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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**We will celebrate the 41<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of EIU Annuitants Association on April 12, with a luncheon and entertainment at Moriarty Hall, St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church located at 921 Madison Ave. Charleston, Il. Doors will open at 11 a.m. & Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. To make reservation for the luncheon see the last Page(15 ) or click on this link [http://castle.eiu.edu/annuitants/files\(doc,pdf,etc\)/EIUAA\\_41st Anniversary Luncheon Reservation Form.pdf](http://castle.eiu.edu/annuitants/files(doc,pdf,etc)/EIUAA_41st_Anniversary_Luncheon_Reservation_Form.pdf)**

**MEETING DATES COMING UP**

<b>EIUAA CHAPTER MEETINGS: (8:30 am)</b>		<b>EUIAA EXEC. COMMITTEE MEETINGS: (9 am)</b>	
April 12, 2012	St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church	March 8, 2012	Neal welcome Center
July 12, 2012	Neal Welcome Center	June 14, 2012	Neal welcome Center
October 11, 2012	Neal Welcome Center	September, 13, 2012	Neal welcome Center
		December 6, 2012	Neal welcome Center

***PRESIDENT'S VIEW***

**Springtime greetings to you! Hardly seems like we've had winter, but the contrast to last year has been welcomed. If you've been enjoying winter months in even warmer climates, perhaps you are like the whooping cranes that just want to turn around and go home. Be safe in your travels.**

**We hope you have the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual EIU Annuitants Association luncheon marked**

on your April calendar, Thursday, the 12<sup>th</sup>. The doors will open at 11:00 in the St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Moriarty Hall at the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> and Jefferson Street in Charleston. Our buffet will again be catered by Niemerg's Steakhouse. Come prepared to chat with friends and enjoy the sounds of Alan Horney and the Four Voices. The reservation form is attached to this newsletter. Hope to see you there.

Election years are frantic, chaotic; and, this year is no different. Keeping informed on all candidates is the best guide for decisions when going to the polls and voting. In Springfield, SUAA staff works hard to protect our pensions and benefits. Thanks to all of you who responded to the SUAAction letter.

Speaking of chaos, our last year's Benefits Choice period took the award for confusion. But, expect change this year. Eastern Illinois University's Human Resources staff is working on initiatives to help us as we proceed through the next benefits choice period. We will keep you informed as plans and decisions are in place. You will be notified through EIU Annuitants Association e-mails and our [www.eiu.edu/~annuitants](http://www.eiu.edu/~annuitants) webpage.

Take care of yourselves,  
S. Jayne Ozier, EIUAA Chapter President

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### Treasurer Message

#### EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY ANNUITANTS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP by Barbara Funk, Treasurer

In October of 2006, the EIUAA Scholarship was created to annually award a scholarship to a student who is Junior or Senior. The criteria and application form are located on the website of the Association: <http://castle.eiu.edu/~annuitants/>. Scholarship recipients must be the child or grandchild of a current EIU employee with five or more years of service to the university OR the child or grandchild of a retired EIU employee with five or more years of service to the University. The scholarships are presented at the annual luncheon of the association.

Due to the country's economic problems this past year, the endowment lost a lot of its base. As a result, the annuitant's association has had to add a substantial amount to bring the earnings up to the current award of \$500. The earnings are the only part of the endowment that can be used for the

**scholarship. If the earnings are not equal to or greater than \$500, the annuitant's association adds the difference. This year it was \$414.50.**

**At the last meeting of the executive board, it was proposed and voted upon to also send a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 to the Foundation from the association to be used for the base (or corpus) of the scholarship.**

**In order to give our scholarship a boost, we are asking the membership to consider sending a donation to the Foundation to be added to the corpus of the scholarship fund. This can be accomplished in two ways:**

