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# From the ISUAA president

By Gail A. Lamb, galamb@IllinoisState.edu

Greetings to you all, with a special **WELCOME** to our 53 new and renewed members, many of whom are employees as well as retirees! Usually in this fall issue we invite you to join us for the Annual Fall Breakfast—this year instead we invite you to the **ISUAA Fall Zoom** meeting (no breakfast!). Hope you will register to join!

We are all influenced by the challenging, frustrating, fearful events related to COVID-19 since March. Leaders of academic institutions at all levels struggle to discover the best solution, which then can change when new directions are required. A new academic year is coming up and will be transformed all over our nation, and globally. Hopefully, you are keeping informed with the regular updates posted on the ISU website. We are all so fortunate to be a part of this outstanding university, and so grateful for the **outstanding administrative leadership** provided by **President and First Lady Larry and Marlene Dietz** and so many under their direction who are working out all of the details for the upcoming year—an amazing task, especially with no blueprints for guidance. We are delighted that the Dietzes will once again join us for this ISUAA fall meeting on **Wednesday**, **September 2**, **starting at 9 am. President Dietz** will provide us with an update about the amazing story of ISU, the changes and challenges necessitated by COVID-19, and other pertinent news. Please refer to how to register to attend on the back of this newsletter.

SUAA mini-briefings that are sent out by SUAA leadership regularly are important sources and will be, as we enter the fall election period. Quoting from the June 12, 2020 mini briefing: "Governor signs FY 2021 budget: Governor Pritzker signed into law a \$42.9 billion fiscal year 2021 budget on Wednesday, June 10, 2020. It went into effect on July 1, 2020. The major components of the budget go towards paying for key priorities such as education, healthcare, public safety, vital human services, criminal justice reform, continued expenses for COVID-19 relief and **fully funding the state's pension contributions**.

Our membership drives over the past two years have added 137 new members/renewals to ISUAA/SUAA. Many are current employees realizing the efforts provided by ISUAA/SUAA to protect and preserve their pensions and benefits. Congratulations to the new members who received the Amazon gift cards: Richard Hughes, Christie Martin, and Beth Porter!

Due to having to cancel the June Dinner and Elections meeting, our Annual Elections will be at the September 2 Zoom meeting. Thus, this newsletter will be my last, although I will assist the incoming president as needed. I am **extremely grateful** to all who have assisted me during my nearly three years as your President. Special thanks to the staff from the **Foundation office and UMC printing**. Along with appreciation for each board member, I especially thank **Larry Alferink** who has guided and mentored me all along the way. I will continue on the ISUAA Board as ex-officio. It has been a challenge and honor to serve in this role. Thank you and best wishes to all!

gaie a. Lamb

# **How time flies**

By April Karlene Anderson–Zorn, university archivist, Dr. Jo Ann Rayfield Archives at Illinois State University

# 150 years ago-1870

Professor Sewall asked the board to appropriate "a small sum, not exceeding \$100.00, to make good the loss, by breakage and necessary wear, of the chemical apparatus, and also to increase the supply of chemicals now on hand." Sewall cited the cause for the use and wear on the materials to be due to "a class of 10 has worked in the laboratory during nearly the entire year." The board approved an appropriation of \$50 for new equipment and supplies for Sewall's class.

In addition, the Auditing Committee reported to the board several building repair charges, including repairs on the laboratory, \$6.50; repairing steam-pipe, \$78.75; repairing pump (twice), \$7.00; 175 feet roofing and other work on roof, \$36.16; covering 70 blackboard rubbers, \$26.50 for a grand total of \$154.91 charged to the University Repair Fund.

Proceedings of the Board of Education of the State of Illinois, Meeting Minutes, (June 22 and 23, 1870, pages 7, 10).

