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Morris Library Renovation Update

by Darla Loftus

There have been a lot of changes at Morris Library, recently, as these photographs will show. The building is now bricked on three sides; east, south, and west. The bricking is not yet complete on Floor 3. Floors 1-3 are brick, while floors 4-7 are metal siding. The metal siding is 90% complete on the north side of the building. The south side is 70% complete, and it is hoped that this will be finished soon. On the east and west sides of the existing building, on floors 4-7, installation of areas for a new, mechanical chase (where HVAC will be located; heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning) are nearly complete. The west side of the building (adjacent to Lindegren Hall) will be the site of the new freight elevator. It is hoped that this can be enclosed, prior to the onset of winter weather, but the steel must first be covered by firecoating. The concrete footings are now in place on the north side, where the new addition to the existing building is located. The walls will be poured for the basement portion of the new addition, as soon as dry weather allows, with the steel structure following one week after that. There is now heat in the basement and on the first floor. The basement is staff only; no public access. A helicopter drop of machinery onto the roof of Morris is planned for the December holiday break. Each successive issue of the newsletter will provide you with updates on the renovation of Morris Library. The newsletter staff wishes to thank Dean David Carlson, and his staff within Library Affairs: Kevin Davie, Geographic Information Specialist, for providing renovation details, and Greg Wendt, Video Producer, Instructional Support Services, for providing ongoing photos of the project.



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UPDATE NEWS TRIVIA

Question: Actor David Selby graduated from SIUC on June 12, 1970, with a Ph.D. in Speech. (Source: June 12, 1970 SIUC Commencement Program, p. 30.)

What have been his two most notable roles to date?

See answer on Page 4

FALL FUNDRAISING FOR EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

The Civil Service Council Education Assistance Committee is now conducting it's annual fund raising for the fall semester. Once again, the committee will be selling Pink, Red and White Poinsettia Plants in 6-inch pots from *Erwin Florist*. Each plant stands approximately 16 inches tall, with 5-7 blooms and will have a Christmas pot cover and bow. Orders will be taken through **Tuesday**, **November 21**, **2006**. Poinsettias will be delivered to campus on Tuesday, December 5, 2006.

The committee is sponsoring a new fund raiser through *Mascot Pecan Shelling Company*. We have pecan caramel clusters, butter toffee popcorn with pecans and extra large pecan halves available for immediate delivery.

If you'd rather take a chance on the **annual holiday raffle**, tickets are available now. Just contact any <u>Council member</u> or the Professional Constituencies Office (453-5249). Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We have all of our on campus donations as well as new donations that include:

• 5 coupons for free combo meals donated by **Arby's**

• SIU insulated cooler, 2 SIU plastic cups, 2 SIU t-shirts and football donated by **710 Bookstore**

• 3 sides of either baby back ribs or pork butt donated by **Bubba Joe's BBQ & Catering**

• Autographed football donated by Coach Kill

Book, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale donated

by Dr. Michael Batinski

• 2 \$5 gift cards donated by Family Video

• \$50 Savings Bond donated by First Southern Bank

• Coupon for dinner for 2 donated by **Golden Corral**

• Front end alignment (valued at \$49.95) donated by Holt's Tire and Auto Center

• 2 \$25 gift cards donated by Houlihan's

• Coupon for 1 medium pizza donated by Italian Village

• \$10 gift certificate donated by Jerry's Flower Shoppe

• 4 complimentary passes to Showplace 8 donated by Kerasotes Theaters

• Skil 6.0A Angle Grinder and 2 Caddyshack Dancing Gophers donated by **Murdale True Value and Cannon Distributing.**

• Canvas totebag, stainless steel thermos/mug combo w/insulated holder, silver and gold pen donated by Old National Bank.

• 2 coupons for one free 8 bagel pack donated by **Panera Bread**

• 12 x 12 chrome plated decorative basket (valued at \$50) donated by **Pat Shuster of Colonial Supplemental Insurance**

• 1 medium 1-topping pizza donated by **Quatro's**

5 \$5 gift certificates donated by **Quizno's**

- 3 Saluki T-shirts donated by Saluki Central
- Insulated expandable travel cooler donated by **SIU Credit Union**
- 3 SIU Saluki t-shirts donated by UniversiTees
- \$25 gift card donated by Wal-Mart

Proceeds from all fund raising activities go to the Civil Service Council Education Assistance Fund, which provides financial assistance to eligible dependents of SIUC Civil Service employees.

by Bill Vanmetre



9th Annual Council of Council's Retreat

Six members of SIU C Civil Service Council attended the 9th Annual Council of Councils retreat hosted by the SIU School of Medicine, Springfield, II.; Oct 6, 2006. Approximately 80 people gathered from across the state to meet, hear guests and to discuss issues common to all Civil Service employees. Presentations from Tom Morelock, Exec. Director of State Universities Civil Service System, (SUCSS), Dan Slack, Executive Director of State University Retirement System, (SURS), and Senator Larry Bomke, Springfield were among the keynote speakers present.

Additionally, table top discussions were held for members to network and share ideas and experiences which were useful and interesting. Insight into other campus's activities was particularly beneficial and informative.

Hats Off to the School of Medicine and to the organizers and planners who made this a wonderful experience. Special thanks to President Sandy Dennis, Sheryl Lloyd and Secretary Cindy Moreno for their warm and generous hospitality, and for the entire Springfield council's hard work on hosting and making this event a success.

by Bill Vanmetre

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Trivia Answer:

Answer: David Selby (born February 5, 1941 in Morgantown, West Virginia) is an American character actor, best known for playing Quentin Collins from 1968-1971 on the ABC-TV cult serial Dark Shadows, and as Jane Wyman's evil and compassionate TV son, Richard Channing, on the long-running, primetime CBS soap opera Falcon Crest.

Source: Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.