- 1. Make your check out to the *EIU Foundation*. On the description line write: *Annuitant's Scholarship*. Take or send your check to the Neal Welcome Center, 860 West Lincoln Avenue, Charleston, IL 61920-2425.**
- 2. Arrange to have a monthly automatic withdrawal from your checking account (the amount can be anywhere upward from \$5/month). Call Nancy Page at 217-581-3314, and ask her to send to you an "Electronic Transfer Fund Form." (Actually, Dick and I chose this alternative as it is easier than writing a check each year. If you have a goal of a certain donation amount, the transfer can be discontinued by giving the Foundation a 30- to 60-day notice.)**

### **MEMORIAM FOR DECEASED ANNUITANTS by Barbara Funk, Treasurer**

**EIUAA has regular meetings which are in part informative and in part social. In the past few years much energy has been used to maintain our retirement benefits, but there are many other issues and ideas which keep the executive board occupied. One such item is the memoriam donations for our deceased friends and coworkers.**

**In January of each year, the EIUAA sends a donation of \$10 per deceased member to the SUAA Foundation, and \$10 per deceased member to the EIUAA Scholarship Fund. Hopefully, this small remembrance will continue to advance our goals of securing retirements for all and of aiding the education of many young people.**

### **Chapter News**

**Brief minutes of EIU Annuitants Association January 26,2012 Chapter Meeting**

- I. Welcome: President Jayne Ozier called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., welcomed all attendees, and invited Terry Weidner to relate an amusing story. Dr. Weidner complied.  
Attendees responded with gales of laughter.**
- II. Announcements:**
- A. Nancy Page (Office of Philanthropy) solicited additional volunteers to serve two to ten hours per month at the Neal Welcome Center as annuitant ambassadors. Persons interested in serving in that capacity may contact Nancy at 581-3314 or [ncpage@eiu.edu](mailto:ncpage@eiu.edu).**
  - B. Jayne Ozier announced that the certificate commemorating EIUAA's fortieth birthday which Representative Chapin rose presented to EIUAA at the July 14, 2011 Chapter meeting has been framed and mounted on the wall at the Neal Welcome Center.**
- III. Presentation by Dr. Bill Perry, President, EIU: In his update on the state of the University President Perry made the following points, among others:**
- A. At the Board of Trustees meeting on January 20, 2012, a draft of the University's Strategic Plan was presented for a "first reading." The document identified the following six strategic priorities: Academic Excellence; Global Competition and Changing Demographics; Embracing Technologies; Campus and Community Life; Financial Sustainability; and Marketing and Communication.**
  - B. A proposal to create a new interdisciplinary Geographic Information Science Center was approved by the Board at its January 20 meeting. The Center will host core Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing courses for students pursuing an interdisciplinary minor, a graduate degree, and/or Geographic Information Science Certification.**
  - C. Beginning in FY 2013, the IBHE's recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning appropriations to public institutions of higher education will include recommended allocations based upon "performance metrics." Those metrics will "focus on the . . . goal of increasing completion of college courses, certificates, and degrees" and will take into consideration the "cost" of earning a degree at a given state institution in relation to the "number" of degrees conferred by that institution. President Perry added that the current proposal calls for withholding .5% of the**

higher education appropriation and awarding the withheld funds to those institutions which subsequently are deemed to have excelled in the performance metrics.

- D. Concerning Eastern's current capital campaign, President Parry praised the efforts of Nancy Page and her colleagues in the Office of Philanthropy and indicated that he "expects to celebrate success next fall."
- E. Since its completion in October 2011, Eastern's Renewable Energy Center has won favorable attention from the media and the public. The REC's startup and takedown phases are now being evaluated and adjusted.
- F. EIU's David Raybin, Professor of English, has been named Illinois Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Also nominated for the award were EIU's Linda Ghent (Economics) and Jeff Stowell (Psychology).
- G. President Perry's responses to questions asked by audience members following his formal presentation included the following:  
(1) re: expected enrollment at Eastern in Fall 2012, the University has enlisted the aid of a consulting firm to help strengthen Eastern's recruiting efforts. The firm has made a number of suggestions, which are being implemented. President Perry expects that size of our Fall 2012 freshman and transfer class will be "about what it was this year."