## 100 years ago-September/October, 1920

- The Vidette printed a reminder that all women students "are required to take physical training unless on excuse signed by the Dean is presented." Students must make an appointment for a physical examination on the day of registration. Any student who failed to make their physical examination appointment would be charged 25 cents. After the examination, students were expected to participate in physical training classes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

  The Vidette, September 13, 1920 (Vol. 33, No. 1, page 2).
- Eunice R. Blackburn, assistant teacher in the geography department, announced her leave of Illinois State Normal University (ISNU) to become a missionary and teach in a teacher's training school in Merida, Mexico. The popular instructor received her degree from ISNU was in the process of finishing her thesis for the University of Chicago where she would be eligible for a Ph.D. After serving as a grade school instructor and later principal at two schools, she returned to ISNU as an assistant teacher of geography. *The Vidette* reported that while her leaves would be limited, Blackburn would try and return for visits to Normal. *The Vidette*, September 23, 1920 (Vol. 33, No. 2, pages 1, 5).
- Instructions for completing senior themes were printed in *The Vidette*. Similar to a thesis, the themes required 2,500 to 4,000 words. "Use plain white, typewriter paper. Write only on one side of the sheet. Leave margin of one and one-half inches all the way round each sheet. Fasten the sheets with paper clips, or place in an envelope 8x10 1/2 inches in size" and, "Thesis should be typewritten or in good plain penmanship." The instruction also included submitters to make sure to check spelling and punctuation and to include "a full statement" of books and articles used in the senior theme. *The Vidette*, October 6, 1920 (Vol. 33, No. 3, page 2).

• Count Ilya Tolstoy, son of Count Leo Tolstoy, gave his lecture titled, "The truth about Russia" to an enraptured campus. In his talk, Tolstoy described the country of Russia and the struggles faced by its people. Noting that people were starving, Tolsto, "holds the Soviets responsible for its present Russia situation, because it was they who constantly used their influence against the provisional government and brought Kerensky into power." *The Vidette*, October 27, 1920 (Vol. 33, No. 5, pages 1, 5).

## 75 years ago-August/October, 1945

- Post-war plans for the development of campus were released and included early concepts for what would eventually be central campus. A men's gymnasium was planned in the location of the university farm, the construction of a new special education building, an outdoor theatre "opposite of Sherwood Forest," and a new Student Union building. *The Vidette*, August 1, 1945 (Vol. 57, No. 36, pages 6).
- The Vidette reported on a summer upholstering class with an added bonus—ice cream! The industrial arts class, led by Professor Chester M. Hammerlund, included nine students who learned how to reupholster and refinish furniture provided by the community. In addition to providing the furniture, owners also provided the materials needed to make the repairs and "two gallons of ice cream to the class for their work." The Vidette, August 15, 1945 (Vol. 57, No. 38, page 1).
- Fell Hall residents were without bed frames at the start of the term. Though the mattresses ordered three months prior had arrived, a strike at the bed factory delayed the shipment of the bed frames. Women residents were forced to sleep on the mattresses on the floor for almost a month. Once the strike ended, the frames were loaded on a truck for delivery, but the truck broke down in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Another truck headed to Normal picked up the delivery and the women of Fell Hall finally had full beds. The Vidette, September 26, 1945 (Vol. 58, No. 1, page 2).
- A day trip for the All Girls Band proved to be even more eventful than planned. The band was scheduled to play halftime at the Saturday football game between ISNU and Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. Three buses left Normal early game day morning with 90 students and planned to stop in Pana for breakfast. However, plans were thwarted, but a fully stocked bakery truck was available to feed the students. Because of the delay, chaperons Anna Keaton and Gertrude Hall exited the bus to call ahead and make alternate dinner plans. But, the buses left without Keaton and Hall, forcing them to take a taxi 65 miles to the final destination. The band performed and returned—and with no further delays—late Saturday night. *The Vidette*, October 17, 1945 (Vol. 58, No. 3, page 2).

### 50 years ago-August/October, 1970

 Dorothy King was honored August 2 for her 42-year career at ISU. King began her tenure in 1928 and served as secretary for six ISU presidents including David Felmley, Harry Brown, Raymond Fairchild, acting President Arthur Larson, Robert

