Building Saluki Spirit

The Saluki Spirit Effort

Subtitle:

“Dr. Phil Anton gets humiliated by Saluki athletes.”
Why do it?

• In these times of trial, we need to pull together and celebrate and support what we have

• Is it just another “athletics thing”?
  – No: inclusive effort
    • Designed to involve the entire campus, as well as the community

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Saluki Spirit Committee

• Formed in the summer of 2016
• Includes reps from various campus and community entities.
• A group dedicated to ramping up recognition of Saluki Spirit around campus and in the community.
Official proclamation of “Saluki Spirit Fridays” on 7/26/16: Everyone is encouraged to wear Saluki gear on Fridays
Pictorial examples of Saluki Spirit Friday:
Numerous projects have grown out of the original Saluki Spirit Friday proclamation and the initial efforts of the Saluki Spirit Committee...
Spirit Banner Contest

SIU Banner Day
2016

Friday Sept. 9 • Saluki Stadium Practice Field • 3 - 5 p.m.
Banner Drop Off between 2 - 3 p.m. • Judging at 3:30 p.m. • Winners Announced at 4:30 p.m.

Show your Saluki Spirit by creating a banner to be displayed at the first home football game. Gather your residence hall community or your Registered Student Organization and create a banner to showcase how much you love SIU!

Materials

Blank banners will be available for pick up from the Office of Student Engagement (Student Center, 3rd floor) the week of Sept. 2 - 8, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Categories

• Most School Spirit
• Most Creative
• Best Overall

Need space to decorate?

The Student Center Craft Shop will be available Sept. 2 - 8, from Noon - 8 p.m.

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For more information visit spc.rso.siu.edu or call 618/536-3393.
Spirit Spirit Announcements

- Upcoming events, significant accomplishments, opportunities to be involved, pictorial evidence of Saluki Spirit, etc.
  - Anything that we can take pride in on campus & in the community

- Compiled into a weekly series of Announcements

- Distributed via email by the Saluki Spirit Liaisons

- Athletics is represented, but there is involvement from all corners of the Saluki world.
Saluki Spirit Liaisons

- A group of faculty, staff, students, & community members from various depts/units/programs/offices/businesses/civic groups
  - Grass roots effort

What do Spirit Liaisons do?
- Help spread the Saluki Spirit word via email to students/faculty/staff/community
The Saluki Spirit Table:

On many Fridays in the fall of 2016, the Saluki Spirit Table appeared in various locales on campus (mostly at the Student Center). It was peopled by Saluki Athletics staff, as well as members of Student Govt. and members of various Saluki Athletic teams (promoting upcoming events). Head Saluki Spirit Liaison Dr. Anton (from the Dept. of Kinesiology) would often show up and pictures were taken. It started off reasonably low key, but quickly a common theme developed: “Dr. Anton gets humiliated by Saluki athletes.” As you will see from the following pictures and captions, as the project evolved, Dr. Anton began to visit the Saluki teams on their home turf, court, pool, track, course, etc. The pictures were posted on the Dept. of Kinesiology Facebook page (“SIUC Department of Kinesiology”), the Dept. of Kinesiology Twitter page (“SIUC_KIN”), and then Dr. Anton’s Facebook page. The photos featured here were the winners of the weekly informal Facebook poll held on Dr. Anton’s page.

It is likely that effort will be continued in the spring semester, hopefully beginning with Saluki Men’s Basketball and then branching into other aspects of campus and community (and possibly re-visiting a few sports at their facility).
Week 1:

Playing D with Carlie Corrigan & Kim Nebo of Saluki Women’s Basketball. It took them a full 5 min. to get Dr. Anton out of his stance.
Week 2:
Attempting to showcase freestyle swim “technique” with Riley Schroedter of Saluki Swimming & Diving. Rotator cuff surgery was scheduled for him soon after...
Week 3:

Attempting to block Shaq Findlater & Khari Waithe-Alexander of Saluki Football. It does not go well...
Week 4

Attempting to joust at the net with Abby Barrow of Saluki Women’s Volleyball. The duel goes about as well as one would expect...
Week 5:
Looks like he was zeroing in on a pop fly, but Merri Patterson of Saluki Softball had other ideas...
Week 6:
Brooke Cusumano, Hanna Netisingha, Kristie Yang, & Jackie Biggs of Saluki Women’s Golf were kind enough to help test the new Celebrity Faculty Caddy program. The experiment did not last long...
Week 7:

His attempt to charge the net on Alex Pozo of Saluki Men’s Tennis does not result in success...
Week 8:

As Coach Hendu indicates, the runner is most decidedly “out” after trying to dislodge the ball from Saluki Baseball catcher Nick Hutchins...
Week 9:

Vitoria Beirao of Saluki Women’s Tennis didn’t seem too sure about her double’s partner and his ability to return the shot, so she took matters into her own hands...
Week 10:

There was a little directional confusion on the 1st tee to begin a round with Saluki Men’s Golf...
Week 11:

At the first barrier of the steeplechase, the race with Saluki Track & Field runner Jonathan Vara is neck and neck, but there is a little trouble with the landing...
Week 12:

As Nate Dyer measures the shot-put attempt, Saluki Track & Field Throws Coach Lambert knows he has some work to do with this “athlete”...
Week 13:

It appears that Saluki Women’s Basketball guard/forward Carlie Corrigan may have crossed him up a tad with a fancy dribble move.
Week 14:

He may have used up a bit too much energy with his substandard "freestyle" technique, requiring a little help from Saluki Swimming & Diving lifeguard Kyle Walker.
More to come soon...

Thanks!    Go Dawgs!

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