IV. Jayne Ozier thanked President Perry for his presentation and thanked audience members for their attendance.

V. Reminders:

- A. Gail Mason announced that the 1<sup>st</sup> Buzzard Lab School Reunion is scheduled for August 3 and 4. Faculty members as well as persons who attended Buzzard Lab School will be invited to attend.
- B. Jayne Ozier announced that the next EIUAA Chapter meeting will be the ANNUAL LUNCHEON on THURSDAY, APRIL 12, at St. Charles Borromeo's Parish Hall. Doors will open at 11:30. Niemerg's will again be our caterer, and Al Horney and the Four Voices will provide the entertainment.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45



## Campus NEWS

- **[The EIU Fundraising campaign Surpassed Its Goal](#)**
- Bringing in about \$3.5 million per month, The "EI&U: Campaign for Eastern" has surpassed its goal of raising \$50 million by about \$3 million so far.
- "Expect Greatness" was the theme for the Eastern Illinois University fund drive, and \$53.1 million has been collected since the effort started in October 2010. The original schedule called for fundraising to continue to through July 2014.
- The university is still accepting donations, but a celebration of the largest fundraising effort in the university's history will bring together donors and volunteers in the fall.
- EIU alumni of all ages and university employees helped the fund drive fulfill its theme.. The money will help finance student scholarships, faculty recruitment and retention, as well as encouraging research and creative activities, and help fund capital projects for a new science center, courtyards and a Lantz Arena gateway.
- What Eastern has done for so many former students helped inspire them to donate to the drive, campaign leaders said, designed to help keep tuition affordable for students and keep first-class faculty and programs in place.
- "We had so many people who thought so well of their experience here so they gave generously during the campaign," said Robert Martin, vice president of university advancement. "They wanted to give back and provide a stepping stone to success. They wanted others to have the opportunity they received."
- "I fully believed we would reach our goal, not only because Eastern touches so many lives, but also because giving back is the Eastern way," said university President Bill Perry. "What has been the pleasant surprise is the speed at which our supporters have responded to our call for assistance."
  
- **[EIU Celebrates Grand Opening of Impressive Renewable Energy Center](#)**
- . On October 7, 2011, Eastern Illinois University and Honeywell unveiled the school's Renewable Energy Center (REC), one of the largest university biomass installations in the country, as part of a grand opening ceremony

held on campus for students, faculty and the broader Charleston community. The REC is a 19,000-square-foot steam plant that will provide heat for buildings and classrooms across the university grounds. It is driven by two large biomass gasifiers - the first application of this technology in Illinois and the surrounding region - that use wood chips from forest residue for fuel.

- By switching to a renewable energy source, EIU will reduce annual carbon dioxide emissions by an estimated 20,000 metric tons, which is equivalent to removing more than 3,600 cars from the road, according to figures from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- The new plant is one piece of a comprehensive energy- and environmental-conservation program that also includes a variety of upgrades to other university facilities and infrastructure. The product of close collaboration between EIU and Honeywell, the program is expected to cut energy use on campus in half and carbon dioxide emissions by 80 percent.
- The facility will also have a major educational benefit. The REC's dedicated classroom space and advanced technology displays are helping the university develop a Center for Clean Energy Research and Education (CENCERE) to provide EIU students and faculty extensive opportunities for clean-energy research. The university also offers a new academic minor in sustainability and is in the process of adding a master's degree in renewable energy.
- "This facility is a symbol of Eastern Illinois University's commitment to our campus and environment, and demonstrates our willingness to take a progressive step toward sustainability," said Bill Perry, president of Eastern Illinois University.
- To heat the campus, a material-handling system at the plant delivers wood chips to the biomass gasifiers where they are broken down in a heated, oxygen-deprived chamber, creating a synthetic gas that burns similar to natural gas. The gas is then used to fire high-efficiency boilers, which results in more complete combustion and lower emissions, and gives EIU a carbon-neutral solution for heating its facilities.
- "EIU is now one of the leading examples of what's possible when an organization takes a long-term, strategic approach to energy and the environment," said Paul Orzeske, president of Honeywell Building Solutions. "We worked closely with the university to define its needs as an institution and tailor a program to help meet its goals. This is innovation with a clear purpose in mind, and the entire campus and community benefits as a result."
- [Eastern Awarded Green Grant](#)
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- Eastern has taken the green movement a step further and received a three-

year, \$198,695 grant from the National Science Foundation.

