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Civil Service Council—Election Results

The SIU Carbondale Civil Service Council elections were held this past May. The three positions representing the constituents under the Provost and Vice Chancellor sector were filled with the re-election of **Carolyn Harvey** from Registrar's Office, and the election of **Marianne Shields**, College of Agricultural Sciences, both for three-year terms, and **Shannon Newman**, Information Technology for a one year term. The Student Affairs sector had one open position that was filled with **Barb Shiplett**, Student Health Center. The open position within the General sector was filled with the re-election of **Elizabeth Cheek**, Grounds, Physical Plant.

Prior to the Spring 2016 elections, there were some membership changes to the Civil Service Council following the departure of **Matthew Borowicz**, Library Affairs; **Doreen Hees**, Zoology; and **Travis Zettler**, College of Business. We welcomed **Darla Phoenix**, College of Education and Human Services along with the return of **Diane Frew**, College of Business. They served us well for the remainder of their terms, which ended in May. Also leaving the Council at the end of their terms were **Mickel Cordes**, Plant and Service Operations, and **Elizabeth Grots**, Student Health Center. Council President Carolyn Harvey presented each outgoing member with a certificate and thanked them for their dedication and commitment in representing their fellow civil service employees and for their many years of service on the council.

Election of officers took place at the Civil Service Council meeting on June 1st 2016. Anthony Travelstead became our new Council Vice President for a 2 year term. Tara Moore became Council Secretary for a 2 year term. Elizabeth Cheek became our

Council Treasurer for a 1 year term. Carolyn Harvey is serving as our current Council President.



Pictured top to bottom staircase:
Ann Little, Barb Shiplett, Michele Tourville,
Tina Gerecke, Jane Meuth, Jason Phillips,
Karin Wece, William Dozier, Marianne
Shields, Randy Lowe, Shannon Newman.

Pictured left to right front row:
Carolyn Harvey, Elizabeth Cheek, Tara
Moore, and Cyndy Green
Not pictured: Anthony Travelstead

Congratulations

18TH ANNUAL
COUNCIL of COUNCILS
 AT THE HEART OF ILLINOIS

Illinois State hosted the 18th Annual Council of Councils on October 15 & 16 2015

The information below was taken from the website of Illinois State University. "The Civil Service Council will be representing Civil Service employees at Illinois State. The event gathers college councils from 12 universities across the state to address issues of concerns applicable to state employees. The two-day event features guest speakers including university employees and Illinois legislators, and is designed to increase transparency at the state level. Topics discussed include the current state of affairs for the state as well as current and retired employee benefits. The council of councils also serves as a valuable opportunity for universities to network and share knowledge with their peer institutions.

Illinois State University is honored to host this year's proceedings, which first began in 1996 when Civil Service Senate President LouElla Rozier invited Civil Service senate and council members from Northern Illinois and Chicago State University to participate in a Civil Service Day program and luncheon at Governors State University. The next year, the first Council of Councils took place, and the event has become integral to yearly communication between Illinois' universities."



This conference was attended by the following SIUC active Civil Service Council members in 2015: Cyndy Green, Mickel Cordes, Anthony Travelstead, Randy Lowe, Diane Frew, and Vera Gibbs.

It was a very memorable experience for all who attended, not to mention all the tools and ideas that we gathered from our many new friends. It was a very well organized event. The Gamma Phi Circus was exceptional entertainment for our lunch. Everyone was truly amazed. Here is a brief summary of our itinerary:

Oct 15, 2015

Welcome Reception , 5:00pm-6:30pm, location University Galleries, Normal, IL.

Welcome Dinner, 7:00pm-9:00pm, Hancock Stadium Club, President Larry H. Dietz hosted the dinner with a great speech.

