

# EMERITUS & ANNUITANT NEWSLETTER

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## Spring General Membership and Emeritus Faculty Organization meetings scheduled for April 29

The spring General Membership Meeting will be held on Friday, April 29, at the Dunn-Richmond Center. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. and the agenda will include the announcement of the scholarship winners and the election of board officers and members.



Dr. Mark Amos

Chancellor Rita Cheng will be the featured speaker. Prior to the General Membership meeting, the Emeritus Faculty Organization will meet at 8:30 a.m., with Dr. Mark Amos as guest speaker. All current and future annuitants are invited to attend this double header speaker line up for a morning of informative news about SIUC. The Chancellor will address current issues facing the institution while Dr. Mark Amos, Associate Professor of English and co-director of the Saluki First Year program, will speak about the goals of that initiative.

A luncheon will be served following the General Membership Meeting. Complete the flyer included in this newsletter to make your reservation.



Rita Cheng,  
SIUC Chancellor

## Quality Care Health Plan notice clarification

- by Bob Radtke

Many of you received a notice in January from Central Management Services (CMS) about changes in the Quality Care Health Plan. The notice was confusing to many and I received a number of calls seeking clarification. I called CMS and received the following information about changes in the QCHP plan.

1. If you have Medicare, none of the changes apply. You will continue to receive reimbursement from QCHP as the secondary provider as you always have.
2. Regardless of where you live, all out-of-network medical expenses will be subject to out-of-network rates and rules. I.e., there is no longer a 25 mile rule which allowed medical expenses to be paid at a higher rate if you lived more than 25 miles from an in network provider.
3. All out-of-network expenses will be covered at 70% of the usual and customary fee, after the plan year deductible. QCHP pays 70%, you pay 30%. Previously the split was 80% for QCHP and 20% for the member.
4. All out-of-network health service expenses will be applied to the out-of-network, out of pocket maximum (\$4400 for individuals, \$8800 for families). Previously, only hospital expenses applied to this maximum. Physician and other chargeable health services were applied to the in-network, out of pocket maximum of \$1200 for an individual and \$3000 for a family.
5. There is no change in the in-network reimbursement rate of 90% for QCHP and 10% for the member, after the plan year deductible.
6. If you reside or spend significant time out of Southern Illinois, do check with QCHP on whether there are in-network providers near where you live. QCHP has in-network providers in many parts of the country.

The bottom line is that you will be paying more for out-of-network health services if you do not have Medicare. If you do not, it would be to your advantage to check with QCHP about the availability of in-network providers in your area.

I hope this clarifies the issue for those of you who had questions.



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Robert Radtke

## Greetings,

For state employees and retirees (and that includes SIUC) recent government news has been very gloomy. Public sector employees and pensioners are taking it on the chin from the tea-partiers and new Republican legislators and governors attempting to balance budgets by cutting public employee pensions and health care benefits, and busting public employee unions. This is true nationally, but especially in our neighboring states of Wisconsin, Indiana, and Ohio. Illinois does have a Democratic governor and Democratic controlled legislature, and there does not appear to be any serious union busting movement on the Illinois political scene.

However, Illinois does have a huge budget deficit and an even larger unfunded pension liability. These deficits and liabilities are among the largest in the nation. There is no doubt that these are serious financial problems for the state and must be dealt with. The recently passed income tax increase does not come close to solving the problem. I would add the caveat that the blame for the problem rests squarely on legislatures and governors who over the decades have failed to fund the pensions systems as required, and overspent elsewhere. I think that it is inevitable that retirees (and perhaps current employees) will be paying more for their health care. Currently, most retirees pay no premiums for health insurance, unless they are covering additional family members, or unless they retired after 1998 with less than 20 years of service. Retirees do pay co-payments for doctor visits and prescription drugs, and those on Medicare pay a monthly Medicare premium of \$115.40.

A variety of proposals have been offered. Some propose a formula based on a retiree's income to determine the health insurance premium a retiree will pay; the more you make, the more you pay. This would be much like the five-tier program for current employees whose premiums are based on their income. Proposals are also based on whether or not the retiree has Medicare, with those without Medicare paying a significantly higher premium. And there are combinations of these ideas. A request-for-proposal has gone out from the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability to consulting firms for study and recommendations of the best way to implement these changes. But do expect some change in health care costs. How much they will be and to whom they will apply remains to be seen.

