on a member of Congress.

Amy Sholar (BS '98), an Alton attorney, is a Republican candidate for the position of Madison County States Attorney.

2000s

Kristen B. Friederich (BS '03, MSA '08) was promoted to senior accountant specializing in audit, compilation, and tax services at Rice, Sullivan & Co. Ltd.

Sean P. Huneke (BS '03) is a sales associate at Bev George Realty and received an award from the Goshen Preservation Alliance for his work preserving a historical home on St. Louis Street in Edwardsville.

Jason T. Miller (BSA '03) is a senior accountant specializing in audit and tax services for small businesses with Rice, Sullivan & Co. Ltd.

Tedi M. Strate Zotz (BSA '03, MBA '05) is a reimbursement analyst for SSM Health Care in St. Louis. Tedi and her husband welcomed their first child, Brady Michael, in November 2009.

Laura M. Fedrick (BSA '04, MBA '06) joined Carrollton Bank as assistant vice president, commercial lending, at its Des Peres, Mo., location.

Keith A. Franks (MBA '04) works in human resources for Joyce Meyer Ministries.

Damon R. Harbison (MBA '04) works at SSM Health Care- St. Louis as executive director of oncology and imaging services.

Caleb D. Hawkins (BS '04) was named an associate at Herzog Crebs LLP.

Brandon M. Lance (BS '04) and Stephanie P. Lance (BS '06) of Edwardsville welcomed their daughter, Taylor Michelle, May 18, 2010.

Jonathan D. Ferry (BS '05, MS '06) is development director for the city of Granite City. He received the Economic Development Achievement Award from the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority and has been named one of 30 young people making a difference in our region in a poll conducted by the Suburban Journal.

Robert M. Stephenson (BS '05) completed an MS in MIS from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in December of 2010. He and his wife had a son in 2007.

Ryan D. Bundy (BS '06) is a claims adjuster for GMAC Insurance and is working toward a master's degree. He married Rebecca L. Holshouser (BS '07) in June 2010.

Patrick R. Lavery (BS '06) is the manager of the Ace Hardware Store in O'Fallon, Ill. He was named one of the 30 young people making a difference in our region in a poll conducted by the Suburban Journal.

Corey L. Newgent (BS '06) works at Civic Memorial High School and was named Coach of the Year for small school ice hockey.

Todd J. Stonewater (MBA '06) achieved the professional designation of Accredited Asset Management Specialist. He is with Edward Jones in O'Fallon, Ill.

Lisa N. Stuckey Worman (BS '06, MBA '10) is a marketing specialist at Network Solutions in Swansea.

Tanner F. Alexander (BS '07) is a loan officer with The EDGEBANK in Edwardsville. He married Nichole R. Robbins (BS '08) in September 2010.

Emileigh S. Chism (BS '07 MBA '10) married Steve Zeitka and works as an office manager at LS Transport.

Katherine "Katie" A. Eckley (BS '07) is an account manager at BFM Creative.

Julie Bock Graham ('07 BSA) has passed all four parts of the AICPA's administered CPA exam to obtain her designation as a CPA. Graham lives with her husband Cory in Jerseyville and works at Scheffel and Company PC, Certified Public Accountants.

Christopher A. Howard (MSA '07) joined wealth management firm Community Financial Advisors, Inc. in O'Fallon, Ill., as an investment advisor.

Nicholas A. Paskus (BS '07, MBA '10) is employed by SIUE as a financial specialist.

Lauren Brittany Pyle (BS '07, MS '08) is a forecasting analyst in the food and beverage group for Disney's domestic parks and resorts in Orlando.

Chad Stutz (BS '07) was hired as a web designer for Riverbender.com. He enjoys working in online media and someday hopes to tie his management background into his career as well.

Jennifer M. Sellman Stouffer (BS '08) is a procurement agent with The Boeing Company in St. Louis.

Leslie A. Unterbrink (BS '08) is with Korte Construction Co. in Highland, and was married to James Musgrave in June 2010.

Matthew J. Dycus (BS '09) is employed by Olin and was married in fall of 2010 to Natalie Isaak.

Andrew "Andy" M. Jones (BSA '09) was married to Sarah M. Peters (BA '09). He currently works full time at Eck, Schafer & Punke LLP in Springfield, Ill., and is pursuing an MBA at University of Illinois-Springfield.

Joan E. Lebkuecher (MBA '09) was the winner of the Tallerico Leadership Award. Lebkuecher is senior vice president at Hortica Insurance and Employee Benefits in Edwardsville. She is a certified public accountant and also volunteers with the American Cancer Society and United Way.

Michael "Mike" K. McKinzie (BS '09) lives in Pontoon Beach and is a procurement agent at The Boeing Co. working on the F/A-18 Super Hornet Program.

Anthony M. Schutzenhofer (BS '09) is an analyst with Stern Brothers & Co.

Samantha J. Willis (BSA '09) is a staff accountant in the Assurance Services Department at Stone Carlie & Co. LLC in St. Louis.

2010s

Marcie M. Adams (BS '10) is the branch manager and teller supervisor at Peoples National Bank in Belleville.

Elizabeth M. Baldree (BS '10) is with Grimco in Fenton, Mo.

Justin S. Bolin (BS '10) is with Dynamic Fitness Management in Alton.

