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Carbondale Chapter hosts SUAA Southern Illinois Regional Meeting



Linda Brookhart, SUAA Exec. Director addresses the group while SUAA Lobbyist Dick Lockhart looks on.

The State University and Annuitant Association (SUAA) in conjunction with its SIUC chapter held a well-attended regional meeting for college and university chapter members throughout the southern part of Illinois on September 24 at the Giant City State Park Lodge. Over 115 members attended the meeting to learn about the current status of the Illinois pension systems and how they are faring amid the State's current financial crisis.

SIUC chapter president, Bob Radtke, and SUAA Executive Director, Linda Brookhart, welcomed the group followed by morning sessions that included speakers from SUAA's state office, SURS, and the Illinois Retirement Security Initiative.

For lunch, attendees enjoyed the Lodge's famous family-style chicken dinner with all the trimmings. The afternoon session included local state legislators, Representative Mike Bost (R-115, Carbondale) and Senator Dave Luechtefeld (R-58, Okawville), addressing the group. An active question and answer period followed their talks.



SIUC EAA Past President Carolyn Donow works the registration table.

Scholarship Achievement News

-Doug Bedient

Jamie Nash-Mayberry was a recipient of one of our scholarships in 2008. She began teaching at Shawnee High School in Wolf Lake, IL after graduation and has been featured in the press due to the work she is performing with her students.

News accounts describe how she emphasizes thinking big as she builds students' ability to be successful learners and build their problem solving skills. She encourages students to pursue their dreams. Recall a recent movie where Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman compiled their bucket list of tasks they wanted to accomplish in their lives? Jamie has her students work on their own bucket list so that they have personal goals to pursue. Students are given 'dream crusher tickets' to issue to peers, teachers or administrators who demean their dreams. The Southern reports that "the tickets themselves state, 'Your punishment shall be that you will have to live in a world with one less dream pursued.'"



Jamie Nash-Mayberry

In Jaime's second year of teaching, her class load includes two history classes, as well as government, economics, psychology, world geography and cultures. She is also the junior high softball coach, high school track coach, high school co beta club sponsor, audio visual club sponsor, and high school scholar bowl sponsor. Needless to say, she is a busy gal. In her spare time, she is on the Little Egypt Search and Rescue team, and is a member of the Inspiring Women Board of Directors and last year she was named one of the Southern Illinoisan's Leader's Among Us. Jaime is married to Kevin Mayberry and their household includes a sweet black lab, Lucy.

Recently Shawnee students have been actively building support for levee improvement, under Jaime's guidance. Studies revealed that the levees that are very important to those who live in the Shawnee High School district are in need of maintenance. The levees were built with an expected life expectancy of 50 years, and that amount of time has passed. Ms. Nash-Mayberry engaged

students in writing to Representative Jerry Costello and Senators Durbin and Burris to report what levee failures would mean to their own lives. President Obama was sent copies of the letters in an effort to build momentum for the improvement of the levees.

When asked how the EAA scholarship helped Jaime realize her educational goals, she responded, "I was able to use it to help pay for my final year of schooling at SIUC. I was honored to receive this scholarship, and by helping me complete my education, it in turn, helped my dreams of becoming a high school teacher actually come true. I am fortunate to be someone who has found a job in which I majored, and more importantly, a job that I truly love and enjoy.

So, when you are asked to work at the Book Store during the first week of classes, remember that the funds we receive for our work go into the scholarship fund. Ms. Nash-Mayberry is an example of the caliber of student who receives our assistance. So please respond to the call for volunteers and know that the funds go to well-deserving students.

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Robert Radtke
SIUC EAAPresident

Greetings,

The past few months have been a busy time for your SIUC EAA Board of Directors. It began at the end of August when I gave the EAA talk at the annual banquet honoring retirees and employees with long years of service. I touted the importance and the benefits of SUAA and our local EAA, and encouraged their participation with us in protecting our retirement benefits. To what success? I do not know.

Chancellor Rita Cheng visited our September Board meeting to get a first-hand account of our purpose, goals, and activities, as well as to update us on current issues facing the university. It was an informative visit from both sides. It is encouraging to see the Chancellor take such interest in who we are and what we are about. Vice Chancellor Ricky McCurry was also in attendance to inform us of changes in the Office of Constituent Relations and Special Events that will affect our organization and to offer his advice.