Another pension issue the legislature will be dealing with is whether the newly enacted (as of January 1, 2011) pension changes for new hires can be retroactively applied to current employees. Both the Chicago Tribune and the Commercial Club of Chicago have been ranting about the overly generous, "Cadillac" pensions for state employees. Eden Martin, president of the Commercial Club maintains that the legislature can unilaterally freeze the pension benefits that current employees have already earned through past service, and then reduce the benefits those employees would earn going forward through future service. He calculates that if the reduced benefits were in line with the two-tier pension changes already enacted for new hires, the unfunded pension liability would be significantly reduced as would be the annual state budget deficit. The Club feels that even though the state's pension liabilities stem from the state's failure to fund the pension systems, it is unfair to ask tax payers to bear the costs of the current pension programs for state employees.

The major issue is whether such a retroactive change in the employee's contracts is constitutional. An exhaustive and finely reasoned analysis of this issue was prepared by Eric Madiar, aid to Senate President Culbertson. His unambiguous conclusion was that such a proposal is unconstitutional. We will have to wait and see what the legislature does with regard to meeting its current pension obligations as well as reducing the unfunded liability of the pension systems. There are no easy answers, but those debts must be paid if we are going to avoid a financial collapse of the system.

SUAA and your local EAA are working for you on these issues. Be aware, be active, and recruit.

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## Emeritus Faculty learn ABCs of bird watching - John Pohlmann

George Waring, Professor Emeritus of Zoology, delivered the 16th Emeritus Faculty Lecture last November 30th. Over 110 people attended the lecture.

Professor Waring's lecture entitled, "Pursuing the Birds of China" showed photos from his personal collection and public sources of habitats and birds observed during two three-week trips to China. Seven different regions of mainland China were visited and 400 species of birds were observed.

Many of the audience were amateur birders. For their benefit, Professor Waring described his "ABCs" method of identification. "A" stands for action and attitude, "B" for body and bill, and "C" for call and colors. With this information the birder can consult a field guide to determine the bird's identity.

Interest in birding among the Chinese people is growing and China is becoming increasingly popular for birding.

The Emeritus Faculty Lecture is delivered during the Fall Semester each year.

Of the 6,235 bills that have been introduced in this 97th Legislative Session, SUAA was following just under 100 that were of special interest to the membership. These bills had a broad range of concerns: SURS, funding for universities, retiree State Health Insurance and the College Insurance Program, tuition waivers for university employees, pensions, COLA's and changes for those currently employed. Fortunately, no adverse pension legislation survived the March 17th committee hearings deadline. Bills which were advantageous, but not called, were cost of living adjustment for those who retired pre-1980 and lowering the retirement age for Tier II employees.

In addition to the legislative bills is House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 5 which provides that a bill shall not become a law without the concurrence of three-fifths of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly if that bill increases a benefit under any pension or retirement system of the State, any unit of local government or school district, or any agency or instrumentality thereof. While more will be said about this amendment, we can state three problems with HJRCA0005:

- The text of the amendment is vague because it does not define the term "benefit". What exactly is a benefit? Is a benefit a cost of living increase for pension benefits? Does the term benefit include member co-pay for prescription drug co-payments? The resolution does not say.
- restricts home rule powers under Article VII, Section of the Illinois Constitution, specifically a home rule unit's ability to make pension and retirement decisions that are in the best interests of the home rule unit.
- restricts the powers of school boards, special taxing districts and any unit of local government to make pension or retirement decisions for employees.

In 2012 there will be another election. This time all legislators will be up for election. There will be re-districting which will eliminate one district due to the results of the 2010 Census Report.

Dick Lockhart, SUAA's contract lobbyist, noted that while there was no adverse pension legislation that passed out of committee, we can most likely expect a large piece of legislation to appear during the 11th hour of session. Legislators are involved in talks that could provide "bundled" legislation which will be difficult to define many ramifications until the voting is over.

The SUAA Executive Committee is investigating the establishment of a legal fund. This is in response to the possibility of the courts having to decide the constitutionality of making any changes to benefits for those who are currently working or any retirement benefit for those already retired.

