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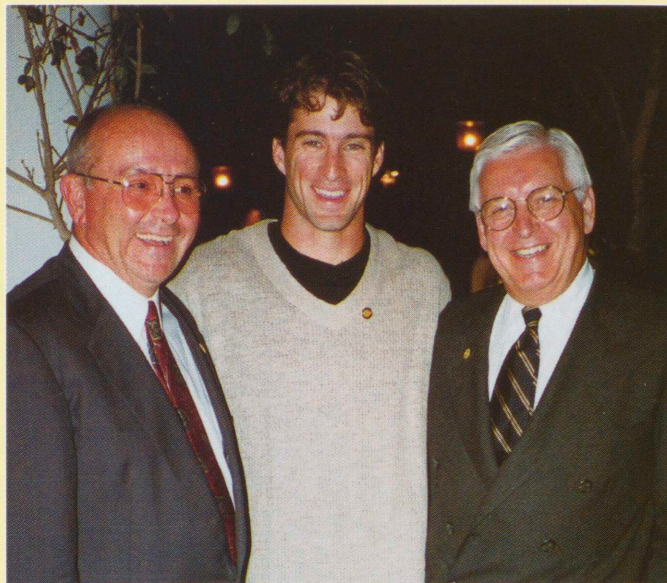
Saluki Futures: The Campaign for Athletics

In February, Southern Illinois University launched a \$2.3 million fund-raising campaign crucial to the future of Saluki Athletics. Contributions to the goal will be used to fund the following projects and areas.


- \$1.8 million to improve the facilities for men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball and men's and women's track and field.
- \$500,000 for endowed scholarships that will benefit all 18 sports programs.

The three honorary co-chairs for the campaign are products of the Saluki Athletic tradition: Connie Price Smith '85, three-time Olympic athlete; Steve Finley '87, center fielder, San Diego Padres; and Walt Frazier '67, recently named one of the top 50 players in NBA history.

The future of Saluki Athletics depends on the generosity of its greatest supporters: the alumni of this university. For more information on how you can become a partner in the Saluki Futures campaign, contact the Director of Development for the Office of Intercollegiate Athletics, (618) 453-5625. Or complete and return the card in the back of this magazine.



Chancellor Donald Beggs, on the left, and Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement J. Robert Quatroche, on the right, meet in Del Mar, Calif., with Steve Finley '87, the campaign's honorary co-chair and center fielder for the San Diego Padres.



SIU Alumni
Association

Dear Chicago Alumnus/Alumna,

We hope you enjoy this complimentary issue of *Alumnus*, Southern Illinois University's quarterly alumni magazine. The arrival of former Senator Paul Simon on campus is a momentous occasion that we wanted to be sure to share with you.

The last two years have been busy for Chicago alumni. We now have four SIU Alumni Association chapters in this region: Lake County, DuPage/Will County, Chicago and Suburban Cook County. These chapters provide social and professional networking opportunities, a chance to reconnect with fellow Salukis and a way to assist the university with student recruitment.

Two years ago the SIU Alumni Association made a commitment to the Chicago region by hiring Remy Billups '86, M.S. '92 as the Chicago Assistant Director for Chapter Development. If you have not met Remy, we invite you to call him at his Oak Brook office, (630) 574-7774, extension 4, with your suggestions or to find out how you can become more involved.

One annual Chicago highlight is SIU Day at Wrigley Field. Last year this event sold out and so, to better serve our 26,000 Chicago alumni, we requested and received more tickets for this year's July 12 game. Salukis will be in full force as the Cubs take on the St. Louis Cardinals.

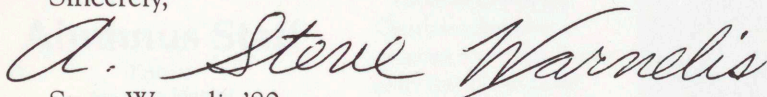
Participating in alumni chapters is a good way to stay in touch with our alma mater. Joining the SIU Alumni Association is an equally important way for you to remain connected to Southern. In exchange for your membership, you will receive the *Alumnus* magazine four times a year, invitations to all regional events and some new exciting discounts for area restaurants.

But, most significantly, you will receive the benefit of knowing you have made a commitment to your alma mater's future. Membership helps support student scholarships, recruitment, the Extern Program, Saluki Athletics, Homecoming, student organizations as well as your college.

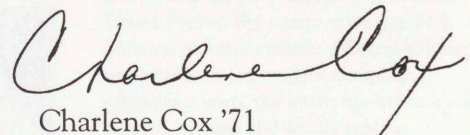
Joining the SIU Alumni Association is as easy as filling out the card in the back of this magazine or placing a phone call to Chicago's regional association office at (630) 574-7774, extension 4.

We look forward to seeing you at SIU Day at Wrigley Field and during the coming year at events throughout the Chicago area.

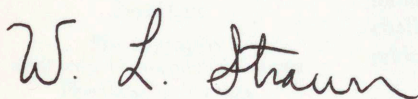
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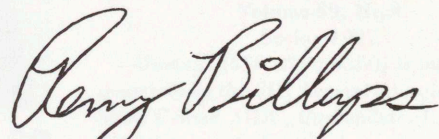
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Gateways to Knowledge **12**

As a little girl, Jeanne Hurley Simon huddled in a chair in the children's corner of the community library her family helped to establish. As a newlywed, she helped to start a library in her new hometown. Now, as chair of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, Simon brings her expertise and passion to SIU as a new faculty member and organizer of a major national conference on intellectual property.

Reaching into the Future **16**

Former state representative, state senator, lieutenant governor, congressman and senator Paul Simon isn't fond of titles. But there's one title he doesn't mind hearing since returning to southern Illinois: Professor.

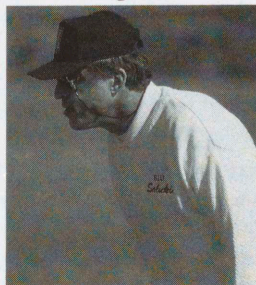
As Simon begins his career at SIU as a professor of journalism and political science and director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, this article looks back on a life devoted to public service and forward to a future he has committed to ensuring that Southern Illinois University emerges as a force behind improving the quality of life for people throughout this country and the world.

The Great Outdoors **26**

Studying nature in the midst of nature may not seem like a radical concept. But due to a team of innovative professors and significant federal funding, SIU students are discovering ecology labs can be much more than a walk in the park.

New Coach Tackles Challenge **30**

Football Coach Jan Quarless takes over a program for which former glory has all but faded. As he seeks to rebuild a competitive team, Quarless is looking past former glory to a future of challenges and renewed pride.



Life on the Diamond **32**

Thirty years ago Kay Brechtelsbauer took over a softball team with a budget too small to play a full season. Through the years, she has watched her program grow and become respected throughout the conference. During last year's Olympics, she also saw her sport capture the imagination of the nation.



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About the Cover

Former Senator Paul Simon, author of the definitive text on Abraham Lincoln's days in the Illinois Legislature, stands in front of a mural depicting the Lincoln-Douglas Debate held in Jonesboro, Ill. The mural, now located in the foyer outside the University Museum in Faner Hall, is the only remaining section of a larger mural that once covered the walls of Wheeler Hall. The mural was painted by Karl Kelpel, a German emigre who was commissioned under the Federal Art Project/Works Progress Administration. Evert Johnson, former curator of art, spent five years restoring this scene—the only salvageable section.

The photograph was taken by University Photocommunications.

Back Cover

The photographs of the 24th Annual Great Cardboard Boat Regatta on the back cover were taken by Jeff Garner from University Photocommunications. Spearheaded by race organizer and art and design instructor "Commodore" Ricard Archer, the competition was first initiated to foster creative problem-solving techniques among student designers. In subsequent years, the event has become a draw for boat builders and watchers alike.

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by J. Robert Quatroche

As many of you already know, I recently decided to accept the position of vice president for university advancement at Indiana State University and executive vice president of the ISU Foundation. While I look forward to this challenging opportunity, I welcome this occasion to express my appreciation to the many alumni and friends I have made at Southern Illinois University.

Almost four years ago, I arrived on campus to launch the division of institutional advancement. For the first time in the university's history, the division united the areas of development, university relations and alumni services under one umbrella. We have seen the division grow from a concept to an important force within the university community.

To illustrate, I want to share with you some of our accomplishments and achievements.

- Contributions totaled \$9.3 million as of June 30, 1996—a 9.2% increase over the previous year.
- Total book value assets of the SIU Foundation increased

Making a Difference

\$8.7 million, from \$31.3 million to \$40 million and the endowment's book value also grew from \$18.5 million to \$25 million.

- College-specific development officer positions were created in several of the university's colleges.
- Alumni chapters were established and revitalized throughout Illinois and across the country.
- Membership in the SIU Alumni Association increased and several exciting initiatives were implemented.
- The SIU Alumni Association organized its first-ever fund-raising campaign to celebrate its centennial and successfully funded the lighting and installation of chimes in Pulliam Tower.
- Major fund-raising campaigns were launched for athletics, engineering and the Paul Simon Endowed Chair/Public Policy Institute.
- The division garnered three awards from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).
- The first-ever strategic plan for fund raising was developed.

• The university began a new chapter in fund raising—receiving more major gifts from alumni and friends, including its first \$1 million gift.

Enumerating these accomplishments, while impressive, does not capture the memories I will take with me as I begin the next chapter in my career.

I am appreciative to the staff members who worked so diligently to ensure the division's success. Their commitment to excellence ensured these early triumphs. I have also been fortunate to work with many other administrative and faculty colleagues who have contributed significantly to this division meeting its challenging goals.

In my position, I have the opportunity to meet many alumni and friends of this university. Meeting these supporters and bringing the SIU story to alumni and friends across the nation has been one of my greatest privileges. I leave Carbondale richer for the people whom I've met and come to consider friends.

As SIU enters the 21st century, I am certain it has only begun to realize its potential.

Letters to the Editor

Saluki Doctor to the Rescue

I would like to bring good news to your attention.

My wife Jeannie and I are both [association] life members of the class of 1985. I recently had well overdue surgery from my playing days in the NFL. As insurance companies go, ours is no different than many, an HMO with many options of primary physicians. However, knowing that I would soon need surgery, I needed to select a group which offered what I wanted. I know of a very good orthopedist with whom I am very comfortable and made my selection based on that. Little did I know that he referred his foot and ankle surgery to a specialist.

After meeting with the specialist for a only a few minutes, I knew I was in good hands because he was a Saluki. Steve Perns, a few years younger than me, and considerably more athletic at this point, performed surgery just a week ago on my ankle. All is well and he is to be commended for his abilities.

Thanks to SIU and those of us who proudly wear its colors for bringing two Salukis together.

Tom Baugh '85

Old Friends

It was with much sadness that I read of two deaths in the Winter 1997 issue of the *Alumnus*.

David Derge was my professor for a political science course and my sponsor for an independent study course. During the two years I knew him, we had many discussions about politics, and though we were quite far apart in our philosophies, I found these discussions very thought-provoking. I learned a great deal

from Dr. Derge. He has a special place in my memory.

Ralph Burns was a custodian in the housing area when I met him. I worked with him as a student janitor off and on during my four years of college and on campus employment. I remember him as a soft-spoken man with a dry wit who always seemed to be on an even keel. And there were the ever-present Twinkies in his lunchbox. Ralph has his special place in my memory, too.

Ed Long '78

Essay Brings Back Memories

The article by Mary Ann Merchen in the Winter 1997 *Alumnus* brings back many fond memories of SIU, the SIU Recreation Center staff, and the physically challenged members of the university's student body.

In 1983, I had the great fortune to be the graduate assistant in charge of SIU's aquatics facilities, which included the "special populations" swim program. Students like Mary Ann would come to the Recreation Center pool each week for some swimming, social interaction and fun. Those of us who were privileged to work with our fellow students with physical challenges were able to see first hand so many things that those of us who are able bodied take for granted.

The swimming pool would often allow these students to move about much more freely than outside of the water. Seeing such happy faces as the students moved around the pool so gracefully will always be one of my fondest memories from my days at SIU. Often it would be cool in the pool area and cold outside, but these swimmers came week after week with determination and great attitudes.

Mary Ann, it bothers me greatly to read you have never been able to find employment. Having had the opportunity to work with the physically challenged at SIU, I know first hand your dedication and endurance in completing tasks. It is a real misfortune of American society to feel that if an employee cannot produce tasks in limited time frames, then he or she is not an asset to the company. Shame on us all.

To the Mary Anns of SIU and all of those who know you and other good people from SIU, I wish you the best. A university is a bit of a surreal society in that many people work toward a common goal of education. SIU is an excellent example of a place where people work together well. Whenever anyone comments to me about SIU being a "party school," I always tell them they are right. The university is an incredible union of individuals from many different backgrounds determined to accept and enjoy each other's company. Now if we can only get society to be a little more dedicated like the Mary Anns of the world, and a little more relaxed like the atmosphere at SIU.

John Singler '81, M.S. '83

SIU Alumni Association Online

Are you missing your old college days?

Would you like to catch a glimpse of what Pulliam Tower looks like at night now that it's lit?

Maybe you'd like to show your spouse which Saluki sweatshirt you want for your birthday.

Are you considering a vacation, but aren't sure where to go or how to get there?

Maybe you're moving to a new city and want to find out if there are any other alumni in the area or, better yet, any job prospects.

The answer to these and many other questions can be found at the SIU Alumni Association's web site, www.siu.edu/~alumni/.

Aside from obtaining valuable information, you can also use the web site to join the association, apply for a SIU credit card, find out what's happening at an alumni chapter near you or learn more about long distance savings and insurance plans available to SIU alumni.

A Letter to Our Readers

We are always anxious to hear from our readers. As with all alumni magazines, we believe we can only be as good as the feedback we receive.

Maybe you've read an article that reminds you of a memory you would like to share. Perhaps reading about a new university project provokes some thoughts you would like to express about the direction your alma mater is taking. And there's always the chance that you have read an article that you like (or dislike) so much that you want to make sure we hear your opinion.

Whatever your reason might be, we want to hear from you. Please send your letters to:

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You can also e-mail your letters to alumni@siu.edu. Letters are sometimes edited for length and style.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES ALSO HONOR ALUMNI

Over 6,000 graduate and undergraduate students participated in Southern Illinois University at Carbondale's spring commencement ceremonies held in early May. Eleven ceremonies were conducted to honor students from the university's major academic units.

During the weekend, ten prominent alumni received the Alumni Achievement Award, the highest honor bestowed by the SIU Alumni Association.



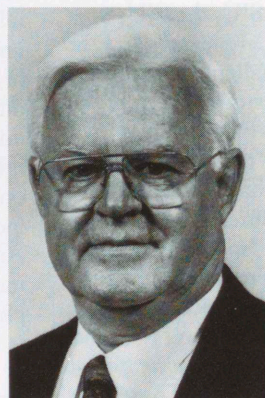
John E. Gunter '66 received the Alumni Achievement Award from the College of Agriculture. Gunter heads the College of Forest Resources and directs the Forest and Wildlife Research Center at Mississippi State University.



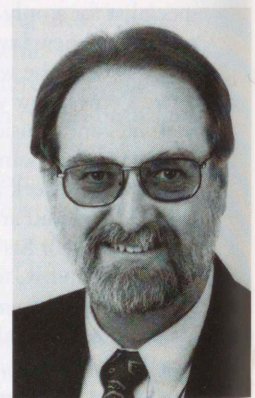
Cherly Compton '72 was honored by the School of Social Work as its Alumni Achievement Award winner. Compton directs Heartland Human Services, a community-based behavioral healthcare organization that annually serves about 1,400 clients.



Thirachai Ongmahutmongkol '69 was honored with the College of Engineering's Alumni Achievement Award for his career with DuPont Ltd. in Thailand—a career that has led to his current position as managing director of operations.



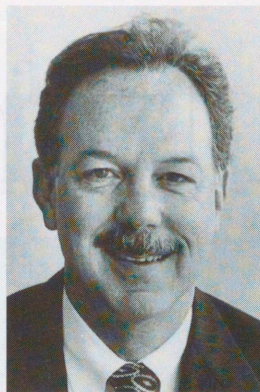
The chairman of the board and president of Charter Bank, John A. Becker '56, was named the College of Business and Administration Alumni Achievement Award winner.



Douglas Bédient, M.S. '69, Ph.D. '71, a professor in SIU's Department of Curriculum and Instruction, was presented the College of Education's Alumni Achievement Award.



The College of Applied Sciences and Arts bestowed its Alumni Achievement Award on **Harry B. Fanning, II '83**. Fanning oversees repair logistics for a product support division of McDonnell Douglas Aerospace.



The College of Science selected **Carl A. Jennings '67, Ph.D. '71** as the recipient of its Alumni Achievement Award. Jennings is the president of the chemicals division of the BASF Corporation.

ON THE SIDE

This year's Outstanding Dissertation Award was presented to Elizabeth George for her history dissertation that traced the concept of animal immortality through the ages. The SIU Alumni Association's first Outstanding Thesis Award went to April L. Jackson, who recently finished her master's degree in physiology.

Barbara Cordoni, the founder and director of the university's Achieve Program and a professor in the special education department, recently received a lifetime achievement award from the 58,000-member Learning Disabilities Association of America.

SIU's recreation program has received full accreditation from the National Recreation and Park Association's Council on Accreditation. It is one of only 94 programs out of 300 nationwide to be accredited.

The Society for History in the Federal Government has awarded its Henry Adams Prize for best book of the year to SIU historian Jonathan J. Bean. His book *Beyond the Broker State: Federal Policies Toward Small Business, 1936-1961*, based on Bean's dissertation, was published by the University of North Carolina Press.