This was followed by our September 24 Regional SUAA meeting at Giant City Lodge. It was good to see so many of our SIUC members there as well as representatives from other colleges and universities in Southern Illinois. There were a total of 115 people in attendance. The theme of the meeting was *Surviving the Illinois Fiscal Crisis*, and in the morning we heard speakers from the Illinois Retirement Security Initiative (of which SUAA is member), the Vice Chair of the SURS Board, the SUAA Executive Director, and the SUAA contract lobbyist. I won't recount the dire warnings about the budget crisis and the potential impact on our retirement benefits, but the message was clear: SUAA must remain vigilant and politically active, and that means not only our paid staff, but each and every one of our members. And there was the frequently heard but nevertheless important encouragement to enhance our influence by increasing our membership numbers. After a delicious Giant City fried chicken with all the trimmings lunch, we reconvened to hear our two local legislators, State Senator David Luechtefeld and State Representative Mike Bost. There followed a lively hour-and-a-half question and answer session with our representatives and SUAA staff members. All in all, I think it was a very successful and informative regional meeting, and one which we are likely to repeat in the future.



Chancellor Rita Cheng

There followed the October meeting of the SUAA Board of Directors in Champaign at which Bruce Appleby and I were in attendance. We heard an interesting presentation from State Representative, Chapin Rose, on his ideas on how to get out of the state's budget hole. The focus of the meeting was again on state budget issues, the presentation and discussion of an SUAA legislative program for 2011, and the persisting problem of members who do not renew their membership. I was also appointed to the Executive Committee of the SUAA Foundation, to replace Emil Spees. More about that later.

By the time you read this, the election will be over. Let us hope the legislature and governor will now have the political courage to work together to solve the budget mess and keep their promises to retirees.

October SUAA Board of Directors Meeting

-Robert Radtke

The SUAA Board of Directors met in Champaign on October 5. Aside from the ongoing concerns about the state's budget crisis and legislative attacks on the state pension systems, there were three main topics of discussion. The first concerned SURS. Exec. Dir. Bill Mabe, reported that in spite of reports in Chicago newspapers, SURS benefits are not overly generous; 65% of SURS benefit recipients receive \$2600 or less per month. Cost to the state for SURS is approximately 3.74% of employee pay. The current SURS funding ratio is 48.6%. If the state does not make its certified contributions to the pension systems this year, SURS will be forced to liquidate \$1.3 billion from its investment portfolio to pay benefits. SURS and SUAA support the issuance of public bonds to provide the state's FY 11 certified contributions to pension systems. Fred Giertz, SURS Board member, spoke on pension sustainability and indicated the number of retirees is growing faster than the number of employees forcing SURS to sell more assets than they would like. While SURS is secure, he emphasized that it depends critically on the state continuing to make its mandated payments into the system.

The second topic was the proposed SUAA legislative program for 2011. That proposal is still being "tweaked", but the main points are (1) to continue to fight against the efforts to diminish the benefits of current employees instigated by Eden Martin et al of the Civic Federation and Commercial Club of Chicago, and to fight for the plain meaning of the Illinois Constitution which states: "Membership in any retirement system of the state, any unit of local government or school district or any agency or instrumentality thereof, shall be an enforceable contractual relationship, the benefits of which shall not be diminished or impaired." (2) To encourage amendatory legislation to revise the recently passed pension changes for new employees. (3) To support revenue enhancement by increasing personal income and corporate tax rates. Any revenue increases should go toward debt reduction. There should be a moratorium on new state spending programs, and short-term borrowing should be phased out. (4) To support SURS in its continuing effort to make sure the pension system is funded, not only at the normal costs, but at the levels legislated to retire the pension debt. There are other aspects of the proposal, but these are the main points as I see them.

The third major topic focused on membership and various strategies for recruiting new members and re-enrolling members who have dropped their membership.

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On campus

WOW The newly renovated Arena elicits fans approval

If you weren't in Carbondale the last week of October, you missed the grand opening of the newly renovated Arena. Ribbon cutting ceremonies, with Mike Reis as Master of Ceremonies, took place on Thursday, October 28 inside the Arena on the basketball court.

As you step inside the massive upper concourse into the newly renovated facilities you can't help but catch your breath and exclaim WOW at the transformation. From all the amenities found around the concourse that features upgraded concessions, rest rooms, wall murals, a sports store and much more, to the new seating arrangement, seats, scoreboard and sound system found court side, it is indeed 'fit for the best of the breeds--Our Salukis.'

