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ISUAA—serving annuitants and survivors since 1971

President's message

Thank you to Recreation Services for sponsoring this issue of the newsletter and best wishes for a successful and timely opening of the new fitness facility in 2011.

The June 2 annual meeting and dinner will be my last chapter event as president of ISUAA. I have served two 2-year terms, the limit as per our bylaws. It has been a privilege. Before I agreed to serve as president I had to justify in my own mind that making such a commitment was the right thing for me to do. I decided that it was because of the help and support I received from many of you over the years, whether I was in the residence halls, Student Judicial Office, or Bone Student Center/Braden Auditorium. That help and support continued in my role with ISUAA. I will continue to be active in ISUAA in a manner yet to be determined.

I believe ISUAA is in good shape at this point. ISUAA and the University via the Foundation have an established, formal relationship based on a win-win perspective shared by both parties. Chapter finances are relatively sound thanks in large part to support from Advancement/Foundation. We have an excellent working relationship with local legislators and statewide there is the understanding that the state has a legal, contractual obligation to not diminish or impair the pensions of retirees. That obligation is constitutionally protected, which is about as solid as it can be, but not absolute as the constitution can always be amended. We believe that obligation extends to the pensions of current employees as well as current annuitants, but some business leaders, politicians, and media think otherwise. The same group would like to eliminate or modify the 3 percent annual increment. It is in our favor that when this increment was introduced additional money was deducted from our paychecks to help finance the increment. It was not just "given" to us. The State Universities Annuitants Association and other organizations advocating on behalf of state retirees will be watching very closely and responding as needed. One thing seems pretty certain: the state is heading toward a two tiered pension system with new employees having significantly reduced retirement benefits. At this point the greatest threat to the retirement security of current retirees and those still working is diminishing health benefits. The imposition of dental premiums for retirees was just the first step. The governor's proposed budget includes assessing state retirees premiums for their health insurance. This will be tough to fight.

Thanks to all those who contributed to the success of ISUAA during my tenure as president. The list is long.

Christ Schwelle, ISUAA President

Health insurance premiums for annuitants

Just as this newsletter was being finalized, the State Universities Annuitants Association (SUAA) sent an electronic briefing on this topic. Referring to an article that appeared in the *State Journal Register*, SUAA indicated that Gov. Pat Quinn's budget for 2010–2011 included "cost sharing" by state retirees for their health insurance costs. It appears that the impact would be less for those covered by Medicare who use the state plan as supplemental insurance than it would for the many annuitants who do not have Medicare coverage. The figures mentioned for those with Medicare were \$4/month for managed care and \$50/month for PPO. For those without Medicare the premiums mentioned were \$290/month for managed care and \$500/month for PPO coverage. SUAA has joined with other organizations advocating for state retirees to clarify details and provide input to the governor's staff.

On the surface it would appear that those who would be hit the hardest would be those with small or modest pensions. A greater chunk of their pension would go for health insurance premiums. At this point there does not appear to be a sliding scale for premiums based on size of pension as there is for current employees relative to salary. One issue is whether by imposing such premiums the state is effectively reducing pensions—especially if premiums are deducted from monthly pensions.

AFSCME is taking the position that such changes have to be negotiated, but an arbitrator has previously ruled relative to dental premiums that AFSCME has no standing in representing retirees, only current employees. AFSCME has taken that decision to court.

Those members who receive the briefings from SUAA will be kept as up to date as reasonably possible. A lot can happen between now and the next (August) newsletter.

Political action support

In February you received a letter from Parker Lawlis, our representative on the SUAAction Board of Directors. Parker explained the role of SUAAction, SUAA's political action committee, and the challenges facing those advocating on behalf of annuitants. Parker requested a donation to help support political activity on your behalf. If you have not already sent your donation, please consider doing so now. It is not too late. Make your check payable to SUAAction and send to SUAAction, P.O. Box 11023, Springfield, IL 62791-1023.

