

Southern's SHINING MOMENTS

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LIBERAL ARTS

Makayla Trotter, a senior geography and environmental resources major, will travel to Washington, D.C., next fall as a National Geographic geography intern in the Education Division. Her paid internship runs from Sept. 6 - Dec. 16.

L. Brent Kington, Professor Emeritus at the School of Art and Design, earned the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of North American Goldsmiths. SNAG, the leading American professional organization for metalsmiths and publishers of *Metalsmith* magazine, will bestow the award upon Kington at their annual conference in May.

ATHLETICS

Lance Irvin, associate head men's basketball coach, was selected as one of the 2010-11 recipients of the Missouri Valley Conference's Most Courageous Award. Irvin won a four-month battle with a progressive form of leukemia.

Cross Country athlete **Emily Toennies** was named one of the Missouri Valley Conference's Elite 18 winners for the fall season. The program honors the highest achievement in academics and athletics by a student-athlete in each sport.

The Saluki men's and women's cross country teams were awarded United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Cross Country All-Academic Team honors. The men's team ranks second in the nation with a cumulative team grade point average of 3.60. The women's team earned this national honor with a 3.28 team GPA.



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LAW

The School of Law Legal Clinic received a \$40,000 grant to continue its work assisting senior citizens. The award from the Lawyers Trust Fund of Illinois will support the clinic's Legal Services to Older Persons Program.

SCIENCE

A grant from the National Science Foundation allowed researchers to purchase an analytical high-resolution scanning electron microscope. The new device will help researchers see structures only a few nanometers in size more clearly. It also comes with software that makes it much simpler to turn simple 2-D images into bright, vibrant 3-D images.

AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Brian C. Small, associate professor of animal science, food and nutrition, is working with a government-private research partnership in Chile to domesticate the San Pedro, a rock fish that serves as a popular dinner item. As a member of the University's Fisheries & Illinois Aquaculture Center, Small has both played host to a visiting researcher from Chile and traveled to the coastal country, where he helped establish some critical baseline research for the effort.

BUSINESS

Lynn Andersen Lindberg, director of business innovation and research, earned national certification from the Association of Small Business Development Centers in recognition of her expertise in five core competency areas: technology transfer and commercialization, research and development funding, intellectual property issues, technology networking/resource identification, and alternative financing (equity).

UNIVERSITY

The University Board of Trustees' Executive Committee authorized the creation of a University College at SIU. Three units will comprise the College: University Core Curriculum, the University Honors, and Saluki First Year.