It's been a great year for Saluki Way and our campus. And as we wind up our football season and get started into basketball, we have a lot to show our Saluki Pride about as we cheer on all our student athletes.



In appreciation

Sharlet Smith retires October 31.

Sharlet Johnson Smith, long-term SIUC staff member and Program Administrative Assistant in the Constituents Relations and Special Events Office, recently retired with over 30 years of service. Shar, as she is known around campus, has provided office support services to the Emeritus and Annuitant Association for many years and has been our 'go-to' person in planning and coordinating many of our functions. We will certainly miss her and her efficiency in handling our many needs.

In talking with Shar about her years at the university, we uncovered an interesting work background her 30 plus years afforded her. To recapture some of her many experiences, we go back to the year 1969 when she took her first position with SIU. She related how things have changed since then and recalled that in her early years promotions caused her to change jobs each year.

Having worked in several departments over the years, she shared some of her favorite memories. First on her list was the SIUC Airport, where she kept track of the hours students flew, etc., and then moved to the Airport parts department where she gave parts to the mechanics and kept inventory. Shar recalls, "I loved the open windows of the terminal. Great for watching storm clouds gather and lightening flash while the "weather boy" Randy Patchett, then a SIUC student, entered data for local weather stations. It was cool to watch and listen to Randy's "live" radio weather updates." She went on to say, "The most fun I had at the airport, however, was volunteering to go on each test fly! After the mechanics worked on a plane they had to do a test fly. If the plane was a four-seater, they needed four bodies on the plane. They knew I was always ready and eager. One morning, a student had to take his instructor's exam so that he could start teaching. I didn't know that one of the maneuvers would be a stall. When the engine stopped and the plane began to drift backward into a kind of slow downward spin, I yelled, 'is this supposed to happen?' Not until after the student successfully brought the plane back to life and leveled it off, did the instructor calmly answer, 'Yes, that was supposed to happen.'" She recalls that three people snickered, and one guess which person wasn't amused.

Another transfer found her working for head football coach, Dick Towers, who held that position for seven seasons, from 1967 until 1973. Shar remembers that winning seasons always bring excitement...especially when you personally know the players AND know which plays they plan to run and described those times as, "Wow. Pure joy!" Coach Towers assigned a special "safe" area for the ladies of the office to exercise. The boys were like brothers. They teased and played "jokes" on each other as well as on staff members. Lionel Antoine was one of the most famous players at the time. Check him out at <http://www.databasefootball.com/players/playerpage.htm?ilkid=ANTOILIO01> or http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lionel_Antoine.

Later a promotion moved Shar to a new position under Jack Dyer and Dorothy McCombs. University Relations is now known as Constituent Relations and Special Events. When President Clinton came to Campus, she was one of many to work with the men in black (Secret Service). "Wow. How cool is that?" Shar exclaimed.

Though the department has gone through many transformations, the SIUC Emeritus Association has remained a constant element of CRSE. Over the 32 years with SIUC, Shar reflected that, "I've met many wonderful people and found great friends. And, yeah, this pony has been around the track a few times!" ***Congratulations, Shar, on your latest well deserved promotion - your retirement.***



Sharlet Smith

Southern Illinois University Carbondale honored 107 retirees at a retirement and service recognition dinner held on August 25 in the Student Center Ballrooms. Chancellor Rita Cheng and her husband, Tom Cheng, hosted the evening's festivities with Jak Tichenor, a producer with SIUC Broadcasting Service, as master of ceremonies. The event honored employees who retired between Aug. 1, 2009 and Aug. 31, 2010. EAA President, Robert Radtke also addressed the group and congratulated them upon their completion of service to the University and warmly invited them to join us as Emeritus and Annuitant Association members. The retirees listed by hometowns and years of service are shown below.

ILLINOIS

Anna

Carl M. Wright, Automotive Technician, Travel Service, 22 years.

Ava

James L. Powles, Building Service Sub-Foreman, Physical Plant Service, 21 years.
Christine L. Svec, Associate Director, International Development, 30 years.
Donna M. Watts, Building Service Sub-Foreman, Physical Plant Service, 12 years.