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Legislative platform 2010

- 1. **SUPPORT** legislation that provides for full funding of the state pension systems.
- 2. **OPPOSE** legislation that fails to provide adequate funding for the state pension systems.
- SUPPORT legislation and/or executive branch initiatives
 designed to maintain the integrity of the state pension systems
 for present and future retirees and their survivors.
- 4. **OPPOSE** legislation or executive branch initiatives that would threaten the integrity of the pension systems for current and future retirees and their survivors.
- SUPPORT legislation and/or executive branch initiatives to maintain the health benefits offered through the State Health Insurance Plan and the College Insurance Plan (CIP).
- CONTINUE to SUPPORT legislation to implement the CIP Task Force Recommendations.
- 7. **OPPOSE** legislation or executive branch initiatives to reduce or eliminate health benefits enjoyed by annuitants, survivors, and current state employees.
- 8. **CONTINUE** to **SUPPORT** legislation to enhance pension benefits for pre-1980 retirees and survivors.
- 9. **SUPPORT** the attainment of these goals (1–4) through the following means:
 - A. **SUPPORT** tax legislation that addresses the state's structural budgetary problems;
 - B. OPPOSE legislation to combine administration of state pension systems or of their respective pension portfolios; and
 - C. **MONITOR** additional legislation or executive branch initiatives that affect the retirement or health benefits of active and retired state employees and their survivors.
 - D. **DEVELOP** appropriate responses to these issues.

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How time flies

Compiled by Jo Ann Rayfield

50 years ago | March-June 1960

- Lewis M. Walker, chairman of the Teachers College Board and for whom Walker Hall was named, died (March 31, 1960).
- ISNU Speech day was highlighted by the 57th Annual Edwards Medal Contest. Gold medals were awarded in poetry (Richard Hauf) and oratory (Carole Reed).
- The Teachers College Board approved pay increases of \$20 to \$160 a month for faculty at the six state universities under its authority. This raised the average annual faculty salary at these schools to \$7,700.
- The ISNU Bureau of Appointments released starting salaries for the Class of 1960. Bachelor's degree graduates with no teaching experience received average salaries of \$4,461.

25 years ago | April-June 1985

- Illinois State placed fifth in the National Forensics Association Championship at Huntington, West Virginia.
- For the first time the ISU Foundation reported more than \$1 million in private contributions from more than 7,000 donors. The Senior Challenge Program generated pledges of more than \$50,000 from 655 members of the Class of 1965.

15 years ago | April-June 1995

- The speech team led by Jason Berke won the National Forensics Association Championship; 88 colleges and universities competed.
- President Thomas Wallace resigned effective August
 15. David A. Strand was appointed as interim president.

10 years ago | April-June 2000

- President Boschini established an Environmental Task
 Force to move the University toward becoming a green campus.
- The University sold (for \$5.1 million) the east farm purchased when the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Children's School closed. The University bought more than 300 acres near Lexington to provide a new and expanded site for the University Farm.

New fitness building

By Andy Read, recreation services

As annuitants, you are valued members of the Illinois State University community and enjoy certain privileges. One such privilege is the ability for you and your spouse or domestic partner to purchase a membership for the 170,000-square-foot Student Fitness and Kinesiology/Recreation Building opening in January 2011.

Located on the sites of McCormick Hall and Dunn-Barton and Walker residence halls, the building will house Campus Recreation, Health Promotion and Wellness, and the School of Kinesiology and Recreation. Amenities within the building include more than 22,000 square feet of cardio/weight training space, a swimming pool for lap swimming and water sports, a 1/8-mile walking/jogging track, four sport courts for basketball and volleyball, a 40-foot climbing wall, four group fitness studios, and more. There are also separate locker rooms for annuitants, faculty, staff, and Illinois State University graduates.

Many annuitants take advantage of the offerings provided by the Faculty/Staff Wellness Program. Through the collaboration between Campus Recreation and Health Promotion and Wellness, we will be able to offer expanded fitness opportunities throughout much of the building's normal operating hours. Membership fees are still being determined, but will be similar to other fitness centers in the area.

