

Southern's SHINING MOMENTS

April 2010

UNIVERSITY

SIU was included in the Corporation for National and Community Service's 2009 **President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll**. The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation, the USA Freedom Corps and the U.S. Departments of Education and Housing and Urban Development sponsor the Honor Roll program, which recognizes colleges and universities for demonstrating commitment to volunteerism, service-learning and civic engagement.

SIU received the **Seven Seals Award** from the U.S. Department of Defense's Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, and four University employees each received a Patriotic Employer Award for their efforts. Professor Mehdi Zargham, chair of the Department of Computer Science; Georgia L. Marine Norman, office administrator in the computer science department; John S. Jackson, a visiting professor with the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute; and Stella Kantartzi, an assistant professor in the Department of Plant, Soil Science and Agricultural Systems, received awards.

ATHLETICS

Sophomore first baseman **Chris Serritella** was named to the College Baseball Foundation and Diamond Sports "National All-Star Lineup" for his performance in the Jacksonville State series.

Former Salukis **Chris Carr**, **Marcus Timmons** and **Jamaal Tatum** were voted among the top 10 players in the history of Arch Madness, the Missouri Valley Conference tournament in St. Louis.



Southern
Illinois University
Carbondale

Provided by the Division of Institutional Advancement
For more information, call (618) 453-4969 or visit www.siuof.org.

LIBERAL ARTS

For the third year in a row, the **Saluki debate team** finished the year in the "Final Four" of the National Parliamentary Debate Association, the most prestigious debate organization in the country. Two SIU teams finished in the top 10 – the only university in the country to claim this distinction.

Rod K. Brunson, associate professor in the Administration of Justice program, is this year's recipient of the Tory J. Caeti Memorial Award. The award is part of the Juvenile Justice Section for the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, a national professional organization emphasizing criminal justice research, and with a policy and practitioner focus.

SCIENCE

Southern was awarded a \$600,000 grant over five years from the National Science Foundation to fund the **Green Scholarships Program** as part of Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The scholarship will help community college transfer students earn a bachelor's degree in an environmentally-related discipline at SIU.

Michael J. Flister and **Laura L. Walkup** were chosen to attend the 2010 Nobel Laureate meeting in June in Lindau, Germany. The event will feature interdisciplinary researchers who have won the Nobel Prize in chemistry, physics and physiology or medicine. Flister is pursuing a doctorate in medical microbiology, immunology and cell biology. Walkup is pursuing a doctorate in physical chemistry.

A team of **SIU researchers, students and entrepreneurs** won fourth place at the Global Venture Challenge 2010, a contest based at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The SIU team was one of 22 finalists from five countries competing.

APPLIED SCIENCES & ARTS

Shannon W. Roth, a senior in aviation management, was honored by the Women in Aviation, International. Roth received an award at the organization's 21st annual conference in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.