Carbondale

Jane H. Adams, Professor, Anthropology, 24 years.
Debra L. Anderson, Admissions & Records Officer, Graduate School, 18 years.
Linda Basler, Office Support Specialist, College of Education and Human Services, 25 years.
Donald P. Beattie, Associate Professor, School of Music, 31 years.
Leta V. Bigler, Housing Representative, University Housing, 19 years.
Elaine M. Blinde, Chairperson, Kinesiology, 23 years.
Brooks M. Burr, Director/Professor, College of Science/Zoology, 33 years.
William E. Byrnes, Senior Library Specialist, Library Affairs, 28 years.
Nancy Buffum Carr, Assistant Director, Information Technology, 32 years.
Joanne M. Chezem, Senior Lecturer, School of Social Work, 24 years.
Christine Collin, Administrative Aide, Coll of Mass Communication & Media Arts, 17 years.
Lynn M. Connley, Director, University Ombudsman, 35 years.
William O. Cook, Events Administrator, Event Services, 23 years.
Anthony Cuvo, Professor, Rehabilitation Institute, 37 years.
Marilyn R. Davis, Research Publications Coordinator, Research Dev and Adm., 28 years.
Sally L. Dedecker, Clinical Instructor, Clinical Center, 27 years.
Hazel Dial, Ambulatory Care Aide II, Fam & Comm.Med./C' dale-Sch of Med, Spfd, 9 years.
Patricia Doty, Office Manager, Kinesiology, 29 years.
John D.H. Downing, Professor, Radio and Television, 6 years.
Michael Ellis, Associate Director for Institutional Advancement, SIU Foundation, 7 years.
Janet R. Fauke, Inventory Specialist, University Housing, 19 years.
Lisa D. Geissler, Police Telecommunicator, Department of Public Safety, 29 years.
Regina Bresnan Glover, Associate Professor, Health Education and Recreation, 26 years.
Jack S. Greer, Assistant Professor, Coll of Applied Sciences & Arts -- Auto Tech, 34 years.
Janice G. Grove, Accountant II, Rainbow's End, 28 years.
Marion E. Hall, Visiting Assistant Professor, Workforce Education and Development, 19 years.
Richard M. Hisgen, Account Technician I, Clinical Center, 11 years.
Walter B. Jaehnig, Associate Professor, School of Journalism, 22 years.
Debra Johnson-Jones, Clinical Instructor, Office of Teacher Education, 18 years.
Thelma Mackey, Building Service Worker, Physical Plant Service, 16 years.
Ronald W. McCague, Food Production Manager, University Housing, 19 years.
Debra M. Mibb, Administrative Clerk, Educational Administration and Higher Education, 34 years.
Henry M. Nix, Building Service Worker, Physical Plant Service, 18 years.
George W. Schlenk, Academic Adviser, College of Education and Human Services Advisement Office, 21 years.
Arthur F. Shirley, Electrician Lamper, Physical Plant Service, 26 years.
Michael G. Smart, Manager, Information Technology, 24 years.
R. Keith Snavelly, Professor, Political Science, 26 years.
Denise L. Szaro, Communications Services Specialist I, Information Technology, 32 years.
Sandra F. Vitt, Researcher I, Plant Biology, 9 years.
Michael L. Wallace, Computer Systems Operations Specialist II, Information Technology, 22 years.
David L. Wilson, Associate Dean, Graduate School, 35 years.

Carmi

Vickie L. Oliver, Career Services Specialist, Career Services, 14 years.

Cartersville

James A. Campbell, Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction, 21 years.
Kay W. Doan, Police Captain, Department of Public Safety, 29 years.

Important News for Recent Retirees

Welcome to the ranks of retirement—something you are sure to enjoy. It's been said when you are retired every night is Friday night and every day is Saturday. It is important, therefore, that you protect your pension and benefits.

One way of doing this is to join the State Universities Annuitants Association (SUAA). For \$31 a year or 8 ½ cents a day you support an organization that advocates to protect the pension and healthcare benefits of all retired and current faculty and staff of Illinois' public universities and community colleges.

We hope you will join us at our annual Holiday Luncheon on **Wednesday, December 8** (a reservation form is enclosed), to learn more about SUAA and its local chapter, the SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association (EAA).