Concerns or questions can be directed to Dawn Sanner, at (309) 438-3701 or dsanner@IllinoisState.edu. For more information about Campus Recreation programs or to see drawings of the new facility, visit www.rec.ilstu.edu.

Annuitants Association website

- Why join ISUAA
- History of ISUAA
- How to join
- Survivor assistance information
- Newsletters
- Parking on campus for retirees
- Meetings and events schedule
- Contacting your legislator
- Legislative platform

www.Annuitants.ilstu.edu

David Doss, Web page coordinator



ISUAA civic engagement survey results

A recent survey on civic engagement administered to ISUAA members produced a remarkable snapshot of volunteerism and political participation among our retirees, pre-retirees, and spouses. Results indicate that we compare very favorably to national statistics on community service. In fact, ISUAA members tend to volunteer far more hours on average than their national and even their Midwest senior citizen counterparts. Members also engage in various political activities at a rate that surpasses national averages for their age groups. This bird's eye view of civic life suggests that ISUAA members not only accrue benefits for themselves, such as better health and more happiness through active engagement with others, but that their contributions are also a valuable resource for problem solving and for spreading good will in our community.

This picture of civic participation among ISUAA members emerges from a relatively good number of survey responses received by the end of last year. The 12-question survey was mailed with the ISUAA newsletter in November 2009 to about 1,350 member households. The response rate was 10 percent; among the 133 returns, 33 surveys were completed by both husband and wife, and 100 forms completed by individuals. In addition to a few demographic questions, the survey asked members to assess the level and nature of their volunteer activities and the frequency with which they participated in various political activities. Results were tallied according to overall responses, as well as by gender. This brief summary of findings points to some interesting aspects of ISUAA member participation.

Demographics

Approximately half of the respondents were between the ages 65–74, with most of the other respondents falling equally between the 55–64 and 75–84 groups. Only a few were younger than 55 or older than 85. Just over three-fourths of the respondents reside in McLean County and live within city limits. More women responded to the survey than men, reflecting the slightly larger share of women in the organization itself. Finally, few pre-retirees responded; nearly three-fourths of the responses came from retirees, with most of the rest from member spouses or survivors.

Volunteerism

Time: An overwhelming number of respondents noted that they volunteer more since retirement, with a greater share of these being women. An incredible one-third of all respondents report volunteering more than 20 hours per week, with only a small number saying they volunteer less than five hours weekly. Very few respondents report that they do not volunteer at all, and among these, the most cited reason among women is poor health and among men because they do not want to do so.

Place and type: Most respondents report that they volunteer at multiple organizations. Religious institutions drew the largest share of volunteers, with schools in second place. Very few respondents volunteer at senior citizen centers. In addition to the given categories on the survey, however, respondents noted

that they also volunteered at other kinds of organizations and in most cases, they named specific organizations. No discernable pattern emerged from this "other" category. In respect to the type of activities that volunteers engage in, most report serving as an active member of a committee or other advisory role. Organizing events and volunteer instruction or teaching were also popular activities among respondents.

Reason: The largest share of respondents report that they volunteer in order to provide services that might not otherwise be provided. Women also say they want to give back to others, and men say they wish to promote a particular project or program. Few respondents say that they volunteer to motivate others or for personal development.

Political participation

Nearly all men and women say that they often vote in local and national elections, with a slightly smaller share voting on referenda. An overwhelming number also sign petitions. Only half, however, say they contact political leaders or donate to political causes, with men and women about evenly split on each of these activities. Campaigning for political candidates or writing to a newspaper attracts less than one-third of respondents.

In summary, survey respondents show considerable selectivity in the forms of civic opportunities with which they engage, and while women tend to participate more frequently than men, all respondents reflect high levels overall of volunteerism and political participation. If membership is represented by this sample of survey respondents, we can fairly conclude that ISUAA retirees, pre-retirees, and spouses are extraordinarily engaged individuals.