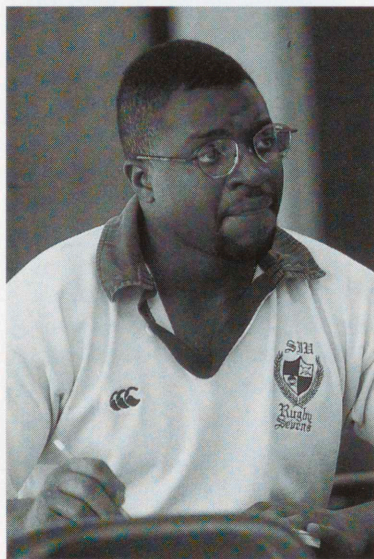
Academy Award winner **Liz Ralston '86** was presented the Alumni Achievement Award from the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts. Ralston was on the visual effects team for the movie *Babe* and now directs production at Dream Quest Images, a Disney-owned visual effects company.



The SIU School of Law conferred its Alumni Achievement Award upon **Gayle S. Pyatt, J.D. '76**. Before opening a private law practice in Pinckneyville, Pyatt clerked for a judge in the Illinois Appellate Court's Fifth District, practiced law in Carbondale and taught school.

Real Numbers for the Real World

It didn't take an accounting major to figure out the numbers were not adding up. Students were struggling in Accounting 220. In recent years, only half the students enrolled were completing the course. These results weren't



pleasing accounting professor James King.

"There has been a tendency to teach exactly how to do debits and credits, but in some ways, it misses the point," King says. "The vast majority of people who take the course are business majors with interests outside of accounting. We also have students outside of the college of business."

Allan Karnes, director of the school of accountancy, says the department had to evaluate the

focus of the course. "In reality, it is a service course to all students of the university," he says. "Our goal goes beyond teaching students how to generate accounting information. We are teaching them how to use the information."

While the course still covers basic accounting procedures, King decided to provide examples of how students can use these concepts. "I want my students to understand how this same process applies to their home mortgage or car loan," he says. "If the county government says we need a tax hike, I want them to be able to look at the financial information and be able to ask some intelligent questions."

Students are placed in groups of four during the semester, providing a network for working on difficult homework assignments and quizzes. Junior Heather Crider comments on the success of the groups.

"Accounting is a tough subject, so it is helpful to interact with other people and get their perspective," Crider says. "One of your group members may catch something that you didn't. We can teach and give each other ideas."

Sophomore Leah Poe says the groups create a friendly atmosphere in the classes. "The

instructors didn't make us sit with our group, but we wanted to sit together," she says. "If you get stuck on a problem, you don't have to go up to someone you don't know."

King also restructured the course. He divided Accounting 220 into three mini-courses. Students must demonstrate competency in one segment before moving to the next. They must earn a C to progress to the next section. Students who fail the first section can start fresh while their classmates move on. At any time, students might be in all three mini-courses. But they must complete all three segments in two semesters.

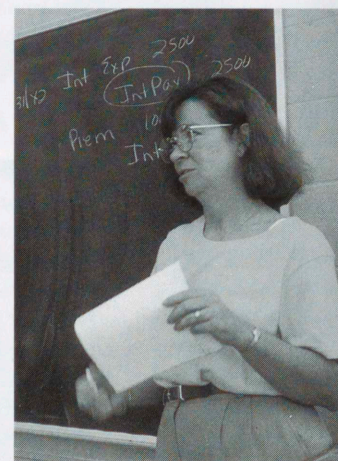
"Because accounting is based on a building block approach, you must understand the initial concepts before moving on. When students began poorly they had a terrible time having success in completing the course," King says.

With recent changes, 70 percent of the students are now passing the class. During the fall, the first semester for the mini-courses, only seven percent of the students dropped the class, while 23 percent took the "in-progress" option. King says he could see a difference teaching the second and third mini-courses.

"Their level of knowledge was superior to the students of previous semesters; we just took

off," he says. "It was amazing how rapidly we were able to go and how much better the students understood the material.

"A lot of students are saying this has relevance to my future



Associate Professor of Accountancy **Julie S. Sorbery**

life. That is a world of difference from what we had before," King says. "It is a nice feeling to think that these students are going to be able to become better citizens and make better choices in their lives." ■

—Greg Scott

Quatroche Resigns as Institutional Advancement Head

J. Robert Quatroche, who was SIU's first vice chancellor for institutional advancement, has resigned to assume a similar position at Indiana State University, where he will be the vice president for university advancement and executive vice president of the ISU Foundation. He begins his new appointment on August 1.

Quatroche says his years at SIU have been challenging and satisfying: "During my tenure at SIU, it has been very gratifying to see the extent of commitment and loyalty to the university translated into generous giving. I believe we have positioned the university for greater success in the years ahead."

SIUC Chancellor Donald Beggs wished Quatroche well in his new venture, "It's clear Bob's impact and influence here caught the attention of ISU President John Moore." ■



Seen here at the Chicago Tribute to Paul Simon were, from left to right, **Jeanne and Paul Simon** and **Diana and J. Robert Quatroche**.



National political analyst **William Kristol** delivered the final address in the 1996-97 Morton-Kenney Public Affairs Lecture Series. The editor and publisher of the Washington, D.C., *Weekly Standard*, Kristol regularly appears on *Good Morning America*, *This Week*, and the *NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*. He served as chairman of the Project for the Republican Future and as chief of staff for both Dan Quayle and former Education Secretary William Bennett. Above, with Kristol, are, on the left, **David Kenny**, and, center, **Ward Morton**.

More On the Side

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Jean Paratore is the president-elect of the American College Personnel Association. The group is the country's largest college personnel professional association.

Internationally respected criminologist and Professor Emeritus **Elmer Johnson** and his wife **Carol** have donated more than \$116,000 in mutual funds to the university. The gift funds two endowments: The Holmes-Johnson Press Criminology Series Endowment at the SIU Press, named in memory of their parents, and the Elmer and Carol Johnson Criminology and Criminal Justice Library Endowment at the Morris Library.

Winners of the Rickert-Ziebold art prizes will split a \$20,000 purse. The contest honors the late Marguerite L. Rickert. The four winners are: **Todd D. Chapman** (sculpture), **Terril Johnson** (industrial design), **Michael J. Hofer** (blacksmithing), **Erika Lynn Fitzgerald** (studio arts, fiber arts).

Sara Long Anderson, a three-degree graduate of SIU and an assistant professor of animal science, food and nutrition, has been selected as one of the state's outstanding dietetics educators by the Illinois Dietetic Association.

Events Commemorate Simon's Appointment

Nearly 1,000 alumni, friends and supporters of Southern Illinois University, as well as numerous politicians from both sides of the aisle, attended two recent tributes organized to officially welcome former Senator Paul Simon to the SIU community. The events raised over a half million dollars in support of the new Paul Simon Endowed Chair/Public Policy Institute.

The first event, held in Chicago in February, included brief salutes from Governor Jim Edgar, Senator Dick Durbin, Senator Carol Mosley-Braun, and a videotaped message from President Bill Clinton. SIU President Ted Sanders and SIUC Chancellor Donald Beggs formally welcomed Senator Simon.

In April, the Student Center Ballrooms were the site of another event celebrating Simon's arrival on campus. Joining Senators Mosley-Braun and Durbin on the podium were Senator Dan Coats from Indiana, Senator Paul Wellstone from Minnesota and Illinois Attorney General George Ryan.

In talking about Simon, Durbin, a longtime Simon protege, said: "Paul Simon taught me three very important lessons. First, you have to be honest. Second, you have to help the helpless. And third, you should bring a level of civility and gentility to all you do."

Praising Simon as a visionary ahead of his time, Mosley-Braun observed, "He is a man who walks into the room with his self-respect and leaves with it."

After talking about his own first encounter with Paul Simon on the steps of the Illinois Capitol, Governor Edgar shared what he told his father-in-law, a native of Anna, when Simon moved to southern Illinois to run for congressman. "I said, one day you'll meet him [Simon], like him and vote for him."

Chancellor Beggs described Simon's arrival on campus as "a defining moment for SIU and for higher education in Illinois." ■



In the top photo at the Carbondale event, from left to right, **Senator Paul Wellstone** from Minnesota, **Senator Dick Durbin**, former **Senator Paul Simon** and **Senator Carol Mosley-Braun** from Illinois, and **Senator Dan Coats** from Indiana.

In the second row, on the left, **Senator Simon** greets **Dianne Meeks** who, with her husband **Wrophus**, hosted the VIP reception in Chicago. On the right, SIU Alumni Association **President Wes Wilkins** talks with **Bob and Jean Pulliam** before the Chicago tribute.

In the bottom row, on the left, from left to right, are **Shirley Beggs**, **Chancellor Donald Beggs**, and **A.J. and Brazilian Thurman**. On the right, **Molly Norwood** talks with **Harry Crisp, Sr.**, center, and his son **Lee Crisp**. **Harry Crisp** was one of the honorary co-chairs of the Carbondale tribute.

More On the Side

The two-man team of zoology professors **Ronald A. Brandon and Brooks M. Burr**, shown above, have landed a \$120,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to sustain an impressive specimen collection of fishes, amphibians and reptiles. The collection totals 300,000 specimens, representing 2,500 species, and is located in the new Life Science III building. It's the largest such university-held collection in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky.

University Launches Drive for Engineering Campaign

The College of Engineering has entered the public phase of a \$1 million fund-raising campaign to equip the new wing of the engineering building. Donors to the Engineering the Future Campaign will help pay for high-tech equipment crucial to the college's teaching and research.

The new \$14 million, 75,000-square-foot wing will house 40 research and teaching laboratories as well as three brake research labs for the Advanced Friction Center. Once appropriately equipped, faculty and students will be able to work on everything from super smart computers to space shuttle brakes, says Juh Wah Chen, dean of the College of Engineering.

Campaign chair and alumnus Richard Blaudow, president of Advanced Technology Services, Inc., was present at the campaign's kickoff and announced that, to date, the campaign had brought in \$560,000.

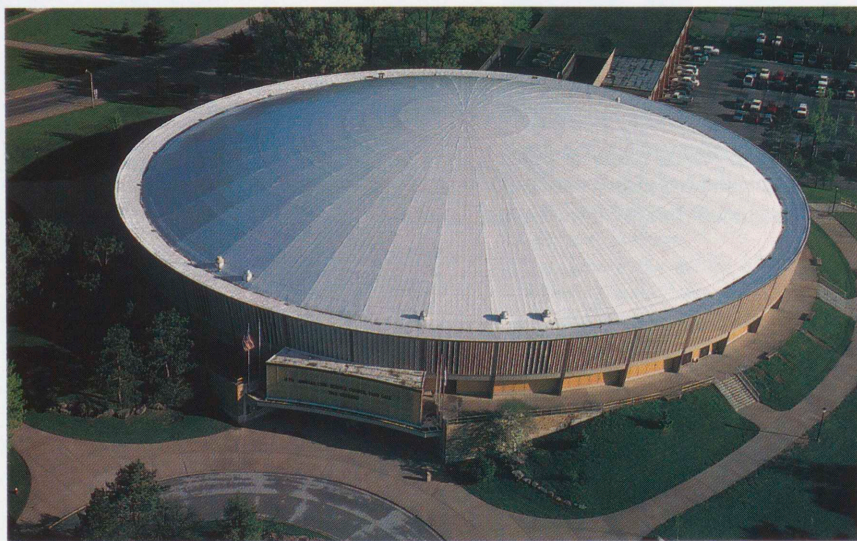
Cecil R. and Virginia Hollis have established a scholarship to assist students from Greenview and Waterloo high schools to attend Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. The fund was established with a gift of stock totaling \$113,500.

Mary Lou Higginson, professor of speech communication, has been named this year's Outstanding Teacher. Archaeologist **Prudence M. Rice** has become the first woman to receive the university's Outstanding Scholar Award. Both honors carry with them \$5,000 cash awards.

Associate Professor of English Lucia M. Perillo is this year's winner of the Kate Tufts Discovery Award for her book *The Body Mutinies*. The award, with its \$5,000 prize, was presented to Perillo at a reception in New York City.

Four honorary degrees were conferred at this year's commencement ceremonies. 1997 honorees are: **Nobuo Kumakura**, mayor of Nakajo, Japan, site of an SIU campus; **Delano Lewis**, president and chief executive officer of National Public Radio; **Ralph E. McCoy**, dean emeritus of library affairs; and **Philip Pfeffer**, president and chief operating officer of Random House Inc., and a two-degree SIU graduate.

Saluki Futures to Shape New Memories



Memories abound in the athletic facilities of Southern Illinois University. A graceful forward who led the basketball team to numerous victories in the SIU Arena. A speedy center fielder who made dozens of diving catches to win games at Abe Martin Field. An athlete who spurred interest in women's sports by epitomizing versatility and power on the track and basketball teams. A quarterback who had a rifle arm that could drill a pass to a wide receiver sprinting for daylight in McAndrew Stadium.

While these athletes represent different eras and sports, their link to the past could be the key to the future of Saluki athletics and to the \$2.3 million capital campaign recently launched to upgrade athletic facilities and raise scholarship funds.

The Saluki Futures campaign goal seeks to:

- Install a new basketball floor in the SIU Arena;
- Resurface the track and add lights at McAndrew Stadium;
- Add lights at Abe Martin Field and IAW Softball Field;
- Establish a \$500,000 endowment for student-athlete scholarships.

"Our desire is to have competitive programming and quality facilities," Southern University at Carbondale Chancellor Don Beggs says. "The issue isn't the magnitude of the contribution, but the willingness of alums to make a contribution. I would love to say that alumni played an integral part in putting lights up at athletic fields."

J. Robert Quatroche, vice chancellor for institutional advancement, says alumni have already begun to respond to the campaign goal to the tune of \$800,000 committed, pledged, or received during the "quiet

phase" of the campaign. "We have alumni and friends who see athletics as a very important part of the university experience," Quatroche says.

Three of SIU's all-time best student-athletes are leading a 17-member steering committee. NBA Hall of Famer Walt Frazier, San Diego Padres outfielder Steve Finley, and three-time track and field Olympian Connie Price-Smith are serving as honorary co-chairs of the campaign.

Alumni and friends were the impetus to renovate the facilities in which these former Saluki greats performed. SIU basketball players had commented on the hardness of the arena floor for some time, fearing that the "lack of give" could contribute to injuries.

The floor had also cost the program some national exposure. ESPN refused to broadcast games at the SIU Arena due to the floor's darkness. The Salukis will play on a new light maple, cushioned floor the start of the 1997 basketball season.

Other arena improvements earmarked in the campaign are lighting and additional chair seats. Jim Hart, SIU athletic director, says the arena became the impetus for Saluki Futures.

"Our basketball donors had been after us for a couple of years about changing the arena floor," Hart says. "Nobody questions that some renovations need to be done to the arena. But then, from our perspective, we started looking around at our facilities and everything else was falling apart at the same time."

Deteriorating facilities have deprived Southern of other opportunities. Night football games have been an issue with Saluki fans for a number of years. Abe Martin Field is the only Missouri Valley Conference baseball facility without

lights. Several of SIU's rivals in the conference also have lighted softball fields. Lights will give program scheduling flexibility and also open the possibility of creating revenue by renting the facilities to summer league teams.

SIU's track surface is so bad that the university bypassed an opportunity to host the MVC meet in 1995. Hart says addressing these deficiencies could be the difference in attracting a student-athlete to Southern.

"The eye appeal has a lot to do with it," he says. "As a player you are in the locker room and on the playing field more than any other place, with the exception of your dorm room. If that is uncomfortable and you don't like the way it looks, it can be a real factor."

As state funding to athletics has dwindled, raising private money for scholarships has become more important. Meeting the scholarship endowment goal will give the athletic program a full compliment of scholarships.

Hart is working with Laura Hardy, the athletic fund-raiser, in identifying alumni and boosters who could make major gifts. But Hardy says smaller donors can also make a difference in the campaign.

"A commitment of even \$100 per year for first-time donors would be a wonderful place to start," Hardy says.

Donors have the option of designating their contribution or simply making a gift to the campaign. While athletics will call on various audiences to support their efforts, Hardy is interested in the responses of one particular group.

"We have many successful women who follow the program or have close relationships with friends in the program," she says. "This is a chance for them

to seriously consider a gift to this important project and contribute to a legacy here."

Hart, a former Saluki and NFL all-pro quarterback, says supporting athletics has a positive impact on and off the playing field. "Successful athletic programs create opportunities for national attention," he says. "The focus on us allows other academic units to get exposure. It also attracts more inquiries about the school and general public interest."

That interest along with some fond memories are reflected by Steve Finley, a two-time Gold Glove baseball award winner currently roaming center field for the defending National League Western Division champions, who says: "I am pleased to serve as a co-chair for the Saluki Futures fund-raising committee because the university and intercollegiate athletics gave me a boost toward a successful career. In a way, this is pay-back time for me." ■

—Greg Scott

SIU's major athletic facilities will benefit from the Saluki Futures Campaign. **McAndrew Stadium**, left top photo, **Abe Martin Field**, middle photo, and the **SIU Arena** all will receive long awaited face lifts.

Gateways to Knowledge

Jeanne Simon joins
the SIU faculty to
continue exploring,
promoting and
expanding the role
of libraries

by Maureen Manier



Jeanne Hurley Simon has had many homes. But there's no place where she's ever felt more at home than in a library. She remembers as a child discovering the children's corner in the Western Springs, Ill., library her family helped to build and fill. "I think I read everything there," she recalls. "I'm just one of millions for whom that feeling has never left, for whom books have always been a ticket."

That early fascination with libraries continued throughout Simon's life. She worked in the law library while earning a law degree at Northwestern University. When she married Paul Simon, both then Illinois legislators, and moved to Troy, Ill., she was concerned to find the small city did not have a library. With the help of friends, the Simons organized the town's first library, collecting books and even painting shelves for the donated space.

Simon's commitment to libraries and the role they play within society took many forms in subsequent years. She served on the advisory committee to the first White House Conference on Library and Information Services, held in 1979. She has also been actively involved in promoting literacy, an issue she sees as directly linked to libraries. "Part of the mission of libraries is to promote literacy," Simon says. "I am always delighted when somebody says, 'I learned how to read in a library.'"