- Eastern received the grant for the Center for Clean Energy Research and Education, a project that will position EIU as a strong leader in educating students about renewable energy and biomass research.
- On Oct. 7, 2011, Eastern opened its \$55 million Renewable Energy Center. Peter Ping Liu, of the school of technology, was named director of the center program and said the proposal for the grant was Eastern's way of answering a national problem.
- "The proposal was submitted to the National Science Foundation, in response to the national concern that many American students are losing their creativity and thus the country is losing competitiveness over other countries," Liu said. "Another reason why we were (able) to attract national attention is that we have a strong research team."
- Gopal R. Periyannan, an assistant professor of chemistry, said the proposal recognizes Eastern's effort to promote undergraduate education and research on renewable energy. The grant will be used for a project called "Enhancing Undergraduate Education Through Student-Led Research in Biomass Renewable Energy."
- Those involved in the project are from Facilities, Planning and Management, and students and faculty from various departments including biological sciences, business, chemistry, communication studies, economics, geology and geography, physics and technology. "We are clearly building a momentum in this educational endeavor centered around our new Renewable Energy Center," Periyannan said.
- [EIU Moves Up in U.S. News & World Report's Annual Rankings](#)
- Eastern Illinois University has moved up in the U.S. News & World Report's annual ranking of higher education institutions.
- EIU is ranked 51st among all Midwestern universities offering a full range of undergraduate degrees and some master's degree programs. The region encompasses Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.
- Among public universities on the list, EIU ranks 12th in its class in the 12-state region (up from 14th last year). Among Illinois public universities, EIU ranks second (up from third last year).
- The numbers reveal EIU's focus on personal attention. For example, the student-faculty ratio remains 16:1, and only 3 percent of all classes have 50 or more students.
- In addition, EIU continues to tout the highest freshman retention rate and



the second-highest graduation rate among all Illinois public universities in its class.

- "Eastern Illinois University continues to move forward despite the financial obstacles in our way, and that says a lot about our faculty and staff, our students, and the many alumni and friends who believe in and support our mission," said EIU President Bill Perry.
- "While I'm proud of our higher ranking, I'm more proud of the manner in which each facet of the university continues to move forward. The emphasis always has been and continues to be integrating students' academic and personal experiences, and I'm happy to see the statistics reflect positively on that.
- "Ultimately, it's not numbers that convince people that they belong at EIU - it's the excellent academic programs and the personal connection they find here. That speaks volumes about the EIU experience." , " said EIU President Bill Perry
- Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, praised the commitment of the faculty to the university's mission.
- "Assuring the superior quality of the Eastern educational experience remains the overriding focus of our faculty," Lord said. "Their commitment to our students' academic and personal development makes Eastern the first and best choice for many prospective students."
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## STATE & COMMUNITY NEWS

Since Governor Quinn's Budget Address on February 22nd there have been an abundance of newspaper articles and newscasts about all sorts of issues facing the State of Illinois; most of which will require legislators to make some very hard decisions. Medicaid is collapsing. Public pensions are still under fire. Public health insurance is in question. At this time, it does not look like anything is untouchable. Everything is on the table. There are conversations going on behind the scenes, none of which are public at this time. What is known is that everything is on the table. Everything is on the table because the State has severe debt; debt that cannot be ignored any longer. Previous non-funding of the five State pension systems is only part of the problem. Medicaid HAS to be addressed; quickly addressed. Health insurance claims have to be addressed along with the non-payment of invoices to all vendors. There are several bills that have been introduced to address pension reform – some might be considered conflicting with other bills or at best have content that will cause confusion. The Governor provides zero funding in the 2013 budget for the College Insurance Program (CIP) and the Teachers Retirement Insurance Program (TRIP). What this means is that the State does not want to provide funding going forward for either of these programs. So rather than current employees, the institutions (employers), their retirees, and the State sharing in the cost of these health insurance programs, zero funding would cause a cost