John A. Bosico (BSA '10) welcomed new baby, Zachary Ryan Bosico, June 23, 2010.

David A. Buehlhorn (BS '10) lives in Belleville and is employed by Pizza Hut.

Ashley N. Bux (BS '10) is a teller at TheBANK of Edwardsville's Belleville office.

Marley C. Coghlan (BS '10) works at SIUE and is pursuing an MBA. She was the recipient of a scholarship from TheBANK of Edwardsville given to students who exhibit leadership skills and who show an interest in business/finance and banking.

Christa J. Davidson (BS '10) works in supply chain management at DRS Sustainment Systems in St. Louis.

Stephanie R. Deimeke (BS '10) is an office clerk at Scott Air Force Base.

Robert D. Doody (BS '10) resides in Jerseyville and works at Jersey State Bank in business development.

Jonathan W. Frederick (BSA '10) is a staff accountant with Scheffel & Company and resides in Belleville.

Michelle L. Goldman (BS '10) is a teller at Legence Bank and resides in Eldorado.

Suzanne L. Hazelwonder (BSA '10) is an accountant at Madison Mutual Insurance Company in Edwardsville.

Jessica E. Henderson (BSA '10) lives in Jerseyville and is employed by Amoco BP.

David R. Holyfield (BS '10) is an intern at Young Dental Mfg. in Earth City, Mo.

Tobias M. Huenefeld (BS '10) currently resides in Peoria where he is in the Management Training Program for Sherwin Williams Company.

Adam L. Huskamp (BS '10) married Angelika L. Linsky (BFA '09) in October 2010.

Cory N. Kniepp (BS '10) is a district sales manager with Emerson in St. Louis.

Derek R. Kuhnline (BSA '10) is a nutritional aide with St. Anthony's Hospital in Alton.

Kimberly "Kim" M. Luitjohan (BS '10) is with Poettker Construction in Breese.

Shelby A. McCain (BSA '10) is a teller with Midland States Bank in Effingham.

Kristen N. Michels (BS '10) is working at Botsch & Associates in Carmi.

Jacqueline D. Nagel (MBA '10) is an assistant manager-HRIS at Forest Pharm in St. Louis.

Nels P. Ostrom (BS '10) is an applications manager at Confluence Solar in Hazelwood, Mo.

Trishia A. Owen (BSA '10) currently resides in Bunker Hill and is employed by Kohl's.

Laura N. Peters (BS '10) is a quality assurance associate with Sigma Aldrich in St. Louis.

Kseniya S. Petrova (BS '10) is a credit analyst with Bunge North America in St. Louis.

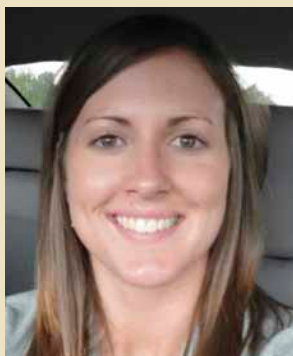
Theodore W. Pierce (BS '10) is a realtor with Coldwell Banker in Edwardsville.

Lisa A. Rogers (BS '10) is a programmer analyst with Edwards Jones in Maryland Heights, Mo.

David J. Senci (BS '10) is a quality assurance analyst with Express Scripts in St. Louis.

Danielle R. Sprout (BSA '10) is a staff accountant with Scheffel & Co. in Edwardsville.

Class & Faculty Notes



Jodi Vogt ('10 BSA) was hired as a staff accountant in tax and assurance services for individual and business clients at Becker and Rosen, Certified Public Accountants, LLC in Clayton, MO. She is currently pursuing her MBA at SIUE.

Heather M. Whitten (MBA '10) is a coordinator in human resources with The St. Louis Blues.

College of Arts and Sciences

1960s

Bill Collins (BS Geography '66, MS City Planning '68) is semi-retired as professor in anthropology/archaeology from California State University. He and wife Jennifer have relocated to Massachusetts to be closer to family though Bill remains active in teaching and excavation at sites in Syria.

Daniel Kostencki (BA History '68, MSED '75, Specialist Degree-Education '87) has retired as principal of Metro East Lutheran High School in Edwardsville.

1970s

Michael Aakhus ('76 MFA) has been named Dean of the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Southern Indiana. He has been a member of the USI Art

Department faculty since 1977. **Major General William L. Enyart** (BA Mass Communications '74, BA Government) was reappointed as the Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard by Governor Pat Quinn. Enyart is a resident of Belleville.

Lyndon J. Joost (BS Sociology '79, MPA '95) has been named Director of Strategic Initiatives at Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen Inc., an engineering and surveying firm headquartered in Swansea. He will help guide the company's growth and development through the implementation of the firm's annual and multi-year strategic plans.

Mark Wilderman (BS History '78) has been appointed Historian for the 60th Air Mobility Wing at Travis AFB in California. In his new position Wilderman's responsibilities will include writing the annual official history of the Air Mobility Wing and supporting requests for historical research, among others.



James Wharton (BA Mass Communications '74) has been named the vice president of marketing and business development at Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City, Iowa.

1980s

Darryl Collins (BS Mass Communications/TV-Radio '84, MBA '02) has been promoted to executive vice president and head of consumer banking for the St. Louis region at Commerce Bank. He will have responsibility for 55 area retail branches and more than 100 ATMs.