When President Bill Clinton appointed Simon chair of the National Council on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) in 1993, no one doubted the wisdom of the choice. But only a few people knew Simon's appointment was more than an act of presidential admiration.

"I worked hard for that appointment," Simon admits. "I didn't expect to be named chair. But I worked hard to become a member of the commission. I felt I knew something about libraries and about legislation—an important combination for the commission. I also knew a lot of people

on Capitol Hill, staff members, congressmen and senators. I felt like I could have an impact because I knew what I was talking about as well as the people I would be talking with.

"Of course, I'm terribly aware that having your husband be a United States senator was a great advantage and I wouldn't downplay that at all. But I know that alone wouldn't have earned me this appointment."

During Simon's term as chair, which expires this summer, she has spoken at dozens of professional association meetings, library openings and congressional hearings. Her goal has been simple. "I've tried to spread the word about what this agency [NCLIS] does. Our mission is to advise the president and Congress on the status and needs of libraries . . . I think it's important that the underserved know that someone is fighting for them," she explains.

Simon is increasingly concerned about the widening gap between the have and have-nots. She sees the commission as playing a vital role in ensuring that amidst the flurry of technological advances, the human

element not be forgotten. Introducing and promoting what libraries can do for all people remains primary to Simon, who sums it up with a simple axiom: "Whenever you find out you need to know more, you have to go to a library."

When Paul and Jeanne Simon decided he would not seek a third term as senator and return to southern Illinois, Jeanne Simon knew her advocacy work for libraries would continue. If there was any doubt, Carolyn Snyder, dean of the library affairs, wasted no time letting Mrs. Simon know SIU was excited she would be returning to the area.

"When it was first announced that Paul Simon was coming here, I was at a conference in Washington, D.C. The next day Jeanne Simon spoke to the conference and we had our first semi-official conversation about how we would like to work together," recounts Snyder.

Simon also knew she wanted to be involved with the Morris Library. Still, she was surprised and pleased when Provost John Jackson and Snyder offered her an adjunct professor position in library affairs. "This appointment was



Jeanne and Paul Simon at home in Makanda.

wonderful icing on the cake for me," says Simon. "I wasn't interested in a salary [Simon accepted the adjunct professor position as a volunteer]. I just wanted to make some contribution to this wonderful university. This is my opportunity to do something for the university and southern Illinois, both of which I love."

During the first year of her appointment Simon will work closely with a committee from the library to organize a national conference on the issue of intellectual property rights, a controversial issue facing librarians and many other professionals. Simon's interest in the topic was deepened after a recent personal experience.

"I was looking through *American Library Magazine* and saw an ad that featured a *TIME* magazine cover picture of Bob Dole that I knew Martin [the Simons' son] had taken. So, I called up Martin to congratulate him. He didn't know anything about it; his agent didn't know anything about it. Then I went to an American Library Association meeting and there were shopping bags, about 12,000 of them, sponsored by the same advertiser, all with Martin's photo. When I called him, he again didn't know anything about his photograph being used. When his agent called the company, they told him they hadn't done anything wrong because they'd picked the photo up off the internet."

Martin Simon finally reached a settlement with the company to pay him for use of his photograph. But, as his mother points out, Martin's experience signals a problem that will only grow more complex as technology marches on.

"With her deep commitment to libraries and her concern for the library user, Jeanne has been a tireless ambassador of good will, speaking on numerous occasions to library audiences and to other groups across the country. Her depth of understanding is exceptional; her comments before the Congress are informed and respected. She brings an extraordinary degree of national leadership to her position as chair of NCLIS."

Carol C. Henderson
Executive Director,
American Library
Association

Simon believes the expansiveness of the intellectual property issue will attract an equally diverse group of participants to the conference. Two tracks will be offered. One track will be for individuals seeking to educate themselves about the problem. The second track will be more advanced, designed for those involved in this complex area of law and ethics.

Simon and Dean Snyder foresee faculty and staff from throughout the university and across the nation being involved in the conference. Both hope this will be the first of an annual symposium held at the library. "We would like SIU to become a center of thinking about and examining this issue of intellectual property rights. Our Ralph E. McCoy Freedom of the Press Collection and other materials nicely complement that focus," says Snyder.

Snyder looks forward to a strong, continuing relationship between Simon and the library: "Jeanne Hurley Simon is nationally recognized in our field as a leader who has looked seriously at issues such as government information, intellectual property rights, access to information and literacy. Any library in the country would be delighted to have her affiliated with it."

Her collaboration with the library has been especially important to Simon as she's made the transition from Washington, D.C., to southern Illinois. "My withdrawal symptoms from Washington are beginning to subside," she jokes. For 24 years, the Simons made their home in Washington, a place and time Jeanne Simon remembers fondly. "Being the wife of a U.S. congressman and then senator gave me so many opportunities," she explains. When Senator Simon was on the Foreign Relations Committee, for

example, he would routinely call his wife to let her know he would be meeting with various world leaders, such as Nelson Mandela, so she too would have the chance to meet them.

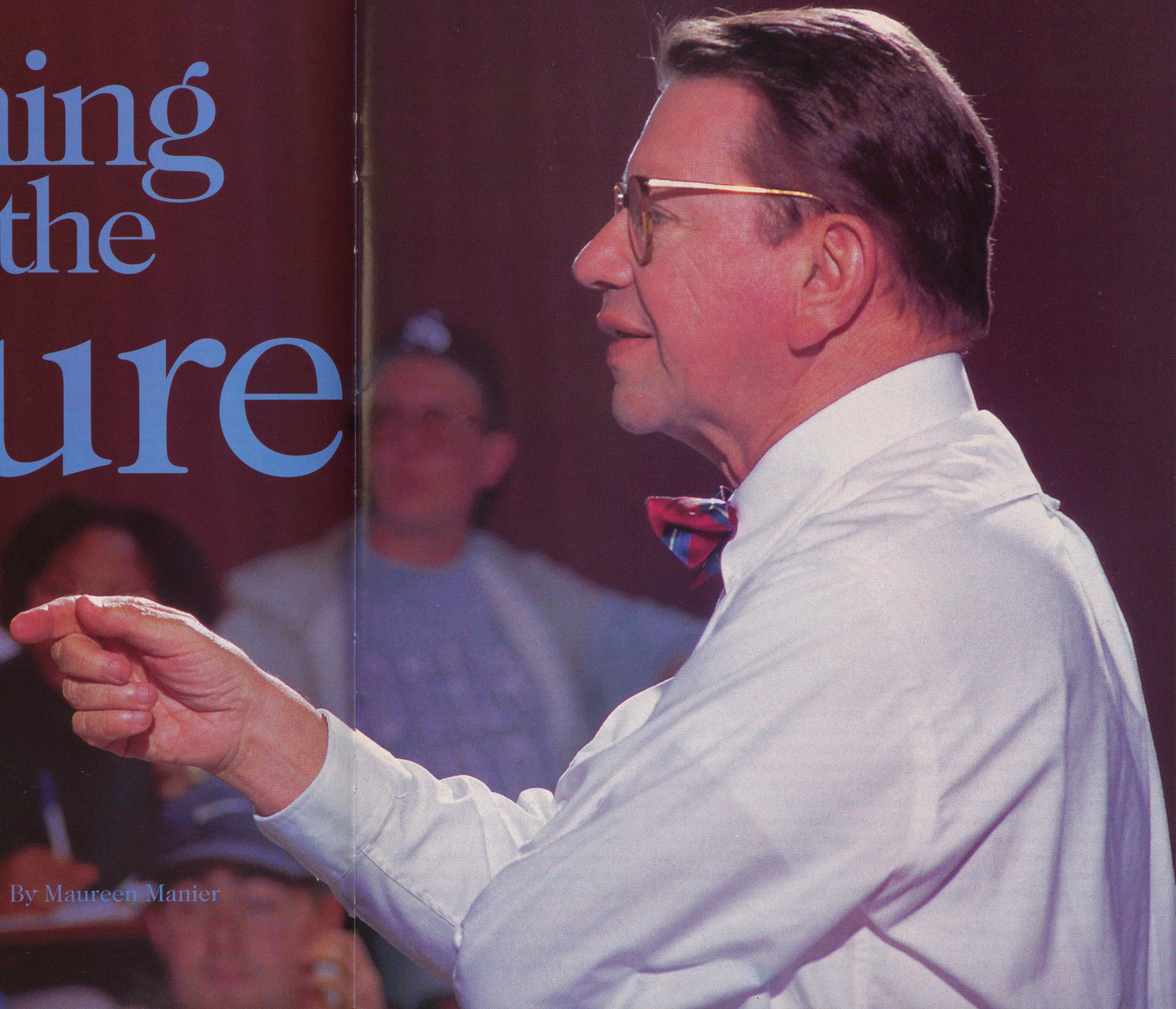
For a few minutes, Simon reveals talking about some of the most dramatic moments, witnessing the Supreme Court nomination hearings for Clarence Thomas, most joyous times, the festivities surrounding the first Clinton inauguration, and even a few of the more humorous experiences.

"Paul was home one day writing. Someone called and asked for Senator Simon. I replied, maybe not in the nicest way possible, 'Who is calling please?' The man replied, 'Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the secretary-general of the United Nations.' And I thought, 'Of course, it's the secretary general of the United Nations, and I was just short with him,'" remembers Simon.

But although Carbondale might not have the hustle and bustle of the nation's Capitol, for the Simons life is as busy as ever. "This is not a retirement for either of us," Jeanne Hurley Simon emphasizes, "but a change in pace." ■

Reaching into the Future

By Maureen Manier



In a world of change, Paul Simon has been constant. Constant to the moral convictions which 46 years ago led him to expose and bring down corruption in Madison County. Constant to his wife, Jeanne Hurley Simon, who, in 36 years of marriage, says she has never seen him lose his temper. Constant to the people of southern Illinois, whom he represented as a U.S. congressman and senator and to whom he returned this winter as a professor and director of a new public policy institute at Southern Illinois University. Agree or disagree with his politics, Paul Simon's inspiration as a role model is irrefutable: a politician sincerely and completely committed to his values and to the people he serves.

And though it's all true, Paul Simon would hate every word of that description.

Simon considers the truth far simpler than such lofty characterizations suggest. "I see something that needs to be done, and I try to do it," he explains. "When you use titles like reformer or crusader, it sounds too pious to fit me."

The son of a Lutheran minister who used to tell his sons, "Even your cows should know you're Christian," Simon has lived his life by example: examples in which the simple truth of his life is best found.

By all accounts, Simon was somewhat of a "whiz kid," entering the University of Oregon at the age of 16. When his family moved to Illinois after his freshman year, he decided to transfer to Dana College in Blair, Neb. During his two years at Dana, Simon was student body president and assistant editor of the college newspa-

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per. He had every intention of graduating on schedule when he learned about a "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity.

The owner-publisher of the *Troy Tribune*, a small weekly paper, had recently discovered he had cancer. Simon explains, "In 1948, cancer was a death sentence. The day he found out, he locked the newspaper office and went home. He never came back to the office. Later when I called him to write a story on him, he told me to wait and write his obituary."

Learning of the owner's illness, the local superintendent of schools, a friend of Reverend Simon, made Paul Simon an offer: "He said, 'If you come down here, I'll help you get a full loan so you can buy the paper without a down payment.'"

Before leaving Dana, Simon made arrangements with Washington University in St. Louis to finish his bachelor's degree.

He says he never would have bought the paper without first reaching that agreement. Before long, however, finishing college was the last thing on the mind of the nation's youngest newspaper editor-publisher.

Then 19, Simon anticipated a long career in journalism: "I wanted to be the Walter Lippman [a well-known and respected political journalist] of my generation. I thought I would be a political seer, looking at things from the outside. But things turned out differently."

Simon's life took its next detour the day he sat down to order a hamburger in a small cafe in Troy. The restaurant owner was taking around a punch board. Customers would buy chances, then punch out a number to see if they had won. Unfamiliar with the board, and unaware that it was illegal, Simon asked the owner how much money he made from the boards. The owner's reply changed Simon's future.

"He told me, 'Ordinarily, I would pay three or four dollars for a board. I would take in \$90 and pay out \$30. But if you don't buy the board from someone named Henry Davis, someone from the sheriff's office comes around and says the boards are illegal. And you have to pay Henry Davis \$30 instead of three.' " Simon's reporter antennae were well-tuned in by this point in the conversation. He continues, "Well, it was obvious to me that there were payoffs to the sheriff's office being made. I wrote an article about it and afterwards people started coming to me with tales of prostitution and all sorts of other illegal activities in the county."

Simon was no longer on the outside: he was smack in the middle of the biggest scandal in Madison County's history. He signed the warrant for the sheriff's arrest

and was asked to testify before the U.S. Senate's Crime Investigating Committee. Before long, his fight to clean up the county left Simon with another decision to make. Returning to Troy after finishing a tour of duty with the Army, he had to decide if he wanted to attack the roots of corruption as a journalist or politician.

Eventually, Simon, then 25 years old, ran for the Illinois House of Representatives, more with the intent to make a point than with the conviction he would win. "But I ended up winning," he explains, "and I've been in politics ever since."

Simon's life far from settled down when he arrived in Springfield. Witnessing rampant corruption in the Illinois Legislature, Simon encouraged magazines and newspapers to break the story. Unable to convince his fellow journalists, he decided to risk writing the article himself. When Simon's article was published in *Harper's* magazine, he believed it marked the end of his political career. But despite the dubious distinction of winning the Legislature's first Benedict Arnold award, Simon knew he had followed his conscience. "I believe then, and now, that we can have . . . a system where very few people abuse public office," he says.

Although colleagues might have viewed him with disdain during those early years, Simon quickly became a mainstay from his district, which he served as state representative and then state senator for 14 years before being elected Illinois' lieutenant governor. Simon considers his years in the Legislature well-spent: "You learn the process, how to give and take and make compromises. That definitely helped me when I went to Washington. If you don't have that background, you're a fish out of water."

By 1972, Simon had spent 18 years in Illinois politics and won every election in which he'd run. His first loss came in his

1972 run for governor against Dan Walker. Despite predictions, he lost to Walker by a narrow margin. Simon says his wife Jeanne felt the blow deeper than he did, perhaps in part because Walker's television advertising had been so negative. But Simon looks back at the defeat as a turning point in his career. "As it turned out, losing was a good thing. I doubt I would have been in the U.S. Senate if I'd become governor. And, no disrespect to the office of governor, but I really enjoyed serving in the Senate."

Still, losing the nomination left Simon, who by then had sold his chain of newspapers to devote himself to public service and writing, with an unfamiliar dilemma—what to do next.

job paid about \$30,000 a year. "I've never taken a job solely because of money," Simon explains. "I've had requests to write books I just didn't want to write. What's most important to me, is to use my time in a way that is constructive." After a semester lecturing at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, he spent two years building the Sangamon program.

At this point, Simon wasn't sure if he was done with politics. The interest and commitment were still there, but he wondered what his next step would be. Running for Congress was, at first, more the brainchild of several local leaders than his own.

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Several job offers quickly arrived, including one for \$200,000 a year to work for Encyclopedia Britannica. One of the calls he received was from Southern Illinois University. Simon recalls the offer: "I said, 'You know I don't have a bachelor's degree.' They said, 'That's okay, we have another faculty member without a bachelor's degree. His name is Buckminster Fuller.'"

Finally, however, Simon decided to launch a public affairs reporting program at Sangamon State University (now the University of Illinois at Springfield). The

Simon's decision was made more difficult because moving to the southern Illinois district seemed to be the best option. He knew some would criticize him for relocating solely to run for office. But in the end, bolstered by numerous supporters in the region, the Simon family decided to move to Carbondale. In 1974, Paul Simon was elected to represent Illinois' southernmost congressional district.

Simon quickly became attached to his new home district. "I think there is something very special about this region,"

he observes. "It is a region with marvelous people, but inadequate opportunities."

After 10 years in the House, Simon decided to run for the Senate. He explains his motivation: "I had seen Chuck Percy [then senior senator from Illinois], whom I liked, take some stands I didn't feel comfortable with. He was talking about being 100 percent for the Reagan program. I don't want anyone to be 100 percent for the Reagan program, or the Clinton program, or any program. I want them [elected officials] to be independent."

In a hard-fought race that garnered considerable national attention, Simon beat Percy—a win made even more notable because of President Reagan's own landslide victory that year. "If I'd realized President Reagan's lead was so great, I probably wouldn't have run," admits Simon.

Although he missed the close constituent contact he had as a congressman, Simon says the move to the Senate was energizing. He explains that as one of 100 senators it's much easier "to get things done." And getting things done always came first for Simon who loved Washington, but never enjoyed the seemingly endless list of fund raising, social and party obligations.

Throughout his 22 years in the Congress and Senate, Simon focused on issues with the same passion that so many years before had driven him to fight local and statehouse corruption. "You have to

believe that you can change things, otherwise what's the purpose of serving in the legislature, what's the purpose of teaching?" he asks. "You have to believe in human potential and that we can, in marginal ways, make a difference. And

record, I needed them to sign an authorization form. I found people often asked if it was okay if their husband or wife signed for them. That's when I would realize they didn't know how to write their name. Every once and a while I would

watch someone carefully draw his name and you could tell it was the only thing he could write. So, I started asking people whether they could read or write. When there was that awkward moment of silence, I knew what the answer was. Often these were people who I was sure hid their secret.

"I also learned about a woman in a housing project in Chicago who had accidentally given poison to her daughter because she couldn't read the medicine bottle, about people who couldn't accept promotions because they would have to fill out a form and they couldn't, about others who were afraid to leave their neighborhoods because they

couldn't read the signs."

Simon sponsored the National Literacy Act, legislation that funded the VISTA literacy corps as well as money for libraries because, as he explains, people who can't read or write frequently won't walk into a school, but will go to their local libraries.