There is a study being conducted to determine how to charge the university and other State retirees a premium for health insurance. Currently those who retired with 20 years of service receive health insurance without cost except for deductibles and co-pays. While there is no legislation to address this issue, it most likely will appear and be passed during this legislation. It will affect those who are currently retired.

SUAA was involved in many stakeholders' meetings for the College Insurance Program. A bill was introduced in both the House and the Senate to allow the City Colleges of Chicago into the program with an influx of new funding which would not only keep the program from going bankrupt, but provide funds to pay the insurance claims that are now bordering on almost a year in arrears. Fortunately, the Senate bill was shelved (content removed so it would match the House bill) and passed out of committee, but the House bill was pulled without testimony for passage. SUAA will continue to be involved to assure passage of this agreed to legislation.

There are more than 196,000 retirees in the five State pension systems. The average annual pension for each are:

- State University Retirement System (SURS) \$31,308
- Teachers Retirement System (TRS) \$41,532
- State Employee Retirement System (SERS) \$27,102
- Judicial Retirement System (JRS) \$104,308
- General Assembly Retirement System (GARS) \$47,052

The Executive Committee is now making plans for the Annual Meeting of the Membership which will be held in Springfield on June 21 with the business meeting on the following day (June 22nd). The theme this year will be "**Fighting Back**".

An important function of the statewide SUAA chapters is to recruit members. Each member has a responsibility to reach out to a potential member and to participate in SUAA's grass roots efforts; contacting their legislators on issues that clearly affect those who are currently working and those who are now retired. It is known that those who are working in the public sector or retired from the public sector are most likely to vote in the legislative elections. Therefore, it is imperative that legislators understand the importance of their decisions at the Capitol and how these decisions affect our lives. It needs to be repeated that SUAA is the only statewide organization that is solely focused on protecting the pensions and other benefits of the individuals who are contributing to or who are receiving benefits from the State Universities Retirement System. Other organizations only provide a portion of representation. Why get a portion when you can get a whole? Grow SUAA! It's the organization that is **PROTECTING YOUR TOMORROWS TODAY!**

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# Chapter Happenings

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## Blood Drive

The EAA Blood Drive was held in the SIU Student Center on January 24 and 25, 2011. A total of 52 pints was collected although our two day goal was set at 60 pints. Not too bad but we'll just have to try harder to reach our goal next time because blood is always needed.

A big thank you goes out to the following volunteers: Imogene Beckemeyer, Georgia Kelley, Duncan and Wilma Lampman, Mary Mantovani, Jackie Mueller, Nancy Pfaff and Emil Spees.

The next drive will be in the Fall. If you are unable to volunteer to work the drive please consider being a donor. Let's meet that goal!!

-Mary Mantovani

## Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee, chaired by Imogene Beckemeyer, recently completed its annual task of selecting the winners of the four EAA scholarships awarded annually. Last year the committee reviewed 74 applications for the four scholarships of \$1,000; this year, the 50 applications received still provided a task of many hours for each committee member. The application form states that, "...selection is based primarily on academic achievement, while noting leadership qualities."

The names of the students selected for the 2011-12 academic year, along with the first and second alternates, will be announced at the April 29 General Membership meeting.

Others who served on the committee were: Denny Hays, David Koch, Duncan Lampman, Inge Rader, and Roy Weshinsky.

-Imogene Beckemeyer

## Emeritus Golf News

The Spring 2011 Golf Scramble will be at Jackson County Country Club, Murphysboro, Illinois on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, with a rain date of Tuesday May 17. We had to book the Tuesday as the kitchen is not open on Monday. The cost is \$31.50 per person and includes lunch. An additional \$5 will cover the prizes for the usual team score, plus Long Drive (Men and Women), Longest Putt, and Closest to the Hole.

A flyer is included in this publication. Please make plans to join us for a fun and relaxing day of golf. Please spread the word and encourage others to field a team – we always have a great time!