Membership forms will be available at the luncheon. If you are unable to attend, please visit the SUAA website www.suaa.org and click on "Join Now." Membership information can also be found at EAA's website <http://eaa.siu.edu/>

Thyra Russell
SIUC-EAA Membership Chair
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Bonnie S. Middleton, Account Technician, Forestry, 23 years.
David J. Middleton, Maintenance Laborer, Physical Plant Service, 20 years.
Charles S. Norris, Food Service Sanitation Laborer, University Housing, 18 years.
Patricia L. Phillips, Office Manager, College of Applied Sciences and Arts Off-Campus Academic Programs, 39 years.
Mary Vitt, Office Manager, School of Medicine Carbondale Administration, 15 years.
Mary E. White, Accountant I, University Communications, 29 years.

Cobden

Sandra L. Hartline, Building Service Foreman, University Housing, 25 years.
Karen Y. Hartsock, Licensed Practical Nurse II, Family and Community Medicine, School of Medicine, 13 years.

Colp

Ramona Jackson, Painter, Physical Plant Service, 13 years.

De Soto

Daniel E. Dusch, Building Service Worker, Physical Plant Service, 20 years.
Jacqueline D. Scolari, Curriculum Development Specialist, Medical Library/MRC-Carbondale-School of Medicine, 29 years.
Donald L. Skouby, Building Service Worker, University Housing, 5 years.

Dongola

Marion R. Hill, Ironworker, Physical Plant Service, 13 years.

Du Quoin

Paulette L. Patterson, Administrative Aide, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Dean, 18 years.
Stanley E. Patterson, Automotive Foreman, Physical Plant Service, 14 years.
Harry Van Dermark, Assistant Manager, Information Technology, 43 years.

Elkville

Barbara E. Reaves, Office Support Specialist, Curriculum & Instruction, 25 years.

Herrin

Kathryn L. DeToy, Building Service Sub-Foreman, Physical Plant, 27 years.
Cynthia L. Miller, Deputy Director, Constituent Relations and Special Events, 30 years.
Bernice M. Prather, Office Support Associate, Undergraduate Admissions, 35 years.
Fred E. Simmons, Building Service Worker, Physical Plant Service, 14 years.

Jonesboro

Susan L. Ferry, Assistant to the Chancellor, Office of the Chancellor, 27 years.
Larry G. Gibbs, Refrigeration Mechanic, Physical Plant Service, 28 years.

Makanda

Harvey J. Chaloupka, Architectural Draftsman II, Physical Plant Service, 26 years.
David E. Ferrell, Building Service Sub-Foreman, Physical Plant Service, 26 years.
Linda S. Howell, Administrative Clerk, Student Health Center, 31 years.
Gary L. Minish, Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences, 5 years.
Janet S. Shaffner, Payroll Specialist II, Payroll, 11 years.

Marion

Janis R. Brandt, Academic Adviser, College of Business, 21 years.
Reed E. Nelson, Professor, Management, 18 years.
Rodger Riley, Communications Network Specialist II, Library Affairs, 20 years.

Mount Vernon

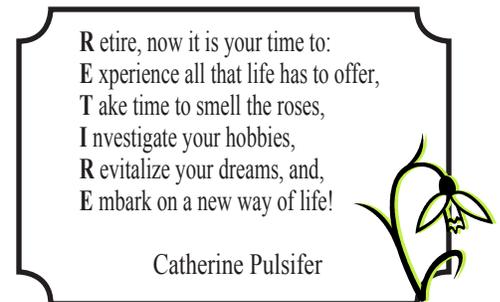
Randy D. Barker, Offset Printing Supervisor I, Printing and Duplicating Service, 15 years.

Murphysboro

Kathleen M. Blackwell, Director, Human Resources, 35 years.
Patricia B. Elmore, Professor, Educational Psychology and Special Education, 42 years.
Keith C. Harris, Refrigeration Mechanic, Physical Plant Service, 23 years.
Carl A. Johnson, Electrician, Physical Plant Service, 11 years.
Mesker L. Massey, Building Service Sub-Foreman, University Housing, 17 years.
Joseph A. Melvin, Director, Information Technology, 29 years.
Gaila J. Neathery, Staff Clerk, College of Applied Sciences and Arts Off-Campus Academic Programs, 20 years.
Judith A. Rawls, Director/Clinical Asst Professor, College of Applied Sciences and Arts Off-Campus Academic Programs, 11 years.
Thomas E. Welton, Farm Mechanic, University Farms, 23 years.
Michael J. Zelten, Operations Manager-WSIU Radio, Broadcasting Service, 28 years.