This report was produced in March 2010 by Michaelene Cox, an Illinois State University faculty member in the Department of Politics and Government, who collaborated with the ISUAA to survey its members on civic engagement issues.

i For a view on national and regional rates of volunteerism, please see The Corporation for National and Community Service at www.nationalservice.gov/about/volunteering. This federal government group administers the Senior Corps, Americorps, and Learn and Serve American programs, and produces state-by-state studies of volunteerism. They recently reported that the average number of volunteer hours per year for people 55–64 years of age was 56 and for those over 65 the average number of volunteer hours per year was 96. The study also points to the Midwest as having the highest volunteering rate. For a quick look into electoral participation by senior citizens, please see studies such as that written by Robert H. Binstock (2007), "Older People and Political Engagement: From Avid Voters to Cooled-out Marks," *Generations* 30 (4): 24–30. For example, Binstock reports that nearly 70 percent of older voters turned out for the year 2004 presidential election.

State debt reduction plan

In February the State Universities Annuitants Association (SUAA) sent to Gov. Quinn and the four legislative leaders a letter containing recommendations for a State Debt Reduction Plan. All members of the General Assembly were copied. The key component was a defined tax surcharge for a specified period of time dedicated to address the state's debt. The letter is posted through ISUAA at www.Annuitants.ilstu.edu.

University Advancement fall event for retirees

University Advancement's annual fall event for retirees will be held at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 15. The breakfast program will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Brown Ballroom of the Bone Student Center. In addition to remarks from President Al Bowman, Vice President for Finance and Planning Dan Layzell and the new Vice President of University Advancement Erin Minné will provide remarks.

University Club

Jude Boyer

2010-2011 Gourmet Dinners

The following dates have been confirmed for the 2010–2011 Gourmet Dinners: Saturday, September 25, 2010; Saturday, October 23, 2010; Saturday, January 29, 2011; and Saturday, February 26, 2011. Menus and reservation details for the fall dinners will be available on the University Club website in August.

Discussion Hours

Discussion Hours are held on most Friday afternoons of the academic semester from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Faculty/Staff Commons of the Bone Student Center. Please join us for refreshments and lively conversation. Special discussion/information topics are noted on the University Club Calendar website. There will be no Discussion Hours during the summer session; the first Discussion Hour of the fall semester will be Friday, August 27, 2010.

University Club is a great way to meet members of the University community. Membership is open to all current and retired faculty and staff of Illinois State University. Further details about the University Club may be found at www.uClub.ilstu.edu.

You can get income for life by making a gift to Illinois State

A charitable gift annuity agreement is a contract between you and Illinois State University Foundation (ISUF) that would pay you fixed annual payments for the rest of your life while making a gift to Illinois State. To fund an annuity contract, you transfer cash or negotiable securities in an amount of at least \$10,000 to ISUF. The amount of your annual annuity payments would depend upon your age and the amount transferred to ISUF for the annuity. At the end of your lifetime, the balance remaining in your annuity account would be kept by ISUF for use by the University in a manner that you have designated. Also, you may be eligible for a charitable tax deduction (depending on your tax circumstances) when the annuity contract is established; and, if appreciated securities are used to fund the contract, you will be able to avoid some capital gains taxes on the securities.

Given current rates of return on certificates of deposits (CDs) and some other investments, a charitable gift annuity may be a good alternative to increase your annual income and make a gift to Illinois State. For more information, contact Barbara Todd, or to learn more about CGAs and other gifting options, go to www.Advancement.ilstu.edu/support.

Directory

Reminder: in order to be included in the 2010–2011 ISUAA Directory you must be a current, paid up member, so do not delay sending in your renewal form/check if you pay your dues annually. SUAA mails these renewal forms just prior to expiration of annual membership.

We have long assumed that if you join ISUAA you acknowledge that your name, address, etc. will appear in the chapter directory, but you may prefer to not have such a listing. If so, let us know. Information about contacting ISUAA regarding the directory is located in the back of the directory or write to Campus Box 8000, Illinois State University, Normal, IL 61790-8000. Let us know as soon as you have a change in address, phone number, etc. If you would like us to share that information with Illinois State University Telecommunications for the Illinois State directory, please indicate that as well.