-Keith McQuarrie and Ron Mahoney

## Emeritus Faculty Organization Meeting

### **Co-director of Saluki First Year to Speak to Emeritus Faculty**

Mark Amos, co-director of Saluki First Year, will be the guest speaker at the April 29th meeting of the Emeritus Faculty Organization. Dr. Amos is an Associate Professor of English who has been working to facilitate the development of SIU's first-year students. Mark is also involved in the University College initiative which has just been established by the SIU Board of Trustees.

The meeting will convene at 8:30 am, Friday, April 29th at the Dunn--Richmond Center. There will be a brief business meeting before Professor Amos' presentation.

All EAA members are welcome to attend.

-John Pohlmann

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## Calendar of Events

April 11- 17, 2011 - Chancellor's Installation Week Activities: Friday, April 15 - Installation Ceremony - 2 p.m. at Shryock Auditorium.

April 29, 2011 - Emeritus Faculty Organization & Spring General Membership Meeting - Dunn-Richmond Center

April 30, 2011 - Civil Service Council's annual flea market - SIU Arena round parking lot - 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain date: May 1.

May 13-14, 2011 - SIUC Commencement

June 13, 2011 - Summer Session Begins

June 21 - 22, 2011 - SUAA Annual Meeting - Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Conference Center - Springfield, IL

August 22, 2011 - Fall Semester Begins

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## Chapter communications via Listserv

Because prices for paper and postage continue to increase, our chapter is relying more and more on the ability to communicate with its members via e-mail and the Internet.

The Board of Directors encourages members who use the Internet to sign up for our Listserv so that we may reach you when we are unable to contact you through the mail. Messages are posted to the Listserv regarding SUAA notices pertaining to your pension benefits and legislation that can impact your annuity, campus activities of general interest to our organization and its members, and occasional other items of interest. The Listserv is set up to foster communications among the members and provides a two way channel of interaction.

To have your name placed on the Emeritus and Annuitant Listserv contact Nancy Hartman at [nancyhartman@juno.com](mailto:nancyhartman@juno.com).

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## Bookstore + Backpacks = Scholarships

**Calling for Bookstore Greeters!** Fall semester will start in about four months. But please mark your calendars for August 22-26 as that will be the week when we Annuitants and friends staff the check-in area at the University Bookstore. This activity is our major source of income for scholarships for SIUC students.

Many readers will recall that Bruce Appleby has effectively managed this program for years. Bruce has asked for release but has consented to help with the scheduling and organizing for 2011-12. We will make every effort to continue the excellent service that has characterized Bruce's service. We welcome everyone to join in this effort that provides part of the funding for scholarships that we award to some outstanding SIUC students.

We plan to use email for registration and announcements. We welcome receiving names of veterans and new volunteers who want to work in August at this time. Send your name to Doug Bedient at [bedient@galaxycable.net](mailto:bedient@galaxycable.net) to indicate your willingness to work or for more information. If you do not have access to email, call him at 687-2792 and alternate arrangements can be made. We'll be contacting you for actual sign-up for the August 22-26 work sometime in late July/early August.

The work can be very busy at times during the start of the semester, but it is rewarding to team up with former colleagues and meet new students. We have been scheduling volunteers for two hour periods. We welcome individuals to sign up for multiple shifts during the week, but every volunteer is welcome. The program is a good way to match faces with some names that many of us have known for years. And it is a great opportunity to make contact with students.

Thanks for your support of this program.



- Doug Bedient

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## Friends of Morris Library seek book donations

The Friends of Morris Library need donated books for their on-going book sale. Donations can be dropped off at Murdale True Value in Carbondale in specially marked boxes just inside the door. Thanks to Diane and George Sheffer for agreeing to collect and deliver the donated books to the Library. Parking at Morris Library for the public has been a challenge, and moving the collection point to Murdale True Value should make donating easier. If you would like to buy a few books, check out the Friends' Honest Abe Book Sale in Morris Library across from the Circulation Desk.

Books on history (especially military history), mystery, science fiction, cooking, famous personalities, crafts, gardening, and reference are always welcome. Generally, textbooks, romantic novels, and books on computers, business, and health & fitness fads are discouraged. Graphic novels have become a popular item, and gently used children's books are always welcome as well.

The Friends support Morris Library by hosting receptions, sponsoring speakers, purchasing equipment, contributing to endowments, and helping in many other ways. Most recently, the Friends spearheaded the fundraising and the construction of a patio on the southeast corner of the library.