His experience with literacy issues gave Simon one more reason to be concerned about the recent welfare reform legislation that passed without his vote: "I think there's the assumption that everyone on welfare can get a job. What

The path upward in politics is a slippery, stumbling one for both the office holder and the public . . . But unless there are those willing to tread the slippery path, willing to stumble, willing to expose themselves, warts and all, willing to give the nation something good and noble toward which to strive, we will follow the downward path—not purposely, but just as certainly as if it were."

The Glass House, 1984
Paul Simon

the marginal things are ultimately the big things."

One problem, long considered marginal by politicians, was literacy. Simon recounts what inspired his own dedication to this issue.

"My commitment is largely a product of my experience as the congressman from southern Illinois. I used to have open office hours in various communities and people would line up to talk to me about their problems and how I could help them. If they came to me with a problem that required me to look at their federal

if you can't read or write? Where are you going to get a job if you can't read or write?"

Standing up for people who have no voice or opportunities within the system has strongly guided Simon as he's chosen the issues for which he has fought. Another such example is immigration reform. Long before it became the hot topic it is today, Simon worked on immigration reform that stands against an ever present tide of distrust. "There was a time," Simon remembers, "when the immigration subcommittee consisted of three senators: Alan Simpson, Ted Kennedy and me. We could meet and get a lot accomplished over lunch."

More recently, of course, immigration has assumed prominent status in national politics. Unfortunately, Simon believes, this increased attention has become part of the problem. "I believe immigration is an asset to our nation," he asserts. "But the current tone of the discussions about immigration is [disturbing]. It's very easy to pander to anti-foreign, anti-Asian, anti-Hispanic sentiments in the electorate, but that doesn't make it good policy and that doesn't make it right."

Well aware his opinions might cost him votes in Illinois, particularly in metropolitan Chicago, Simon remained steadfast in his belief in the need for progressive reform and compromise in immigration and other controversial issues. He jokes that no one has ever



accused him of only sponsoring legislation that would make him popular at home. "One time I had a longtime financial supporter call me and say, 'Paul, I've never asked you for anything, but I really would like you to sponsor this bill.' I had to tell him I thought it was bad legislation and I couldn't vote for it. He wasn't at all happy." When asked how the supporter reacted, Simon replies, "I think he had a few choice words for me before he hung up."

Simon's persistence through the years has also, at times, made him less than popular with his own political party. His campaign to curb television violence certainly ran contrary to many Democrats' point of view. As with other issues, however, Simon believes addressing the issue of television violence means standing up for a group who have no voice in the legislative process: children.

His attention was drawn to the problem during a campaign visit: "I checked into a motel in

LaSalle County, Ill., turned on my television set and all of a sudden I saw someone being sawed in half by a chain saw. I'm old enough to know it's not real. But it bothered me that night. I said to myself, 'What happens to a 10-year-old who watches this?'

"All kinds of research shows the same thing. [Violence on television] does real harm—that is the violence that glorifies violence. I called a meeting of people from the industry in my office and I said, 'I'm opposed to government censorship. I want you to come up with voluntary answers.'" When a vice president from one of the major networks said he had research that showed television violence did no harm, Simon retorted, "You remind me of the tobacco institute people who come in here and tell me cigarettes don't do any harm. There's no question about the harm. The question is whether you're going to do anything about it."



Paul Simon visits South Vietnam in 1967. Above, Simon talks with his non-fiction writing class at SIU.

Simon thinks significant progress has been made on network television, although improvement has been so gradual people are not keenly aware of it. But he remains concerned about what is happening on cable networks. He cites research that reveals 73 percent of entertainment television violence shows no adverse consequences for the perpetrators. "So, the lesson for kids is obvious—violence pays," he concludes.

Another unpopular issue with the majority of his fellow Democrats is the balanced budget amendment, supported and co-sponsored by Simon. Simon believes the media and politicians alike have done a disservice to the public by focusing on mind-numbing statistics instead of properly educating them about how the budget deficit has affected American families.

"Let's just take one number," suggests Simon. "The Concord Coalition, which

is a bipartisan group that has solid people in it like Paul Voelker, the former chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, says the average family income today is \$15,500 less than it would be if we had not had the deficits of the last 20 years. Well, there aren't very many families who wouldn't be happy to have that additional \$15,500 a year."

Simon bases his own support of this amendment on the premise that the budget deficit has hurt people who are less fortunate. Rather than fiscally tie legislators' hands, Simon maintains the amendment would protect social programs from what he calls the "growing cancer of interest spending." He believes balanced budget amendment supporters stand on the shoulders of Thomas Jefferson. Upon returning from Paris after the Constitution had been written, Jefferson said if he could add one amendment it would prohibit the federal government from

borrowing. Jefferson's concern was, as Simon's is today, what the legacy of such a debt will be.

Simon fought tenaciously for passage of the amendment as a sitting senator, and again this winter after his retirement. Losing the battle by one vote both times is one of Simon's greatest disappointments. "I really felt it could have made a difference," he explains. "And we missed it by a hair."

Over the years Simon became known and respected in Illinois and Washington for his principled approach to legislation. Hoping to translate that reputation into national approbation, he made a run for the 1988 democratic presidential nomination. And for a while, as Simon remembers: "The race went very, very well. Then Gary Hart came back into the race, and for reasons I don't completely understand, he clearly took votes away from me. I ended up running a good race

Armed with quotes and anecdotes, the professor spent the first class introducing students in the non-fiction seminar to his expectations, firmly holding their interest—not to mention the interest of the 20 or so media and university administrator types lining the back wall. Observers outweighed students that first day. But former Senator, now Professor Simon was nonplussed. Conducting the class as if he'd been teaching for years, he emphasized to visiting reporters that on this day, "My priority is the students."

For the students, that first day was more disconcerting. One student confided he felt the media presence was a bit of a "turn off"; a female student complained it had made her feel self-conscious. Although they knew their prominent professor merited attention, the students hadn't anticipated the throng that greeted them that first class.

And so a few days later, as the students entered the classroom, they were immediately relieved the media were nowhere to be seen. Relaxing, at least a little, they sat around the long seminar table, glad to be like any other class waiting for their professor to arrive.

Exactly on time, a can of Pepsi and a stack of books in tow, Simon entered the room, removed the podium from the table, sat down and began the class.

New Professor on the Block

"There are stories all around us," Simon would often tell students in the months to come, and then offer them ideas he'd found in everywhere from the local paper to *The New York Times*. "To be a writer doesn't mean you have to be brilliant, you have to be dogged."

Professors often use examples from their lives and careers to illustrate points. But the characters and locations of Simon's stories were often stories in themselves.

To make a point about the importance of dealing with sensitive subjects, Simon recounted this experience.

"I only knew Martin Luther King slightly. But I was glad to go when he invited me to come to Atlanta on the second anniversary of the bus boycott. We met in St. Louis and flew to Atlanta

together. At the Atlanta airport we went to use the restroom and there was a sign above it that said 'Whites Only.' King told me to go ahead and went to find a restroom he could use. I felt dirty just walking into that room."

As easily as Simon referred to historical figures such as Dr. King, he was as likely to tell students about former constituents who had influenced him—someone like Gloria Wattles, a native of Lewisville, Ill. Wattles' "whole world changed," Simon explained, when she learned how to read through the VISTA Literacy Corps.

A prolific writer himself, Simon spoke to students as a fellow writer, sharing, for instance, how he works through writer blocks (taking a shower instead of staring at the blank page is one technique), and how he tries to

in Iowa and lost by a narrow margin.” He speculates that winning the Iowa primary would have led to his eventual nomination as the presidential candidate. Instead, a year after he’d announced his run for the presidency, he was pulling out of the race.

Simon confesses that the realities he encountered as a presidential candidate, particularly a media more concerned with sound bytes than solid proposals, left him somewhat demoralized. But soon, as he had after losing the nomination for governor, he discovered the silver lining. “[My experience] helped me in strange ways I didn’t think it would. If Tom Daschle from South Dakota had a problem with the Indian reservations, now I have been to those reservations. I got to know the expanse of problems across the nation, problems of the Port of New Orleans, problems of unemployment in Maine. I received an invaluable

education in what this country is all about.”

Simon also used his presidential campaign as material for his twelfth book, *Winners and Losers*. Although Simon had left his career as a journalist behind over 20 years before, he had never stopped writing. From the definitive text on Abraham Lincoln’s years in the Illinois Legislature to his exploration of the politics and morality of the nation’s Capitol in the book *The Glass House*, Simon has advanced discussion of some of this century’s most pressing issues, not just on the Senate floor, but by banging the keys of his old manual typewriter. His 16 books have covered topics as diverse as his own interests. “One of the problems I’ve always had,” Simon admits, “is that I have so many interests.”

Although still driven by the passion of his convictions, by the middle of his second Senate term, Simon was definitely

beginning to lose interest in one aspect of his job: fund raising. He had never enjoyed asking for donations, and the price tag for a 1996 Senate re-election campaign was looking like \$10 million. “When I first came to Washington, I was eager to go to all the events. The last few years I would almost drag myself to them,” he says.

Taking a weekend to get away from Washington, Paul and Jeanne Simon sat in a hotel room in New Orleans, took out a yellow legal pad and began to list the pros and cons of running for another Senate term. The cons soon tipped the scales.

Soon after Simon announced his decision, he was interviewed on National Public Radio. “I want to leave the Senate while I’m still eager, while I’m still enthusiastic, while I’m still working hard,” he explained.



Simon discusses today’s news, wrought with potential story ideas for students in his writing class.

reserve time to write at least an hour every day. If students came to class looking for esoteric observations on writing, they quickly discovered Simon’s thoughts on the subject were far more down-to-earth.

“You are going to launch your own canoes,” he informed them the first day. “Becoming a successful writer is no different than becoming a good bowler. How do you become a good bowler? You bowl.”

After reading brief biographies the students had written, Simon commented on the personal stories they had shared

with him. Taking the risk to share those stories with others, he told them, is where writing can make the difference. “Good writers bare their soul. Authors who are passionate are more likely to be successful.”

Encouraging students to let other writers know they’ve read and enjoyed their work, he explained: “I’ve learned the really great people are gracious to others. You never have too many friends in this life . . . The little things you do make all the difference.”

His political opinions occasionally seeped into class. But more frequently it

was Simon’s personal philosophy that came through. Discussing an assignment that required students to write letters to the editor, Simon warned them against sounding jaded. “Cynics aren’t going to build a better world,” he concluded.

And sometimes he interjected the philosophy of people he’s come to admire such as the Reverend Jesse Jackson, who he quoted one day in class: “Both tears and sweat are salty, but they render a

different result. Tears can get you sympathy; sweat can get you change.”

Jackson’s quote embodied Simon’s message to students: Channel the power of your words. Write not to reflect, but to change the world. Telling the truth reveals the truth.

But, first, remember to use the dictionary, the active voice and to double-space your assignment.

But for Simon, deciding to leave the Senate never meant retiring.

“I felt I would probably teach or head a foundation,” he recalls. “I received a number of offers from a variety of fields, including lobbying which paid well but held no appeal for me.”

More to his liking, however, were proposals he received from universities and colleges across the country, 30 to 35 in all. A handful of institutions also asked Simon to serve as their president. The offers were tempting. Although he prefers not to “name names,” he says several institutions had already secured funding: at one university a base endowment of \$25 million waited for Simon to use in launching an institute. Once again,



“I think there is something very special about this region. It is a region with marvelous people, but inadequate opportunities.”

however, money was not the issue for the Simons.

Helping the Simons narrow their decision was a desire to return to Illinois. Here alone they had a half dozen offers, including several in Jeanne’s hometown of Chicago. Ultimately, however, following their instincts and convictions, the Simons chose Southern Illinois University. It was the lowest salary Simon was offered and even then he surprised Ted Sanders with his acceptance: “When I

called Ted Sanders to tell him about my decision, I said, ‘I’ll come to SIU, but you’ll have to change the salary.’ I paused just a second and then said, ‘I’ll come for \$120,000 rather than \$140,000.’ I’m not sure if he thought I was serious. But I had looked at the other salaries on campus and I just thought it was important that I earn a salary lower than the chancellor’s.”

The Simons liked the idea of returning to their rural Makanda home. Their daughter, her husband and two grandchildren live in Carbondale as well as many longtime friends. But accepting the job at SIU was clearly more driven by that familiar Simon desire to get a job done.

Sitting in his modest office in the forestry building, Simon explains his decision. “If I were to go to one of the famous schools we talked about, I don’t know if I would be contributing as much to the students as I can here. Here we have more first generation students, more students who have gone through financial and other tough struggles they’ve had to

overcome to be here . . . I hope I can give people an opportunity who otherwise wouldn’t have it. That’s what I think life is really about.

“Teaching is a way of reaching into the future. In my writing class, I have some students who I believe have the potential to do very well . . . I hope I can give some of the students opportunities [that might make a difference to their future]. I’ll give them opportunities, encourage them, but ultimately they’ll have to grab the moment themselves.”

Watching them grab those moments is something Simon looks forward to doing. In addition to touching the lives of students in the classroom, he hopes to continue making a difference in the lives of millions of Americans through the work of the public policy institute to be named after him. After only a few months, he already recognizes the challenge will be to limit the institute’s scope. “I think there are a lot of issues where the institute can make a differ-

ence," he observes. "But we will need to choose those issues carefully."

Simon hopes the institute's first contribution will positively impact the future of Social Security. Before he left the Senate, majority leader Trent Lott asked Simon if the institute would consider working on this most important, but unfortunately partisan, of issues. Simon explains that in the current political climate no one wants to be branded for making difficult and possibly unpopular recommendations about Social Security.

In May he implemented the bipartisan model he intends the institute to use and refine in the future. Four former senators, two Republicans, Alan Simpson from Wyoming and Jack Danforth from Missouri, and two Democrats, David Pryor from Arkansas and Simon, met with the chief actuary from the Social Security Administration to discuss

Social Security. Certain there would be disagreement, Simon was equally sure the four former politicians were committed to reaching consensus on a report the institute plans to submit to President Clinton and the U.S. Congress.

Simon says tentative plans are in the works for conferences on such topics as television violence, the environment and the current Korean conflict. He has also been contacted by world leaders, such as former President Jimmy Carter, who would like the institute to work on issues affecting several African countries.

Working with Simon on choosing the institute's platform will be its newly appointed associate director. Mike

Lawrence, Illinois Governor Jim Edgar's longtime press secretary, adds an important bipartisan presence to the institute. Simon personally intends to limit his partisan activities as he devotes himself to the contribution he can make as a professor and through the institute.

"This university has played a great role, thanks in large part to Delyte

throughout his life and in the type of leadership he believes people want. "Good leaders don't pander, they tell people the truth," he says. "Ultimately, I'm convinced that's what people like."

As optimistic as he remains, Simon doesn't fool himself about the changes which need to occur within his own party and the political system. "I don't say the

Democratic Party has lost its soul," he begins. "But we do need to come back to what we stand for, and the nation has to as well... We have to recognize that evil and good are part of all of us. And we need to have leadership that appeals to the best in us. Leadership can appeal to our fears, our hatred, our prejudices. But true leadership ought to appeal to the noble in us."

In the preface to his book about Elijah Lovejoy, a 19th century African-American abolitionist/journalist who was killed while defending the freedom of the press, Simon wrote: "His was a life of

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Morris, in this region. The real key for southern Illinois and the country is leadership—and I hope that through what I do I can in a small way help foster that leadership."

During his career as a journalist and politician, Simon has seen it all. And, like so many others who have spent their life in public service, he could hardly be blamed for a lapse or two into cynicism. But waiting for Simon to utter a cynical word would be futile. To borrow an epitaph used by a former colleague from across the aisle, Simon remains the most optimistic man in America.

His optimism flows from a deeply held trust in the people he has represented

days filled with service, not of years filled with emptiness; a life of heart, not hate; a life of faith, not fear. I could wish no finer destiny for anyone."

Simon has certainly fulfilled such a destiny. A man of principles and compassion who never backed down to special interests or political pressures, Simon endures as a leader who appeals to the noble in everyone he meets along the way.

Or, in terms Paul Simon is sure to prefer: He still gets the job done. ■

THE GREAT OUTDOORS



Nature Becomes Students' Lab

by Maureen Manier

Studying ecology outdoors doesn't sound like a particularly radical idea. You might even consider it an educational given. But for students across the country, going outside for an ecology lab has usually meant little more than going on a nature hike.

"Occasionally, we would take students out, walk along trails, show them things, maybe do some sampling," explains David Gibson, an associate professor of plant biology. "But that's just not doing things the way we do science."

Motivated to change how ecology labs were traditionally conducted, Gibson sought funding from the National Science Foundation to support two field sites that could be incorporated into environmental education throughout the university. The project, "Long Term Field Studies in Undergraduate Education: A Snapshot in Time," received \$240,000 from NSF as well as additional university

support and its commitment to maintain the fields at the end of NSF's three-year funding.

In the proposal, Gibson and the project co-director, Beth Middleton, an associate professor of plant biology, identified two locations—at the Touch of Nature Environmental Education Center and just west of campus. Both sites have been cultivated and set up to look at the effects of nine different fertilizer and mowing treatments. The fields have already been used by classes in plant biology and ecology and eventually will be used by classes in agriculture, zoology and education as well. Data collected by all these classes will be used to paint a picture of how plant communities change over time—a phenomenon scientists call succession.

"Ecologists are most often asked to predict the future for a particular piece of land. We usually end up just talking about it in lectures. Now, students can add the data they collect to a database that will grow year after year," says Middleton.

All of which is a way to explain how on this cool but sunny spring morning Gibson and Middleton have found themselves in the middle of a former pasture talking to students about succession. Using a blackboard propped against a post, Gibson looks totally at ease. But he explains teaching labs in this new way presents problems for some. "It's slightly uncomfortable, that's for sure," Gibson observes. "You don't really know what's going to happen."

