LET'S GIVE KUDOS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR CMST COMMUNITY!

• Dr. Randy Auxier was super busy this month! He did the following:
  - Presented “The History and Roots of North American Personalism” for the Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla in Puebla, Mexico.
  - Spoke at the International Conference on Artificial Intelligence Humanities in South Korea, where he presented a review of the book *Kant & AI*.
  - Sat on the planning committee for “Feeling, Form, Mind: A Conference on the Thought of Susanne K. Langer” in Frankfurt, Germany. At the conference, he chaired a session on Whitehead and Friends, and presented a keynote, “The Virtues in the Virtual: Langer’s Projections and the Digital World.”
  - He also delivered that same keynote for the International Conference on Robot Ethics and Standards in Seoul, South Korea.
  - Chaired and provided commentary for three panels at the 1st World Conference on Personalism in Mexico City, Mexico. He also gave a keynote address, “The Real ‘Fourth Political Theory’.”

• Dr. Todd Graham appeared on the St. Louis CBS affiliate evening news to give analysis of the recent primaries in Missouri, check it out: https://www.kmov.com/video/2022/08/04/debate-professor-analyzes-primary-results/

• O.J. Duncan, as Sister Faggatha Hardness, gave the opening blessing at the LGBTQ+ welcome event on August 30th. At that same event, Carli Álvarez was a featured speaker. You can catch a highlight of her speech here, which was edited by our own T Brown: https://www.instagram.com/reel/CiFpIrJMuvR/?utm_source=ig_web_button_share_sheet

• Dr. Nilanjana Bardhan has also been accomplishing a lot!
  - She is currently guest co-editing a special issue of the *Journal of Public Relations Education*. The topic of the issue is DEI, leadership and mentorship in the PR classroom.
  - She is also guest co-editing a special issue of the *Journal of Public Relations Research*. The topic is DEI and Public Relations: Theoretical Directions

• Dr. Jonathan Gray participated as Sister Mothra Stewart of the SOIL Sisters in the Carbondale Parks District’s Picnic in the Park: Pride Edition at Evergreen Park on Sunday, August 28.

• We had a fantastic UG Kickoff to welcome back our undergrad majors and minors, to welcome our new students, and to let them know that we appreciate them.

IMPORTANT DATES!

• Sept. 22 - 24
  - 8pm
  - "Left on Read" in the Kleinau Theatre

• Saturday, Sept. 24
  - 11am - 2pm
  - Saluki Family Weekend
  - CoLA tailgate. Bruch & mimosas included!

• Friday, Sept. 30
  - 7pm
  - Ballroom Extravaganza
  - Student Center Ballroom D

• Saturday, Oct. 1
  - 1pm - 5pm
  - LGBTQ Fest
  - Veteran's Plaza

• Oct. 6 - 7
  - CMST Study Days

• Friday, Oct. 13
  - 8pm
  - Sister Unity Performance in the Kleinau Theatre
LET’S CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR CMST COMMUNITY!

- Congrats to Dianah McGreehan and Carli Álvarez, who were nominated for the SIU Above and Beyond Student Award. Sandy Pensoneau-Conway was nominated for the Woman of Inspiration Award. These awards were part of the inaugural SIU Women's Resource Center's Women in Action awards.


- Congrats to Monika Fudala, whose thesis project has officially been granted IRB approval.

- Congrats to Jonathan Gray, who was awarded a grant of $963 through the CoLA Pedagogy Exploration Incentive Fund to enhance CMST 221 Advanced Public Speaking to include speaking for online and social media venues.

FINALLY, LET’S CONGRATULATE THE NEW SCO OFFICERS, AND LET’S WELCOME JANINE ARMSTRONG AS PRESIDENT!

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- Treasurer: Bolton Morales
- Librarian: Mario Sanders
- Event Coordinator: India Hagen-Gates & Frankie Kimmel
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