Civil Service Council Annual Spring Flea Market
By Jeri Novara

The SIUC Civil Service Council hosted its annual Spring Flea Market on Saturday, April 26, at the SIU Arena parking lot. Thanks to a beautiful warm and sunny day, hundreds turned out for the event. There were a total of 124 vendors who participated with the gross amount raised from the sale of vendor spaces being $4,375.00. This is $487.00 more than last year and $579.00 over 2006.

The Spring Flea Market is the Civil Service Council Education Assistance Committee’s major fundraising event for the Spring. The committee would like to thank all those who gave up their Saturday and volunteered their time to work before, during, and after the sale.

Proceeds from the event go to the Civil Service Education Assistance Fund. The fund provides monetary awards to dependents of SIUC civil service employees across campus each year.

New Members Elected to Civil Service Council

The Civil Service Council recently concluded its spring elections and welcomes four new members:

Karen Waldron, Journalism (Provost & Vice Chancellor sector)
Randy Lowe, Physical Plant (General sector)
Phyllis Khaliqi, Affirmative Action Office (General sector)
Diane Frew, Career Services (Student Affairs sector)

The Council also welcomes back five newly-elected, returning members:

Tina Biggs, Provost and Vice Chancellor (Provost & VC sector)
Matthew Bender, Physical Plant (General sector)
Mary Nippe, Human Resources (General sector)
Patrick Brumleve, University Housing (Student Affairs sector)
Jason Phillips, Student Health Center (Student Affairs sector)

Congratulations to all!
Southern Illinois University (SIUC) is in the process of transitioning from using the Social Security Number (SSN) as the Student ID to a random ID number known as the DAWG Tag (that will begin with ‘85’). This change is critical in the continuing efforts to reduce the risk of identity theft of our students, faculty and staff. Beginning June 1, 2008, all current SIUC Identification Cards must be replaced with a new ID card that will have the ‘85’ DAWG tag number printed on the front. If you have an ID card that begins with ‘85’, you will not need to replace it. Students and staff who need a new card may stop by the ID Card Office at any time after June 1, 2008, to get their new ID cards. Questions? Call 618.536.3351.

For more information on the DAWG Tag Conversion, please visit: http://udc.rocks.siu.edu/udc/dawgtag/

Renovation Ongoing, Library Staff on Floors 3-5 Adapt to New Space

By Darla Loftus

The staff on floors three, four, and five of Morris Library have been adapting to their new space, following their grand opening on March 17th. Most of these floors are usable space, but there are mouldings, ductwork, etc., to be added in some places. The air conditioning should be operational on these floors by the time this newsletter goes to print.

The demolition and asbestos abatement are 90% complete in the basement and on the first floor, and the plumbing and electrical items are in the process of being added. In Special Collections Research Center (SCRC), the walls are up, and the lights and electrical elements are being installed.

We are hoping that the Capital Development Board soon approves the funding to finish floors six and seven. President Poshard stated at the Open House on March 17th that the University is “committed to finishing this project.”

The contractors say their work will be done at the end of August, after which time the Library could take possession of the remainder of the building. However, not being able to predict any unforeseen circumstances, the entire Library staff anticipates being in the renovated building by October or November, 2008.

Trivia Question:
What year marked the beginning of the awarding of degrees, on this campus?

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Special Collections Research Center Celebrates Future Donation of Marianne Webb Papers

Thanks to Pamela Hackbart-Dean, Director of Special Collections Research Center, for the following information:

On April 25, 2008, the Special Collections Research Center of Morris Library celebrated the future donation of the Marianne Webb Papers with an exhibition and reception. This donation will include her faculty papers, classical organ music, sacred organ music, photographs, periodicals, sound recordings and some of the organizational records from the Southern Illinois Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Her collection of sacred and classical music is one of the largest private gatherings in the world with a particular emphasis on the pipe organ. It was gathered over a period of more than forty-five years of university teaching, performing, and running professional workshops for colleagues in the field at national conventions of the American Guild of Organists. In total, the collection encompasses 3700 discrete items and is especially strong in organ music, hymn settings, church music, and related areas of sacred music.

Marianne Webb
Community Service and Outreach: You Can Help, and Your Support Makes a Difference!

Give Blood, Get Entertainment!

The American Red Cross will be teaming up with the Little Egypt Barbershop Chorus, along with Touch of Old and Classic Intervals quartets, on Saturday, May 10, 2008, from 10AM to 2PM at the Illinois Centre Mall (Community Room) in Marion, IL. Please come out and enjoy great entertainment, roll up your sleeve, and give the gift of life! The blood drive is from 10AM to 2PM, and the performance schedule is as follows:

10:30 AM---Touch of Old (quartet)
11:00 AM---Touch of Old
11:30 AM---Little Egypt Chorus
12:00 PM---Little Egypt Chorus
12:30 PM---Little Egypt Chorus
1:00 PM---Classic Intervals (quartet)
1:30 PM---Classic Intervals

***All presenting donors will receive a Rock N Roll T-shirt for their donation.*** Contact Gary Allison, MSM, Sr. Donor Recruitment Representative, Biomedical Services, American Red Cross, for more information.

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Congratulations to all our SIUC Graduates!

We’re proud of you!

Relay for Life Summary

By Kristine Upchurch Rushing

The American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life of Carbondale was held at SIUC McAndrew Stadium on April 26-27, with record breaking student participation and high attendance. Sixty-eight teams registered for the event, and many community members came out to show their support to “Celebrate. Remember. Fight Back”. Together, we achieved and exceeded our fundraising goal of $80,000 (over $48,000 was raised by SIUC teams), and donations continue to trickle in. Thank you to all who gave their time, money, energy, and passion to this worthy cause. We couldn’t have done it without you!

Answer to Trivia Question, from page 2:

According to page 211 of (The) Ordeal of Southern Illinois University, by former faculty member George Kimball Plochmann, “Regular degrees were not offered until 1922, and there were no graduate candidates until twenty-three years later.”