

SIU Women's Club Newsletter

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SIU Women's Club Scholarship Awards Luncheon and Spring Business Meeting, Friday, April 13, 2018

As we finalize activities for our 80th Anniversary year, our Scholarship Committee, Susan Pearlman, chair, Terri Harfst, and Debra Sarvela will present the 2018 scholarship recipients at our meeting on Friday, April 13, 11 a.m., at the SIU Student Center, Cambria Room located off the 1st Floor South Patio.

The luncheon will be catered by Crystal's—cost is \$16, and parking is available across the street from the Student Center. Registration deadline is **March 30**, and information follows in this newsletter.

This year, our scholarship recipients will again be recognized at SIU's Celebrate Women 2018 on Thursday, March 29, 4:30 – 7 p.m. at Morris Library.

Membership Information

Our SIU Women's Club membership database shows 174 members—11 more than last year at this time. Please welcome these new members:

Gianne Farrish Joyce Killian Christy Solverson

Women's Club Shirts

Our Women's Club denim shirts have arrived, and they look great!! If you ordered a shirt and have not yet picked it up, please contact Laura Helsel at siuwomensclub@gmail.com or 618.559.4541 to arrange to pick up your shirt. We have several extra shirts available for purchase. Let us know if you would like one.

Upcoming Events

St. Patrick's Day Lunch and Saluki Softball
Saturday, March 17, 2018, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. at Harbaugh's
Salukis v. Loyola University Chicago, 2:00 p.m.
Charlotte West Stadium

Saluki Women's Track and Field, Bill Cornell Spring Classic
Saturday, March 24, 2018, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Lew Hartzog Track & Field Complex

Scholarship Contributions

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

Recent contributions to the Scholarship Fund:

Nancy Pfaff

In Memorium for John Corker:

Susan Pearlman
Lori Stettler

Interest Groups

Check the Interest Groups listing for new groups or times--join any of the Interest Groups at any time—just contact the chair.

Our Opportunity to Support Women Students

Celebrate Women 2018
Thursday, March 29, 2018
4:30 to 7 p.m.
Morris Library



SIU Women's Club
Scholarship Awards Luncheon
and
Annual Business Meeting

Please join us as we wrap up our 80th Anniversary year!

April 13, 2018, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

SIU Student Center, Cambria Room

11:00 Meet and Greet - your chance to meet our scholarship winners
11:30 Luncheon
12:15 Scholarship Recipients' Presentation
12:40 Business Meeting
1:00 Adjourn

Meal provided by Crystal's Catering & More
Cost is \$16

Send check made out to **SIU Women's Club** to:
Dr. Anne Marie Hamilton-Brehm
297 Lake Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Deadline: March 30, 2018

Visitor Parking is available across the street from the Student Center.

Historical Highlight

For the Love of the Theater

Did you know that at least three theater productions were written specifically for SIU Women's Club events? Sadly, some of the details have been lost to history, but here is what we know. It all started in the Fall of 1953 when the SIU Women's Club organized and produced a Faculty Play Night at which an original operetta was performed. The next year it was called a Faculty Frolic and was made up of skits. These events must have been hits, demanding something bigger and better. For the next of these events, Dr. Paul Hunsinger, Associate Professor of Speech, wrote the script and lyrics for *Mike Kado, Ph.D.*, a musical comedy based on the *Mikado* by Gilbert and Sullivan. Performed in November 1955 with Japanese sets and costumes, it "exposed" the life of SIU faculty and was much enjoyed. It was such a big deal that the SIU Women's Club documented it by recording the musical and preserving it on vinyl and archiving the script. Photographic negatives of the performance are also archived.

Building on the success of *Mike Kado, Ph.D.*, the SIU Women's Club continued to sponsor fall theater productions. The following year's production was titled *Rosie's Ricochet Romance* and was an old time melodrama. Dr. Hunsinger created another over the top production that was performed in November 1957. This one was taken from the Broadway play *Hellzapoppin'* and was called *Southern's A Poppin'*. It was reportedly a zany show featuring a faculty cast of 100. These shows were a way for faculty to blow off steam. They were held in Shryock Auditorium and the entire university community was invited to attend for free. The SIU Women's Club provided refreshments, cider and doughnuts for 25 cents. What a bargain!