Pittsburg

George H. Kirkpatrick, Building Service Sub-Foreman, Student Center, 9 years.



Royalton

James L. Hewlett, Building Service Worker, Physical Plant Service, 18 years.

Springfield

Rebecca S. Woodhull, Director, Workforce Education and Development, 11 years.

West Frankfort

Lana A. Campbell, Conference Coordinator, Division of Continuing Education, 15 years.

Frank M. Scobby, Director, Information Technology, 28 years.

Zeigler

Christy J. Poggas, Assistant Professor, College of Applied Sciences and Arts School of Architecture, 23 years.

CALIFORNIA

Davis

John E. Preece, Director/Professor, College of Agricultural Sciences/Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems, 29 years.

Lake San Marcos

Mary P. Brauer, Administrative Clerk, College of Applied Sciences and Arts Off-Campus Academic Programs, 25 years.

KENTUCKY

Benton

William P. Osborne, Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, 4 years.

IOWA

Iowa City

Arthur M. Adkins, Director, University Press, 4 years.

OHIO

Worthington

Ralph G. Nelms, Associate Professor, Associate Professor, English, 19 years.

TEXAS

McKinney

Daniel Kevin Davie, Geographic Information Systems Specialist, Library Affairs, 19 years.

VIRGINIA

Chesapeake

Robert J. Dotzler, Visiting Assistant Professor, Workforce Education and Development, 6 years.

WISCONSIN

Menomonee Falls

Kathleen M. Hood, Administrative Aide, Office of the President, 9 years.



Calendar of Events

November 30, 2010 - Emeritus Faculty Lecture - George Waring, Professor Emeritus of Zoology- 7 p.m., Law Library Auditorium.

December 8, 2010 - EAA Holiday Luncheon - 12 noon. Ballroom B, Student Center.

January 24-25, 2011 - Blood Drive - Student Center next to Blimpies - See Flyer for shift times

January 17-21, 2011 - Bookstore Greeters Week at the Student Center Bookstore

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.

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Chapter happenings

Holiday Luncheon set for Dec. 8



The annual Holiday Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, December 8, in Ballroom B at the Student Center. The tables will be set to put you in the holiday mood and a delightful menu will be served at 12 noon. For your added enjoyment, a special musical program of traditional selections performed by Music Theater students from the SIUC School of Music, under the direction of professor Tim Fink, will round

out this annual festive affair.

The cost for the luncheon is \$20 per person and the registration deadline is December 1. To register for this event, please complete and return the enclosed registration form to the Constituent Relations and Special Events Office.

-Nancy Hartman

Emeritus Faculty Organization Meeting

George Waring, Professor Emeritus of Zoology, will deliver the 2010 Emeritus Faculty Lecture. The lecture is scheduled for November 30, 7:00 PM at the Law School Auditorium. During his lecture titled "Pursuing the Birds of China," Professor Waring will show habitats plus examples of numerous beautiful and unusual birds occurring in mainland China. He has been on two 3-week birding trips to China to explore such provinces as Shaanxi, Sichuan, Yunnan, Guansi, Fujian, and Jiangxi. He will discuss the amazing diversity of avifauna in that country and show examples of some of the cranes, sunbirds, minivets, parrotbills, forktails, fulvettas, yuhinas, prinias, barbets, and other species he saw. Besides visiting China, Dr. Waring has observed free-ranging vertebrate animals in their natural habitats worldwide, including those occurring in 70 other countries.

Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

-John Pohlmann

Next Blood Drive set for January 24-25

The Blood Drive held on October 5, 2010 was a huge success. It was held during Homecoming week and was a competition with Sigma Kappa Sorority taking home the trophy. The drive was busy and a lot of hard work, especially for Red Cross liaison person Jennifer Freeze, but it was worth it—330 pints were collected. Way to go students, staff and townspeople! A big thanks to all our emeritus volunteers: Imogene Beckemeyer, Han Lin Chen, Bill Doerr, JoAnn Flanigan, Doris Klopp, Mary Mantovani, Jackie Mueller, Nancy Phaff and Roy Weshinsky.

The next EAA blood drive will be on Monday and Tuesday, January 24th and 25th, 2011. Volunteers are needed. If you wish to assist, please complete the enclosed Registration form and return it as indicated.

