Friday Fun at the Rec: Great escape for the parents, and great fun for the kids!

The Friday Fun at the Rec was a big hit! There were games in the gym, a “make-your-own cookie icing” session, and lots of grins from ear to ear! Our students could be found studying and spending some much-needed time together. It was a well-deserved break for everyone.

The end of the semester is quickly approaching and we are already getting ready for summer!

Join us at the next Friday Fun at the Rec for a splashing good time. The Family Swim Night on April 19, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. This is a great time to have fun and to meet other students and their families. Sign up for the fun at nontrad.siu.edu

Also, don’t miss this month’s newsletter contest where May graduates can enter or be nominated to get a career makeover! Check it out later in this newsletter...

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Each month we want to take time out to highlight the stories and accomplishments of SIU Carbondale’s returning students. If you have an inspiring story or have a recent accomplishment you would like to share, please pass it along. If you know of someone that we can feature, please let us know that as well. The SIU campus needs to hear from you, so don’t be shy. Email dbarnett@siu.edu or stop by the NTSS office (Student Center, 3rd floor) to share your story or accomplishment.
As promised in a previous newsletter, we’re going to tell you a little more about Ken Carr, a non-traditional student from Murphysboro who recently won the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra’s Third Annual Composition Contest. Ken has been connected with SIU for more than 50 years since attending a Music and Youth Summer Camp hosted by SIU’s School of Music. He finished his bachelor’s degree in 1988 and earned a master’s in education in 1991. He worked for the Student Health Center for more than 30 years.

After retiring, Carr decided to come back to SIU for yet another go around! He enrolled in music composition with Professor Frank Stemper in fall 2011. Ken said Stemper “has been a wonderful mentor, teaching me the basics of composition, and challenging me to do more.” Carr said it was very emotional to be sitting in Shryock Auditorium and listening to the performance of his winning piece. He hopes his lifelong learning continues.

Who knows, he says, “I might get another bachelor’s degree before I am seventy.” Carr’s family “bleeds SIU maroon,” including his mother who attended the SIU School of Music in 1925, Carr said. “SIU has changed in many ways during the past 50+ years but I can truly say it has been a joy to be a student, employee, alumnus and now a student again!” Carr added.

Our very own Imani Hudson will be traveling to Kenya in May as part of SIU’s Kenya Study Abroad Program. There are many ways to help! See the item donation list on the flier to the left and/or contact Imani at ihudson9590@siu.edu for details about how you can support her directly.

Income Tax Assistance

Need help with your tax return? The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, hosted annually by Beta Alpha Psi, can help. Assistance is on a first-come, first-served basis and will be available in Rehn Hall, Room 18 from 8-11:30 a.m. on the following Saturdays: April 6 & 13

*Bring W-2 forms and Social Security card.

**ANTS T-shirts can be pre-ordered.**

They are $7.50 each in black and white or $8 for a black shirt with a red and white logo. Add $2 for 2XL, $3 for 3XL and $4 for 4XL. To order a T-shirt, visit nontrad.siu.edu

**Next Gathering:**

Wednesday, April 10. Location TBA
April

4  Saluki Recruiting Presentation (SIU Career Services)
   * Woody Hall B202 1:45-2:45 p.m.
5  Asian American Cultural Demonstration
   * Student Center, South Hall, 2-5 p.m.
6  Glass Bead Making
   * Student Center Craft Shop 8 p.m.
8  Undergraduate Research Forum
   * Student Center Ballrooms—Posters 1-3 p.m., Awards 3 p.m.
9  Celebration of Campus Authors-Recognition Reception
   * Morris Library-Hall of Presidents and Chancellors 2 p.m.
11  Difference Dialogues-Support and Strategies for Success
    * Student Center, Kaskaskia Room, noon -1 p.m.
12-14  Eco Yoga Retreat
      * Touch of Nature
13  Girls Make Movies Fundraiser
   Comm 1116 (CP Soundstage) 7 p.m.
13  9th Annual Iron Chef Competition
   * Quigley Hall, 5-8 p.m. (Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month)
17  Springfest 2013
   * Featuring Sammy Adams with Special guest Air Dubai at SIU Arena
      7:30 p.m.