For additional information about donating books or the Friends of Morris Library, please contact Kristine McGuire at [kmcguire@lib.siu.edu](mailto:kmcguire@lib.siu.edu) or 453-1633.

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## SIUC Emeritus & Annuitant Association Holiday Luncheon

EA members who attended the annual Holiday Luncheon were treated to an outstanding seasonal musical performance by graduate students in the Opera/Music Theater and Vocal Performance programs in the SIUC Music Department. The group performed under the direction of Professor Tim Fink.

Over 50 members attended the luncheon at the Student Center on December 8, 2010. Tables featured snowflake centerpieces with each place setting appointed with an individual table favor that contained a candy bag sealed with a large, glittery snowflake.

Each of the four student performers showcased their individual vocal talent with a solo and the group entertained the audience with several ensemble numbers. Students who performed were Kelly Stuitable, Jennifer Wolcott, Robert Grahma, Keenan McCarter, and Laurie Lewis accompanied the singers on piano.



Gene and Mary Mantovani enjoying the Holiday Luncheon



Rita Cheng  
Chancellor

## *Advancing a Culture of Excellence*

Amid a fanfare of week long events, both on and off-campus, SIUC will install Dr. Rita Hartung Cheng as its twenty-second Chancellor on Friday, April 15, at 2 p.m. at Shryock Auditorium. A campus reception will follow on the lawn surrounding Shryock. Installation week activities, that begin on Monday, April 11, and run through Sunday, April 17, will focus on advancing university wide excellence.

Cheng became chancellor of SIUC on July 1, 2010, after serving as provost and vice-chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Wisconsin. At SIUC she oversees an operating budget of \$592 million and 7,500 faculty and staff in the educational needs of nearly 20,000 students. Cheng is a certified public accountant and certified government financial manager, who holds a doctorate in management from Temple University and an MBA from the University of Rhode Island.

Dr. Thomas G. Mortenson, Senior Scholar at The Pell Institute, will deliver the keynote address for the week long installation events at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, April 12, at the John C. Guyon Auditorium in Morris Library.

Chancellor Cheng is using this occasion to celebrate and recognize excellence in the students and faculty of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Other celebratory events that will be held during the week include:

- **Monday, April 11** - Undergraduate Research Forum in the Student Center Ballrooms from 1 - 4 p.m.
- **Tuesday, April 12** - 8th Annual Research Town Meeting and Fair from Noon - 4 p.m., at the Student Center  
Thomas G. Mortenson, Keynote Address, 7 p.m. at Morris Library
- **Wednesday, April 13** - Reception, Hoogland Center, Springfield - 5:30 p.m. & School of Music Concert at the Hoogland Center at 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, April 14** - School of Music Concert in Chicago Orchestra Hall - 7:30 p.m.
- **Friday, April 15** - Installation Ceremony at Shryock Auditorium - 2 p.m. - Reception to follow on the lawn.  
Performance by Tokyo String Quartet at 7:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 16** - 7th Annual Agriculture Industry Day - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Community Event, University Farms
- **Sunday, April 17** - University Honors Day Activities - 2 - 4 p.m., Reception, Student Center



You can read more about the Chancellor's initiatives and her installation festivities on-line at:

<http://www.chancellor.siuc.edu/index.html>

Congratulatory comments for Chancellor Cheng are welcomed via the website at

[www.chancellor.siuc.edu/installation/activities.html](http://www.chancellor.siuc.edu/installation/activities.html)

**There is no excellence without labor.**

*Liberty Hyde Bailey*



# Southern Illinois University Carbondale

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## Help increase our membership: ***EACH ONE, REACH ONE***

Your local chapter of SUAA, the SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association (EAA) is encouraging you to assist in increasing the number of SIUC retirees and current employees who are members of SUAA. We believe both retired and current employees have a vested interest in safeguarding their retirement benefits. SUAA has set a goal of reaching 15,500 members in the state prior to the next annual meeting to be held in June 2011. EAA presently has 721 members and our goal is to add at least 35 new members by June. SUAA's current campaign motto is, ***EACH ONE, REACH ONE!*** Encourage your colleague, friend, or mentor to join SUAA. Dues are \$31 per year, of which \$6 is used for local chapter activities — including membership meetings, social events, a newsletter, a lecture series, a scholarship fund, and more.