- Bone, and Samuel Braden. In a photo on the front page of *The Vidette*, King is seen receiving help from a few former presidents: "While current President Samuel Braden takes over her typing chores, former President Robert G. Bone ... hands Dorothy a cup of coffee while former Acting President Arthur Larsen prepares to take dictation on her reaction." *The Vidette*, August 5, 1970 (Vol. 83, No. 6, page 1).
- Instead of using the red phone booths in the basements of residence halls, students living in campus dorms would soon be able to make long-distance toll calls from the comfort of their rooms. Split into two phases of implementation, the first phase of residence halls slated to receive the service were Fell, Walker, Dunn-Barton, Atkin-Colby, and Hamilton Whitten. West campus residents were scheduled to receive the service in the second phase, with all work expected to be completed by December 1971. The Vidette, September 22, 1970 (Vol. 83, No. 7, page 3).
- Calvin L. Pritner was named director of the University Theatre, replacing John W. Kirk, who planned to return to teaching. As reported by *The Vidette*, enrollment in theatre courses quadrupled while undergraduate theatre majors doubled: "The number of graduate students in the area has increased from six to 25 and faculty members from six to 16." Pritner took over at a time of growth in the theatre: "Last July, the Board of Regents approved creation of a Department of Theater in the College of Fine arts subject to approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education." *The Vidette*, September 24, 1970 (Vol. 83, No. 8, page 10).
- Due to the larger-than-expected increase in enrollment, ISU faced a housing shortage. Approximately 500 students were living in temporary housing that included temporarily converted residence hall lounge spaces. Most of the converted lounge spaces were located in west campus residence halls while other converted spaces included typing and study rooms in Hewett-Manchester. Spaces were also made in Hamilton Whitten and Rambo House. As permanent spaces were identified, students living in temporary spaces were given first access, and their living areas converted back to original use. *The Vidette*, October 20, 1970 (Vol. 83, No. 15, page 3).

# 25 years ago-August/October, 1995

- Nite Ride was officially launched as a replacement to Safe Ride. The new service utilized two Bloomington-Normal transit buses that start at the Bone Student Center and take routes throughout the campus. Nite Ride replaced Safe Ride, a similar service that used three cars and a van. While Safe Ride cost \$50,000 to operate the previous year, Nite Ride's estimated costs would be double. However, \$2.01 in student service fees pay for Nite Ride, which is available to all students who present a valid student ID. Passengers who do not have student ID's could still ride but were expected to pay 0.50 cents. *The Daily Vidette*, August 21, 1995 (Vol. 108, No. 9, page 3A).
- The annual Festival ISU was back on August 25 with over 60 tables feature student services, RSOs, and Greek organizations. The warm weather and entertainment by Gamma Phi Circus made for a fun and enjoyable atmosphere. Represen-

- tatives from the Student Government Association were also available to talk to students who might have issues to discuss after their first week of classes. However, some students were not even aware that the Festival was taking place. Freshman Ross Katchan said: "I didn't even know his was here today . . . but it's on the Quad, and that's where everyone goes anyway to get to classes." *The Daily Vidette*, August 25, 1995 (Vol. 108, No. 13, page 3).
- Beloved hangout Pub II transformed over the summer and was revealed to patrons August 30. Opened in 1974, owner Terry Stralow vowed to keep the bar the same, but added "a few extra dart games and few more TVs for sporting events." Known as the place for meeting friends and its unique appeal, Stralow hoped the atmosphere would stay the same: "I know a lot of people came here because it was cozy and you could, hopefully, meet your friends here sometime during the night." In addition to the expanded bar, the location would also eventually add a new banquet room. The Daily Vidette, September 1, 1995 (Vol. 108, No. 18, pages 1, 6).
- Tanya Tucker performed at Braden Auditorium on September 8 to an "enthusiastic crowd" of country music fans. Dressed in black-and-white leather, Tucker performed a variety of hits both old and new. Daily Vidette staff reporter Carrie Browning recalled a comment made by Tucker about her career: "Tucker comment that after 28 albums she should be called 'Tanya Timex-takes a lickin' and keep on tickin.' She obviously hasn't lost her touch." The Daily Vidette, September 11, 1995 (Vol. 108, No. 23, pages 7).

# In memoriam

Steve Adams 5/8/2020
Dean Blimling
Ira Cohen
Arturo Cornejo 5/27/2020
John Craig
Terry Dennis
Mary Gaffney 5/23/2020
Judith Holt
Yvonne Hougham 4/13/2020
Christine Kubiak
Edward Mayer 3/21/2020
Robert Metcalf
Howard Romanek 5/20/2020
Ernestine Schmidgall
Judy Sedekum 5/22/2020
Mary Sigler
Patricia Tessier-Quint
Justin Upton 5/29/2020
Morton Waimon 5/7/2020
Dane Ward
Patricia Werdel 5/17/2020

# Fall ISUAA Meeting on ZOOM features President Larry Dietz; ISUAA Annual Elections

In consideration of necessary changes related to COVID-19, the ISUAA fall meeting will be held this year on Zoom! Information about how to register for the Zoom meeting may be found on the back of this newsletter.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Wednesday, September 2. Once again, we are delighted that we will be welcoming our president and first lady Larry and Marlene Dietz. President Dietz will give an update on the current happenings regarding Illinois State University. Despite the needed change in format, this meeting, as always, is a great opportunity to hear the amazing story about ISU, the changes and challenges necessitated by COVID-19, and other news from our outstanding president.