In addition to these antics, the SIU Women's Club had an active Play Reading Interest Group in the late 1950s through the mid-1960s. The 1961-62 Play Reading Interest Group invited members who were: "(1) remarkably talented people who love to read books, (2) people with no talent at all who love to read plays, (3) people who just enjoy watching remarkably talented people and people with no talent at all."

In the 1970s the SIU Women's Club organized theater events that included a performance on campus and reception to follow. For example, in April 1977 they attended *Once Upon A Mattress* in University Theater followed by a Dessert Party in the Communications Lounge. We still enjoy theater events at McLeod Theatre, in the last year attending a few Sunday matinee productions with refreshments to follow. We hope to hold another one during the 2018 McLeod Summer Playhouse. Please join us!

Acknowledgements

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From *Egyptian*, Nov. 15, 1957.

SIU Women's Club Interest Groups—March, 2018

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

<p>Adventure Gals Date TBA--Trip to Ste. Genevieve, Missouri</p>	<p>Donna Wilson 457-2587 dmwilson@siu.edu</p>
<p>Antiques and Collectibles Meets 1st Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Faculty House March 6 "Perfect Patterns in Pottery" program by Karen Fiorino Available pieces pottery will be for sale</p>	<p>Vivian Ugent 457-5258 vivianugent@gmail.com Carol O'Donnell 549-2287 odonnellcj@yahoo.com</p>
<p>Arts and Crafts Experience Meets 1st Friday, 10 a.m. – Noon, Faculty House March 2</p>	<p>Teresa Fix 713-1157 teresafix@frontier.com Paulette Aronson 893-2882 artteacher37@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Book Discussion - Afternoon Meets 2nd Thursday, Faculty House March 8 <i>Georgia: A Novel of Georgia O'Keefe</i> by Dawn Tripp Leader: Open Hostess: Betty Person</p>	<p>Janet Earnest 549-0416 jandaearnest@gmail.com</p>
<p>Breakfast Group Meets 3rd Friday, 7:30 a.m., at Denny's Restaurant March 16</p>	<p>Janet Banerjee 687-3582 janet.banerjee@gmail.com</p>
<p>Bridge - Afternoon Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes March 7 and 14</p>	<p>Olga Weidner 549-7527 oweidner@siu.edu</p>
<p>Bridge - Couples Evening Meets 3rd Saturday, 7 p.m., at Faculty House March 17</p>	<p>Kitty Trescott Peter Gregory 541-602-6732 peterg@humidtown.com</p>
<p>Cooking Lunch with Friends (First Group) Meets 4 times a year, 4th Wednesday, in members' homes</p>	<p>Sue Whitlock 534-3932 kirkman061056@gmail.com Betty Person 457-8658 bjperson@gmail.com</p>
<p>Cooking Lunch with Friends (Second Group) Meets 4 times a year in members' homes</p>	<p>Rivi Meltzer 549-2355 rivmel1@gmail.com</p>
<p>Evening at the Cinema Meets 1st Thursday at local theaters March 1</p>	<p>Laura Helsel 559-4541 lahelsel@yahoo.com</p>
<p>Gentle Toning, Stretching, and Yoga (GTSY) Meets every Thursday, 5:45 p.m., First United Methodist Church March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29</p>	<p>Nelda Hinckley 549-5588 neldahinckley@jalc.edu</p>
<p>Knitting and Stitching Meets 4th Thursday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes March 22</p>	<p>Dorothy Baker 549-2560 dlwbaker@gmail.com</p>

Meet 'n Eat

Meets 2nd Wednesday, Noon, at various local restaurants
March 14

Monthly Dinner Group (First Group)

Meets in members' homes

Newcomers Dinner Group

Meets in homes and restaurants
March date TBA

Quilting

Meets 2nd Wednesday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes
March 14

Scrabble

Meets 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m., at the Faculty House
March 15

Secrets of Ethnic Cuisine

Meets 4 times a year to prepare unique dishes

Storytelling

Meets 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. at Faculty House
March 27

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SIU WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS

Scholarship donations are always encouraged to meet our annual \$4,000 goal to fund two \$2,000 scholarships. Scholarship donations may also be made as memorials.

Name _____ Phone _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____ Check Amount \$ _____

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