Scholarship Awards Luncheon and Spring Business Meeting, Friday, April 13, 2018

March 30, 2018, is the deadline for reserving a seat at the Scholarship Awards Luncheon and Annual Business Meeting on Friday, April 13, 2018, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cambria Room at the SIU Student Center. To attend, please send a check for $16 payable to SIU Women’s Club, to: Dr. Anne Marie Hamilton-Brehm, 297 Lake Dr., Murphysboro, IL, 62966.

The luncheon will be catered by Crystal’s — parking is available across the street from the Student Center. If you need transportation to or from the Luncheon, please contact Olga Weidner at 549-7527.

Please join us as we conclude our 80th Anniversary year!!

Our Opportunity to Support Women Students

Celebrate Women 2018—Honoring Inclusive Excellence—A Benefit for Women’s Scholarships will be held in the Morris Library Rotunda and Guyon Auditorium on Thursday, March 29, 2018, from 4:30 – 7 p.m.

Plan to attend to support SIU women scholarship recipients. The SIU Women’s Club scholarship recipients will be recognized at this event, so this will an opportunity for members to meet them. See details in the attached flyer.

Upcoming Events

Cinco de Mayo Lunch and Saluki Softball
Saturday, May 5, 2018, 12:30 to 2 p.m. -- Lunch Salukis v. University of Northern Iowa
2 p.m. at Charlotte West Stadium

Save the Date: Friday, October 5, 2018
St. Louis Symphony Coffee Concert
Bus Trip to Powell Hall with lunch to follow

Watch for announcements regarding events with the Southern Illinois Music Festival and McLeod Summer Playhouse.

Scholarship Fund Goal Has Been Achieved

The SIU Women’s Club Scholarship Fund has reached the $4,000 amount needed to fund our two $2,000 scholarships for this year. In fact, additional funds contributed will be used to award a third $1,000 scholarship celebrating the SIU Women’s Club 80th Anniversary. Your Board of Directors is indeed thankful for the generosity of our members who continue to support our prestigious scholarships. See the Historical Highlights on SIU Women’s Club Scholarships on the attached page.

Members Enjoy McLeod Theater Performance

Over 30 Women’s Club members and guests attended The Boys from Syracuse performance on February 25, 2018. During intermission, attendees enjoyed snacks and conversation in the Conference Room.

Interest Groups

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

HONORING INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

Benefit for Women’s Scholarships

WE PERSIST

Morris Library, Rotunda and Guyon Auditorium

Thursday, March 29, 2018

4:30 - 7 pm

Wine and hors d’oeuvres reception
Joyce Hesketh, Harpist
5 - 6 pm
Alcoholic beverages will not be served to anyone under 21

Silent Auction
4:30 - 5:45 pm in Rotunda

Celebration of Feminine Strength Presentation and Award Ceremony
6 - 7 pm in Guyon Auditorium

$25 per person; make checks payable to AAUW

For tickets call Martha Ellert at (618) 521-0613 or email msellert@aol.com
This year, for the first time ever, the SIU Women’s Club will be awarding three scholarships to undergraduate female students. In addition to the $2,000 Dorothy Morris Traditional Student Scholarship and the $2,000 Joyce Guyon Non-Traditional Student Scholarship, the Board has authorized an additional scholarship, the $1,000 SIU Women’s Club 80th Anniversary Scholarship. These scholarships have been made possible by members’ very generous donations.

We’ve come a long way from 1956, when the first scholarships were given out, $100 to Geraldine Pittman and $25 to Phyllis Hall. Of course, tuition was lower then. In 1959, the scholarship winner, Yvonne Anton, received $54.50, which covered her tuition for one term.

Supporting female students was important to early Club members. The Club’s By-Laws in 1955-56 included an article stipulating that the Club present a scholarship to a woman student at SIU, under regulations set up by a scholarship committee. The amount of money varied in the early years from a low of $25 to a high of $185.

In 1957-58, the Club gave a scholarship of $35, but also donated $100 to a loan fund, to be administered by SIU, as loans could help more students. The idea was that the loan fund would run itself in time, as the money was repaid. In 1962-63, a report indicated the Women’s Club loan fund was one of 24 short-term loan funds available to SIU students; they could borrow from $10 to $80 and had to pay back the loan within three months. At that time, the principal given to the fund by the Club totaled $222, and 144 loans had been made. Instead of giving a scholarship in 1963, the Board decided to give $250 to the loan fund. In 1965, the Club began again to fund scholarships, and there is no more information about the loan fund.

