SIU Women's Club Newsletter

SIU Women's Club Featured in “Life & Style in Southern Illinois”

The just published Winter 2017 issue of Life & Style in Southern Illinois, a publication of the Southern Illinoisan, includes an article and photos from the SIU Women’s Club Royal Afternoon Tea held in September at the Stone Center.

Saluki Women’s Athletics Group Event

Women’s Club members will gather to support the Saluki Women’s Basketball team during spring semester. Put this date on your calendars:

Saluki Women’s Basketball v. Drake University
Sunday, January 7, 2018, 2:00 p.m.
SIU Arena

Denim Shirts for Women’s Club Members

Denim shirts with the SIU Women’s Club identifier embroidered over the chest on left side are available for order. Complete the order form included in this newsletter; the deadline for ordering is December 15, 2017. We will wear our shirts for special organizational events.

Opportunities for Members

November 30 - December 3, 2017, at McLeod Theater:

The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe
Adapted by Joseph Robinette from the novel by C. S. Lewis The heroic tale of love, faith, courage and the epic triumph of good over evil in the magical land of Narnia.

December, 1 – December, 2, 2017, at Shryock Auditorium:
Southern Illinois Symphony Presents:

Tchaikovsky’s Complete Nutcracker Ballet

Women's Club Website

Refer to the website for all current information: http://womensclub.siu.edu.

Scholarships

Members are encouraged to continue their support for SIU Women’s Club Scholarships. Our goal is to fully fund the two $2,000 scholarships annually, awarded through member contributions to the Scholarship Fund.

Interest Groups

Join any of the Interest Groups at any time—just contact the group’s chair indicating your interest.

Fall Meeting

On November 16, nearly 45 Women’s Club members and guests gathered for a buffet meal at Bandana’s. The guest speaker, P. Michael Jones, Director of the John A. Logan Museum, presented fascinating historical information on the May 2018 Memorial Day Sesquicentennial and its connection to John A. Logan and Carbondale’s first Memorial Day observance at Woodlawn Cemetery on April 29, 1866.
**Historical Highlight**

**From Sewing Club to Knitting and Stitching**

Needlework has been part of the SIU Women’s Club from the very beginning. In the spring of 1937, five faculty wives decided to meet regularly as a Sewing Club. They enjoyed each other’s friendship so much that they decided to continue meeting the following September and invited all new faculty wives to join them. This was the genesis of a Newcomers Club that would later become the University Ladies’ Club, then the University Women’s Club, and ultimately, the SIU Women’s Club.

The focus of this group has shifted slightly over the years. During the 1958/59 academic year the group was the Sewing Interest Group and was led by Mrs. Robert McGrath. They met once a month with the invitation to “catch up on your sewing – and enjoy yourself.” During the next decade the group began including knitting. Mary Russell Muchmore joined the group in 1967 or ‘68. “I well remember Kathleen Fletcher, Lucille Guild, Rufus (?), Mrs. Long, as well as Lee (Klingberg). They were kind and generous in sharing their expertise. Several had made cardigans that were sold in kits, with matching yardage for sewing a skirt! Two had been abroad, changing planes in Iceland where, of course, they had bought yarn!!”

Today, not much has changed. The Knitting and Stitching Interest Group is welcomed monthly into a member’s home. According to Dorothy Baker, a member of the group for 22 years and the current leader, “We knit, embroider, talk about family, news of the day as well as the goings on at SIU. Of course, we enjoy the dessert provided by the member who is hosting. This is the way it is and has been since I started attending the group.”

Any SIU Women’s Club member is welcome to join this long-standing interest group. Simply contact Dorothy Baker for details.
SIU Women’s Club Interest Groups

Chair, Liz Schill, (457-5162); Co-chair Toni’ Intravaia, (457-8603)
The Faculty House, 810 South Elizabeth Street, Carbondale

Adventure Gals
Group is planning future adventure activities.
Donna Wilson 457-2587
dmwilson@siu.edu

Antiques and Collectibles
Meets 1st Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Faculty House
December 1, Noon, Yellow Moon Cafe, Cobden
Lunch and Holiday Shopping at area shops after Lunch
Vivian Ugent 457-5258
vivianugent@gmail.com
Carol O’Donnell 549-2287
odonnellcj@yahoo.com

Arts and Crafts Experience
Meets 1st Friday, 10 a.m. – Noon, Faculty House
December 1
Teresa Fix 713-1157
teresafix@frontier.com
Paulette Aronson 893-2882
artteacher37@hotmail.com