increase in shared premiums to each of the remaining three – employees, employers and retirees. This zero funding does not mean that the health insurance is being terminated. While CIP is suffering financially, it is still intact. There is no current legislation to address the funding problems except that which was introduced last spring.. What happens going forward? At best, all health insurance programs are touchable – under consideration, including State health insurance.

The State Universities Annuitants Association (SUAA) want us to know that their staff is definitely looking out for your best interests. They have met with all members of the Governor's Pension Reform Committee. They are hoping to be meeting with the Governor's staff soon. SUAA staff are keeping on top of the pension legislation being introduced and what the ramifications will mean to each of us. This is an unsettling time for everyone. Legislation is moving through the hearing process at this time. Then there will be a small break soon because it is an election year. All 177 legislative seats will be elected this year in March 20<sup>th</sup> Primary Election & November General Election. Also, HB5531 was introduced to repeal 50% tuition waivers for university employees which passed out of Committee with a vote of 9-2.th 9-2.



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## NEWS FROM YOU

**EIU Annuitant Colleagues express heartfelt congratulations**

James and Barbara Krehbiel celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in September 15 2011. James retired from the EIU Music Department in 1990. He taught 25 years and was the chairman of the department his last four years. Barbara retired from the Charleston Carnegie Public Library in 2009 where she worked over 34 years. She continues to work in the genealogy and history

department as a volunteer at the Charleston Public library and Mattoon Public Library

Dr. Donald w. Smitley of Charleston celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in January 2012. He and his wife Janet have been married for 51 years. Smitley was a professor of Education Administration at EIU for 30 years to his retirement in 2000. Donald served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Donald received his Ph.D. from University of Illinois.

### *Remembering Friends*



George M. Colby, 91 died June 16, 2011 at home in Spring Valley, California. He was a U.S. Army graduate and earned a master's degree in English from the University of Chicago, followed by many years as an English literature professor at Eastern Illinois University. Family includes sister Elaine Emerton of Goffstown, N.H., two nephews and a niece.

Marian Hughes Shuff, 93, passed away Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011, in her home Arkadelphia, Ark. Marian was the daughter of Rees Hughes and Isabel Savage Hughes. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Robert V. Shuff; one daughter, Ann Stromquist and one son, Walter Stromquist and their many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Marian received a master's degree from Syracuse University, a specialist degree from Pittsburg State University in Kansas, and a doctorate from the University of Kansas. Then joined the faculty of Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Ill., from which she retired in 1980.. She taught art at Eastern Illinois University and, for 18 years.

Catherine Bernice Gielow, 95, of Belvidere passed away Tuesday November 1, 2011 at Northwoods Care Centre, Belvidere. She is the daughter of John and Mary (Dreimueller) Lieser. Married Francis John Gielow May 20, 1939 Catherine was retired from the accounting office at Eastern Illinois University. She Survived by Sons, Howard J. Gielow, and Bruce E. Gielow, Three Grandchildren, Marcie Girolamo, Kyle Gielow, & Eric Gielow, and eight. Great-Grandchildren.

Dr. Francis E. Summers, Phd, 79, of Charleston, passed away Thursday, November 10, 2011 at Gowin Parc, Mattoon., He was son of Martin A. and Grace M. (Kingston) Summers. He married Marcia Ann Hartley, June 26. she preceded him in death. He is survived by their daughters: Shelby Lynn DeCapite, Susan Frances Summers, and Sharla Ann Hansen. and 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Francis retired from Eastern Illinois University, where he had

been a Psychology Professor, and later Director of Clinical Experiences.