Oct 16, 2015

Continental Breakfast & Registration, 8:00am-9:00am, Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Welcome and Conference breakout sessions and training, 9:00am-12:00pm, Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Lunch & performances by Gamma Phi Circus, 12:00pm– 1:00pm, Brown Ballroom, Bone Student Center

Breakout sessions and more training, 1:00pm-2:30pm, Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Closing remarks and passing of the torch ceremony, 3:00pm-4:00pm, Circus Room, Bone Student Center



Congratulations 2016 Faculty and Staff Excellence Award Winner

Crystal L. Marlow

On Tuesday, April 26, 2016, Interim Chancellor Brad Colwell recognized the 2016 Faculty and Staff Excellence Award winners. Among them was Crystal L. Marlow, University – Level Civil Service Staff Excellence Award, the Graduate School. We had a small reception to honor her on June 1, 2016 prior to our Civil Service Council meeting. The following is an excerpt from an article in the April 18, 2016 issue of SIU Today.

“Crystal L. Marlow is the academic contract supervisor for the Graduate School. Colleagues praise her hard work, leadership and concern with student welfare.

In his letter of nomination, Yueh-Ting Lee, dean of the Graduate School, wrote, “Crystal’s excellent service, dedication, and passion for students has helped thousands of graduate students receive financial support through fellowships and assistantships, by which they have successfully completed their doctoral and master’s degrees.”

Lee also praised Marlow for her “outstanding support and mentorship” of graduate students; “superb service” to graduate faculty and students; for being “an excellent representative of, and role model for, other Civil Service employees;” and “her excellent service and unwavering commitment to the diversity of our graduate student population.”

Marlow joined the university in 2002 as a payroll specialist in the payroll office. She transferred in 2007 to Human Resources as an academic contract specialist, and then to the Graduate School in 2009. In 2012, she became the academic contract supervisor for the graduate school.

David Wilson, emeritus professor of history and retired associate dean and Graduate School director, wrote that Marlow “played a key role” in making the assistantship and fellowship office, along with processing graduate assistant contracts, more efficient upon her arrival.

Jim Garvey, interim vice chancellor for research and former Graduate School acting dean, wrote that Marlow has represented the Graduate School at many regional and national levels “and has a sound perspective on what makes graduate education tick.”

“Without smart, talented, hard-working staff to run the university, the institution would grind to a halt,” Garvey wrote.

FLEA MARKET

When you think of Spring you can’t help but think of our annual Spring Flea Market and Yard Sale at SIU Arena parking lot. We held two yard sales. In 2015 the yard sale was held on April 18 from 8:00am—3:00pm. We made a profit of \$1890. This past Spring it was held on May 7, 2016 from 8:00am—3:00pm. The weather was perfect for our event. We had over 50 vendors. With the help of Boy Scout Troop # 7004 we had concessions for sale. The profit from this event was \$1,283. This is one of our biggest fundraisers. All of our fundraising proceeds go directly to fund our Education Assistance Award Program for our scholarships. We will be doing it again in April 2017, so be looking for flyers to appear in early April and contact a Council Member if you wish to purchase a lot space. More information will be available in Spring 2017.

CIVIL SERVICE OPEN FORUM



We held an Open Forum with Interim Chancellor Brad Colwell on Thursday, April 28, 2016 from 12:00pm—1:00pm in Pulliam Furr Auditorium Room #42.

We had an opportunity to discuss Civil Service issues and gain some valuable insight. Some of the topics that were discussed were state budget, bumping rights, job security, contract negotiations, employee morale, job classification changes, and increased efforts for recruitment and retention of students. The main thing that we took away from this session was that we will prevail and to stay positive on our outlook for our future at this University. We are all in this together, and we must better our relationships with each other and create an atmosphere of hope in this unsteady climate as we move forward.

Plant and Service Operations Employee Appreciation and Retirement Reception for Director Phil Gatton



The Employee Advisory Committee for Plant and Service Operations helped plan this event with Phil Gatton. Every year he showed his appreciation for his staff in a big way. On April 29, 2016 he threw a huge Luau partnered with Agricultural Sciences. He had 3 roasted whole hogs, bbq sides, fruit, dessert, drinks, and snow cones. We had a live band and hula dancers for entertainment. All staff and family were welcome to attend. Only Phil could say goodbye to his staff in a perfect way. We will miss you but we will remember all your extraordinary accomplishments. Thank you for your many years of service and devotion to our University.