Due to postponing the June 17 Annual Dinner and Elections meeting because of COVID-19 requirements, this meeting will also include election of officers for the coming year, general announcements, and presentation of annual awards. The current terms of President Gail Lamb and Directors Gary Fish and Victoria F. Harris are expiring. We will also vote for our new secretary, Barb Dallinger, who has been serving as interim. Larry Alferink will present the slate: President: Janice Neuleib; Secretary: Barbara Dallinger; Directors: Gary Fish and Victoria F. Harris. If you want to nominate another, with their permission, email <a href="mailto:galamb@IllinoisState.edu">galamb@IllinoisState.edu</a> prior to August 10.

Since this meeting will be available on Zoom to those who pre-register, we also welcome members who may not have been able to attend in the past due to location, to join us for this meeting.

Please refer to the registration form on the back of this newsletter.

# SUAA Annual Statewide Meeting postponed and rescheduled

As a consequence of COVID-19, along with statewide and university safety decisions for gatherings, the SUAA Annual Meeting scheduled for late June was postponed. Now SUAA is planning two fall Zoom meetings to deal with combining the business of the Annual Meeting and the Fall Meeting, including the election of the board and the budget. As always, our ISUAA Board will have a representation of delegate members.

# TeeBirds retiree golf league play continues through September

By Dave Williams

The ISU TeeBirds golf league is always looking for new players even in August and September! TeeBirds were able to start playing in June despite restrictions mandated by the state for the COVID-19 pandemic. The plan for a June start of play was for twosomes walking nine holes—single electric carts available for those with physical or health handicaps. Play is divided off the front and back nines to maximize the number of players within the 15-minute twosome

pacing. Our social events are limited this year due to social distancing.

TeeBirds are retired or current faculty or staff members, spouses or significant others, and guests. We meet Thursday mornings for nine holes of golf and social events. Some members continue for 18 holes on our play days.

The group's home course is Illinois State University's Weibring Golf Club, but we mix in other area courses for variety including Ironwood, Prairie Vista, and others. Weekly play alternates between individual scoring and various scramble formats. We plan events to appeal to golfers at all ability levels. We play every Thursday through September starting with tee times at 8 a.m. The annual membership fee is \$15 with reduced fees for those who join mid-year. Members are welcome to play any Thursday as your summer schedule and health permits.

We welcome golfers at all ability levels. Feel free to come join us anytime during the season up through September. Just check our website play schedule for the time and course and show up or send an email to <a href="mailto:dwilliam@IllinoisState.edu">dwilliam@IllinoisState.edu</a>. We will work you in. Check out our website at <a href="mailto:isstate.edu">isstate.edu</a>. We mill work you in. Check out our website at <a href="mailto:isstate.edu">isstate.edu</a> for more information. Come join and give us a try!

# From Alumni engagement regarding Homecoming 2020

By Rachel Kobus, associate director, Alumni Relations

Greetings to all! Given the uncertain circumstances caused by COVID-19 and the many changes that are happening at the university, there may be some significant changes to what we will be doing this year at Homecoming. Due to not wanting to provide any information that may need to be changed again, we are directing you to our Homecoming website where you can check on updated information as needed! Thank you for your understanding.



For more information, visit

Homecoming.IllinoisState.edu



# Senior Professionals fall 2020 programs

By Laura Kowalczyk, Senior Professionals coordinator

Fall mornings with the Professors and Academy of Seniors lifelong-learning adult-enrichment classes will be offered **virtually** this fall. For the most current class information or to register, go to SeniorProfessionals.IllinoisState.edu/educational-opportunities, beginning mid-August. For more information, email <a href="lakowa2@">lakowa2@</a> IllinoisState.edu or call (309) 438-2818.

# The ISU University Club

By Bob Preston and Kay Wilson

**University Club discussion hours:** The University Club is the only ISU social organization open to all Faculty, Staff, Administrative Professionals, Retirees and ISUAA members. You are cordially invited to join us for any or all of our programs. You need not be a University Club member to attend.