-Mary Mantovani

Fall Golf News

The annual Fall Golf Outing was held at Crab Orchard Golf Course on Monday, September 27, 2010. A total of 18 participants played in the event. Prizes were awarded for 'closest to the pin – Arnold Ross; 'longest Drive (women) – Jean Kroening; longest drive (men) – Lowell Hall and longest putt – Bob Radtke. Fourth place went to the team of Gil Kroening, Jean Kroening, Farrell Olson and Joe Cash. There was a tie for 2nd place between the team of Bob Radtke, Roland Person, Chuck Frank and Ginny Solverson; and the team of Al Melone, Peggy Melone, Jack McKillip and Jim Glover. First place went to the team of Herman Williams, Arnold Ross, Ron Mahoney and Keith McQuarrie. The 'most golf' went to the twosome of Rich Tolosko and Lowell Hall. Due to not having a foursome, these two were allowed to play two shots each time and in the scramble format, to continue to select the best shot. After the round of golf, participants enjoyed a relaxing lunch in the clubhouse.

-Keith McQuarrie and Ron Mahoney

facebook SIUC EAA chapter is on Facebook

At its November meeting, the Association's board of directors elected to have a Facebook Group Page created for the chapter. The page carries chapter sponsored event notices and provides a forum for members to exchange comments on issues facing our pension and benefits. We encourage all SURS retirees and current employees to join our page and take advantage of yet another way our chapter is reaching out to its constituents. If you are on Facebook, connect up with us! Go to Facebook Groups and key in Emeritus & Annuitant Association at SIUC to find the group page.

SIUC EAA Board of Directors

The SIUC EAA Board of Directors meet every other month on the second Thursday of the month. Chapter business related to local and state legislative matters regarding pension and benefits is handled as well as planning and organizing local chapter activities. The names of the Board members are listed on the back cover of this newsletter. Please contact any board director if you have questions or need information regarding our organization.

LINDELL W. STURGIS MEMORIAL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Established in 1979, the Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award is presented by the SIUC Board of Trustees to a current SIUC employee to recognize public service efforts—contributions to the community, area, state or nation—based upon activities unrelated to his/her job responsibilities.

On-line nomination form available at www.crse.siu.edu/forms1.htm

For more information, please call 453-5306.

Deadline for nominations: January 7, 2011

Please direct nominations to:

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George H. Waring
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“Pursuing the Birds of China”

Professor Waring's lecture will describe and show mainland China's natural habitats along with the beautiful and unusual birds occurring there.



**The Lesar Law School Auditorium
Tuesday, November 30, 2010
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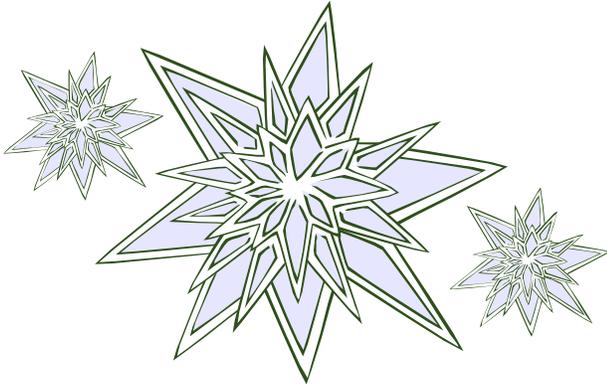
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Annual Holiday Luncheon

Featuring a Musical Program
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Wednesday, December 8, 2010

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Student Center

Ballroom B

\$20 per person

(Registration deadline is December 1)

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Name _____ Name _____

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Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ for _____ reservations (\$20 each)
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The next EAA Blood Drive will be on Monday and Tuesday, January 24th and 25th, 2011. Volunteers are needed to assist with the Drive. If you wish to volunteer, please complete the form below and return it by December 8, 2010.

BLOOD DRIVE REGISTRATION FORM

Date: Monday and Tuesday, January 24 and 25, 2011.

Location: Next to Blimpie's in the Student Center.

Two shifts each day: 10:00am to 12:00 noon
12:00 noon to 2:00pm

My first choice is: _____

My second choice is: _____

If these times are not available, I could work another time: Yes _____ No _____

Name: _____

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Please deliver or mail registration form by December 8, 2010 to:

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