Edward C. Lemoine (BS English '83, MA American/English Literature '04) filmed a documentary based on his Master's thesis. It will be released at the Frankfort book fair in October 2011.

Harish Mysore (MS Math '86) has been named Senior Vice President of corporate development and strategic alliances at The TriZetto Group Inc. In this new position, Mysore will lead efforts to identify, evaluate and execute mergers and acquisitions, partnerships and joint ventures.

Vera Parkin (BS Music/Music Performance '84, MM-Music Performance '85) was recently named Outstanding Music Educator by the St. Louis Symphony at a concert at Powell Hall. Parkin is the founding director of the Preparatory Program at the Community Music School of Webster University.

Judith Sauget (BS Mass Communications/TV-Radio '89) as honored by The Winning Women organization at the Women Influencing Women Now Awards Banquet. She was recognized in the entrepreneur category for her work as a prominent businessperson and entrepreneur in the St. Louis Metro area for the past 30 years.

Cindy Scarsdale (BS Mass Communications/TV-Radio '88) will receive the SIUE Kimmel Community Service Award as an outstanding university faculty/staff for her unwavering dedication and numerous contributions to community service.

Deborah Slagle (BS Biological Sciences '89) has been named one of St. Louis' Most Influential Business Women for 2011.

Jeff Werwie (MS Environmental Studies '80) has been promoted to Director of Environmental Affairs at Johnson Controls Inc. in Milwaukee. He has been employed at the company for 31 years.

1990s

Allison Hewitt (BA Spanish, BA English '94) has been named the new director of development at the Marianist Province of the United States, based in St. Louis. She will be engaged in all development and advancement efforts in this new position.

Thomas V. Lerczak (MS Environmental Studies/Science '92) has published a new book called *Side Channels: A Collection of Nature Writing and Memoir*. The book focuses on natural areas and outdoor experiences along rivers, especially the Illinois River and Mississippi River.

Mary Jansen Parrent (BS Social Work '93) is the author of the latest addition to Arcadia Publishing's Images of America Series. The book *Germantown* went on sale July 11, 2011. It depicts the life and history of the community of Germantown, located about 40 miles southeast of St. Louis. All profits from the sale of the book will benefit the Village of Germantown and St. Boniface Catholic Church.

2000s

Phil Dunlap (BS Music/Jazz Performance/Music Theory '04, MM '07) has been selected as among the 30 under 30 award winners for 2011 as selected by the St. Louis Business Journal.

Elizabeth Erwin (BA Mass Communications '05) is now a reporter for KPHO in Phoenix Arizona.

Dr. Norah Farley (BS Biological Sciences '05) is among 62 new physicians in the Class of 2011 at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. She will enter a family medicine residency at SIU School of Medicine and its affiliated hospitals in Springfield, Ill.

Roslind Harper (BA Liberal Studies '07) is a mom of seven and recently completed a master's of science degree in Health Administration. She currently lives in Ewa Beach, Hawaii.

John Hipskind (BS History/Political Science '03, MPA '10) was appointed by Governor Pat Quinn to serve a three-year term as an Executive Board member of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority.

Melanie Jones (BS Social Work '10) has accepted a position with DaVita Dialysis in St. Louis. She enjoys working with patients.

Timothy Monaco (BA Political Science '08) has accepted a position with the Ohio Secretary of State as the Regional Liaison in charge of all of Northwest Ohio. Monaco credits SIUE with sending him on a path of success.



Lisa Ribes (BS Biological Sciences '00) is a professional triathlete living in Tucson, Ariz. She also owns a landscape design firm LJ Design and Consulting.

Dr. Kate Richards (BS Chemistry '06) is among 62 new physicians in the Class of 2011 at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. She will enter a family medicine residency at University of Illinois Chicago/Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital.

Anne Stotler (BS Mass Communications, BS English/Creative Writing '05) has joined Beverly Farm Foundation as the Director of Community Relations.

Dough Stotler (BS Sports Management '00) is now the Director of Athletics at Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Mo.

Paige St. John (BA Journalism '86) has won the Pulitzer Prize for investigative journalism for her series on Florida's insurance industry. St. John joined the Sarasota Herald-Tribune in 2008.

School of Dental Medicine

Dr. Candace T. Wakefield (DMD '00) wrote a children's book titled My Dentist Appointment. She currently practices pediatric dentistry at the Children's Dental Zone in Florissant, Mo.

Dr. Bruce Rotter (DMD '82) will serve as Interim Dean of the SIU School of Dental Medicine. He is the Associate Dean of the School.

School of Education

1970s

Dave Beiermann (BS Special Ed. '72), a retired teacher, is currently teaching karate to children. The focus of instruction is discipline, respect, obedience, courage, honesty, humility and concentration.

Gary "Bo" Collins (BS Phys Ed. '70, MSED Counselor Ed. '73) became the 55th coach in NCAA Division I history to record 1,000 victories as SIUE's baseball coach.

David Elson (MSED '74, Education Specialist '87) retired as superintendent of Alton School District. He is also retiring from his side job of teaching graduate-level classes at SIUE.

George M. Hulsey (BS Elementary Ed. '71, MSED Elementary Ed. '73) retired from Westchester Elementary School in the Kirkwood R7 School District. He is currently working as a substitute teacher. He is a member of both Normandy and Kirkwood School Districts Retired Teachers.