Robert Edward Hennings, 86, died at 3:30 a.m. Friday, November 11, 2011 at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. He was son of Merva Dolsen and Abraham James Hennings. He served in the U.S. Army from 1944-1946 Medical Corps first in the Philippines and then for ten months in Japan where he became acting Sergeant Major of the 334th Station Hospital in Yokohama. He attended later at the University of California, Berkeley, to complete requirements for a secondary teaching credential. He completed an MA and PhD in History by 1961. He then joined the History faculty at the University of Kentucky in Lexington for a year before coming to Eastern Illinois University where the Department of History had only recently been created out of the old Social Science Department. He remained there until he retired in 1990 after having served the last sixteen years as chairman. He served as president of the Charleston Community Theatre and the Coles County Historical Society. He was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Nancy Wensley Hennings, who died December 4, 2010. They are survived by their three children, Deirdre and Robert Jr. of Los Angeles, and Joe of Charleston

Robert W. "Bob" Hussey, age 89 of Charleston, passed away in the comfort of his home on Saturday, November 19, 2011. Bob was son of the late William and Regina (Farrell) Hussey. He married Laura M. Laurion on December 27, 1950 and they have celebrated nearly sixty-one years of marriage and friendship. Surviving are his wife, seven children, Dan Hussey, Kevin Hussey, Kelly Hussey, Tom Hussey, Kathleen Hussey and Erin Hussey twenty grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren;., At the age of 19, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served his country during World War II as a member of the 439th Troop Carrier Group 91st Squadron.. He continued his education at Michigan State University where he attained his Masters degree and in 1963 received his Doctorate from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley. Later he accepted a position at Eastern Illinois University as a Physical Education Professor, an assistant coach for the football and soccer programs, head gymnastics coach as well as the women's badminton coach.. Bob believed in physical fitness and led an active lifestyle which included bicycling, playing badminton and table tennis, enjoying long memorable walks with Laura and square dancing

Donald Wayne Sanders, age 90 of Charleston, passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. Don was son of the late Thomas and Edith (Redman) Sanders. He married Rosanne and they recently celebrated their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary. He leaves his wife Dr. Rosanne (Bryce) Sanders; four children, Donna Rebelsky, Diane Brooks, Tim and Durwin Sanders and Drusilla; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-nine great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild;. In November of 1942 Don was inducted into the United States Army and bravely served his country during

**World War II , Don was recipient of Purple Heart.. He was employed by the Maintenance Department at Eastern Illinois University prior to his retirement in 1991.**

**Kaninika Bhatnagar, 43, of Charleston died Dec. 30, 2011, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.. Dr. Bhatnagar was born on Feb. 9, 1968, in Kota (RAJ), India, to Rajendra Swaroop and Shyama Bhatnagar. Survivors include one daughter, Maria; father, Rajendra; and one aunt, Santosh.. She immigrated to the United States in 1996. She joined the School of Technology faculty at Eastern Illinois University in 2008. She served as a Women's Studies program faculty at Eastern.**

**Thom Scott Strohecker, 53, died on January 27, 2012, in North Colorado Medical Center, Greeley, CO. He was a former resident of Tuscola, IL. Thom was born on December 14, 1958 in Alton, IL the only son of Chester and Virginia Strohecker of Arthur, IL. He graduated from Arthur High School in 1977 and Eastern Illinois University in 1989 where he was employed for over 25 years. During his tenure at EIU he both taught and was a senior applications analyst in the Informational Technologies Dept. He is survived by a son Chester Strohecker III**

**Gregory C. "Greg" Boyd, 62, Stoy, Illinois passed away at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 7, 2012, in a auto accident South of Charleston, Illinois on Route 130. Born in Lawrenceville, Illinois on May 25, 1949, he was the son of Carl Edward Boyd and Shirley Ann (Von Almen) Boyd. He was a graduate of Robinson High School ~ Class of 1968 and a graduate of Lockyear Business College. Greg worked for EIU Physical Plan**