Book Discussion - Afternoon
Meets 2nd Thursday, Faculty House, December 14
Lab Girl by Hope Jahren
Bring wrapped gift representing one of the books read during
Year (value no more than $6—no name). Drawing to distribute.
Leader: Susan Swisher  Hostess: Susan Corker
Janet Earnest 549-0416
jandaeearnest@gmail.com

Breakfast Group
Meets 3rd Friday, 7:30 a.m., at Denny's Restaurant
December 15
Janet Banerjee 687-3582
janet.banerjee@gmail.com

Bridge - Afternoon
Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 1 - 3 p.m., in members’ homes
December 6 and 20
Olga Weidner 549-7527
oweidner@siu.edu

Bridge - Couples Evening
Meets 3rd Saturday, 7 p.m., at Faculty House
December 16
Kitty Trescott
Peter Gregory 541-602-6732
peterg@humidtown.com

Cooking Lunch with Friends (First Group)
Meets 4 times a year, 4th Wednesday, in members’ homes
Sue Whitlock 534-3932
kirkman061056@gmail.com
Betty Person 457-8658
bjperson@gmail.com

Cooking Lunch with Friends (Second Group)
Meets 4 times a year in members’ homes
Rivi Meltzer 549-2355
rivmel1@gmail.com

Evening at the Cinema
Meets 1st Thursday at local theaters
December 7
Laura Helsel 559-4541
lahelsel@yahoo.com

Gentle Toning, Stretching, and Yoga (GTSY)
Meets every Thursday, 5:45 p.m., First United Methodist Church
December 7, 14, 21, 28
Nelda Hinckley 549-5588
neldahinckley@jalc.edu

Knitting and Stitching
Meets 4th Thursday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes
December 28
Dorothy Baker 549-2560
dlwbaker@gmail.com
Meet 'n Eat  
Tedda Becker  
457-8903  
beckertedda02@gmail.com  
Meets 2nd Wednesday, Noon, at various local restaurants  
December 13

Monthly Dinner Group (First Group)  
Sue Whitlock  
534-3932  
kirkman061056@gmail.com  
Meets in members' homes

Newcomers Dinner Group  
Tami Boaz  
203-7321  
tamib@foundation.siu.edu  
Meets 4th Monday, 6 p.m., in homes and restaurants  
December 18

Quilting  
Pat Tindall  
549-2427  
dp.tindall@outlook.com  
Meets 2nd Wednesday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes  
December 13

Scrabble  
Mary Pohlmann  
549-5077  
maryp@siu.edu  
Meets 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m., at the Faculty House  
December 21

Secrets of Ethnic Cuisine  
Olga Weidner  
549-7527  
oweidner@siu.edu  
Shirley Estavillo  
529-5690  
jsestavillo@hughes.net  
Meets 4 times a year to prepare unique dishes

Storytelling  
Deborah Corker  
907-248-1236  
phdcorker@aim.com  
Meets 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. at Faculty House  
November 28 and December 26

SIU WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS

Scholarship donations are always encouraged to meet our annual $4,000 goal to fund two scholarships. Scholarship donations may also be made as memorials.

Name _____________________________________________________Phone___________________

Street Address ______________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip ______________________________________________________________________

Email Address _________________________________________ Check Amount $__________

Return form with check (SIU Women’s Club) to:  
SIU Women’s Club, P.O. Box 1226, Carbondale, Illinois 62903-1226
SIU Women's Club Denim Shirt Order Form

Name _____________________________________________________________

Style A _____ Style B _____ Cost: $28 per shirt

Size: Extra Small___ Small ___ Med. ___ Lge. ___ XL ___ 2XL ___ 3XL ___

There is a $2.00 extra charge for 2XL and a $3.00 extra charge for 3XL.

Make checks payable to:  SIU Women's Club
Send form and check by December 15, 2017, to:
Julie Bohnsack,  3107 West Kent, Carbondale, IL  62901

The shirts will have our embroidered identifier over the left chest. All orders are due by December 15, 2017.

Style A
Ladies fit features an open collar, relaxed look, in ladies sizes.

To make arrangements to try on a Ladies fit shirt, please contact Julie at jabohnsack@gmail.com or 618-534-4618.

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Style B
Adult fit features a button-down collar, left chest pocket, looser cut, in adult sizes.

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