Dr. D. Randall King Jr. (BS Psychology '74, MS Psychology '75) is retiring as a school psychologist after 37 years of service at Special School District of St. Louis County. He is an adjunct assistant professor at UMSL School of Psychology.

Judge Alexis Otis-Lewis (MSED Counselor Education '78) will be an assistant professor of criminal justice at Lindenwood University. She brings years of experience to the classroom, with a professional counseling background.

Dan Wiedman (BS Education/Recreation '78) is the Marquette Catholic High School softball coach and was honored during a Hall of Fame ceremony in Bloomington. He is being saluted as the Illinois Coaches' Association Super-Sectional Coach of the Year.

Debbie Wilkerson (BS Phys Ed. '75, MSED Education Administration '90) is retiring from her position as principal at Mitchell Elementary School. She will start a new job as a nurse for a cruise line.

1980s

Gail Jorgenson (BS Business Education '83) was recently promoted to the civilian equivalent of a two-star general and is now the director of acquisition for U.S. Transportation Command at Scott Air Force Base. She oversees a more than \$7 billion budget.

Sheila Hegger Kutz (BS Education/Speech Pathology '81, MS Education/Speech Pathology '82) was honored with a doctoral degree in audiology from A.T. Still University of Mesa, Ariz. Kutz has enjoyed a 25-year career of assisting those with hearing loss. She lives in Greenville.

John Lakin (BS Recreation '84) has been appointed Police Chief of Glen Carbon.

Debra Sheary (MSED Special Ed. '80) retired as principal of Lovejoy Elementary School.

1990s

Dennis Cramsy (MSED Education Administration '99) will be the new principal of Edwardsville High School. He was previously the principal at Liberty Middle School.

Terrien A. MetCalf-Fennoy (BS Elementary Ed. '91, Education Administration '94) has accepted dual principalship at both Harris and Bernard Long Elementary Schools in Madison CUSD #12. She also supervises the district's Early Childhood Programs.

Kris Grawitch Fulkerson (BS Psychology '99, MSW '05) has been named Social Worker of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers-Illinois. She has opened a counseling practice in Edwardsville that will focus on grief and loss issues for people of all ages.

Virgil Kambarian (MSED Administration '96) is retiring from his position as assistant principal at Granite City High School. He plans to travel and look for a position as a part time university instructor. Virgil is also a Granite City alderman.

Ty Margenthaler (BS Phys Ed. '96) is now the head coach for the women's basketball team at Southeast Missouri State University.

Brian Saenz (BS Ed./Special Ed. '94, MSED Instructional Technology '01, Education Specialist '08) was promoted to principal of Lovejoy Elementary School in Alton. Saenz has been assistant principal at Alton Middle School since 2005.

2000s

Karen Caires (MSED Literary Ed. '08) has earned her National Board certification. She is the first teacher in the East Alton Elementary School District to receive this prestigious distinction.

Melanie Cornish (MSED Elementary Ed. '01) received the Parkview Elementary School teacher spotlight award in recognition of her dedicated service and outstanding leadership. Cornish teaches special education reading for the second, third and fourth grades.



Marcus Manning (MSED Kinesiology '01) has been named director of athletics at Maryville University in St. Louis. He will lead the Saints 18 varsity athletic teams, student athletes and coaches.

Class & Faculty Notes

School of Pharmacy

Class of 2009

Dr. Tyler Gelbach works at Walgreens Pharmacy in Lincoln, Ill., as a staff pharmacist and also recently started working as a staff pharmacist at Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Lincoln.

Dr. Diana Jason Isaacs is a faculty member at Chicago State University College of Pharmacy and has established a practice site at the ambulatory care clinics at the Hines VA Hospital. In other exciting news, Dr. Jason Isaacs and her husband are expecting their first child in December.

Dr. Mary Elliott is currently the pharmacist in charge of the new Wal-Mart in Godfrey. She and her husband, Seth, reside in the Alton area, and they will celebrate four years of marriage this July.

Dr. Kelly Smith Newell is living in Monticello, Ill., where she works as full-time staff pharmacist with Christie Clinic in Champaign. Dr. Newell is looking forward to working part-time when she returns from maternity leave as she and her husband are expecting their fourth child at the end of July.

Dr. Candi Rouse Oliver is currently a staff pharmacist at Hy-Vee Pharmacy in Centerville, Iowa. Dr. Oliver and her husband, Howard just celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary and have a one-year-old daughter, Makenna Grace Oliver.

Dr. Jordan Bills is currently working for Wal-Mart as a float pharmacist around the Salt Lake and Ogden Valleys in Utah. He also fills in occasionally at a local family owned pharmacy. Dr. Bills was surprised to learn that the SIUE School of Pharmacy is known even in the West; several pharmacists remember when the School opened in 2005. Dr. Bills wishes to thank the faculty, staff and fellow alumni for the positive name they have given to SIUE.

Class of 2010

Dr. Kevin Asbrock is a staff pharmacist at St. Anthony's Hospital in St. Louis County.

Dr. Emily Collins Lucey is a staff pharmacist at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in Creve Coeur, Mo. Dr. Collins Lucey enjoys her work in all different areas of the hospital including pediatrics, outpatient cancer centers, the heart hospital, and the ICU. She lives in Shrewsbury, Mo., with her husband John, and their two Boston Terriers, Stewie and Lois.