18  "My World, Your World, Understanding Across Difference"
   * Student Center, Missouri Room, 3-4 p.m.
19  Friday Fun at the Rec—Family Swim Night
   * Student Recreation Center, 6:30-8:30 pm
20  Taste of Asia—Spring Festival
   * Faner Breezeway, 2-6 p.m.
21  Public Astronomy Observation
   * The Physics Department Observation Deck, 8:30-10:30 p.m.
22  Student Center Programming Lectures Committee Presents...
   Daymond John (Entrepreneur, FUBU Creator, Shark Tank Cast Exec)
   * Student Center Ballrooms, 7 p.m.
23  Dye Hard Tie Dye Event
   * Free Forum Area (Between Foot Bridge/Woody Hall)
      Materials are FREE for SIU students
24  Bowling for Autism
   * Student Center Bowling & Billiards, 5-8 p.m.
25  Spring Flea Market
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FOR A COMPLETE CALENDAR OF EVENTS, visit siu.edu/events

This Month’s Contest

Each month you can win prizes through the newsletter contest. In March, students who participated in our survey to identify the needs of non-traditional/adult students at SIU were entered into a drawing for a gift certificate to Arnold’s Market and the winner is...

Kathleen Mykytyn — CONGRATULATIONS!

For this month’s contest we are excited to partner with SIU alumnae Leah Fiorina and Kristina Harrison who, along with Kandi Chapman, recently opened a non-profit organization called S.W.A.G. Her Up (“Suiting Women to Accomplish their Goals”). Through their Herrin boutique, the ladies help women ‘suit up’ for a job interview by providing professional attire from head to toe...and it’s all FREE! If you will be graduating in May and could use a professional makeover, we want to hear from you. Tell us your story or feel free to nominate someone through our April entry form. We will select three winners to be ‘suited up’ and featured in our special graduation section of the May newsletter. You will also receive a free professional portrait session. Enter or nominate someone today! The entry deadline is April 15.

For more information about S.W.A.G. Her Up or to donate ‘like-new’ career-wear, bags, briefcases, jewelry, shoes, etc. check out their Facebook page or website www.swagherup.org

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APRIL HAPPENINGS

The Student Programming Council Lectures Committee Presents

DAYMOND JOHN

Tuesday April 23, 2013 | Student Center Ballrooms | 7:00 p.m. | Free Admission

Daymond John is a multi-millionaire entrepreneur, creator of the infomercial by known brands like FROG PONDS, and a committed community leader on the staff of the NBC show Shark Tank.

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APRIL HAPPENINGS

Find what’s happening on campus at siu.edu/events
ACTIVE with ASTHMA

a day camp for kids with asthma

Saturday, June 1, 2013

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Touch of Nature | Makanda, Illinois

Active with Asthma is a fun, activity-filled day camp! Trained medical and program staff will teach children about asthma, physical activity, medications, nutrition, how to avoid triggers, asthma action plans and more. In addition, an educational session will occur for parents and caregivers from 3:45-4:45 p.m.

What You Need to Know

- Open to children between the ages of 7-14, diagnosed with asthma and taking daily medications
- Current vaccinations required
- It’s a day of discovery & FUN!
- Children should be prepared for moderate activity—for game playing and light walking
- Trained medical and program staff instruction
- Due to generous support from our sponsors, this educational event will be **FREE** of charge
- To receive an application, contact kpreihs@siu.edu

Register by May 1st

Register today by contacting kpreihs@siu.edu

We would like to recognize the Department of Health, Education and Recreation and Southern Illinois Asthma Advisory Committee for assisting in the planning and implementation of Active with Asthma.

Register today! Contact kpreihs@siu.edu
If you see your child, and want the photo, please email requests to:

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