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Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

Students Full of Energy and Ice Cream

On August 18th, Accounting faculty and Accounting Society volunteers helped students move into Brown Hall at Thompson Point. The FIG brothers and sisters were also invited to help FIG students move in. The extra move-in help was greatly appreciated by the students and students’ parents. An ice cream social occurred after the students moved in, which allowed them to get acquainted with other students in their building, FIG mentors, and with other Southern Illinois University Carbondale students. They were able to ask questions to current students and faculty about what to expect in college and how they can best succeed. Move-in day, along with the ice cream social, was a great success! A special thanks to all of the volunteers and College of Business staff for making this event possible!

Pictured: Marcus Odom, Jill Gebke, and Donna Margolis. At the College of Business, the staff sets an example to students by getting involved themselves. Even when they are not at work, they are helping out, or are at a SIU sporting event, enjoying every minute. GO DAWGS!

Team # 5 Doug Mueller, Tory Brondel, Marci Blumhorst, Lindsay Hupp

Students and Recruiters Hit the Links

On September 24th, the 26th Annual Accounting Society Golf Scramble teed off at Red Hawk Country Club in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Luckily early rains subsided, bringing very comfortable weather, and even a glimpse of the sun near the end of the day. As always, the golf scramble pairs up students with companies, who then spend the day playing golf, while networking in a much more comfortable and enjoyable setting. Students had a wide range of Accounting firms to choose from, including smaller firms like Kemper, to larger firms like Larson Allen, to international firms like KPMG. While the teams were very competitive, team #5 squeezed out the win. Also, there was a longest putt award, which was sponsored by CATERPILLAR.

While many golf balls were never to be seen again and some pride might have been shaken, it was still a very enjoyable experience for all who were involved. A special thank you goes out to all of the companies who were able to attend the event, as well as the volunteers who helped make the golf scramble a great experience. Also, a special thank you is in order for the Golf Chairs: Vance Sawyer and Mike Humphreys, who found sponsors and organized the entire event.

Don’t forget about the $250 scholarship for the Most Active Member. The recipient will be selected based on which member has the most points at the end of every semester. Members receive points for attending professional meetings, Buddy Night activities, participating in the Blood Drive, and attending Accounting Society and College of Business activities, and other various activities.

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Accounting Career Fair

On September 23, Accounting Society members attended the Accounting Career Fair. Once there, students were able to talk with business professionals who came from a variety of local and national Accounting Firms. While there, students gave their “60 second commercial,” in hopes of landing the interview with their favorite company. They also had a chance to network, in hope of increasing their opportunities for future employment. Statistics show that over sixty percent of jobs are not openly advertised, making the career fair a key event to attend. The event had a great turnout and afterwards appetizers were served, so that students, faculty, and professionals could continue networking. This annual event is a great way for students to make connections, get interviews, and most importantly, for students to finally get that dream job. The event was well received, due to the work of many volunteers, and due to the leadership of Graduate Assistant Seyoum Tsige. We thank everyone who helped!

Accounting Society Leads in the RSO Cup

As of October 14th, the Accounting Society is in first place of the College of Business Registered Student Organization Cup. This shows how active our members are not only in the organization, but also in the community. Keep up the good work, and remember, “Get Involved!” - Dr. Odom

Professional Meetings

Accounting Society professional meetings are now in full swing at SIUC. Meetings are now being held in Lawson 101 at 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday nights. The Accounting Society has seen an array of presenters, including insurance companies (State Farm), professional accounting firms (Deloitte), and SIUC Placement Center’s Donna Margolis and Matt Purdy. A lot is to be learned from the companies and individuals presenting at the meetings. Networking opportunities are always available at the end of the presentation. And, as always, free food is served. Thanks to all the companies and individuals that have presented so far this year, and the Accounting Society is looking forward to those to come.

Tip: Always remember to dress for the occasion. Professional meetings are Business casual, Career Fairs and Interviews are Business Professional, and Buddy Nights are casual.

Benefits of Staying Active as a Member

1. A Chance at winning a $250 scholarship!
2. Learn about possibilities for your career!
3. It looks great on a Resume!!
4. Network with recruiters and other AS members, all while making friendships that will last a lifetime!