Dr. Morissa Branham Reynolds is working as a Clinical Staff Pharmacist at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Ill. She and her husband will welcome their first child, a baby girl, in October.

Dr. Melissa Knueven is an Executive Pharmacist at Target in Silverthorne, Colo.

Dr. Shelley Otsuka has completed an ambulatory care residency at The Ohio State University and has taken a faculty position at Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. Dr. Otsuka's practice site will be at an outpatient internal medicine clinic associated with the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Cole Naumann is employed as a pharmacy manager at Schnucks in Rockford. Dr. Naumann says that he never thought he wanted to be a manager, but he knows he's made a great choice.

Dr. Nicole Repking is currently working as a staff pharmacist at Walgreens in Charleston, Ill. Dr. Repking is engaged to Brandon Yocum and they plan to marry in May 2012.

Dr. Matt Lewis is working with Accredo Health Group as a staff pharmacist. Accredo is a specialty pharmacy that focuses on home infusion products. Dr. Lewis and his wife, Julie just built a house in Edwardsville.

Dr. Amanda Hofstetter recently completed her PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville and immediately started her new position at the SIUE School of Pharmacy as a clinical assistant professor. Dr. Hofstetter is excited to continue to be part of the School of Pharmacy community and is looking forward to developing her own clinic and educating future pharmacists. In addition to her new job, she is busy planning her December wedding.

Dr. Matt Larson is currently employed as a staff pharmacist at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, Ill.

Dr. Allison Gates Cassidy is working as a staff pharmacist at K Mart in South St. Louis County.

Class of 2011

Dr. Nathan Yarbor is currently working as a staff pharmacist for CVS in the Evansville, Ind., district.

Dr. Jennifer Scharping is currently working with Cub Foods in the Bloomington/Normal area as a staff pharmacist. She is also doing some consultant work with a local health department, aiding in vaccinations and lending expertise regarding various medication related issues.

Dr. Tom Majka has taken a pharmacy practice residency at SSM St Mary Health Center in Richmond Heights, Mo. Dr. Majka is excited to get into the real world and start practicing pharmacy and will use his residency experience to help him determine his future. As of right now, his areas of interest include internal medicine, ambulatory care and infectious diseases.

Dr. Caitlin Hoelscher has accepted a job as a pharmacist with Schnuck's Pharmacy. Dr. Hoelscher will work primarily in Illinois.

Dr. Amy Vennell Carlson is completing a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Ill. She will earn a teaching certificate during her residency and hopes to pursue a career in academia with her practice site involving pediatric medicine.

Dr. Erron Swick started a PGY1 pharmacy practice residency at St. Louis University Hospital on July 5, 2011. Dr. Swick is interested in infectious diseases and critical care pharmacy practice.

Dr. Erika Hahn has accepted an offer as the Pharmacist in Charge at Medicenter Pharmacy. She is currently working toward the publication of three articles based upon her Capstone Project and one article based upon the work she completed as part of the teaching concentration rotation.

Dr. Krista Brown is currently working at Target pharmacies. Dr. Brown is working at several Target pharmacies in St. Louis and the Metro East.

School of Engineering

1970s

Paul Lorton (BS Civil Engineering '75) is the new director of Public Works of Collinsville.

1990s



John Benda (BS Construction '90) is now engineering construction project manager with MDT in Western Montana. He lives with his wife and four sons.

Geri Boyer (BS Civil Engineering '91) has been named one of St. Louis' Most Influential Business Women for 2011.

Robert S. DeConcini (BS Civil Engineering '91) has been named the new chief operating officer of Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen Inc., an engineering and surveying firm headquartered in Swansea.

Jason Watters (BS Civil Engineering '92, MBA '01) was promoted to regional manager of strategic initiatives in the Missouri and Illinois markets for Bernardin, Lochmueller & Associates Inc., an engineering, environmental and survey firm.

2000s



Josh Jolliff (BS Civil Engineering '01) is a senior engineer at Crawford, Murphy & Tilly and has been awarded the company's Above and Beyond Award for his exemplary performance as lead project structural engineer for the Mississippi River Bridge Illinois Approach project, among other large-scale bridge projects.

Matt J. Kitzmiller (BS Civil Engineering '02) has been named Manager of the Edwardsville branch of Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen Inc., an engineering and surveying firm headquartered in Swansea.

Alicia DeShasier (BS Civil Engineering '07, BS Math Studies '07) finished third in the women's javelin throw at the United States Track and Field National Championship. She is a volunteer coach for the University of Wisconsin women's track and field team.

Jason Dryer (BS Civil Engineering '08, BS Math '08, MSE Civil Engineering '10) has completed his master's and continues to work at Oates Associates in Collinsville.

2010s

Mike Wyatt (BSE Construction Management '10) has joined Holland Construction Services Inc. He is the project engineer for the Prairie State Generating Corporate Office and the Southwest Illinois Health Ventures Inc. Medical Office Center.

Andy Mueller (BS Civil Engineering '10) was hired at Oates Associates, a civil and structural engineering/architectural design firm with offices in St. Louis and Collinsville.