On October 1, 2016 Brad Dillard was named the new Director of Plant and Service Operations. So let's welcome him as he takes on his new role and congratulate him when you see him around campus.



Education Assistance Committee Current Fundraisers



We sold 50 certificates for Vintage Classic Color Children's Portraits. This took place October 8th & 9th at Wham #105 Davis Auditorium. Children ages 0-12 years of age got to use vintage clothing and props to create a portrait for the whole family to enjoy. We will have a profit of at least \$500.

Fall Harvest Luncheon

October 26, 2016 / 11am-1pm
Morris Library 3rd floor Rotunda.

Tickets are on sale now for our luncheon catered by Pat's BBQ. Menu: garden vegetable soup, chili, salad, tea, lemonade, and dessert. Tickets are \$15 which includes one raffle ticket. Additional raffle tickets are sold \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Purchase 50/50 tickets for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Prizes include Visa gift cards, wine baskets, & more.



We sold Tritan Tumblers in 2015 as Christmas stocking stuffers at a profit of \$353.60. This time we are partnering with Silkworm to sell Saluki Pride Logo 16 oz. Tritan Tumblers with a lid and straw for \$20 each, purchase now through November 07, 2016 just in time for Christmas. Contact any CSC member to place an order!



Education Assistance Committee Fundraising Updates

2015 Holiday Luncheon

The location for the event was SIU Student Center former Old Main Restaurant from 11am-1pm. We sold tickets at \$20 each. Crystal's Catering offered Herb Roasted Chicken, Pulled Pork, Texas Potato Casserole, Fettuccini Alfredo, Salad, Peach Cobbler, Water, and Tea. We had 75 who attended, and with meal tickets and raffle sales our profit was \$657.



Otis Spunkmeyer

We sold frozen cookie dough for Easter 2015 with a profit of \$915.00. We decided to sell again for Easter 2016, and with the help of Boy Scout Troop #7004 we improved our sales for a profit of \$1,307.32. We will be doing a similar fundraiser this upcoming Easter 2017. Watch for more information next semester.



Quatro's DEEP PAN PIZZA

Dine & Donate

May 3, 2016

20% of sales for a profit of \$350.00

September 27, 2016

30% of sales for a profit of \$550.00

Save the date: April 25, 2017

We will get 40% on all sales and gift card purchases.



On December 7, 2016 we will have our last Civil Service Council meeting of the year at the Student Services Building. We will say farewell to our current President, Carolin Harvey. We would like to thank Carolin for her years of service on the Council since 1992. However, we are most proud of her leadership role over the past 5 years. We want to wish her the best on her retirement.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the Fall 2015 Award Recipients!

This past Fall, the SIU Carbondale Civil Service Council's Education Assistance Committee (EAC) awarded 17 students with scholarship education awards. Each student received \$250 towards their tuition and fees. EAC raises money for scholarships through fundraising activities during the academic year. To help in awarding more to our students - get involved with your Civil Service Council Fundraising opportunities.

The Fall 2015 scholarship winners are listed below:

Benjamin Bates (sponsor, Beverly Bates, College of Liberal Arts)
 Bailey Battaglia (sponsor, Pamela Battaglia, College of Education)
 Nichole Beckman (sponsor, Robert Beckman, Physical Plant)
 Brein Boswell (sponsor, Christina Holmes, Physical Plant)
 Kati Dunmyer (sponsor, Mary Kay Dunmyer, Plant, Soil, & Ag Systems)
 Taylor Dunning (sponsor, John Dunning, Dept of Public Safety)
 Kyli Foster (sponsor, Lori Foster, Sponsored Research Administration)
 Jacob Gaertner (sponsor, Chris Gaertner, Plant and Service Operations)
 Bret Hooper (sponsor, Rhonda Hooper, Institutional Research and Studies)

Andrew Jerdon (sponsor, Jeffrey Jerdon, Physical Plant)
 Joshua Lannom (sponsor, Paul Lannom, Recreational Sports and Services)
 Blaine Lepere (sponsor, Carol Lepere, Plant and Service Operations)
 Jordan Meuth (sponsor, Jane Meuth, Center for English as a Second Language)
 Laurelin Pitts (sponsor, Jennifer Stillman, Bursar)
 Chaz Ruffino (sponsor, Trudy Ruffino, University Housing)
 Austin Simmons (sponsor, Loann Simmons, Plant and Service Operations)
 Alexandria Tourville (sponsor, Michele Tourville, University Housing)

Congratulations to the Spring 2016 Award Recipients!