But Gibson quickly extols the spontaneity that can knock some professors off

balance: "I also think it's more interesting because I don't know what's going to happen. It's a lot more satisfying to have students come up with ideas. It keeps us on our toes. If you go out with a more cookbook type of approach, you know what's going to happen. It's a safe bet. But there's no safe bet when students are conducting experiments like they did yesterday."

Yesterday, back in the middle of the former pasture, Jennifer Neely, a senior plant biology major, was introducing students to materials they could use to design their own experiments. With Gibson's guidance, Neely and fellow student John Rivera had developed the lesson plan for this laboratory. Each student team was given two six-day-old brassica rap plants. To learn about succession, their charge was first to form a hypothesis and then to design an experiment that would test something about how this fast-growing plant would fare.

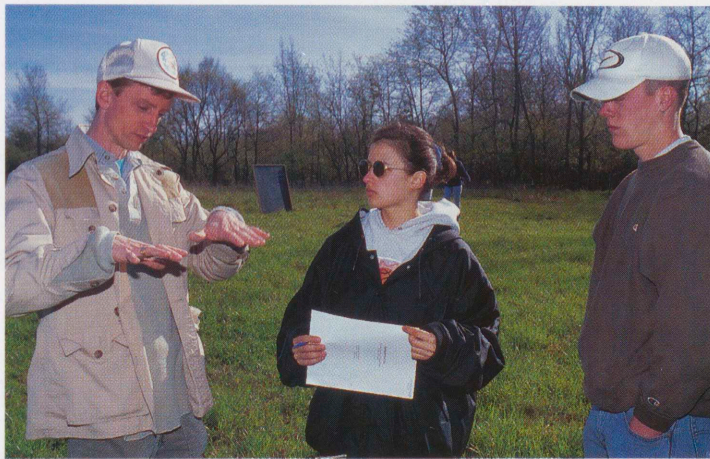
For an awkward moment or two, the group of students shifted around, seeming to wait for more direction. But the beauty of this experiment, says Gibson, is that the responsibility and creativity rests with the students. Slowly, the teams lined up to receive their plants. Soon they were off: asking questions,

picking up materials, crouching on the ground, scouting out spots for their plants.

One team member holds a plant as her partner carefully pulls off its leaves. "Our experiment," the student holding the plant responds, "is about regeneration.

If we remove all the leaves and don't give the plants any fertilizer, how will that affect the plant's regeneration?"

One team places their plants in wire cylinders to protect them from potential herbivores.



Professor David Gibson, shown above, gives feedback to a student team and, on the opposite page, encourages students to identify factors affecting succession in this former pasture.

Kneeling beneath a tree, another team searches for just the right shady spot to determine if and how being deprived of sunlight might affect the plant.

"When Professor Gibson was explaining this experiment in class I was a little confused," comments one student. "But once we were here and he repeated some of the same things I got it."

Neely watches the students nervously. She and Rivera spent many months working on this lesson plan, but now all she can do is watch. She seems glad to be distracted from what the students are doing to answer a question. "I think having these field sites for student labs is a great idea because lots of times in science you do hands-on work, but not very often of your

own design," says Neely. "This is also a good way to learn about the scientific method. Undergraduates don't always think scientific method. They think it's some hokey thing that no scientist uses. But they do use it—every day."

Gibson says a recent NSF site visit, though intense, was good because it challenged the scientists to truly incorporate the inquiry method into the labs. The inquiry method, well-exemplified by Neely's experiment, provides students the

framework in which they can develop hypotheses, design experiments and draw conclusions with professors acting more as guides than instructors.

"Our original goal was to change the way we teach ecology labs," says Gibson. "But I think our goal has broadened to where we're not only changing the way we teach labs, but also the way we're teaching graduate assistants and the way we're assessing our success."

Although the fate of their experiments might be in doubt, on this day, it's evident the process of designing and implementing their experiments has been successful. It seems the lab has barely begun before it's time for students to return to campus. As they walk to the vans, one student comments, "I wish we'd had more time." After years of science students groaning about labs, perhaps that comment says it all. ■

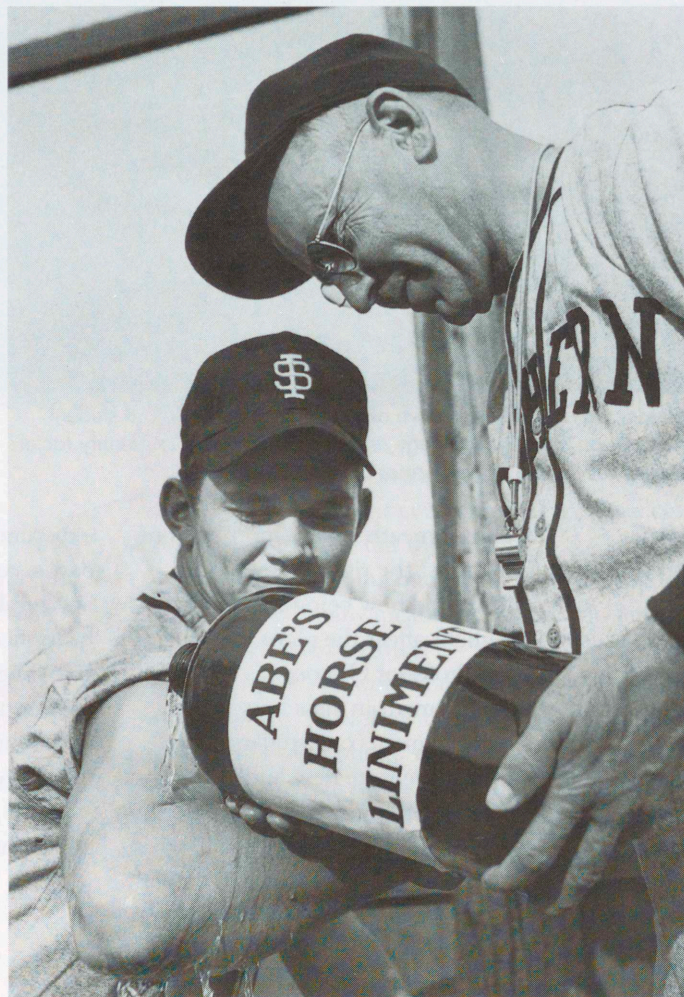


Legendary Coach Dies at 91

Glenn “Abe” Martin, who was SIU’s head baseball coach from 1947-1965, died at his Springfield home in March. The Fairfield native was credited with reviving Southern’s program in 1947 after a 23-year lapse dating back to 1924.

A 1932 graduate of SIU, Martin lettered in football and track. He captained Southern’s only undefeated football team in 1930. Following graduation, Martin signed a professional football contract with the Chicago Cardinals. He left the team in 1933 to coach at Fairfield High School.

Martin returned to Carbondale in 1938 to replace William McAndrew as head football coach. In 1943, he served in a dual role as basketball coach and athletic director. The athletic program thrived under Martin’s



leadership. The basketball team won the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Championship in 1946, with a perfect 32-0 record. In 1947, Martin’s football squad advanced to the

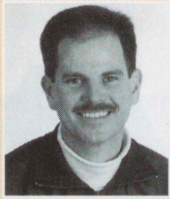
Corn Bowl, where it defeated North Central College of Naperville 21-0.

Harry Martin, Glenn’s youngest brother, said his brother was a fierce competitor.

“He was well-liked, I suppose I could say that,” he said. “He never told you much, he was pretty straight across the board. He always played to win. We both did, really, and he was always saying that second place is the first loser.”

Martin laid the foundation for what became one of the nation’s premier baseball programs. He coached Southern to its first 20-win season in 1959 (26-8) and to two NAIA tournaments. The Salukis also won 20 games in 1959 (26-8), 1961 (26-10-2), and 1964 (23-7). Martin compiled a 278-156-2 mark in his 19 years as head baseball coach.

In April of 1972, the SIU Board of Trustees passed a resolution naming the SIU baseball field Glenn “Abe” Martin Field, to honor Martin’s legacy to SIU. ■



New Director Shares Experiences

by Gene Green, Women's Sports Information Director

When I was approached to write a column regarding my recent promotion to Women's Sports Information Director (SID), I thought about how much there is to continually learn in this profession, and how changes like this have made me better at my job.

My duties changed six months ago when I was promoted from assistant men's SID to the director's position of women's sports. The move was made following the untimely death of longtime SID Mitch Parkinson, for whom his job was a labor of love for almost 20 years.

When the opportunity to become women's SID was offered to me, friends and colleagues asked me how I thought I would enjoy the move. Even more wondered if the transition would work at all.

After graduating from SIU in 1975, I worked for ten years as sports information director at the University of Missouri-Rolla. During that time, I worked with both men and women's sports, editing publications and keeping statistics on women's basketball games, softball games, cross country meets, etc. In many ways, therefore, what I was about to do at SIU was anything but new to me.

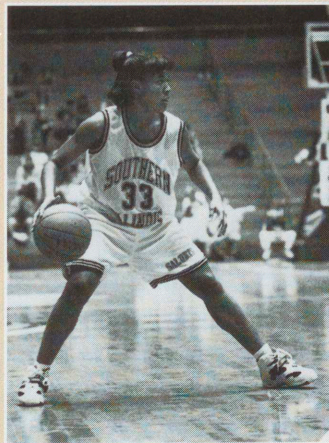
Because of the timing of the promotion, I had to dive head first into women's basketball, and become acquainted with all the coaches and players as

quickly as possible. I also learned I would have the opportunity to be part of the radio broadcast team on road games.

I certainly hope I earned the treatment I received from that group. Head coach Cindy Scott, assistants Julie Beck, Lea Robinson and Kristi Kinne, and the players, accepted me unconditionally and made my first season with them truly enjoyable.

I was also privileged to be a very small part of Kasia McClendon's senior season, and that was something I will never forget.

If you never saw Kasia McClendon play, you failed to see one of the most dedicated



Kasia McClendon

performers to ever wear a Saluki uniform. The respect she earned from teammates, coaches, and opponents was unlike anything I've ever seen at the collegiate level. Her quiet, unassuming manner off the court made the total package one to admire.

The cross country/track seasons also produced another proud "SID moment" as Kim Koerner earned GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America honors. Her roommate, and fellow track athlete Heather Greeling, was first-team All-America last season.

Golf has had an interesting season to watch evolve. Carbondale native Molly Hudgins has led the Missouri Valley Conference in average strokes-per-round, while boasting a 3.55 grade point average in finance. She was also recently honored as the recipient of the 1997 Virginia Gordon Award.

Even though I have retained SID duties with my first-love baseball, I have seen a few Saluki softball games. The record the team attained behind the phenomenal success of Herrin native Jamie Schutteck's pitching was tremendous. Schutteck, this year's SIU Female Athlete of the Year, has been almost an automatic win for the surging Salukis.

Having worked with men and women's swimming/diving in previous seasons, that activity remains one of my favorites. I have always been impressed with the coaches and athletes in this demanding sport. Tennis and volleyball are two sports I hope to get more involved in as I continue to evolve in this position.

I am fortunate to have talented co-workers who have helped things work well. Bryan

McGowan, who was an assistant with Mitch, remains as my partner. His hard work on the women's basketball media guide made it possible for me to hit the ground running last winter. He has proven to be a dedicated person who goes the extra mile for Saluki athletics.

Bryan and I have tried to get the women's in-season sports updated daily on the university's web pages, and we know this will continue to grow and be more impressive in 1997-98. We have barely scratched the surface of what this can provide to friends and alumni, but it is an exciting service to be able to offer. I hope you will check out this site at www.siu.edu/~athletics.

I also still lean on my former boss Fred Huff. Rarely a day goes by when I don't ask his advice or counsel on something going on in the department. His wealth of knowledge and experience is something I tapped for six years as his assistant. I still respect and rely on his judgement.

Has the last six months been different than the previous six years at SIU?

I suppose it has to some degree, but more than anything else it has shown me this athletic department has more to offer than I even knew.

I look forward to helping to spread that word in the years to come. ■

NEW COACH TACKLES CHALLENGE

by Greg Scott

As an assistant football coach at Southern in the late 1970s and early 1980s, Jan Quarless contributed to one of the proudest moments in Saluki sports history. Although he left Carbondale after the 1982 season, Quarless worked with head coach Rey Dempsey to build the foundation for SIU's national championship season in 1983.

Quarless said working with Dempsey was one of the most gratifying experiences in his 21-year coaching career. His seven-year tenure was the longest of any assistant to serve under the Hall of Fame coach.

"Anytime you work for someone like that, it has special meaning," Quarless says. "Our work ethic was such that we could achieve success. I don't think I've learned more about football in any other experience."

Despite his close relationship with Dempsey, however, don't expect Quarless to elaborate too much on Southern's national championship. While it stands as a prestigious accomplishment, Quarless says the 1983 season was a detriment to the football program in subsequent years. The numbers appear to support Quarless' statement.

In the 13 years following its title run, the Saluki football program has enjoyed only two winning seasons, the last in 1991. During that span, Southern has posted a 49-95 mark.

"Everybody tried to get back to that championship without focusing on immediate goals," he says. "It was a tremendous time, but I think it has been a bit of an albatross."

Four coaches have directed the Saluki program in the 13 years following Dempsey's departure. Out of this group, which includes Shawn Watson, Bob Smith, Rick Rhoades and Ray Dorr, only Smith coached a full recruiting class from start to finish.

"With all of that transition, you can't build a quality program," Quarless says. "Unfortunately, that is what has taken place for a fine school. I believe that other coaches came in thinking it was going to be completed in less time."

Consequently, since returning to Carbondale, it seems all Quarless hears about is those other coaches. With Southern's recent turnover of head coaches, observers wonder if Quarless

is next in what they perceive as a revolving door.

"People continuously ask me that day and night," Quarless says. "I think there is an attitude that football hasn't been successful, it can't win here, and consequently, people don't expect the coach to stay. There is a hidden message there."

But this Saluki coach has made his message loud and clear. He has made a commitment to stay in Carbondale for the long haul, much like his mentor. Quarless, who also applied for the job back in 1994, is fond of the university and says that commitment is a two-way street.

"There are things I will not be able to control here. I just hope to receive the support that will allow me to have authority over the things I can control," he says. "I don't want to worry about why those other guys didn't try to overcome obstacles. All I want to think about is success . . . given time."

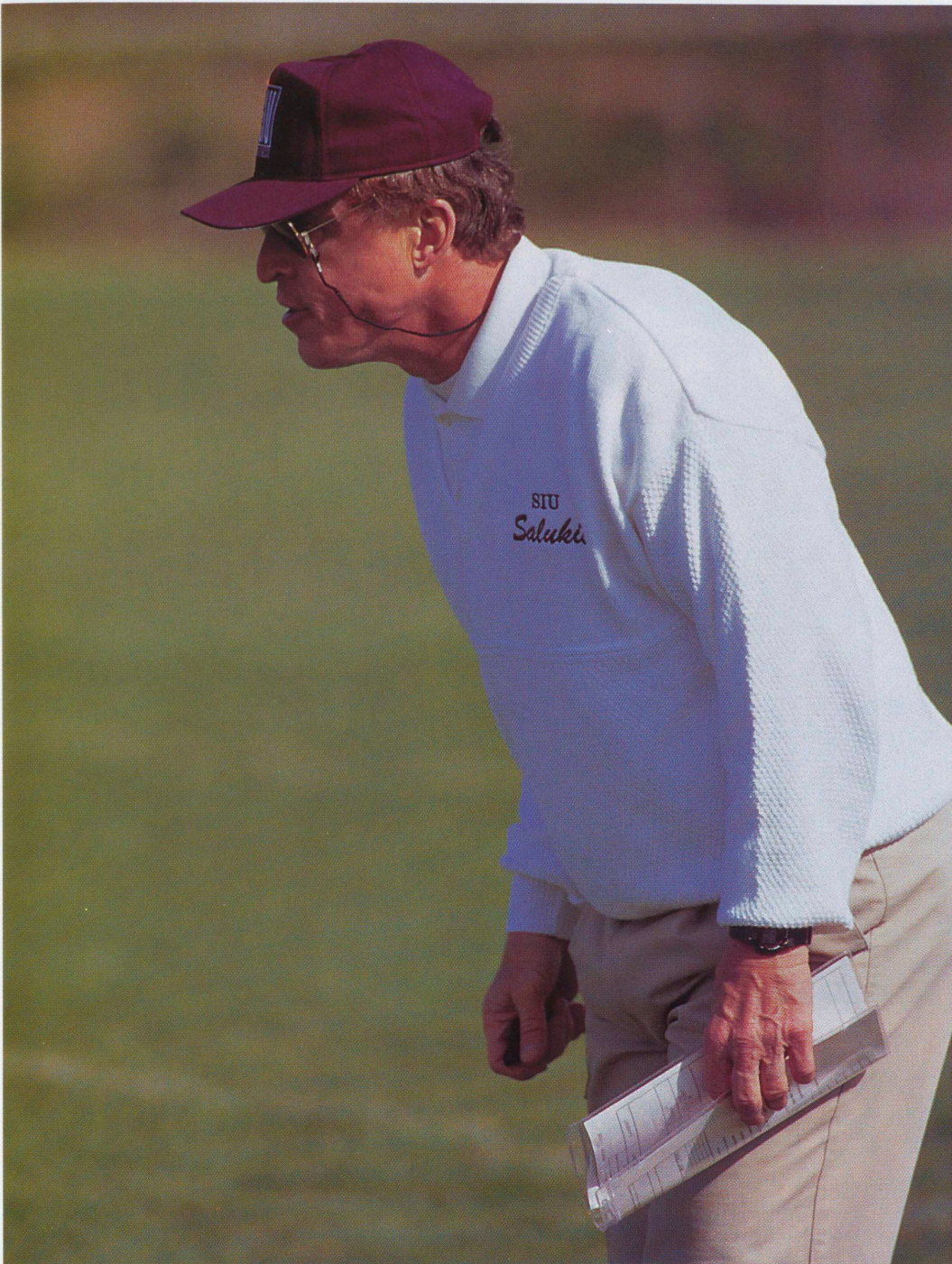
Quarless feels his own time

has come after spending most of his career as an assistant coach. After leaving Southern, Quarless joined Bowling Green State's coaching staff as an offensive and defensive line coach, appearing in a bowl game. His most recent experience was a four-year stay at Wake Forest from 1993-1996. In between, Quarless served brief stints at Kansas, Northwestern, New Mexico and Eastern Michigan.