Stephen Noeth (BS Engineering '11) has joined Oates Associates, a civil and structural engineering/architectural design firm with offices in St. Louis and Collinsville.

School of Nursing

1970s

Jim Cato (BS '78) has a new position as chief nursing officer for the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. He is also an associate professor in the school of nursing at the university.

1990s

Jodene Scheller (MS Nursing/Medical and Surgical Nursing '92) is a nominee for the 2011 Illinois Community College Trustees Association Outstanding Full-Time Faculty Member Award. She has been at Lewis and Clark Community College for 17 years.

Jennifer Cordia (BS '93) has been selected to serve as the new chief nursing executive for Christian Hospital.

2000s

Jon Caron (BS '00) won the St. Louis Magazine 2011 Excellence in Nursing Award in the emergency department category. Five other SIUE alumni were also honored as finalists: Beverly Dressel ('93), Camila Lucasy ('99), Mary Coats ('80, '89), Faith Rodgers ('94), and Ann Donze ('94).

Shelley Harris (BS '07, MS Healthcare/Nursing Administration '10) has been named the interim chief nurse executive at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

Vickie Rodgers (MS Healthcare/Nursing Administration '06) was named to the American Nurses Credentialing Center Gerontological Nurse Content Expert Panel. She will meet with the panel three times per year near Washington, D.C.

Kaci (Christy) Shashack (BS '06) was named "Instructor of the Month" in March by Therapeutic Professionals of Houston.

2010s

Breanna Closen (BS '10) was accepted as a nursing research Ph.D. student at the University of Minnesota. She will be studying the use of integrative medicine in the critical care setting.

In Memoriam

James G. Bridwell, a decorated WWII aviator, career Air Force officer, college professor, business owner and senior Olympian died Tuesday, March 15, 2011. Mr. Bridwell was awarded three Distinguished Flying Crosses during the war. After his retirement from the Air Force, James and his wife, Maxine, moved to Edwardsville where he operated a business while taking graduate classes at SIUE. After receiving a master's in geography, James taught at the university and later chaired the Earth Sciences and Urban Planning Department. He was 91.

Judith Cingolani, professor emerita of social work, died Saturday, April 16, 2011. She was 72. Cingolani was one of the founders of the social work education program at SIUE, joining the faculty in 1973. Before coming to the University, Cingolani had been an administrator with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. She retired from SIUE in 2000.

Robert Koepke, long-time advocate for economic and industrial development in the Metro East and Southwestern Illinois, and a professor emeritus of geography and earth science, died Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011. He was 74. Koepke was named an assistant professor of geography at SIUE in 1966 in what was then known as the Social Sciences Division. He had been teaching at the University for two years before that.

Michael S. Matta of Edwardsville, professor emeritus of chemistry, died Jan. 3, 2011. He was 70. Joining the faculty at SIUE in 1969 in what was then known as the Science and Technology Division, Matta was a mentor to numerous SIUE chemistry students who received their master of science in chemistry. In 1973, Matta was awarded the SIUE Teaching Excellence Award, the highest honor paid to faculty at the University. He was department chair from 1980-1983 and retired in 1996.

Patrick Riddleberger, professor emeritus of historical studies and one of the SIUE pioneers, died Saturday, June 4, 2011. He was 95. During his tenure at SIUE, Riddleberger received the University's Outstanding Scholar Award. He was a prolific researcher who authored significant papers and books about the history of the South, especially about the American Civil War and the Reconstruction Era. He retired from SIUE in 1984, but continued his research well into his retirement years.

Fred Robbins, associate professor emeritus of English language and literature, died July 1, 2011. He was 68. During his tenure at SIUE, Robbins was editor of the *Sou'Wester*, a literary journal of fiction and poetry that he loved dearly. That publication continues to be published by the SIUE Department of English Language and Literature. Robbins retired in 2001.

Barbara Joan Teters, retired SIUE Provost, died Jan. 1, 2011. She was 84. During Teters' five years as Provost at SIUE—where she held the rank of professor of government and public affairs, later political science—she created a number of new programs at the University.

Gertraude Wittig, professor emerita of biological sciences and a tireless advocate for women in the sciences, died March 1, 2011. She was 82. A native of Glauchau, Germany, Wittig came to SIUE in 1968 after serving as a research microbiologist at Oregon State University. She first came to the United States on a Fulbright Scholarship in 1958 to extend her research experience in entomology and insect pathology at the University of California at Berkeley, where she also learned electron microscopy. In 1959 Wittig joined the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a research specialist in insect pathology and electron microscopy.

Paul Gismegian, '71 BS Economics, died in August, 2011, in his native country of Greece at the age of 66. Paul was born in Athens, Greece, but came to the U.S. for his college education. While at SIUE, Paul was very active in the Xi Sigma Phi fraternity and soccer.

Preserving our History

Established in 1979, the Louisa H. Bowen University Archives and Special Collections preserves and makes accessible SIUE's historical records and publications. It is also home to archival collections, personal papers and books that document the history of Southwestern Illinois. Associate Professor of Library and Information Services Stephen Kerber came to SIUE in 1997, making him the longest serving university archivist and special collections librarian.