This past Spring, the SIU Carbondale Civil Service Council's Education Assistance Committee (EAC) awarded 12 students with scholarship education awards. Each student received \$250 towards their tuition and fees. EAC raises money for scholarships through fundraising activities during the academic year. To help in awarding more to our students - get involved with your Civil Service Council Fundraising opportunities.

The Spring 2016 scholarship winners are listed below:

Bailey Battaglia (sponsor, Pamela Battaglia, College of Education)
 Nichole Beckman (sponsor, Robert Beckman, Physical Plant)
 Kyli Foster (sponsor, Lori Foster, Sponsored Research Administration)
 Jacob Gaertner (sponsor, Chris Gaertner, Plant and Service Operations)
 Samuel Hackman (sponsor, Diane Hackman, SIU Foundation)
 Andrew Jerdon (sponsor, Jeffrey Jerdon, Physical Plant)
 Blaine Lepere (sponsor, Carol Lepere, Plant and Service Operations)
 Jordan Meuth (sponsor, Jane Meuth, Center for English as a Second Language)
 Laurelin Pitts (sponsor, Jennifer Stillman, Bursar)
 Tre-Von Sherrill (sponsor, Kita Sherrill, University Housing)

Austin Simmons (sponsor, Loann Simmons, Plant and Service Operations)
 Alexandria Tourville (sponsor, Michele Tourville, University Housing)

Congratulations to the Fall 2016 Award Recipients!

This Fall, the SIU Carbondale Civil Service Council's Education Assistance Committee (EAC) awarded 17 students with scholarship education awards. Each student received \$275 towards their tuition and fees. EAC raises money for scholarships through fundraising activities during the academic year. To help in awarding more to our students - get involved with your Civil Service Council Fundraising opportunities.

The Fall 2016 scholarship winners are listed below:

Bodie Beckman (sponsor, Bob Beckman, Physical Plant)
 Haleigh Beers (sponsor, Terry Beers, Physical Plant)
 Haley Gaertner (sponsor, Chris Gaertner, Plant and Service Operations)
 Jacob Gaertner (sponsor, Chris Gaertner, Plant and Service Operations)
 Clayton Houghland (sponsor, Melissa Houghland, Vice Chancellor for Research)
 Katilyn McIntyre (sponsor, Diane McIntyre, University Housing)
 Sarah O'Dell (sponsor, Christine O'Dell, School of Music)
 Ryne O'Rourke (sponsor, Ruth O'Rourke, Provost & VC for Academic Affairs)
 Julie Robertson (sponsor, Jodi Robertson, Student Health Center)
 Chaz Ruffino (sponsor, Trudy Ruffino, University Housing)

Emily Russell (sponsor, John Russell, Graduate School)
 Carleigh Schimpf (sponsor, Dale Schimpf, Physical Plant)
 Elijah Shaw (sponsor, Anthony Ortiz, Physical Plant)
 Tre-Von Sherrill (sponsor, Kita Sherrill, University Housing)
 Austin Simmons (sponsor, Loann Simmons, Plant and Service Operations)
 Cali Thomas (sponsor, Gilbert Thomas, Physical Plant)
 Alexandria Tourville (sponsor, Michele Tourville, University Housing)

STUDENT HUNGER

Throughout the month of September 2016, the Grounds Department challenged Plant & Service Operations to donate canned and other non-perishable food items to help SIU students in need. Donations were collected at the Grounds Shop. This was the first campus sponsored food drive. Grounds filled two large barrels and a cart with food. Grounds employees, including students, organized and delivered the food to the Saluki Food Pantry located in the Student Center. The Saluki Food Pantry is a wonderful addition for our students. For more information on the Saluki Food Pantry and how you can help visit: <http://studentcenter.siu.edu/services/saluki-food-pantry.php>.