Now, the 45-year-old Quarless is ready to do things his way. But based on recent history, Saluki fans still wonder how long Coach Quarless will roam the sidelines.

"I have moved around a bit, but I think we all look forward to settling down," Quarless says. "I'm going to be true to myself on this one. At my age, I have to establish my own credibility as a head football coach."

There are other reasons to believe Quarless. He takes pride in being a man of his word. In speaking of his commitment to the program, perhaps Quarless says it best: "I would suspect



that they are going to have to drive me out of town or shoot me—one of the two.”

Quarless believes the excitement of being a head coach goes beyond devising game plans and scouting opponents. He looks forward

to representing the university in the community and throughout the country. He realizes a lot of his work begins on campus.

Dwindling fan and alumni support and the lack of interaction between the faculty

and athletic department are concerns for Quarless. He plans to actively improve both of these situations and interact with more people.

“I like talking to professors about things other than football because that helps me

grow as a person,” he says. “Being hired as a head coach gives me the opportunity to spend time talking to Dr. (Don) Beggs or Jim Hart or, hopefully, a state representative about SIU. You begin to see so many things from different vantage points. That in itself is exciting to me.”

He has high expectations for himself, and Quarless views his players the same way. A stern disciplinarian, he encourages players to “do it the right way.” During the Quarless regime, attending class on time, displaying character in the community and giving a 100% effort on the field will be equally important.

Quarless says intercollegiate athletics is a privilege for players and coaches. “I disagree with people who tend to say that football players and coaches aren’t role models,” he said. “We assume that role once we get involved in athletics.”

Although optimistic, Quarless says the Salukis may struggle due to the recent change of coaches.

“When I speak of recruiting, I’m more concerned about 1998 and 1999,” Quarless said. “We’re thin right now and we will be further behind the eight ball in those seasons. We will just have to understand that.”

And, given time, maybe Quarless can even bring back some of the glory days. ■



Life on the Diamond

by Greg Scott

When the United States captured the gold medal for softball in its first year as an Olympic sport, the country shared the team's pride. But perhaps no one appreciated the

magnitude of their accomplishment more than Kay Brechtelsbauer.

That golden Olympic moment harkened a new era in women's softball. Times have certainly changed since

Brechtelsbauer took over as Southern's softball coach in 1968. The Hall of Fame coach is thankful she no longer has to measure and attach bases for practice and her players don't have to umpire games.

After completing her master's degree at Southern in 1966, Brechtelsbauer was hired as a physical education teacher. She credits Dorothy Davies, then chair of the physical education department, and Charlotte West, current associate athletic director, for their early influence.

Brechtelsbauer, who had never thought about being a coach, was asked to coach softball in addition to her teaching responsibilities. Only after 10 years did Brechtelsbauer become a full-time coach. When she began working on her Ph.D. in 1978, she split her time between teaching, coaching and attending class.

"At that time, if you were in physical education and were asked to coach, it was part of your responsibility," she says. "There weren't any full-time coaching jobs.

"My first budget was \$660," Brechtelsbauer says. "We couldn't go very far because we would have to wait until the next season to come back."

Brechtelsbauer held spring practice for a maximum of two weeks in preparation for a season of five or six games in a state tournament. With no scholarships, Brechtelsbauer fielded a team solely from student tryouts.

Although resources were limited, Brechtelsbauer says it was a time when the game was more pure.

"You were working with a little different person than you might be today. The athletes were motivated by the love of the sport and just wanted to play," Brechtelsbauer says. "Today, there is a scholarship issue that encourages people to go into sports. I wish more of our student athletes today

would play purely for the love of the sport. Some do, but others are motivated by other things."

During the 1970s, more games were added to the regular season schedule and the Women's College World Series in Omaha, Neb., added post-season incentive for athletes. Brechtelsbauer's teams soon began to garner national recognition. The Salukis advanced to the College World Series four times. The 1978 team won the Illinois State and Midwest Regional titles before placing seventh in the World Series.

After some sub-500 seasons to start the 1980s, SIU's softball teams began to take off once again. Since 1985, the Salukis have enjoyed 11 consecutive seasons with a .500 record or better. From 1990-94, SIU averaged nearly 34 wins per year.

The 1991 season was arguably the best ever at Southern. The Salukis posted a sparkling 42-7 record, won 23 consecutive games and the Gateway Conference championship with an undefeated 14-0 mark. Brechtelsbauer received Coach of the Year honors from the conference.

"Most of that team came together as freshmen and just grew with the program," Brechtelsbauer says. "By the time they were seniors, that group was really easy to coach. All the hard work we had done in previous years paid off. There weren't many tough decisions to be made because they would figure out a way to win."

But the Saluki coach also wants her players to win away from the field. Brechtelsbauer, who earned a doctorate in educational psychology,

expects players to share her commitment to education. She requires all incoming players to attend study hall until they demonstrate their own ability to succeed academically. Her expectations go beyond the athletic department policy.

It pays off. Brechtelsbauer has had seven GTE Academic All-Americans in the past five years. Two of these athletes ranked first amongst all Division I softball players in the country. Her teams have posted as high as a 3.0 grade point average and been ranked nationally.

"It's something I believe in. They know when they are recruited that academics are important," Brechtelsbauer says. "We want them to have a great experience as a student and as an athlete. The whole key is to make sure they graduate, but we can't do it for them. They are young adults now and have to be accountable."

The student athlete of the 1990s presents different challenges. Brechtelsbauer says she has changed her coaching style to adjust.

"When I first came here a coach was a teacher of skills and strategy, but you weren't as involved with their personal problems and distractions," she says. "I've had to become a better listener. There are more pressures on athletes now and that is something we have to deal with as coaches."

Even with the challenges, Brechtelsbauer has as much fire as she did 30 years ago. The coach, who has well over 500 victories in her career, says she is focused on getting the Salukis into the NCAA College World Series. Brechtelsbauer is trying to position SIU to compete with

the nation's elite teams.

The 1997 Saluki softball team didn't quite make it to the College World Series. But it did post an impressive 41-16 record. And Brechtelsbauer was named the Missouri Valley Conference's Coach of the Year.

Although at some point in the future she would consider teaching sport psychology at the university level, Brechtelsbauer still enjoys life on the softball diamond.

"Athletes keep you young," she says. "I miss them when they're gone for Christmas break and I look forward to seeing them come back and peek in the door. Every year brings new excitement."

On the 25th anniversary of the Title IX legislation which is moving collegiate athletics toward gender equity in sports, Brechtelsbauer is excited about the progress her sport has made and about prospects for the future.

"There has been an improvement and more young women and girls are involved in athletics," she says. "But we still have a long way to go—particularly with the number of women coaching in the high school and college ranks being down. Title IX has made a difference, but we need to continue so we don't slip."

As Kay Brechtelsbauer reflects on last summer's Olympic games, she relives her own memories of games past. Over 30 years, Brechtelsbauer has witnessed her sport grow from its humble beginnings to gaining the national spotlight. For Brechtelsbauer, a pioneer who withstood the test of time in her dedication to the sport of softball, that golden moment also belonged to her. ■

Corn Bowl Champions to Return for Homecoming

The return of the 1947 Corn Bowl football champions will be one of the featured attractions in this year's Homecoming activities scheduled during the weekend of October 4.

On a cold Thanksgiving Day some 50 years ago at Fred Carlton Field in Bloomington, Ill., the SIU Maroons defeated North Central 21-0 in the first annual Corn Bowl football game. A crowd of 5,500 braved the weather as the Maroons captured the state college championship.

The Maroons led 7-0 at halftime on a 28-yard touchdown pass from William Malinsky to Joe Hughes. SIU scored twice more in the fourth quarter on a two-yard run by halfback George Sawyer and a five-yard jaunt by Don Riggs. Solid defensive play by John Corn, Bunker Jones, Charley Heinz, Bill Cosgrove and Jim Lovin, along with clever end play of Hughes, Leedio Cabutti, and Robert Colburn held the Cardinals at bay. After outrushing the Maroons 73-52 in the first half, North Central was held to 15 yards rushing in the second half.

The Corn Bowl champs will join other special guests at the Half Century Club reception and dinner on Oct. 3 in the Student Center Ballrooms. They will also attend SIU's pregame Homecoming Tailgate on Oct. 4 in the Alumni Tent east of McAndrew Stadium. The SIU Alumni Association and the university's colleges and schools will co-host the event for the eleventh year.

Festivities under the Alumni Tent will include music, door prizes, snacks, beverages and a complimentary lunch provided by the association and colleges. Over 3,000 people registered under the Alumni Tent a year ago. The SIU-Southwest Missouri State football game will follow at 1:30 p.m.

For more information on Homecoming, call the SIU Alumni Association at (618) 453-2408. ■

The Central Illinois Chapter in Decatur contributed \$1,000 to SIUC athletics on Alumni Appreciation Day at the SIU Arena. Chapter member **Todd Henricks**, right, presents the check to **SIUC Chancellor Don Beggs**.



SIU Alumni Appreciation Day was hosted by the alumni association to provide members with free tickets for the men's and women's basketball games. Over 425 alumni members were on hand to support the Salukis.

James Rossiter is congratulated by SIU Alumni Association **President Wes Wilkins** for winning a drawing for two tickets and hotel accommodations to the Missouri Valley Conference Basketball Tournament in St. Louis, Mo.



Dan Kerley, general manager of First Cellular of Southern Illinois, speaks with Judy Greer, a First Cellular account executive, in their Carbondale store. The SIU Alumni Association is a corporate partner with First Cellular of Southern Illinois.

The SIU Alumni Association Presents

SIU Alumni Day at Wrigley Field

Saturday, July 12, 1997
12:05 p.m.

Pregame gathering at 10 a.m. at the Cubby Bear Lounge hosted by owner and SIU Alumnus George Loukas '73.

Price includes ticket and a pregame beverage at the Cubby Bear.

Alumni Association members: \$19
Non-members: \$21

This event sold out last year. Get your tickets now! All major credit cards are accepted. For more information about membership or SIU Day at Wrigley Field, call Remy Billups at (630) 574-7774.

Association Highlights

Salukis Visit the Cardinals

SIU Alumni Day at Busch Stadium will feature one of the the most heated rivalries in sports as the defending Central Division Champion St. Louis Cardinals battle the Chicago Cubs on Saturday, September 27, in St. Louis at 1:15 p.m.

To receive more information about this event, call Assistant Director Brad Cole at (618) 453-2408.

Alumni Support Former Saluki Star

Washington, D.C., area alumni attended a reception prior to a spring Washington Bullets-Portland Trailblazers matchup. The reception was held at the Centreplex, adjacent to the USAir Arena in Landover, Md. The Washinton team features a player familiar to many Saluki fans. Ashraf Amaya, in his second NBA season, is a reserve forward for the Bullets.

Salukis Gather for Tournament

Over 300 alumni, friends and boosters gathered to support the Saluki men's basketball team in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in St. Louis. The SIU Alumni Association and Saluki Booster Club sponsored a pregame reception at Kiel Center.

It was a rough day on the hardwood for the Dawgs. The team was eliminated in the first round by Indiana State University.

Association Sets Appreciation Day

The SIU Alumni Association will host its third annual Alumni Appreciation Day for football and volleyball on September 13. The association will provide free tickets to the Saluki football game against Murray State to association members and their guests. These tickets will also be honored at the SIU-Bradley volleyball match that evening at Davies Gym.

In addition to receiving free tickets, alumni, students and friends are invited to a complimentary lunch before the SIU-Murray State game held east of McAndrew Stadium.

For more information on membership or how you can receive tickets, call the SIU Alumni Association at (618) 453-2408.

Volunteer Coordinator Joins Admissions

Alumna Jenna Henderson Smith recently joined the admissions department as an admissions counselor and the alumni volunteer coordinator. Smith, who earned her master's degree in speech communication from SIU, came to the university after spending several years working in the news media.

Both Smith's parents, John and Georgeann Henderson, are SIU alumni who instilled a love for the university in their three daughters. "If it wasn't SIU, it wasn't coming into our house," she jokes. Smith shares her parents' love for the university. "If I didn't believe in SIU, I couldn't do this job," she says.

Since her return to SIU in February, Smith has begun working with alumni who have volunteered to support the university's admissions efforts. Presently, over 450 alumni have offered their assistance. Smith has invited volunteers to all new student admissions activities during recent months and has been pleased by their response.

"Alumni are sometimes apprehensive because they don't know all the current facts about the university," Smith explains. "But facts aren't what the students want to know from alumni. Alumni can help so much just by telling prospective students about their experiences here and their careers. It means so much more

coming from them than from those of us who are paid to represent the university."

Smith believes a recent event wonderfully exemplifies this point.

Alumnus Cleveland Hammonds, Jr., who also happens to be the superintendent of St. Louis Schools, brought 35 high school students from St. Louis to visit the university for the day. The students had a full day. They spent the morning meeting with admissions and financial aid professionals. After a complimentary lunch, the students went to appointments that had been scheduled for them with advisors and professors in their areas of interest. They were also given tours of the student recreation center and the student center, complete with some time to bowl, play billiards or use the recreation center facilities as the university's guests.

Smith describes the day as an overwhelming success. "The students had a fabulous time," she says. "They left very impressed, especially after Chancellor Beggs stopped by to say goodbye. This is an excellent example of the power that alumni have. It also is a good example of how admissions and the alumni association can work together."

In coming months, Smith intends to focus on developing an active alumni volunteer program that makes full use of committed volunteers. Her plans include: producing an

alumni volunteer kit that would introduce volunteers to admissions and volunteer opportunities, visiting alumni chapters to enlist their support and elicit their ideas, attending all alumni association events and publishing a periodic volunteer newsletter. Updates of the program's efforts will be published in *Alumnus*.

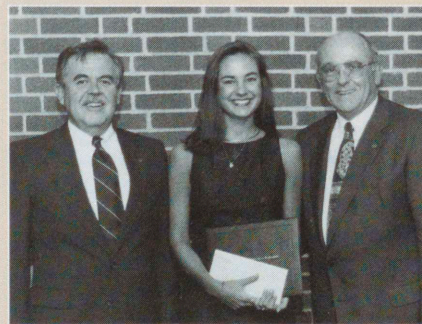
Smith also invites alumni who are interesting in volun-

teering or who have any ideas about how alumni can be used effectively in admissions efforts to contact her at (618) 536-4405 or by e-mail at [jhenders@siu.edu](mailto:jhenderson@siu.edu).

Smith expresses enthusiasm and optimism about the potential contribution alumni volunteers can make to the university. After all, as she observes, "Alumni are walking success stories." ■

Student Achievements Praised

Chancellor and Mrs. Donald Beggs, the SIU Alumni Association, and the Student Alumni Council honored 25 distinguished seniors at a dinner held before graduation. Two Super Student Scholarship winners were also recognized at the event. They were presented with a certificate and a first-year membership in the SIU Alumni Association.



Above, Distinguished Senior **Kendra Adams** with Chancellor **Beggs**, on the right, and Acting Dean of the College of Liberal Arts **Robert Jensen**.

Katheranne H. Kohn and Shauna Minden Benschoff, both of Carbondale, received the super student scholarship awards. The alumni association and the Student Alumni Council annually award scholarships to two students who maintain a 3.0 minimum grade point average, possess full-time student status, are actively involved in two registered student organizations and are currently employed.

Kohn, a junior in radio-television, is a member of the Sigma Kappa Sorority, Saluki Volunteer Corps and Golden Key Honors Society. Benschoff, a junior in political science, is involved in several extracurricular activities including the College Democrats and Feminist Action Coalition.

STUDENTS EARN MENTORS' ADMIRATION

by Greg Scott

Their lives are touched by these students only one week during the year.

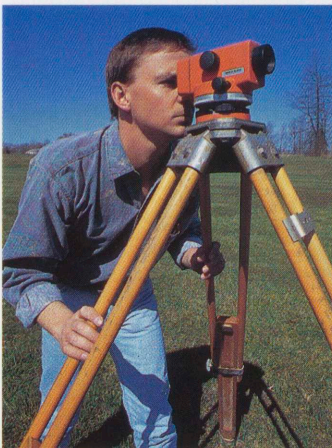
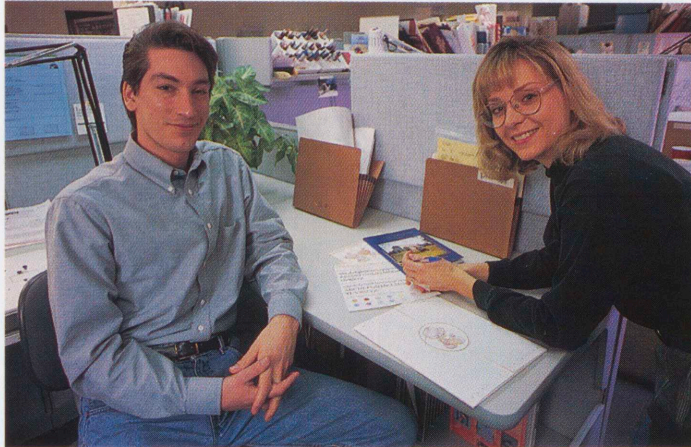
While five days might not seem long enough to know an individual, it obviously gives the sponsors for the extern program enough time to draw important conclusions about their understudies. Administered by the SIU Alumni Association, in cooperation with participating colleges and the Student Alumni Council, this award-winning program matches juniors and seniors with SIU alumni and friends in their professional settings.

Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Marion has sponsored up to 11 externs a year for six years. Neal Hamilton, human resources manager at the VA Medical Center, believes externs are serious about their career aspirations.

"We have never been disappointed with the students we received," he says. "No matter what else is going on, this is something everyone here really likes."

Barb Gould, a 1990 graduate of Southern and first-time sponsor, worked with an extern at Precious Moments in St. Charles, Ill. Gould, traffic coordinator for the art department, says Precious Moments offers an exciting opportunity for graphic design students.

"It is a great opportunity for someone because this is a well-known company," she says.



In the top photograph, **Randy Miller** and sponsor **Barb Gould** at a work station. In the bottom photograph, **Kent Nurnberger** surveys the location for a retaining wall for the city of Carbondale.

At first glance, an externship at Precious Moments doesn't seem to fit Randy Miller, a senior in industrial design. But Miller, who completed an externship at an architectural firm last year, feels differently.

"I'm still wide open on the direction I want to go," he says. "I want to be exposed to a number of different things so I

can make a more educated decision when the time comes. There is no harm in learning something new."

Miller spent his spring break doing research on band uniforms for a series of figurines the company is planning to produce. He also did design work for a calendar and newsletter.

The city of Carbondale also benefitted from their week with extern Kent Nurnberger, a senior engineering major who assisted the city in building a retaining wall at one of its waste water treatment plants.

Brad Fleck says Nurnberger's previous experience with the department of transportation was an asset. "I felt comfortable giving Kent this project because he had some good experience already. We gave him some direction, but we didn't spend 40 hours looking over his shoulder," he says.

A first-time sponsor, Fleck admits he didn't know what to expect. Based on this experience, however, he says the city

would be interested in working with externs in the future.

"Kent came here expecting to work and he worked. If they all act and have an attitude like that, I would definitely sponsor more students," he says. "If he ever needed a reference, I would be glad to give him one."

Hamilton, Gould, and Fleck represent a growing number of extern sponsors who are taking notice of SIU students. This year 165 sponsors participated from 16 states, the District of Columbia, and the island of St. Thomas.

Jo Lynn Whiston, assistant director for student and college relations, says students complete evaluations at the completion of their externships. Out of 115 students who returned their evaluations, 52 students, or 45%, said they were offered future employment with their sponsor.

While these students may spend a mere week in the professional world, they have left an impression on their mentors that could last a lifetime. ■

*If you are interested in sponsoring a student, please refer to the postcard in the back of this issue of *Alumnus* or call Jo Lynn Whiston at (618) 453-2408.*

1940s

Liz Fairbairn Goyak '43, a public relations executive, has been cited in *Who's Who in American Women*, 20th edition. She worked for a number of years in Chicago as a journalist, writer, and publicist. Since 1982 she has headed her own firm in Matteson, Ill., where she has also been active in community affairs. She notes that she was editor of *The Egyptian* in 1942-43.

1950s

An impressive monument has been dedicated to coach **Jim Lovin '50** at the Sports Complex in Taylorville, Ill. He was also inducted into the Taylorville Sports Hall of Fame.

1960s

Elizabeth "Liz" Sexson '60 will be installed as the president of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals this summer. Sexson, who lives in Burr Ridge, Ill., works in SIU's Oak Brook office and is a member of the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Leonard D. Patton '62 and his wife Sarah recently visited the campus. He says, "I lived there before there was water in the campus lake." He also recalled the "mad bomber" who set off fireworks around the lake and Thompson Point at all hours of the day and night. Leonard is a high school guidance counselor in the St. Louis area, and attributes his desire to help students to the positive treatment he received as an SIU student.

George Antonelli '63, Ph.D. '72, associate vice

president for student services at the General Administration of the University of North Carolina, has been elected chair of the Guidance and Admissions Division of the College Board's Southern Regional Council.

Charles J. Bertnram, M.S.Ed. '64, professor of mathematics education, has been selected by the University of Southern Indiana Faculty and Academic Affairs Committee to receive the first annual Sydney and Sadelle Berger Faculty Community Service Award. The honor was bestowed upon him primarily because of his efforts to create Eagle Math Mania, a program designed to make math fun for local elementary students in Evansville.

1970s

Bernie DiMeo '71 has been in the advertising and public relations business since his graduation 25 years ago. He founded DiMeo and Associates 10 years ago and quickly became a leader in Chicago sports marketing. Now as DiMeo Doroba Inc., the agency works with the Chicago White Sox, one of DiMeo's most successful and award-winning accounts, Arlington International Racecourse, Sportschannel Chicago, and the World Champion Chicago Bulls. DiMeo currently resides in Wilmette with his wife Laura and their three sons.

John M. Schleede, Jr. '71, associate dean of the College of Business Administration at Central Michigan University, has been named dean of the College of Business and Public Administration at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash.

Elaine Schmitt '72 has been elected to a three-year term on the Illinois Special Olympics Board of Directors. Schmitt, who operates her own consulting business, has been cited by the YWCA and *Who's Who in Professional and Executive Women*, and has served on the Executive Advisory Council for the National Communications Forum.

Harriet Wilson Barlow '74, M.S.Ed. '79, Ph.D. '85 is now the director of recruitment/theses and dissertations for the graduate school of the University of Nevada Las Vegas. At SIU, she served as associate director of student development, acting director of the Illinois Minority Graduate Incentive Program, adjunct assistant professor of Black American Studies, and adjunct assistant professor of social work.

Among the ten winners of the twelfth annual Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching for K-5 grades in Cook, Lake, and DuPage counties is **Margaret Nadziejko '74**, a fifth grade teacher in Burnham School, Cicero. Winners receive a tuition-free fall-term sabbatical at Northwestern University, \$2,500, a personal computer from IBM, and induction into the Golden Apple Academy.

Illinois Wesleyan University has promoted **Christopher Prendergast, Ph.D. '74** to a full professorship. A professor of sociology/anthropology, he has been on the IWU faculty since 1985.

Larry Calufetti '76 of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., was recently installed as president of the International Window Cleaning Association. Calufetti is also responsible for

initiating the Adam Walsh Auction held at the IWCA convention each year. The auction benefits efforts to help children who are lost or taken from their parents.

Arla Albers '76, a commander in the Navy reserve living in Fairfax, Va., has recently been awarded the Navy Commendation and Volunteer Services medals. She is the owner of Arla's Wedding Cakes and Go-Go the Clown.

Christine Gronkiewicz '76, manager-employee communications for Ameritech Corp. in Chicago, has been invited to serve a two-year term on the PRSA National Accreditation Board. She is accredited by the Public Relations Society of America and is a member of the board of directors of the Chicago chapter of PRSA, the world's largest organization of public relations professionals.

Judy E. Yordon, Ph.D. '77 has been named the George and Frances Ball Distinguished Professor of Performance Studies at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind. She initiated and teaches all the courses for the performance studies minor at Ball State. In 1990 she received Ball State's Outstanding Creative Endeavor Award and, in 1995, the College of Fine Arts Outstanding Teaching Award.

1980s

Margaret Crouch Resnick '82 and **Barry S. Resnick '83** recently welcomed new daughter Sydney Catherine to their family, which already included son Daniel Jacob. Margaret is currently the deputy director of Bolingbrook Park District and Barry is a transportation planner for Metra (Northeastern Illinois

Rail Corp.). In a recent letter, Barry remembered some of his favorite concert memories, Jeff Beck, Peter Gabriel, Talking Heads, Bruce Springsteen, Frank Zappa, all put on by the professionals at SIU Arena Management/Promotions.

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has named **John W. Mitchell '82** operations officer for the Memphis Branch. He will be responsible for the cash and securities department. He began his career at the bank in 1985 as a staff auditor.

Scott Allen '84 currently lives in Erlanger, Ky., where he has worked at Cincinnati Bell Information Systems for the past seven years. He and his wife Diane have one daughter, Kendall Elizabeth. Allen still keeps in touch with two alumni, **Tim Wilkinson '84**, who is living in Fort Lauderdale, and **Kevin Rollins '84**, in Springfield, Ill.

Manchester College has named **Michael Bryant '84, M.S.Ed. '87** director of conferences and public events. He will manage the college union and auditorium and coordinate special events and conferences.

Lily '83 and **John Kunz '84** welcomed Katarina Marie on March 30, 1996. The Kunzes also have a son, Robby. Lily is a product manager at Alberto-Culver and John is establishing The Sports Equipment Doctors, specializing in repair of baseball, hockey, and lacrosse equipment.

Jean Paratore, Ph.D. '84 has been named president-elect of the American College Personnel Association (ACPA). Paratore is the SIU Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

Chris Steckmann '85 and his wife Sharon of Coppell, Texas, recently announced the adoption of their daughter Marni Elizabeth, born February 20. Chris is a special agent for the U.S. Department of Education in Dallas.

Scott M. Pranger '86 has been promoted to vice president, North American sales, for Dallas-based S2 Systems, Inc., which provides electronic commerce solutions to financial, healthcare, retail and evolving industries.

Sharon R. Hammer '87, J.D. '90 has recently joined the municipal law firm of Burke, Weaver and Prell in Chicago. She had previously been Carbondale city attorney.

Derek W. Adams '88 is the production director of the

Trail Leads to Major Award

John Boyd's dream is to create high quality children's television programs in southern Illinois. None other than the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, best known for its Emmy Awards, thinks he has the talent to do it. The academy recently chose Boyd's *The Rainbow Trail*, a 30-minute pilot for a children's series, as the best instructional video in the nation.

The prize was a \$2,000 check and a \$2,000 product grant of Kodak film stock. The academy also paid Boyd's expenses to attend a black tie awards ceremony in Los Angeles.

Boyd, a Cobden native who now lives in Makanda, returned to the area with his wife Joy Sherry to enroll in SIU's telecommunication's masters program. *The Rainbow Trail* was produced during that time.

"I came up with the name and approached Broadcasting Services about using their facilities," Boyd explains. "They have the highest and best quality equipment available." As soon as he received permission, the work began.

The Rainbow Trail has a cross-educational theme and covers art, science, math and other subjects. Geared to



children ages 6-10, the program features endangered species, which Boyd sees as a metaphor for school art classes that are being cut in budgets throughout the country.

He used footage of a manatee in the pilot. The children learn about the animal and are also shown how to draw it.

The pilot has been shown twice on WSIU. "I'm starting to be recognized by children in the area," laughs Boyd. "I'm the host and the art instructor and the producer. My weakest area is in marketing."

Boyd hopes the award leads to further installments of *The Rainbow Trail*. "I've outlined treatments for other programs,"

Boyd says. "My goal is to get the whole series produced. Not that I want to star in them, believe me."

Boyd, who also earned a bachelor's degree in art from SIU, would someday like to have his own children's television station.

"My goal and hope is that this award leads to more programming on a local basis," he says. "We don't need to go to metropolitan areas to do this."

Boyd plans to accomplish his goals right here in southern Illinois, "After being away for 12 years, we are back here to stay." ■

—Linda Sickler
The Southern Illinoisan

Deschutes River Broadcasting Services in Medford, Ore. The company consists of six stations.

Joe Chien, M.S. '88 has been named manager of technical services for Finalube. He and his wife Lino will be living in the Dallas area.

Jon Mills '87, M.A. '88 is a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Toronto, doing research and writing. He is completing a second doctorate, in philosophy, at Vanderbilt University.

Dan Bauer, M.A. '89 was recently promoted to the position of assistant professor of English at Keuka College in New York.

1990s

Catherine "Kitty" Mabus '90 has been awarded the 1997 Sturgis Award for Public Service, a significant honor at SIU, by the Board of Trustees. Mabus joined the office staff in 1974, and has helped organize staff development programs, served on the Civil Service Council since 1989, and belonged to many SIUC search committees and advisory panels. In 1994 she joined the board of the Jackson County Alumni Association and has worked on scholarship and service committees. She also works with a recycling group, was active for many years in the Sweet Adelines, directs two church choirs, and works at charity telefunds. She has previously won the University Woman of Distinction Award and the Civil Service Outstanding Service Award.

Dan Mills '90 has been admitted to the Illinois State Bar. He is now an assistant attorney general, assigned to

the general law division, in the Chicago office of Attorney General Jim Ryan.

Lawrence Wichlinski, Ph.D. '90 has been granted tenure by Carleton College, Northfield, Minn. He teaches principles of psychology, neuropsychology, psychopharmacology, and upper-level seminars, and is currently setting up a sleep laboratory at Carleton.

East Ohio Gas has promoted **Kenneth Partee '92** to senior engineer in its staff engineering department in Cleveland. He will divide his time between code compliance and environmental duties. He and his wife Rosa Ann and their two children live in Willoughby Hills.

Dwayne Summers '92 has recently opened a dental practice in Carterville, Ill. Summers, who was an all-conference GTE academic All-American in football, lives in Carterville with his wife **Erin Summers '96**, who works in the dental office and for Zwick's Bridal Shop.

New Mexico University's 1997 Donald C. Roush Award for Teaching Excellence has been given to **Michael D. Barnes, Ph.D. '93**, an assistant professor of health science, whose specialty is integrating teaching and learning into research and service activities.

Gregg Blake '93 is employed as an analyst in the Financial Information Delivery Group of J. P. Morgan in New York City. He was previously an assistant in the global Transactions Services department at Citibank.

Petty Officer 1st Class William A. Cushing '93 has been awarded the Navy Unit commendation for supporting Navy divers in the TWA Flight 800 search and recovery effort

aboard the USS Oak Hill, which was the at-sea command post for the operation, and supplied helicopter operations, boat operations and communications with other agencies.

When **Petty Officer 1st Class Craig A. McLain '94** goes to work, the temperature may be sub-zero, although the sun shines around the clock. As a member of Operation Deep Freeze, he spends October to mid-February in Antarctica in support of the National Science Foundation. McLain, a hospital corpsman,

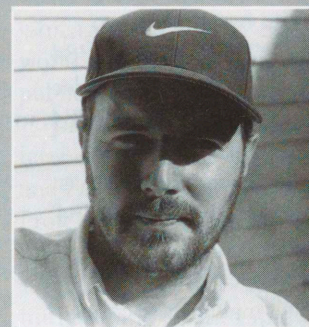
says, "the environment was harsh, but with proper training and use of cold weather equipment, it's just like being home in Chicago on a windy December day."

Douglas K. Wetzel '95, a staff accountant and information systems consultant with Dunbar, Breitweiser & Company, LLP, in Bloomington, has successfully completed the CPA examination, and will be recognized by the Illinois CPA Society at its May banquet.

Anthology Addresses Complex Topic

High Infidelity, an anthology of contemporary short stories edited by John McNally '87, will be released this summer by William Morrow. The book includes stories by such well-known writers as Margaret Atwood, Russell Banks, John Updike and former SIU professor Richard Russo. McNally explains how he selected the stories, "I tried to include stories with vastly different themes and points of view, so as to capture the many faces of adultery. While some of the stories are lighter in tone, others are quite gruesome."

McNally studied creative writing at SIU with Russo and Rodney Jones, a current professor in the Department of English. He went on to earn a master's of fine arts in creative writing from the Iowa Writers' Workshop and then returned to SIU for two years to teach fiction writing. He has also taught at Western State



College-Colorado and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he is currently finishing his doctorate in English.

McNally's own short stories have been published in *The Sun*, *Colorado Review*, *Beloit Fiction Journal*, *Sonora Review* and *Crescent Review*. He won a \$10,000 James Michener Fellowship for work on a novel-in-progress.

McNally will be speaking on SIU's campus this September to promote his book. Details on his reading may be obtained from the English Department. ■

The Growing Season

When Karla Steffans-Moran '84 was visiting schools trying to decide where to finish the degree she'd started at the University of Heidelberg, she knew as soon as she arrived in Carbondale she'd found the place.

"The reason I went to SIU—this is going to sound odd—but I chose it because of the trees," says Steffans-Moran, who'd moved to Germany from her hometown of Wilmette, Ill., when she was 20 to learn what it's like to immerse yourself in another culture. "Carbondale was absolutely gorgeous. I just fell in love with it."

Being close to green, growing things has always been important to Steffans-Moran, an avid gardener who grew up spending time on her grandfather's fruit and vegetable farm and at her grandmother's home in Door County, Wis.

Of course, that wasn't all she was looking for. She was looking for a good academic program. And she wanted a laid-back environment open to a diverse mix of people and lifestyles. She found all that in Carbondale. She didn't feel odd, for example, when she and a friend decided to live in a tepee outside town on a piece of land he owned south of Crab Orchard Lake.

"It didn't feel particularly Bohemian at the time," she says laughing. It stayed warm even during ice storms, she says, and at least one other student she knew of lived in one year-round. "Now I look back, though, and think, yes,



that was kind of strange."

But 39-year-old Steffans-Moran says people should have places where they can be themselves and be accepted with all their quirks. It's the sort of environment she set out to create at the Children's Theatre of Western Springs in west suburban Chicago when she took the helm as director four years ago.

CTWS, the oldest children's theater in the country, provides an after-school program for preschoolers through high schoolers that aims to instill a knowledge and appreciation of the dramatic arts. Students stage several productions a year. Under Steffans-Moran's leadership, they also learn "to be good human beings. Theater training for young people shouldn't be about training young theater professionals," Steffans-Moran says. "It should be about civilizing young adults."

Steffans-Moran is proud what she set out to nurture has firmly taken root. Substituting for one of the teachers one afternoon, she asked the

children why they kept coming to CTWS. "They said that this is the one place they're not wrong. One boy said, 'In school, you're either right or wrong, and most of the time you're wrong.' Here, it's not about being right or wrong."

Steffans-Moran's connection to theater began when she was taking classes at the University of Heidelberg. Although her initial motivation was to meet people, it quickly became more than a social outlet. She stayed involved in theater at SIU. After graduating she moved to Portsmouth, N.H., where she wrote theater reviews for a local newspaper and worked as a waitress. When her mother was diagnosed with terminal cancer, she decided to return to Wilmette and take care of her.