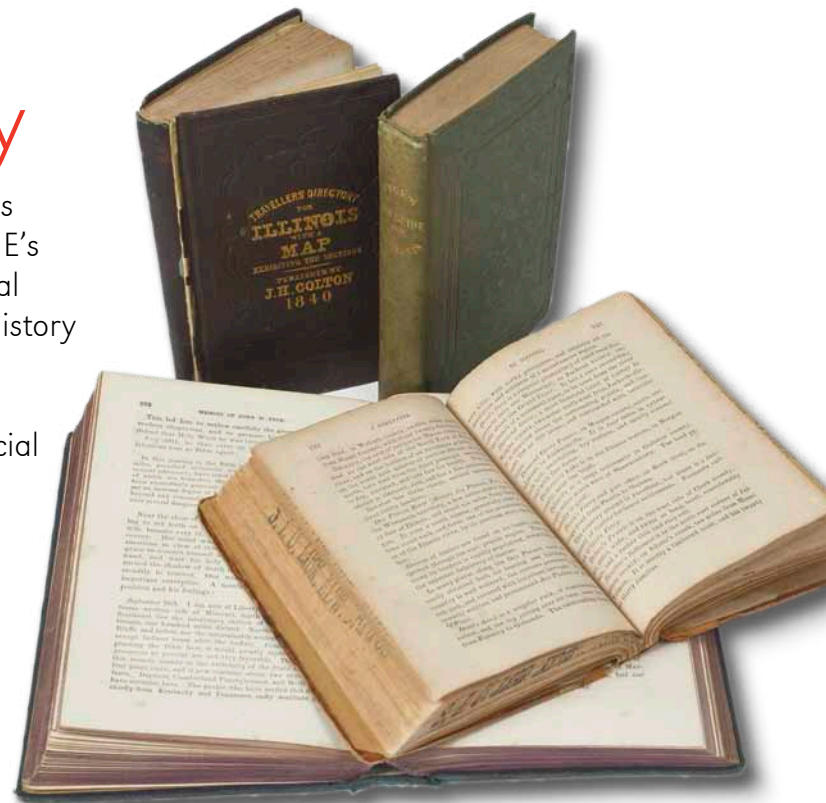
A Glimpse into the University Archives

(The full list of treasures is far too numerous to count!)

The Archives holds complete sets of undergraduate and graduate course catalogs, published class schedules, SIUE Alumnus magazine, campus telephone directories, and commencement programs.



A piece of the original Rock, which was donated in 1965 by the contractor of the core campus buildings, was placed in the hands of the University Archivist when the rock was vandalized and had to be replaced in 2001.



The general classroom building that houses the College of Arts and Sciences is named in memory of John Mason Peck, a pioneer missionary in Southwestern Illinois and founder of the old Shurtleff College, now the location of the SIU School of Dental Medicine in Alton, Ill. The University's Rare Book Collection includes three John Mason Peck holdings:

A Guide for Emigrants (1831), *A Gazetteer of Illinois* (1837), and *The Traveller's Directory for Illinois* (1839)

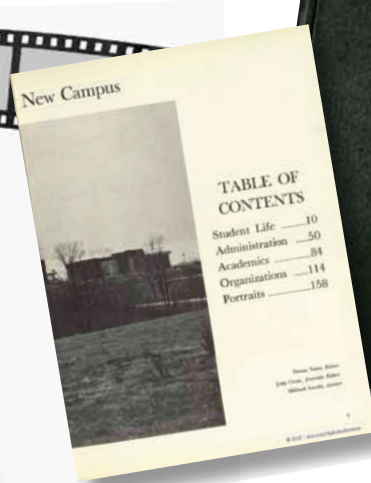
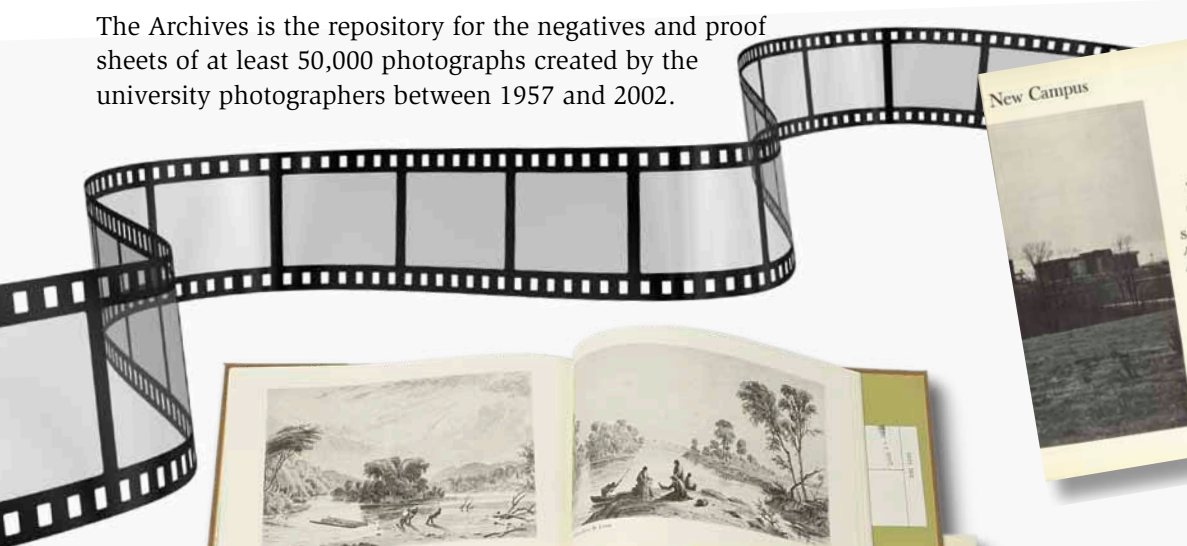


The history of the Mississippi River Festival, a legendary summertime outdoor music festival presented by SIUE between 1969 and 1980 is available in an online collection featuring a virtual museum of performances in chronological order, narrated historical slide show and an alphabetical list of all performers.

siue.edu/lovejoylibrary/archives/mrf/index.shtml



The Archives is the repository for the negatives and proof sheets of at least 50,000 photographs created by the university photographers between 1957 and 2002.

