



PAUL NEWTON

SIU Arena open house

Hundreds gathered Oct. 28 to check out basketball's new digs at SIUC. The university unveiled the newly renovated SIU Arena to the public for the first time during an open house and dedication ceremony.

1. John (from left) and Sally Washburn of Carbondale and Linda and Mike Curtis of Carbondale.
2. Gary and Barb Misselhorn of Campbell Hill.
3. Chuck Frank (from left), Ginny Solverson, Terry Buck and Beth and Bud Arthur, all of Carbondale.
4. Scott and Betty Bradley of Sparta.

Varsity Center for the Arts correction



Judy Ashby was misidentified in a photo taken Sept. 21 at the Varsity Center for the Arts in Carbondale during a reception for artist Robert Ketchens.

Judy Ashby of Carbondale and artist Robert Ketchens.

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Benton-West City Chamber

More than 100 people enjoyed a night of fun and awards at the annual Benton-West City Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Nov. 4 at Benton Civic Center.

1. Robin Storey of the State Bank of Whittington and Wanda Kimmel of S.C.D. Rea & Sons Insurance in Benton.

2. Lisa Price and Rob Smith, both of Benton.

3. John and Mary Ellen Aiken of Benton.

4. Rob Smith (from left), Linda Volz, Sharon Rogers, Terry Burkholder, Jo Ellen Cox and John Renik, all employees of State Bank of Whittington in Benton.

5. Tyler and Bethany Sink of Benton.

6. Gloria Atchison Brdlik and her husband, Dean. Gloria is a Benton native and was named Volunteer of the Year.

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SBJ Breakfast

Business leaders gathered Nov. 16 at SIUC Student Center Ballrooms for the Southern Business Journal's quarterly Leadership Breakfast.

1. Emily Carter and Robyn Russell, both with the SIUC Entrepreneurship Center.

2. Lee Crisp of Pepsi Mid-America and Ray Hancock of the Illinois Community College Foundation.

3. Walt Tomczak and Russell Williams, both of Brehm Preparatory School in Carbondale.

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Shryock Auditorium

Crowds filled SIUC's Shryock Auditorium for a production of 'Away in the Basement: A Church Basement Ladies Christmas,' presented by Southern Lights Entertainment.

1. Carolyn Bathon (from left) and Angela Bathom of Coulterville, Shelby Olson, 10, and Jennifer Olson of Carterville and Rhonda Szostok of Coulterville.
2. Hans Bank (from left), Cornelius Crane, Marlis Bank and Clare Fadden of Carbondale and Ruth Rives of Bloomington, Ind.
3. Pat and Glen Bower (left) and Randy and Karen Bower of Ava.
4. Murphysboro residents and business owners Neill and Bonnye Clugston with the cast of 'Away in the Basement: A Church Basement Ladies Christmas.'

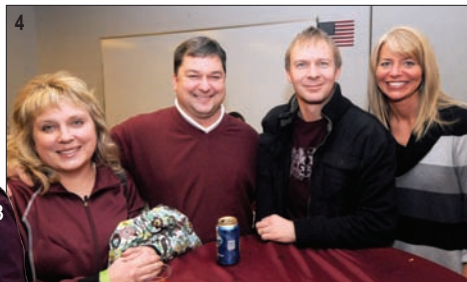


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Herrin Chamber

Herrin Chamber of Commerce members gathered in Lingle Hall for a reception before SIU's game against Creighton on Jan. 7.

1. Ryan (from left) and Randy Lynn, Mia and Beth Harness and Rosalie and Ben Maragni of Herrin.
2. Kevin Frost, Sandra Colombo and Mark Kochan of Herrin.
3. Mary and Peter Bondioli and Susan Murphy of Herrin.
4. Tracy and James Ridgway and Chris and Lori Haake of Herrin.



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Carbondale Chamber

Carbondale Chamber of Commerce members and guests lunched Jan. 11 at the Saluki Club at the new Saluki Stadium.

1. Missouri Valley Conference Commissioner Doug Elgin was a special guest speaker.
2. Teresa Guy (from left) of the Carbondale Wal-Mart, Chuck Miller of Miller Spinal Health & Wellness Center, Darren Berger of Regions Bank of Carbondale and John Murphy and Will Patterson of Learfield Sports.
3. Amber Short of Extra Help, Inc., of Southern Illinois, and Dawn Biggs of First Bank and Trust of Carbondale.
4. Karee Church and Trent Hudgens of All-American Hearing of Carbondale.
5. Michael Scott and Alan Teska with SIU's Touch of Nature.



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The Bridal Event

Brides-to-be found plenty to choose from at the Murphysboro Event Center on Jan. 9.

1. Leslie Lowry and granddaughter, Alyssa Lowry, of Herrin. Leslie is co-owner of Special Occasion Bridal Shop in West Frankfort.
2. Bride-to-be Nicole Schmidt of Carbondale and Kate Ratliff of Carbondale.
3. Bride-to-be Jeri Wougamon of Murphysboro (left) with Nina Stout of Murphysboro and Stacie Frazier of Murphysboro.
4. Ayesha Love of Chicago (left) with bride-to-be Sharmayne Porter of Carbondale, and Brittani Martin of Carbondale and Breezy Lonergan of Rock Island.



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Martin Luther King Jr.

Hundreds of people celebrated the life of Martin Luther King Jr. at the Carbondale Civic Center on Jan. 16 and at a breakfast at SIUC's Grinnell Hall on Jan. 17.

1. Dexter and Kelli Wakefield of Carbondale.
2. Marilyn James and Bill Sasso of Carbondale.
3. Corene McDaniel of Carbondale and Ron Williams of Murphysboro.
4. Alfred and Carolyn Jackson of Carbondale.



ALAN ROGERS

Simon Inauguration

Several people traveled to Springfield on Jan. 9 for a reception for Sheila Simon, after she was sworn in as Illinois' lieutenant governor. They also toured her office that day.

1. Kurt and Bruni Wagner, Carbondale natives who now live in Villach, Austria.
2. Dean Miller and Margaret Berry, Carbondale natives who relocated to Evergreen, Colo.
3. Jonathan Currin and Sheila Chalmers-Currin of Matteson.

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Juried exhibit

Selected local artists were featured at an art reception Jan. 21. Carbondale Community Arts hosted the reception for a juried group show at the Carbondale Civic Center.

1. Sue Mills of Murphysboro (from left), Mike and Janet Althoff of Carbondale and Jane Plain of Carterville.
2. Lynda Clemmons and Harriet Davis, both of Harrisburg.
3. Local artists Mike Chervinko and his wife, Daisy, with their two daughters, Chloe and Hannah, of Carbondale.
4. Local artists Eldon Benz and Jo Kirch of Carbondale (from left) with Carbondale Community Arts Executive Director Nancy Stemper.
5. Local artist Dennis Raddle of Cape Girardeau and Deborah Jung of Anna.
6. Betsy Bishop of Carbondale and with her sister and local artist Loren Herold of Alto Pass.

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Taste of the Grain



Aficionados of Scotch whiskey raised their glasses for the Robert Burns memorial 'Taste of the Grain' event Jan. 22 at the Underground Grille & Pub in Carbondale.

1. Natalie Shadowen and Braulio Romero of Marion.
2. Sandy Anderson of Cobden (from left), Christine Pretkel of Makanda and George and Treva O'Neill of Anna.

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