Fall semester 2020—Online programs: As the nation and the state of Illinois continues to deal with the coronavirus pandemic, we all have experienced significant changes in our lifestyles that may need to be continued for some time. We also note that ISU will be reopening the campus using a variety of approaches incorporating online, hybrid and in person classes using appropriate safety techniques (see ISU website: President Dietz's July 9 memo to faculty, staff and students). After a careful review of the situation by the University Club officers and with the concurrence of our members, we have concluded that *in person meetings will be suspended for the fall semester* and, subject to further review, perhaps beyond. However, the spirit of the University Club is strong, and we will transition to online programming with guest speakers and we will conduct the yearly University Scholarship competition.

Online speaker presentations via Zoom: The details and scheduling for our speaker programs are being developed and will be posted on our website (UClub.IllinoisState.edu). The presentations will be open to University Club members, annuitants and to the University Community. There will be a transition period in adopting this format and a reduced presentation schedule.

University Club scholarships awards online via Zoom: We plan to continue this academic year with our long-standing tradition (30 years) of awarding up to ten \$500 scholarships to ISU undergraduate and graduate students who were academically top achievers and who were also involved in giving back to the University and Community through service. The exact dates for the competition and award ceremony are being reviewed. The Awards Ceremony will be held online

via Zoom. Because of the current pedagogical readjustments that students, staff and faculty are undergoing during the fall semester, we have decided to conduct the competition in the Spring 2021 semester. The details will be posted later on our website.

Best wishes from the University Club. Please stay safe and healthy.

# Fall 2020 from the Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts

By Stephanie Kohl Ringle, business communications associate, Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts

The Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts hosts several events each year that include art exhibitions, theatre and dance productions, and music concerts. In the fall of 2020, **University Galleries** will host the exhibition Jen Bervin, on view beginning September 1 through December 13. Visit <u>Galleries IllinoisState.edu</u> for exhibition hours and additional programming information. Other opportunities to view art exhibitions include visiting our student art gallery within the Central Illinois Regional Airport (CIRA), located across from the main entryway inside the terminal building.

A list of concerts, theatre, and dance performances and other Fine Arts events is available at FineArts.IllinoisState.edu/Events. Please note that dates and times of events are subject to change and details are tentative due to the COVID-19 pandemic and adhering to social distancing guidelines. You can follow the Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, and keep up to date with Fine Arts news by visiting our website. Thank you!

# Retiree information hotline

Have a question? Need an answer? Don't know whom to contact? Call (309) 438 4311, the phone line answered by Human Resources just for retirees and surviving spouses. Staff will either direct you to the needed resource or take your name and number and have someone follow up with you.



# Save these dates

Fall Zoom Meeting—September 2, 2020 Holiday Meeting—December 2, 2020 Spring Meeting—March 17, 2021 Annual Dinner Meeting/Elections—June 16, 2021

Note: Except for the Fall Meeting, which is already in the planning stages, the ISUAA Board will be making decisions based upon statewide and university requirements regarding the meetings on December 2, March 17, and June 16. Information will be available on the website and in the newsletters.



# **ISUAA Directory**

Four years ago, an electronic version of the ISUAA Directory became available. If you requested one and did not receive it, contact Jillian Nelson at <a href="mailto:jyoun11@IllinoisState.edu">jyoun11@IllinoisState.edu</a>. The electronic version can be printed and saved to your computer. Because of privacy concerns, we are unable to place it online. If you wish to continue receiving a hard-copy version by mail, please return the following form by November 1, 2020, with a \$5 payment to cover printing and postage costs to:

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# Renew your parking permit-if needed

If you have an annuitant parking hangtag, it is useful, but check to see if it is expiring this August. Now is the time to renew it if needed. If you have recently retired, you can obtain this tag from Parking Services. It allows you to park at no cost in the Bone Student Center lot and in guest parking at the lot south of the College of Business building at no charge, as well as other lots around campus. The retiree parking passes will be available for pick-up starting August 8. If preferred, you may call Parking Services to discuss receiving your parking tag in the mail.

# **Helping hamper**

By Jan Cook

We now dedicate our Helping Hamper collections to the School Street Food Pantry for students show a College ID. The pantry is visited by students, some with families, every Friday afternoon. They appreciate any food or personal products that you can donate.