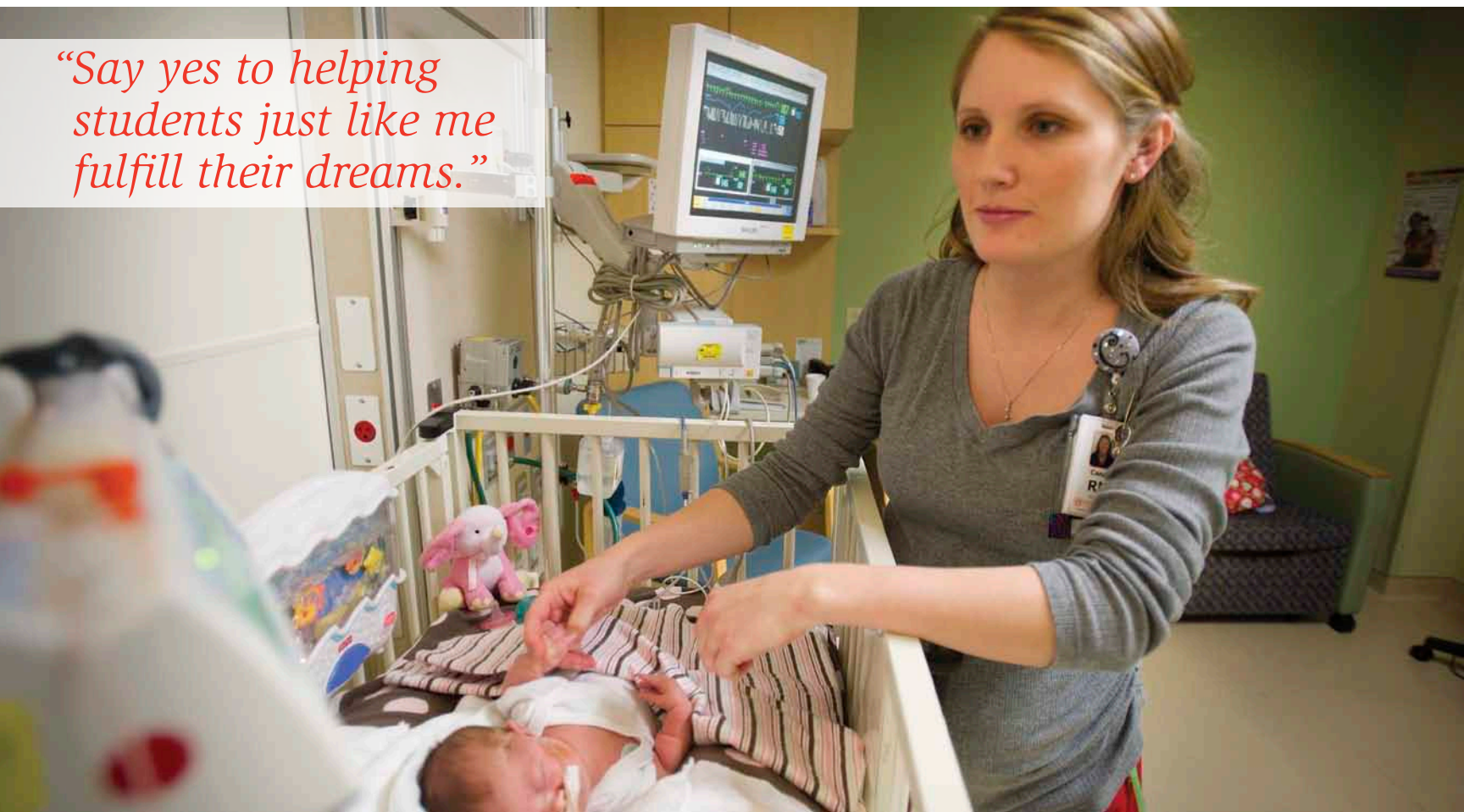


The SIUE yearbook, *Muse*, was first published in 1961, continuing annually through 1971. The original copies of the yearbook were added to the University's digital collection in May 2010.

siue.edu/lovejoylibrary

John Francis McDermott, the first research professor at SIUE, was a prolific historian of the trans-Mississippi West, American art and artists, and the French origins of St. Louis. He collected primary source materials from repositories throughout the world. The Archives holds McDermott's extensive collection.

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students just like me
fulfill their dreams."*



*"I'm proud to be a graduate of SIUE. I'm
making a difference in people's lives
because of the education I received here."*

Candi LeDuc, BS '08, RN
Research Nurse, National Children's Study

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