Page 121 of the current Illinois State phone directory contains a list of surviving spouses. The University database did not include

retirees until the mid 1990s and surviving spouses did not have the opportunity to be listed in the University directory until 2007–2008. This means that the listing of surviving spouses is incomplete. While a system is in place to annually compile a list of recent surviving spouses, it would be almost impossible to back track at this point. However, if you know a surviving spouse who is not listed and would like to be listed, please have them contact Barbara Todd, executive director of Internal Campaigns, Campus Box 3200, Normal, IL 61790-3200. They may also e-mail bttodd@IllinoisState. edu or call (309) 438-2592.

Annual meeting and dinner, June 2

The ISUAA annual meeting and dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, June 2, 2010, in the Old Main Room, Bone Student Center. The program will include a general update on ISUAA/SUAA business and election of officers and board members. The terms of Christ Schwelle, president, and Carolyn Bartlett, secretary, are expiring and neither will be returning. Directors Martha Burk and Janet Kuhns are also completing their terms. Nominating committee chairman Chuck

Taylor will present the committee's slate of candidates. The chapter's distinguished service award will be presented as well.

This is the one event where ISUAA subsidizes the cost of the meal to encourage members to attend. The cost is only \$10. All members are encouraged to attend.

5:30–7:30 p.m.	
Wednesday, June 2, 2010	
Old Main Room, Bone Student Center	
Name(s) of those attending	
Please reservemeal(s) at \$10 each. A check for \$ payable to ISUAA is enclos	sed.
ENTREES	
Oven fried chicken served family style with potato salad	(name)
Plated vegetable lasagna	(name)
Please indicate dietary restrictions	(name)
Fruit cup as dessert for those on dietary restriction	
Reservations must be received by May 25. Please send to Dona Meador, 311 S. Towanda Ave. #4, No or Shirlee Bottomley, 507 E. Taylor St., Bloomington, IL 61701-6101.	rmal, IL 61761-6101
Please, no late or phone reservations.	

Alumni Association Awards Program seeking nominations

Do you know of an alum who deserves to be recognized? We would like to hear about them. The Alumni Association Awards Program recognizes the professional and service accomplishments of alumni as they progress in their careers. Nominations may be submitted by members of the community, alumni, colleagues, or friends of the University. Nominations can be completed online within minutes. To be considered for spring 2011, nominations must be received by May 28, 2010.

For details on the award categories and an online nomination form, please visit www.Alumni.ilstu.edu/about_us/awards. Award recipients will be honored on Founders Day, in February 2011. Questions about the Alumni Association Awards Program may be directed to Gina Bianchi at glbianc@IllinoisState.edu or by calling (309) 438-7380.

Alumni Association Scholarship seeks donors

The Alumni Association launched an initiative to create the Illinois State University Alumni Association Scholarship. The fund was designed to provide assistance to students who exhibit outstanding academic achievement, leadership, and financial need. A core group of alumni leaders have committed to establishing this fund. However, additional gifts are needed in order to provide the funding needed to meet the goal of offering financial assistance to 20 students throughout their undergraduate experience at Illinois State.

Give today by visiting www.Alumni.ilstu.edu/alumnischolarship.

Memorial for Steve White

The Illinois State University family has begun an initiative to raise funds for a memorial for Steve White, the Stark Excavating employee who was killed on December 25, 2009, while working at Hovey Hall on the Illinois State campus. Funds will be collected from current and retired employees to plant a tree, purchase a plaque, and install a bench (provided sufficient funds are raised). In addition, members of the Bloomington-Normal community as well as White's family may also wish to contribute to the fund.

It is hoped that the project will be completed and dedicated during summer 2010.

Numbers count!