**Edna Maki Kniskern, age 90 died on February 11 at the Norlite Rehabilitation Center Edna attended the Negaunee public schools, and earned her undergraduate graduated from Northern Michigan University with majors in both biology and art. She subsequently taught biology at the university level. For many years, she was devoted to teaching in the Life Sciences Department at Eastern Illinois University. Countless students benefited from her creativity, enthusiasm and boundless energy**

**Don L. "Saw Dust" Wade, age 74, of Greenup, IL passed away at 8:30 am on February 20, 2012 at his residence . He married Barbara Huddlestun on June 4, 1961. Surviving is his wife of 50 plus years, sons Michael Lee Wade and Joe L. Wade . he was a retired custodian from Eastern Illinois University.**

**Marjorie S. Wylde 100 passed away on February 22, 2012 on a farm east of Greenup, the youngest child of Ernest & Mildred Sedgwick. She was a farm wife**

and former employee of E.I.U. in the financial aid department. She is survived by her daughter Jeanne Crews & three grandchildren

**We want to express our sympathy to the following Annuitant**

**John Arthur Dively, Sr.**, age 83 of Charleston, passed away on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at his home. John was son of the late James B. and Esther (Gleckler) Dively. He joined the **World War II** efforts by enlisting in the United States **Army**. Following his service to his country, John enrolled at Eastern Illinois University, where he earned his bachelor, master's and specialist degrees. John, married Joyce Elizabeth Reynolds, his wife of fifty-six years. Among his many awards, are the EIU Distinguished Alumnus Award and was selected as a member of the EIU Centennial 100 for his significant contributions to the university in its first one hundred years. John is survived by his wife Joyce; his sons John, Joe; his daughter Laura Arney and Amy and Wiesenmayer

**Johnny Overstreet**, 55, of Longboat Key, Fla., formerly of Arthur, died Dec. 22, 2011.. Survivors include his significant other, Susan Kelly; two brothers, Gary Overstreet and Terry Overstreet; and one sister, **Janna Overstreet**. Mr. Overstreet formerly owned John Overstreet Painting in Longboat Key, Fla.

**EIUAA CONTACT INFORMATION**

To find out more information about the EIU Foundation, check out our web page at

**[www.eiu.edu/~found/](http://www.eiu.edu/~found/)**

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**Dear Annuitants,**

If you receive the Newsletter in hardcopy, we request that you help us save our limited funds and resources by receiving it via e-mail, if it is possible. If you are willing to do that, please send me an e-mail (**[abaharlou@eiu.edu](mailto:abaharlou@eiu.edu)**)

Please join us for the  
41<sup>st</sup> EIU Annuitants Association Anniversary Luncheon  
Thursday, April 12, 2012  
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Moriarty Hall  
Madison Avenue and 9<sup>th</sup> Street Charleston, IL  
**By completing and returning this Form by March 23, 2012**

Doors open at 11:00 am and serving begins at 11:30 am.  
Parking is available in adjoining lot.  
Please enter by the west door and register on arrival.

Entertainment will be provided by Al Horney and his "Four Voices" musical group.

Menu (catered by Niemerg's Steakhouse of Effingham):  
Choice of roast beef or grilled chicken  
Twice-baked potatoes, green beans, corn, cole slaw, noodles, rolls, fruit pies  
Sugar-free dessert, iced tea, lemonade, or coffee  
Cost: \$8 per person (incl. gratuity)

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Please RSVP by March 23, 2012

Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ luncheon tickets at \$8 per person with the following entrée choices (beef or chicken or sugar-free dessert)

Annuitant (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Entrée-dessert choice \_\_\_\_\_

Annuitant (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Entrée-dessert choice \_\_\_\_\_

Guest (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Entrée-dessert choice \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check (payable to "EIU Annuitants Association") for \_\_\_\_\_

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Brainard House  
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