**SALUKI SPIRIT ANNOUNCEMENTS (1/8/18 – 1/29/18):**

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 coming up: 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) Recently at a Saluki Basketball game at SIU Arena, we checked in with the Gamma Kappa Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. to help them out at the concession stand. Those pictures will be up 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](https://twitter.com/SalukiSpirit)  
(swing by and give us a follow @SalukiSpirit), and our “salukispirit” Instagram page.

The winner of the #SalukiFriday Poll on the Dept. of Kinesiology Facebook page for the pics taken at the SIUC Fall Commencement Ceremony is at the end of the Announcements.

4) On a 2-game win streak, Saluki Women’s Basketball plays at 6 PM this Friday (1/26/18) vs. Missouri St. at the SIU Arena. It is the Salukis Blackout Cancer Game. Tickets are super cheap and the team is super great, so come on out and support the Dawgs as they help SIH take the fight to cancer in the southern Illinois region! The Dawgs recently earned awards:

Abby Brockmeyer (Business) was named MVC Player of the Week.

Makenzie Silvey (Business) was named MVC Newcomer of the Week.

Congrats to Makenzie and Abby – two of our fab freshmen!
5) **Saluki Track and Field** is back in competition at home at the **SIUC Rec Center** on **Friday, Feb. 2** and **Sat. February 3** at the **Don Denoon Invitational**. Prior to that, they’ll be getting after it at the **Gladstein Invitational** on **Jan. 26 and 27** and the at the **Black and Gold Premier** on **Jan. 27**. If you can’t make it to **Bloomington or Iowa City**, track them on Twitter: [https://twitter.com/SIU_TrackXC](https://twitter.com/SIU_TrackXC)

Team members earned a few individual honors recently:

Throwers Alexis Roberson (Exercise Science) and Issac Ingram (Criminology and Criminal Justice) were both named **MVC Field Athlete of the Week**

![MVC Field Athlete of the Week](image1)

Thrower Ricky Hurley (Management) was named **Saluki Student-Athlete of the Week**

![Saluki Student-Athlete of the Week](image2)

Congrats to Alexis, Isaac, and Ricky!

6) For the 5th time in 6 years, SIUC has earned the **Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award** from **INSIGHT Into Diversity Magazine**. Well done!

7) Congrats to the **SIU Press** on winning the **NCTE Conference on College Composition and Communication 2018 Outstanding Book Award**! Well done!
8) After a solid performance at the Butler Invite, Saluki Swimming and Diving returns to their home pool and the SIUC Rec Center Shea Natatorium for 2 meets: Saturday, Jan. 27 vs. Indiana St. at 11 AM and Saturday, February 3 vs. Evansville at 11 AM. These student athletes consistently do a great job of supporting other Saluki sports, so let’s pack the Shea Nat and show our support for this outstanding team!

The team recently collected a few awards:

Diver Beibei Ji (Accounting) was named the MVC Diver of the Week for the third time this season.

Chris Phillips (Marketing) was named the MAC Swimmer and Diver of the Week!

The ENTIRE Swim and Dive Team was collectively named the Saluki Student Athlete of the Week.

Congrats to Beibei, Chris and the Team!
9) On a two-game win streak, Saluki Men’s Basketball hits the road to play Missouri St. on Saturday, January 27 at 5 PM and Drake (Tuesday, January 30 at 7 PM). If you are unable to make it to Springfield or Des Moines, catch them on 105.1 FM or ESPNU (MO ST) or ESPN3 (Drake).

The team returns home to the Arena on Saturday, Feb. 3 at 7 PM vs. Valparaiso.

10) 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

11) Show your Saluki Spirit by supporting International Festival 2018! Numerous events will take place from February 5-9. For more info go to: http://studentcenter.siu.edu/activities/student-center-programs/international-festival.php

12) The 2018 SIU Day of Giving is coming up on 3/7/2018. Mark your calendars

13) The spring seasons for four Saluki Sports are fast approaching

Women’s Golf: Battle at Boulder Creek February 12-13. If you can’t make it to Boulder Creek, NV follow them on Twitter: https://twitter.com/SIU_WGolf

Home match: Saluki Invitational March 25-26 at Hickory Ridge Golf Course

Men’s Golf: Desert Intercollegiate, February 16-18 If you can’t make it to Palm Desert, CA, following them on Twitter: https://twitter.com/SIU_MGolf

Softball: UTSA Softball Classic: Friday Feb. 9 at 4:30 PM vs. Abilene Christian and 7 PM vs. U of Texas-San Antonio. Saturday, Feb. 10 at 9 AM vs. Texas A&M – Corpus Christi and 11:30 PM vs. Abilene Christian. Sunday, Feb. 11 at 9 AM vs. Seton Hall. If you can’t make it to San Antonio, following them on Twitter: https://twitter.com/SIU_Softball

First homestand at on Kay Brechtelsbauer Field at Charlotte West Stadium is March 2-4 for the Coach B Classic.

Baseball: at Jacksonville St. Friday Feb. 16 at 3 PM, Saturday, Feb. 17 at 1 PM, and Sunday, Feb. 18 at 1 PM. If you can’t make it to Oxford, AL, following them on Twitter: https://twitter.com/SIU_Baseball

First homestand at the Itch is March 2-4 vs. Louisiana-Monroe

GO DAWGS!
#WEAREALLSALUKIS
WINNER OF THE RECENT FACEBOOK PICTURE POLL:
On #SalukiSaturday at the Fall 2017 Commencement ceremony, Dr. Meungguk Park from the Dept. of Kinesiology seems a bit alarmed as we try to take a mid-Commencement nap on his shoulder...