From 1980-86, no scholarships were awarded. When Joyce Guyon became President of the Club, she appointed a Scholarship Committee chaired by Lillie M. Lockhart. In 1987, a $500 scholarship was awarded to Rita M. Frye. In a report to the Board that year, Lillie Lockhart wrote, “the reinstituting of the Women’s Club Scholarship by Joyce Guyon was a monumental feat...an activity that was helpful and important. It is my hope that the Women’s Club will now make this award annually and that it will be one of the club’s top priorities.” That’s been the case ever since.

By 1993, the amount of the award was up to $1,000. Around this time, the Board decided to fund two scholarships, for at least $500 each, one named for Dorothy Morris, to be awarded to a traditional female student, and another, later named for Joyce Guyon, to be awarded to a non-traditional female student, over age 21. Since 1996, two scholarships have been awarded annually, increasing in amount to $1,000 and then climbing gradually to the $2,000 scholarships we are awarding now.

In the last few years, the application and review process has gone from involving paper to one that is totally electronic, using SIU’s AcademicWorks system. The scholarships now are publicized through flyers and press releases as well as Twitter and Facebook. Instead of sending award letters, we send emails. But the intent of the scholarship program hasn’t changed since 1956; the Club helps deserving female students to achieve their educational goals.

Our scholarships honor two SIUC “first ladies” who strongly supported women in academics and celebrate our Club’s 80th birthday. Come to the Scholarship Luncheon on April 13 to meet the three scholarship winners of 2018.
SIU Women’s Club Interest Groups—April, 2018

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

Adventure Gals
Trip to Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, April 21

Donna Wilson 457-2587
dmwilson@siu.edu

Antiques and Collectibles
Meets 1st Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Faculty House
April 3
“Kaskaskia Island Church” Tour/history of Immaculate Conception Church with lunch at Jodie’s (Ol’ Farmhouse & Bakery) in Chester at noon

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
April 6

Teresa Fix 713-1157
teresafix@frontier.com

Paulette Aronson 893-2882
artteacher37@hotmail.com

Janet Earnest 549-0416
jandaearnest@gmail.com

Breakfast Group
Meets 3rd Friday, 7:30 a.m., at Denny’s Restaurant
April 20

Janet Banerjee 687-3582
janet.banerjee@gmail.com

Bridge - Afternoon
Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 1 - 3 p.m., in members’ homes
April 4 and 11

Olga Weidner 549-7527
oweidner@siu.edu

Bridge - Couples Evening
Meets 3rd Saturday, 7 p.m., at Faculty House
April 21

Kitty Trescott
Peter Gregory 541-602-6732
peterg@humidtown.com

Sue Whitlock 534-3932
kirkman061056@gmail.com

Betty Person 457-8658
bjperson@gmail.com

Rivi Meltzer 549-2355
rivmel1@gmail.com

Laure Helsel 559-4541
lahelsel@yahoo.com

Evening at the Cinema
Meets 1st Thursday at local theaters
April 5

Laure Helsel 559-4541
lahelsel@yahoo.com

Gentle Toning, Stretching, and Yoga (GTSY)
Meets every Thursday, 5:45 p.m., First United Methodist Church
April 5, 12, 19, and 26

Nelda Hinckley 549-5588
neldahinckley@jalc.edu
Knitting and Stitching
Meets 4th Thursday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes
April 26

Dorothy Baker 549-2560
dlw@siu.edu

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Meet 'n Eat
Meets 2nd Wednesday, Noon, at various local restaurants
April 11

Tedda Becker 457-8903
beckertedda02@gmail.com

Monthly Dinner Group (First Group)
Meets in members' homes

Sue Whitlock 534-3932
kirkman061056@gmail.com

Newcomers Dinner Group
Meets in homes and restaurants
April 26

Tami Boaz 203-7321
tamb@foundation.siu.edu

Quilting
Meets 2nd Wednesday, 1 - 3 p.m., in members' homes
April 11

Pat Tindall 549-2427
dp.tindall@outlook.com

Scrabble
Meets 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m., at the Faculty House
April 19

Mary Pohlmann 549-5077
marp@siu.edu

Secrets of Ethnic Cuisine
Meets 4 times a year to prepare unique dishes

Olga Weidner 549-7527
oweidner@siu.edu
Shirley Estavillo 529-5690
jsestavillo@hughes.net

Storytelling
Meets 4th Tuesday, 6 p.m. at Faculty House
April 24

Deborah Corker 907-248-1236
phdcorker@aim.com

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 ____________________

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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