After her mother died in 1985, Steffans-Moran took a trip to Mexico. "I sat in the desert, cried a lot and tried to figure out what I wanted to do with my life," she says. Soon,

she enrolled in writing seminars at Johns Hopkins University. "I also taught as adjunct faculty at any university that would take me," she says. After a while, the head of her department at the University of Maryland tapped her to help flesh out its theater offerings. Her colleagues also eventually encouraged her to get her M.F.A. She did at the University of Iowa, where she also got married and had her daughter, Grace.

Steffans-Moran and her husband moved to Wilmette so that Grace, now four, could see more of her grandfather. (It's a perk now also enjoyed by Grace's two-year-old brother, Zachary.) She started at CTWS six months after the move, and she says life has been crazy but thoroughly enjoyable ever since. She makes a conscious effort to make some time—usually at the expense of sleep—to read, do some writing and, of course, garden.

Not surprisingly, she sees a lot of parallels between her work in her garden and with the children at the theater. "At this point, I've planted a bunch of stuff, and it is full of promise and potential. But I don't know for certain what's going to come up. I just have to do the right things and not stand in the way." ■

—Laura Milani

Alumni Cross Country with CNN

Sure, you're right there as Michael Jordan steps onto the court in his triumphant return to the NBA after retiring. You get to tag along as Vice President Al Gore shows the Russian Prime Minister around the Windy City. And you're part of the first live broadcast from the roof of the Sears Tower when a skyscraper in Malaysia challenges its status as the world's tallest building.

But as three SIU graduates know, life behind the scenes at the Chicago bureau of Cable News Network (CNN) isn't all fun. Fifteen and 20-hour days aren't uncommon. After you leave you can be called back in or out of town at a moment's notice. Even holidays are work days because, well, news happens.

"People tell me, 'I'd love your job.' What they don't realize is how much you have to love it to do it," says Grace Ramirez '87, an editor at the bureau who had recently returned from covering the floods along the Ohio River.

"There are times when you're wet, you're dirty, you're tired and it's been 12 hours since your last meal. It's not as glamorous as people think." But Ramirez, along with freelance audio technician Clark "Mike" Michels '91 and crew chief Bruce Fine, '76, clearly do love it.

Michels, a native of O'Fallon, Mo., loves it so much he elected to stay on with CNN's political unit for 36 days straight last year to cover the presidential election. "It's the hardest work I've ever done in my life," he says.

Trailing Pat Buchanan, the crew would cover three or four cities each day—unpacking, packing and lugging around 18 cases of heavy equipment. "You start to survive off the adrenaline," he says. "You think you're going to collapse but then you find a little more energy." The network's political unit usually rotates crew members after two weeks, Michels says. "But I kept saying, 'Let me stay.'"

Crew chief Fine, who is from Carterville, Ill., recalls

the excitement of covering the Gulf War from Cairo and Jordan. Ramirez remembers the thrill of being in Jacksonville, Fla., when the first aircraft carriers returned from the war. And every day, she adds, there's the rush you get from knowing that something you worked on is being watched by people all over the planet.

Aside from being a witness to history, Fine, who has been with CNN for 15 years, takes pride that he has also helped make history. Most people know that CNN revolutionized the delivery of wartime news. But there have been plenty of other little known broadcasting firsts Fine has been involved in for the network. Both he and Ramirez worked on the Sears Tower rooftop broadcast. Fine also helped provide the first live shots of underwater wreckage of the USS Oklahoma during the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, as well as the first live transmission from the top of Mount Rushmore during the

monument's 50th anniversary. "We were allowed by the park service to go up on top and stand on the various presidential heads. I hopped between Washington and Jefferson and over to Lincoln," Fine says.

Fine, Ramirez and Michels are all grateful to SIU for helping them land careers they enjoy so intensely. Although they graduated years apart, they say they feel an SIU bond.

Fine, who served in the military for four years, says his professors at Carbondale were top-notch. "They had so much knowledge and experience prior to teaching," he says. "I was able to glean a lot of information from them. They'd been through it all."

A degree from his alma mater certainly helped Michels get work from CNN, Fine says. SIU graduates are some of the most hard working and well trained around, he adds, saying Michels and Ramirez prove the point. The bureau relies on Michels for some of its most intricate and challenging set-ups, he says. And he notes that Ramirez, who was part of a team

that won an Emmy for its coverage of the Oklahoma City bombing, is “an extremely talented editor who can crash a package [assemble reels of raw footage into a story] in minutes rather than hours.”

Ramirez first began to hone these skills working for WSIU, the PBS station in Carbondale. There was one faculty advisor who served as executive producer, she says, but otherwise the students literally ran the show. “We did everything, from writing to filming to editing,” Ramirez recalls. “And we had to

writing or editing and more technical work. She knew early on she’d rather be behind the camera. On camera, she says, “you have everyone yelling



Top photo, **Clark Michels** at the sound board; above, CNN Editor **Grace Ramirez**. Photography by Roberta Dupuis-Devlin.

be in the studio at 5 a.m.” She says few universities offer comparable experiences for their broadcast journalism students.

Two years after graduating, Ramirez’s experience plus her Spanish-speaking skills helped her snare an entry-level spot as a video journalist (VJ) for Headline News in CNN’s international headquarters in Atlanta. As a VJ, she was given a broad range of duties and expected to figure out if she preferred reporting and

directions in your ear—you have to process all that information in your head and still be able to say the news.” Happily on the technical fast track, Ramirez worked in Atlanta for two years before taking a job at the Chicago bureau.

Michels, who studied cinema and photography at SIU, figured out what kind of work he truly enjoyed after moving to Los Angeles and working in film for a while. “I dabbled in everything,” he

says, “then I started doing sound and really liked it. Sound is pretty universal—you can work in film, radio or television.”

Still, in a city saturated with people with his skills and plenty with more experience than he had, the work wasn’t coming as steadily as he would have liked. Now, in Chicago, he’s gotten to the point where he’s having to turn work down. In addition to CNN, Michels works for PBS and other networks, as well as commercial work for companies such as McDonalds. He also occasionally works on movies that are filmed in Chicago. Although he still enjoys it, now he finds himself hooked on covering the news—even though it can sometimes be pretty grim.

Michels recalls covering the deaths from Chicago’s 1995 heat wave as a particularly sad and gruesome assignment. And Michels, Ramirez and Fine have all had to cover their share of plane crashes—the assignment everyone dreads most. Michels and Ramirez were sent to the site of the 1994 American Eagle crash near Merrillville, Ind., that killed more than 50 people.

“That was the first time I was kind of scared. I kept thinking, ‘What am I going to see?’ ” What he did find when he got there was an “instant graveyard.” Ramirez says she was moved by the family members arriving at the scene from as far away as South America to see the last place their family members were before they died. She also covered the ValuJet crash last year in the Florida Everglades, where, she says, the eeriness of the scene was compounded by alligators slithering about.

Then there are the lifestyle drawbacks that come with covering the news for a living.

For example: “I’d like to get a dog,” Michels says, but his schedule is unpredictable and he never knows when he will be called out of town.

For similar reasons, Ramirez says that until recently, she stopped making plans of any sort. “I’d been disappointed too many times,” she says. “I’d buy tickets for a concert or something and get called in to work at the last minute.” She also stopped attempting to commute from the house she bought in Elgin near where her family lives. She still owns the home, but shares an apartment downtown with a friend during the week.

Michels and Ramirez say that virtually all their friends are in radio and television, for a couple of reasons. First, “You spend virtually all your time with them—the people you work with really become like your family. Plus, they understand what the schedule demands are like,” Michels says. It is hard to date someone who isn’t in his line of work, he says, because they become frustrated with his inability to predict his schedule. “Now, you’ll be at a party on the weekend with TV people and half of them aren’t there. It doesn’t even phase you because you know they’re working,” Michels says.

All in all, though, these alumni wouldn’t trade their jobs with anyone.

“I can honestly say that I’ve never worked a day of my life,” says Fine, “because I have enjoyed everything I have done in broadcasting. And that’s part of what SIU gave to me.” ■

—Laura Milani

Alumni Deaths

ALLEN, Mae Waller, '23; BS '54; M.S.ED. '59, 1/2/97, Williamsburg, VA

MOFFETT, Florence Woodside, '23 1/12/97, Jonesboro, AR

BUZBEE, Dellis Pierce, '30; BS '49; M.S.ED. '56, 2/15/97, Anna, IL

WINTER, Erma, '30, 1/10/97, Ellery, IL

REED, James L., '32; BS '39, Coal Valley, IL

WINTER, Clyde, ex '34 Ellery, IL

GUNTER, Ruth, '35 BS '51, 2/19/97, Dupo, IL

SHOAF, Mildred F., BS '35, 1/20/97, Berwyn, IL

NELSON, Genevieve E. Edmonds, ex '36, 8/8/96, Barrington, IL

VAUGHN, J.F., BS '38, 2/7/97, Zeigler, IL

WOODBIDGE, Charles, BS '39, 1/5/97, Grand Rapids, MI

SABELLA, Dr. Peter Anthony, BS '41, 3/11/97, Murphysboro, IL

SLIGHTOM, Dr. John D., ex '43, 2/20/97, Harrisburg, IL

HASTINGS, Dr. Robert L., BA '45, 1/17/97, Springfield, IL

RATERMANN, Ruth Arvada, BS '46, 2/5/97, Marion, IL

HUSON, Dr. Thomas, BS '47, 5/20/96, Carlinville, IL

LENKER, William F., ex '47, 1990, Sioux Falls, SD

ROGERS, Betty Adams, BS '47, 2/18/93, Statesboro, GA

CLEM Jr, LTC. Carrel A., BS '50, 3/97, Brea, CA

CROESSMANN, Bernice Ludean, BS '50, 1/31/97, Zeigler, IL

HANSON, Joseph L., BS '50, 1/16/97, Glen Carbon, IL

LOVELESS, William, ex '50, San Diego, CA

SENTI, John R., BS '50, 9/26/94, Wildwood, FL

WEBB, Rev. Julius Joshua, BA '51, 3/6/97, Marion, IL

LOBENSTEIN, Charles W., M.S. '57, 3/1/97, Columbia, MO

BYRN, Margaret Moore, BS '63, 11/19/96, Waco, TX

HAWORTH, Donald G., BS '63; M.S.ED. '70, 2/5/97, Jonesboro, IL

WOOD, Thomas Bennett, BS '68, 2/2/97, Claremont, CA

TRIMBLE-SMALLMAN, Judith Lynette, BS '69, 1/23/97, San Jose, CA

HODGE, Jerry K., BA '70, 2/16/97, Highland, IL

MONES, Scott B., BS '75, 3/29/95, Lake George, NY

MURPHY, Terry, BS '75, 2/4/97, Cobden, IL

CAHILLANE, William J., BS '81, 4/95, Springfield, MA

POLLARD, Dr. Patty S., M.A. '82, 7/3/96, North, SC

NICKLES, Capt. Mark R., BS '89, Marine Corps fighter pilot presumed dead, crashed in Yellow Sea, 2/9/97, San Diego, CA

DICKSON, Jeffrey Lee, BS '91, 1/16/97, Marion, IL

HORTBERG, John B., BA '95, 3/16/97, Murphysboro, IL

Faculty & Staff

BALLANCE, Webster E. '32, Emeritus 1/17/97, Irvington, VA

DAVIS, Dr. I. Clark, BS '39, Professor Emeritus, Higher Education 2/12/97, Carbondale, IL

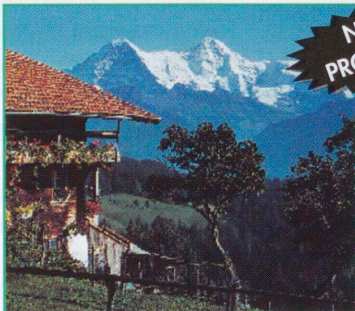
MARTIN, Glen "Abe," BS '32, Coach and Athletic Director 4/17/97, Springfield, IL

MENDENHALL, Harlan Harry Professor Emeritus, Journalism 1/20/97, Brighton, CO

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It was only a number . . .

by Nancy J. Zacha '68

My daughter recently moved, and she sent me her new phone number. I looked at the last four digits thoughtfully—8487. Why did those numbers ring a bell? I directed my thoughts to that section of my brain that stores facts like old numbers and tried to recall the context. A former street address? The start of a zip code? Part of a previous phone number? What was it?

Then the revelation came—my old student identification number: B-8487. For those of us at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in the mid-1960s, the letter of the alphabet followed by a four-digit number defined who we were and when we had come to school. As college freshmen in the fall of 1964, we were scared and excited at the same time. Many of us were living away from home for the first time, learning to balance work, classes, parties and the occasional chemistry lab.

B-8487. The number appeared on every class schedule I received, every grade slip mailed to me, every loan application I filled out, every student worker check I cashed.

Upperclassmen I met had identification numbers beginning with the letter A. I was intensely envious. My B number identified me as a new student. But after I managed to survive that first year of classes, I met students with I.D. numbers beginning with the letter C. Suddenly, I was an old-timer. I had some seniority. I was a B-number student. The thought was a heady one, almost as satisfying as carrying around second-year books, no longer lugging the General Studies texts that clearly marked me as an SIU freshman.

Along the way, I met my first husband. He had started at SIU a few months before I had. His I.D. number was B-6964. Or was it B-6469? Old memories can be unreliable, I've found.

Alas, the system was not to last. Before I finished my university career, SIU switched to a new student I.D. system. Social Security numbers replaced the old letter plus four-digit identifications. It was probably more efficient. Students would not have to memorize new numbers. And the university would not run out of combinations. But I had liked the old system. There was something wonderful about the sense of the old progressing and

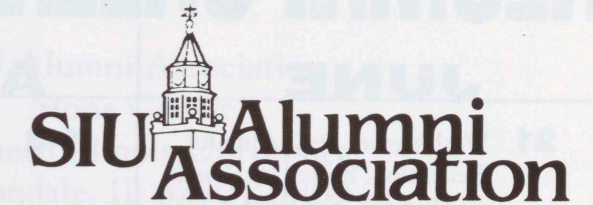
the new coming in each year. All that was lost in the new system.

Ironically, later I discovered I was a victim of failing eyesight as well as old memories. When I looked more closely at the phone number my daughter sent, I saw the last four digits were 8481, not 8487! The new number meant nothing to me. But the number it almost was, the number that had triggered so many memories of the past has stayed with me.

Somewhere in my heart and mind, I am still B-8487. SIU is still the same campus it was in September 1964 when I began my sojourn there. Old Main has not yet burned down. Women students still have curfew. The basketball team has just begun to play in the new arena. And the Vietnam War is a faint rumble in the future. For one minute I am 18 again, and the world is heavy with possibility.

We invite readers to submit their Southern memories. Submissions should be typewritten and between 500 to 750 words in length. Please send your essay to: Alumnus, Stone Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. 62901-6809. Or e-mail it to mmanier@siu.edu.

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- 21** Washington, D.C. Alumni Reception, hosted by Crystal Kuykendall. For more information, call Brad Cole, (618) 453-2408.
- 28** St. Louis Chartering Ceremony, Hyatt Regency Union Station. For more information, call Brad Cole, (618) 453-2408.

JULY

- 12** SIU Wrigley Field Day: Chicago Cubs vs. St. Louis Cardinals. Reception, Cubby Bear Lounge, 10 a.m., game time, 12:05 p.m. For more information, call Remy Billups, (630) 574-7774, extension 4.
- 17-20** Black Alumni Group Reunion. Banquet keynote speaker, Howard A. Peters, deputy chief of staff for Governor Jim Edgar. For more information, call Jo Lynn Whiston, (618) 453-2408.
- 25** Open House, New Student Admissions, Student Recreation Center, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- 25** 8th Annual Saluki Golf Scramble, Arrowhead Golf Club, Wheaton, Ill. For more information, call Remy Billups, (630) 574-7774, extension 4.

AUGUST

- 1-3** Decatur Celebration. The Central Illinois SIU Alumni Chapter will be selling its famous Saluki Dawgs at this event.
- 2** SIU August Commencement
- 8-17** Illinois State Fair, Springfield, Ill. The Prairie Capital Alumni Chapter hosts the alumni association exhibit at the fair.
- 22** DuQuoin State Fair. August 24 is SIU Alumni Day at the fair. For more information, call Brad Cole, (618) 453-2408.
- 22** Memphis Alumni Barbecue, hosted by Gray and Donna Magee. For more information, call Brad Cole, (618) 453-2408.
- 22** New Student Orientation
- 25** First Day of Classes
- 29** Saluki Alumni Swimming and Diving Reunion. For more information, call Jo Lynn Whiston, (618) 453-2408.

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SEPTEMBER

- 4** SIU Alumni Association Pregame Gathering, Denver, Colorado Rockies vs. St. Louis Cardinals. For more information, call Brad Cole, (618) 453-2408.
- 13** SIU Alumni Appreciation Day Tailgate and Game, east of McAndrew Stadium. SIU vs. Murray State, 1:30 p.m. Saluki Volleyball vs. Bradley, 7:00 p.m., Davies Gym. For more information, call Greg Scott, (618) 453-2408.
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Arnette Hubbard has devoted her life to working for the protection of individual rights and freedoms of others. As a commissioner on the Chicago Board of Elections, Hubbard is inspired by a mission to improve the city's election process and insure voting rights to all Chicagoans.

An attorney at law for over 20 years, Hubbard approaches all challenges with spirit and enthusiasm. As an official monitor of South Africa's first all-race elections in 1994, Hubbard participated in a process that provided hope for a country battling for opportunities that many Americans take for granted.

Hubbard was the second woman in modern times to be chosen president of the SIU Alumni Association. She was integral in establishing an emergency student loan program and creating opportunities to enhance the university's visibility in Chicago. Hubbard also owns the distinction of being the first woman elected president of the National Bar Association and of the Cook County Bar Association.

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