1) As always, if anybody has items that they would like to add to the weekly Saluki Spirit Announcements, please send them to Dr. Phil Anton at: panton@siu.edu

The Announcements are designed to reflect Saluki Spirit in all aspects of campus and the community, so send whatever you want from any corner of southern Illinois. Pictures are always a great addition.

2) #SalukiFriday is here: Remember to wear your Saluki gear on Fridays!

Also, send pics of your group(s) to Dr. Anton, as well as Randy Johnson at 710: randyj@seventen.com Photos will be featured in the Saluki Spirit Announcements and on 710’s Facebook and Twitter platforms.

3) On #SalukiFriday this week we are dropping in on the Old School Basketball League at the SIUC Student Recreation Center to test out our basketball skills. Those pics will be featured soon on the “SIUC Department of Kinesiology” Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/SIUC-Department-of-Kinesiology-201366063240550/), on our Twitter page: https://twitter.com/SalukiSpirit (swing by and give us a follow @SalukiSpirit), and our “salukispirit” Instagram page.

The #SalukiFriday Picture Poll winner is now being determined by adding up the total likes from all three platforms above.

4) Every summer, SIUC hosts a wide variety of great camps and if kids are interested in exploring LEGO, sports, art, music and more, please check out the link below:


5) On Friday, May 11, catch Lacrimosa, the stage adaptation of a sci-fi novel written by SIUC MFA student Mandi Jourdan at the Varsity Theater in Carbondale at 7 PM. Come on out and enjoy this great production!
6) **Saluki Softball** is the 3-seed this weekend as they look to defend their **MVC Championship** in Des Moines. Their first game is on **Friday, May 11 at 1:30 PM** vs. Illinois St. If you are unable to make it to Iowa, catch them on **ESPN+** (http://www.espn.com/watch/_/id/a2d44c88-3f7c-49eb-9ce7-7504cd2b7761/mvc-softball-tournament)

At the **MVC Softball Awards Banquet** preceding the Tourney, the Dawgs picked up numerous awards with Jenny Jansen (Education) and Sydney Jones (Sport Administration) picking up **2nd Team All-MVC** honors and Brianna Jones (Dental Hygiene) Katelyn Massa (Sport Administration), and Maddy Vermejan (Sport Administration) all picking up **1st Team All-MVC** recognition. Congrats to all!

![Saluki Softball Awards](image)

Vermejan was also named to the **All-MVC Defensive Team** and was additionally named the **MVC Defensive Player of the Year**! Congrats Maddy!

![Saluki Softball Player of the Year](image)

7) If your Dept, College, RSO, group, etc. is doing **outreach in the community**, please share details with **SIUC Director of Community Relations**, Karen Stallman, at 618-453-2425 OR karenstallman@siu.edu

8) If you or your group are looking for **service opportunities**, check out the **Adopt-a-Spot** program. Check it out at: http://www.keepcb.org/adopt-a-spot.html

9) **Saluki Baseball** hits the road to take on Missouri St. with games on **Friday May 11 at 6:30 PM, Saturday, May 12 at 2 PM, & Sunday, May 13 at 1 PM**  On **Tues, May 15** they’ll take on SLU in the **STL at 5 PM**

If you are unable to make to **Springfield**, catch them on the **radio for Game 1 (105.1)** and **2 & 3 (1300 AM or 95.5 FM)** or **watch** Games 1 and 2 on **ESPN+** http://www.espn.com/watch/_/id/db6504ce-5a70-4fa5-9090-e6eb33cc7f06/southern-illinois-vs-missouri-state

If St. Louis is not in your travel plans, listen it on **105.1 FM**

10) Congrats to all of our **Saluki Graduates** who will be participating in **Commencement Ceremonies** this **Saturday, May 12**. For more info on the ceremonies, please visit: https://commencement.siu.edu/

Thanks for all your hard work in the classroom and the community - good luck in all you do!
11) **Saluki Women’s Soccer** has officially commenced with the hiring of **Coach Grant Williams** – welcome to Saluki Nation!

12) Numerous **Saluki Track and Field** stars are competing this weekend (**May 11-13**) at Indiana St. at the **MVC Outdoor Championships**. If you can’t make it to **Terre Haute**, run with the team on **Twitter**:  
https://twitter.com/SIU_TrackXC?lang=en

This past weekend, Jared Kern (**Exercise Science**) set a new **SIUC record** in the shot put – congrats Jared!

For his efforts, Jared was named the **MVC Field Athlete of the Week** – Well done Jared!

GO DAWGS!  
#WEAREALLSALUKIS
We’ll have a brand new photo next week, but for this #SalukiFriday, we bring you a former Social Media Poll winner from the #SalukiFriday archives. In April 2017, we visited Kay Brechtelsbauer Field at Charlotte West Stadium to practice with Saluki Softball. We got behind the plate to catch Savanna Dover as she pitched to Savannah Fisher. Trainer Sal Chavez had to be called in after the first pitch hit our mitt...