### **SUAA is at the forefront:**

- Pushing legislation to fund the public pension systems.
- Hindering damaging changes to the public pension and healthcare benefit systems at the Committee Hearing level in both the Illinois House and Senate.
- Presenting testimonies with accompanying documentation to the Governor's office and other policy makers regarding hardships placed on the membership due to the State's inability to make timely payments to healthcare providers.
- Proposing responsible approaches for debt reduction to the Governor and leadership in the General Assembly.
- Introducing legislation to improve benefits for all participants and beneficiaries of SURS.
- Blocking legislation to impose a premium for healthcare coverage on retirees.

### **How does SUAA protect your retirement benefits?**

- By partnering with coalitions that focus on pensions, healthcare, and higher education.
- By working with two lobbyists at the Capitol on SUAA legislative issues.
- By monitoring, and participating on, state-mandated committees.
- By communicating loudly and clearly with legislators, policy makers, and SURS personnel.

### **How does joining SUAA make a difference?**

Your membership furthers the advocacy and lobbying efforts of SUAA. Our legislators have told us that their effectiveness in advocating for an organization or group is greatly affected by the number of members in the group. ***Please help us increase the membership in our SIUC chapter!*** Also, take advantage of the opportunity to socialize with fellow retirees at our September, December, and April meetings.

### **Ways to join:**

- Go online to [www.suaa.org](http://www.suaa.org) and click "Join Now."
- Go to the SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association (EAA) website: <http://eaa.siuc.edu/> and click on "Membership Information." Payment options include automatic dues deduction, annual payment by check, or automatic payroll deduction (current employees only). Automatic dues deduction is encouraged for retirees because it eliminates the need to be contacted annually by SUAA.
- Call Thyra Russell (618-457-7554) or SUAA Office (217-523-4040)

For additional information and to keep up with activities concerning news, legislation, and membership, bookmark SUAA's website address: [www.suaa.org](http://www.suaa.org)

- Thyra Russell - Membership Chair

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## McLeod Summer Playhouse

McLeod Summer Playhouse presents popular professional theater to the southern Illinois region. The program this summer will bring three popular musicals to SIUC and a very funny fundraising event, ***Singing with the Stars***.

***Singing with the Stars***, the annual fundraiser for the Playhouse, features local personalities performing with students and faculty from SIUC, and will be presented on June 4 at 7:30 p.m. This popular fundraiser will bring back winners from previous years to compete on stage again. One competitor will walk away with the ALL-STAR title, but only if they can get your votes! Free food, drinks, and lots of laughs will fill the evening. Tickets are \$35.

***A Chorus Line*** will be presented on June 17, 18, 19\*, 24, 25, 26\*. Single tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students/children.

***The Sound of Music*** will be performed on July 7, 8, 9, 10\*, 14, 15, 16, 17\*. Ticket prices are the same price as ***A Chorus Line***.

***Peter Pan the Musical*** will round out the season with performances on July 28, 29, 30, 31\*, and August 1. This is the All Southern Illinois High School Musical. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$8 for Students.

Plays and the fundraising event start at 7:30 except for the Sunday matinees (\*) which start at 2 p.m. All performances are in McLeod Theater at SIUC. There are no senior discounts for the summer programs.

Tickets for ***A Chorus Line*** and ***The Sound of Music*** are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students. Tickets for ***Peter Pan*** are \$16 for adults and \$8 for students. There are no senior discounts for the summer programs. Season tickets can be purchased for \$55 for all three shows. Season ticket holders can purchase season tickets for students/children at a special price. See the McLeod Summer Playhouse website for more information - [www.playhouse.siuc.edu](http://www.playhouse.siuc.edu).

The box office is open from noon to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 1 hour before each performance. The telephone number is 453-3001.

- Carolyn Donow and Mike Hanes

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## Membership Matters

If you are associated with SIUC . . . .