Help ISUAA/SUAA grow in numbers and influence. Urge your friends and colleagues (retired or still working) to join ISUAA/SUAA. Membership information/forms are available at/from:

ISUAA website: www.Annuitants.ilstu.edu SUAA website: www.suaa.org ("Join Now" online

application)

Paul Schertz: (309) 963-4610

A fiscal rehabilitation plan for the state of Illinois

The Civic Federation of Chicago's Institute for Illinois Fiscal Sustainability

The Civic Federation refers to itself as a nonprofit, nonpartisan Chicago-based social reform organization comprised of business and civic leaders. On February 22, the federation announced this plan and referred to it as, "An analysis of the State's Fiscal Crisis and Actionable Recommendations for Gov. Quinn and the Illinois General Assembly." The federation states, "This report describes the basis of Illinois fiscal crisis and presents the Civic Federation's plan for rehabilitating the state's finances. The plan proposes measures to substantially reduce the current budget deficit in FY 2011 and place the state on better fiscal footing over the long term through fundamental reforms of expenditures and revenues."

The plan is comprehensive and far-reaching, and proposals offered are drastic. Topics addressed include state retirement system reforms (possibly affecting current employees), spending cuts (including state employee/annuitant health benefits), increasing and expanding the state income tax, and removing the tax exemption for pension income.

The 103-page Fiscal Rehabilitation Plan for the state of Illinois can be accessed at www.civicfed.org.

Retiree information hotline

Call (309) 438-4311
Operated by
University Advancement





Academic Senate learns about Annuitants Association

ISUAA Vice President Larry Alferink was a guest of Illinois State's Academic Senate at their September 9 meeting where he briefed the senate on the advocacy role played by ISUAA/SUAA on behalf of current faculty and staff as well as retirees and survivors. He informed the senate that faculty and staff who are SURS participants are eligible to join. Alrerink pointed out that, given the state's financial crisis, funding for pensions and benefits is under attack and current employees as well as annuitants are vulnerable, especially relative to health benefits. He cited the recent sudden assessment of dental premiums to annuitants. ISUAA's Jan Cook regularly attends Civil Service Council meetings and has expressed a similar message.

Lunch and Learn

A Lunch and Learn program on "How to Create an Endowment at Illinois State University" will be offered by University Advancement on Thursday, June 17. The program will be presented by Joy Hutchcraft and Bill Fanning, and will be held at the Illinois State University Alumni Center, room 116. Hutchcraft is the executive director of Development at Illinois State and Fanning is the director of Foundation business affairs.

There is no fee to attend these seminars and lunch is provided. All events begin at 11:30 a.m. and will conclude no later than 1 p.m. Advance reservations are required. For additional information or to make a reservation, please contact Barbara Todd, executive director of Internal and Annual Giving at (309) 438-2592 or at bttodd@IllinoisState.edu.

Helping Hamper

By Jan Cook

The Helping Hamper at our June annual dinner benefits the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry in downtown Bloomington. They can use any canned or packaged food, especially pasta, cereal, and fruit. We've become known for our donations of soap and deodorants, which are especially appreciated as the weather heats up.

I drove straight from our March luncheon to the Salvation Army's Safe Harbor Shelter on Washington Street. The whole hatchback of my wagon was full, so I went into the vestibule to ask the lady in the office if someone could help me unload. By the time I reached my car, five residents had caught up with me, and one had brought a shopping cart! We've never had such immediate and vocal response from so many people before. Donations included all that we had suggested plus cans of coffee, boxes of oatmeal, big packs of paper napkins, and stacks of disposable plastic plates.

We will continue to collect "Box Tops for Education" for Thomas Metcalf School at our June annual dinner. The rectangular postage stamp size "box tops" are printed on the edge of packaging of products from General Mills, Betty Crocker, Kleenex, Cottonelle, and other brands. The Metcalf PTO can exchange them for 10 cents each to support special school projects.

Gladly We Give

The Gladly We Give annual giving drive for faculty, staff, and retirees focuses on thanking current family donors for their gifts to our university as well as encouraging new donors to support their Illinois State University passions.