Since we cannot hold an in-person meeting this fall, we encourage those who desire to help the School Street Food Pantry to send a check made out to ISUAA, with 'School Street Food Pantry' on the memo line. Mail it to ISUAA, Campus Box 8000, Normal, IL 61790. We will arrange for the donation to be given to them. Food donations can be dropped off inside the Normal First United Methodist Church between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday–Friday by the front office.

I suggest that we can contribute "support" products most effectively if we have a schedule so that there are enough of the special items to serve more than the first arrivals in line. To that end, please

consider the following, although any food or similar items will be welcomed:

Summer: Food, especially salad dressing, and hot weather

hygiene razors, soap, deodorant

Fall: Food, especially cans of chicken, and dental products
Winter: Food, especially oatmeal and fruit, and warm socks
Spring: Food, especially peanut butter, toilet paper, feminine

hygiene products

THANK YOU all very much.

# Tom and Claire Lamonica Establish Outstanding Teaching Award for Administrative Professional or Civil Service Faculty

By Laura Freyman

Tom and Claire Lamonica are alums who have been working and teaching on campus for more than 40 years. Despite their commitment to Illinois State, neither envisioned making a major gift to the University.

After attending the naming ceremony for the Brown Ballroom in 2005, Claire joked with the couple's three children that "When we're gone, you can donate the Claire and Tom Lamonica Memorial Broom Closet."

Claire, M.A. '83, D.A. '96 worked as a high school English teacher, including at University High School, before becoming a faculty member and program coordinator at Illinois State. She recently retired from her role as director of the University's Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology (CTLT), which she held for 8 years. Tom, who completed his master's degree in 1988, worked in

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☐ ISU EXCELLENCE FUND-supports the University's area of greatest need (3065065)	Name(s)	(s) University ID (if known)	
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communications for Athletics for more than 26 years. Since 2006, he has been an instructional assistant professor and director of field experiences in the School of Communication.

When the Redbirds Rising campaign launched publicly in 2017, Tom and Claire began to seriously consider what shape a major gift might take.

"I'm the kind of person who looks at something big, gets overwhelmed and thinks, 'Why bother?'" Claire said. "Tom is fortunately the kind of person who can do a little bit at a time to get to the really big thing."

His thoughtful stewardship enabled the couple to make a \$50,000 gift to create the Claire and Tom Lamonica Outstanding University Teaching Award. It rewards exemplary teaching by a member of Illinois State's Administrative Professional (AP) or Civil Service (CS) workforce.

"There are several awards for pre-tenured and tenured faculty, as well as graduate students, but only one award for Non-Tenure Track, AP, and Civil Service teachers combined," Claire said. "We wanted to allow more teachers to be recognized and rewarded for their work."

With their major gift during the Redbirds Rising campaign, the Lamonicas are now the kind of people they never thought they would become. They reached an unforeseen goal by staying true to their community-minded approach to philanthropy.

"That's sort of been the ISU philosophy. We don't accomplish larger goals with a few people giving a lot of money, we do it with as

many people as possible giving whatever they can," Tom said.

Becoming a major donor has also allowed the Lamonicas to continue their lifelong work of supporting educators of all levels.

"Every teacher is a developing teacher," Claire said. "We're all trying to get better." The Lamonicas' gift helps ensure that Illinois State teachers from all areas of campus will have that chance.

Those closest to Illinois State also contribute to the University. To learn more about giving opportunities for faculty and staff, visit Giving. Illinois State.edu/opportunities/faculty-staff/.

# Check out the Annuitants Association website

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Jess Ray, webpage coordinator



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# ISUAA FALL ZOOM MEETING REGISTRATION INFORMATION

9-10:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 2, 2020
Featuring President Larry Dietz; also including Annual Elections and Awards

This meeting will be conducted via Zoom! If you do not already have a Zoom app for your computer, iPad, or iPhone—you should be able to add it by going to the App Store or Google Play. There is no charge. You will need to register below if you plan to attend the Zoom meeting. You have two options for registering.

You may register by sending an email to <a href="ISUAA@IllinoisState.edu">ISUAA@IllinoisState.edu</a>. Please be sure to include your name and the email to which you want the Zoom link to be sent.

If you prefer, you can register by returning the form below. If there is more than one individual registering via this form, please fill out the info for each person!

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Please mail the reservation form to ISUAA, Campus Box 8000, Illinois State University, Normal, IL 61790-8000. Reservations must be received NO LATER than August 20. No late reservations, please!