You should join the State Universities Annuitants Association. SUAA serves all participants and beneficiaries of the State Universities Retirement System (SURS). SUAA is the only advocacy organization focusing solely on preserving pension and healthcare benefits for current employees and retirees of public universities and community colleges. It is important that everyone—retired and current employees, spouses, and survivors—become a member of SUAA. The annual fee is \$31.

### Ways to join:

- Go to [www.suaa.org](http://www.suaa.org) and click on “Join Now.”
- Go to the Emeritus and Annuitant Association (EAA) website: <http://eaa.siu.edu/> and click on “Membership Information.” Payment options include automatic dues deduction, annual payment by check, or automatic payroll deduction (current employees only). Automatic dues deduction is encouraged because it eliminates the need to be contacted annually by SUAA.
- Call the SUAA Office toll-free: 888-547-8473.

To those who are already members of SUAA, we thank you. To those who have not yet joined, please consider joining today. *We need to protect our pension and benefits.*

**Thyra Russell**  
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SIUC Human Resources	<a href="http://www.siu.edu/~humres/">www.siu.edu/~humres/</a>
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Illinois Educ Association	<a href="http://www.illinoiseducationassociation.org">www.illinoiseducationassociation.org</a>
SIU Alumni Association	<a href="http://www.siu.edu/~alumni/">www.siu.edu/~alumni/</a>
Illinois State Government	<a href="http://www.illinois.gov/">www.illinois.gov/</a>
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SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association

# Spring General Membership Meeting & Luncheon

Friday, April 29, 2011  
Dunn-Richmond Center

8:30 a.m. - Emeritus Faculty Organization presents  
**Dr. Mark Amos, Associate Professor of English  
and Co-Director of Saluki First Year Program**  
*Dr. Amos will be speaking on the goals of the Saluki First Year Program.*

10:00 a.m. - SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association presents  
**Chancellor Rita Cheng**  
*Chancellor Cheng will speak on the current issues facing SIUC.*

*Luncheon will immediately follow the meeting.  
Seating will be limited to the first 100 reservations.*

\$12 per person for luncheon.  
**Reservation deadline is April 22, 2011.**

*Please keep top portion for your records.*

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Friday, April 29, 2011  
Dunn-Richmond Center  
10:00 a.m.

- Will attend the meeting only                      Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
  - Will attend the meeting and luncheon              Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Luncheon \$12/person

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check, payable to SIUC Emeritus & Annuitant Association, for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ luncheon reservation(s).

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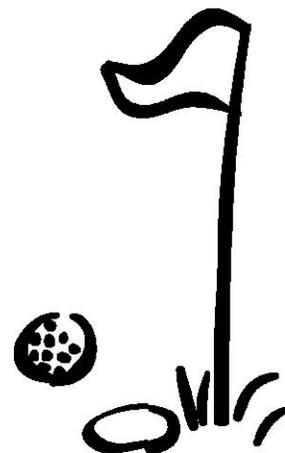
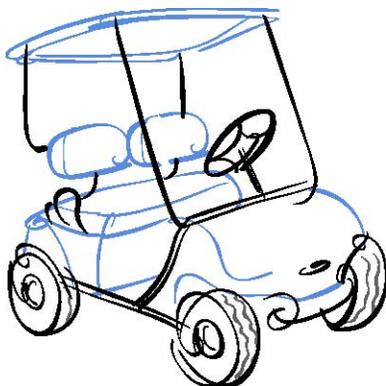
# SIUC EMERITUS & ANNUITANT ASSOCIATION

## Four-person Golf Scramble

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Jackson County Country Club  
Carbondale, IL

7:30 a.m. registration



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### GOLF REGISTRATION

Golf Outing (4 - person scramble)  
Tuesday, May 10, 2011  
Registration time: 7:30 AM  
Jackson Cty Country Club, Carbondale

Rain Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2011  
Jackson Cty Country Club, Carbondale  
Registration time: 7:30 AM  
Tee off at 8:00AM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to play with the following persons:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Individual entries are welcome. Everyone will be placed on a team. Cost is \$31.50 per person (green fees, cart and lunch) plus a \$5.00 registration fee to cover prizes, payable at the outing.

For further information contact Keith McQuarrie at (618) 529-1415 ([keithmcq@siu.edu](mailto:keithmcq@siu.edu)) or Ron Mahoney at (618) 713-7106



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