All family donors in FY 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010) are recognized as Gladly We Give donors, and are listed at IllinoisState.edu/gladlywegive, and receive a special lapel pin just for faculty/staff/retiree donors.

For additional information, contact Barbara Todd at (309) 438-2592 or bttodd@IllinoisState.edu. Thank you for sharing your time, talents, and treasures with our university.

Thank you,
Barbara Todd

Executive Director, Internal Campaigns

www.Advancement.ilstu.edu

McKenna Retirement Survey

Hi, my name is Tim McKenna, I am a graduate student at Illinois State University working on my master's thesis in the School of Communication. I am collecting data for my thesis titled, "I'm Retired? Examining the adjustment into retirement and social identity as retired." While I am intrigued by this significant life adjustment phase that many people will experience at some time, I am in desperate need of participants. If you have the time and are interested, please go to: www.imretired.org and follow the link to complete the survey. Thank you in advance for your time and participation, and please feel free to contact me at tpmcken@IllinoisState.edu if you have any questions.

Membership renewal

Those with single-payment memberships expiring in June should have received or will soon receive membership renewal information from SUAA's Springfield office. Other single-payment members receive renewal notices as their membership expiration dates near. Please renew promptly so follow-up is not necessary. You must be an active member to be included in and receive the chapter directory. Those on automatic dues deduction have continuing memberships and do not have to worry about renewal.

If you're thinking about not renewing because you are unable to attend ISUAA events, please reconsider. It is worth a couple of dollars per month to help protect your benefits even if you are unable to participate in chapter activities.

If you have any questions about membership, contact Paul Schertz at schertz@mchsi.com or (309) 963-4610.

Alumni Relations invites you to upcoming events

The Alumni Relations office coordinates more than 100 events a year to showcase campus, connect alumni and friends, and spread the Redbird spirit across the country. Annuitants are welcome to attend alumni events and are considered honored guests with our alumni.

For the most current event information or to register, visit www.Alumni.ilstu.edu/events.



Hotel blocks and event information are available at **IllinoisStateHomecoming.com**

In memoriam

Gloria Jeanne Davis	February 7, 2010
Elmina Dunn	January 12, 2010
Charles Francis	January 23, 2010
Alma Green	January 9, 2010
Marilyn Howell	December 3, 2009
Benjamin Hubbard	February 8, 2010
Marilyn Kennard	March 3, 2010
Evelyn Kidwell	December 21, 2009
Jeanine Koch	September 11, 2009
Cecil Lamb	September 12, 2009
Wolfgang Pfabel	May 13, 2008
Evelyn Rex	December 15, 2009
Frank Spanbauer	March 24, 2008
Manhar Thakore	October 16, 2009
Leona Wach	December 1, 2009
Anne Walter	August 31, 2009
Robert Weigel	March 7, 2010
Wilma White	February 4, 2010

ISUAA calendar

May 12, 2010 • 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Spring Advancement Retiree Luncheon, American Democracy Project Brown Ballroom*

May 12, 2010 • 2-3:30 p.m.

ISUAA Board w/committee chairs Spotlight Room

May 18, 2010 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lunch and Learn on College and Retirement Savings Old Main Room*

June 2, 2010 • 5:30-7:30 p.m.

ISUAA Annual Meeting/Dinner
Old Main Room*

June 17, 2010 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lunch and Learn on Creating Endowments University Alumni Center 116*

June 22 and 23, 2010

SUAA Annual Meeting Location TBA July 14, 2010 • 2-3:30 p.m.

ISUAA Board w/committee chairs University Alumni Center 119

September 1, 2010 • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

ISUAA Fall Luncheon University Alumni Center

September 8, 2010 • 2-3:30 p.m.

ISUAA Board w/committee chairs University Alumni Center 119

September 15, 2010 • 7:30 a.m.

Fall Advancement Retiree Breakfast, Dan Layzell, Vice President Finance and Planning Brown Ballroom*

*Reservation required



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