This was taken from their website. "The Saluki Food Pantry provides assistance to students who are in need. Their mission statement: Develop and sustain a food pantry on the campus of SIU Carbondale to serve food insecure students. The food pantry will provide an opportunity for SIU students to serve other students and engage in conversations and solutions around food insecurity." The Saluki Food Pantry is located in the Student Center on the lower level. They are open Mondays 3pm-6pm and Tuesdays 10am-1pm. Please bring your valid student SIU ID.

Current Events Section

Flu Immunizations:

Thursday, Oct. 13 – 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Student Recreation Center Alumni Lounge. Last names beginning A-M.

Tuesday, Oct. 18 – 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Student Recreation Center Alumni Lounge. Last names beginning N-Z.

Online ethics training dates:

10/17/16-11/08/16

SURS General Retirement Session

10/19/16 - 10:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. in the Hiram H. Lesar Building Auditorium in the SIU School of Law

Registration is required. To register, please email your name, department and telephone number to HRBenefits@siu.edu.

SIUC Earns Spot:

The university's commitment to the environment and sustainability has once again earned a spot in The Princeton Review's "Guide to 361 Green Colleges: 2016 Edition."

Upcoming Schedule

SIUC Homecoming	10/22/16
Parade 10:00am	SIU vs. Indiana State
Game 2:00pm	Saluki Stadium

Veterans Holiday	11/11/16
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Thanksgiving Break	11/23/16-11/27/16
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Holiday Craft Show	12/01/16-12/03/16
Student Center, Art Gallery and Renaissance Room (first floor)	

Commencement	12/17/16
SIUC Arena 2:00pm	

The Big Event: Saluki Day of Service

This information was taken from SIUC's website dedicated to the Big Event.

"SIU Carbondale students, faculty, and staff come together to show their commitment to community service and outreach programs. Each year, more than 3,000 students contribute more than 30,000 hours of community service.

We are planning the largest one-day, student-run service project in the history of SIU on April 1, 2017, it is called "The Big Event: Saluki Day of Service," "when Saluki volunteers will work together in teams to complete projects for non-profit agencies and organization in the Carbondale area."

For more information, go to www.thebigevent.siu.edu and look at social media under the same name.

This information was taken from SIUC's website dedicated to the Eclipse event.

"On August 21, 2017, a total solar eclipse path will stretch across the entire United States, reaching its point of greatest duration (GD) a few miles south Carbondale. This region in southern Illinois is not only in the path of the 2017 eclipse, but also the 2024 eclipse, making it a unique location for being able to perform observations of both eclipses from the same location.

On the main SIU Carbondale campus, totality will happen around 1:21 p.m. CDT. The partial phases of the eclipse start at 11:52 a.m., and end at 2:47 p.m.

The second total solar eclipse is coming up on April 8, 2024. The two eclipse paths form an intersection just south of the SIU campus around Cedar Lake.

There will be several events on campus the day of the eclipse, the main one being a public viewing at the football stadium. There will also be eclipse tailgating, indoor viewing, talks and presentations and an area dedicated to eclipse citizen science. For people who want to be right on the point of greatest duration, there is an event planned by the Astronomical Association of Southern Illinois just south of the main Carbondale campus in Giant City State Park. If you don't get eclipse glasses in advance, plenty will be available at the campus events. There will also be an opportunity for direct viewing through special solar telescopes."



The Civil Service News Update is published by the Civil Service Council's Public Information Committee. It is dispersed to all SIU Carbondale civil service employees. The purpose of the newsletter is to keep civil service employees informed of the activities of the Civil Service Council, to relay work-related items of interest and to acknowledge and recognize the civil service workforce for its service to SIU Carbondale.

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