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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

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Dear Friends,

Over the past decade or so, the most common question I get when encountering people who knew my dad is, “What would Paul have thought about our political climate now?”. And invariably, after a few shakes of the head, that question is followed by a kind remark such as, “They sure don’t make ‘em like your dad anymore!”.

My typical response is to accept the compliment first and then deflect the question, since of course, I don’t really KNOW what he would have thought, but I strongly suspect he would not approve. And I’m confident that were he still with us, he’d be doing all he could to encourage us to be the change we seek!

That’s what Director Shaw and his team continue to focus on through the Institute’s “Better Politics, Smarter Government” agenda. It holds true to Dad’s vision by modeling civil discourse, elevating statesmanship, and providing students opportunities to explore careers in public service.

I remain grateful for your continued support of this vital work, and for helping to keep the legacy of Paul Simon alive and strong!

Thank you,

MARTIN H. SIMON



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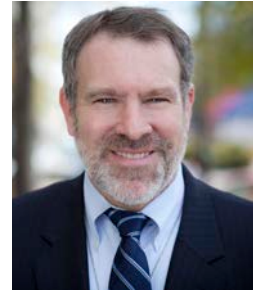
Paul Simon Public Policy Institute



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

In the face of considerable political turmoil, the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute continues to support our democracy and promote civility. We advocate for effective and visionary public policies and encourage students to consider careers in public affairs. We support students with special programs, scholarships, internships, work opportunities, and awards.



The Institute hosts compelling programs and welcomes distinguished speakers who shed light on critical issues, foster respectful dialogue, and elevate both the Institute and Southern Illinois University.

I'm proud of the Institute's work in this rancorous and poisonous political environment to elevate statesmanship as both an aspiration and an ideal. We've published a guide for students and a book of recommended reading. We also updated and reissued our citizen's guide on statesmanship.

During 2025, the Institute brought excellent speakers to campus, including Lindsey LaPointe, Illinois state representative, Ronald McMullen, former US ambassador and professor at the University of Iowa, Carol Moseley Braun, former senator from Illinois and US ambassador, Jen Daulby, CEO of the Congressional Management Foundation, and Nikki Budzinski, congresswoman from Illinois' 13th District.

We organized a special panel to discuss the future of Higher Education in Illinois which featured SIU President Dan Mahony, former state representative Jim Nowlan, and Ralph Martire, executive director of the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability.

The Institute hosted terrific virtual events this year which significantly expanded our audience and our reach. We enjoyed conversations with Rachel Kousser, professor at the City University of New York, Stephen Heintz, president of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Melissa Connelly, CEO of OneGoal, Sharon Davies, president of the Kettering Foundation, Max Stier, president of the Partnership for Public Service, David Callahan, editor of *Inside Philanthropy*, Phil Shenon, former *New York Times* correspondent and author, Frank Gavin, professor at Johns Hopkins SAIS, Jessica Yellin, founder of News Not Noise, Paul Starr, Pulitzer Prize-winning professor at Princeton University, and Jan Eliasson, former United Nations deputy secretary-general.

Your support allows our important work to advance the legacy of Paul Simon. We are very grateful!

With many thanks,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John T. Shaw". The signature is fluid and cursive.

JOHN T. SHAW



WIDE-RANGING CONVERSATIONS



SPECIAL EVENTS

The Institute hosted several special programs in 2025 that offered SIU students, faculty, and staff, as well as the Institute's larger community, wonderful opportunities to meet and listen to compelling speakers in Carbondale.

Our 2025 special events included:



TRAILBLAZING FORMER SENATOR REFLECTS ON HER HISTORIC CAREER

In an engaging discussion with Institute Director John Shaw on October 22, Carol Moseley Braun reflected on her groundbreaking career, from her early involvement in civil rights and education at the University of Illinois to her decade as a state representative and her historic 1992 election as the first Black woman elected to the U.S. Senate and the first woman senator in Illinois history.



INSTITUTE CO-HOSTS FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN ILLINOIS PANEL DISCUSSION

The Institute, in collaboration with the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability, hosted a panel discussion on the Future of Higher Education in Illinois on November 4.

The panel was moderated by Institute Director John Shaw, and the panelists included former state representative and former professor Jim Nowlan, SIU System President Dr. Dan Mahony and the Executive Director of the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability and professor at Roosevelt University, Ralph Martire.



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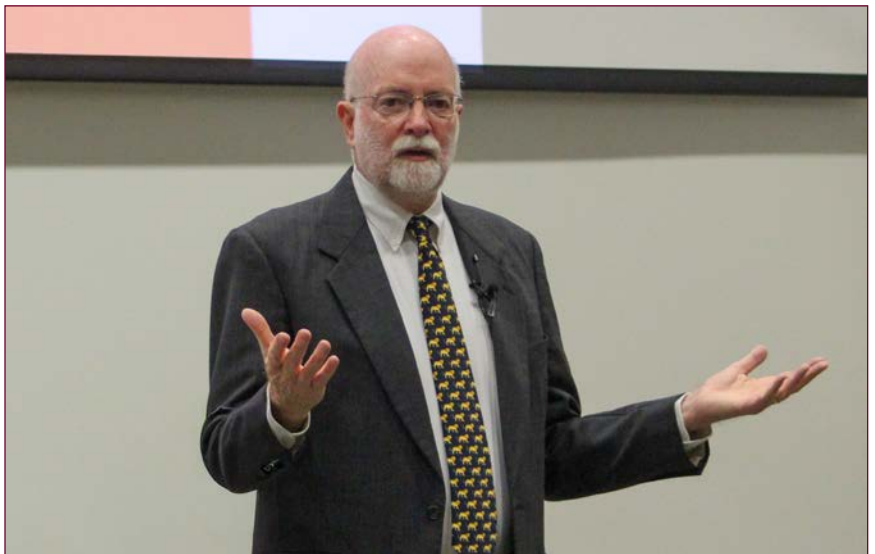
SIU LAW SCHOOL ALUMNA RETURNS TO SIU TO EXPLORE LEADERSHIP AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE

Jen Daulby, CEO of the Congressional Management Foundation and an SIU School of Law alumna, joined the Institute on November 10 to discuss her leadership and the Foundation's work to strengthen connections between Congress and citizens.



FORMER U.S. AMBASSADOR PRESENTS "A BIPOLAR WORLD" LECTURE

Ronald K. McMullen, a career U.S. diplomat and University of Iowa professor, spoke at SIU on September 9 about challenges facing the United States and growing fractures in the international system, drawing on his decades of diplomatic and academic experience.



CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESEARCHER AND SIU DOCTORAL GRADUATE PRESENTS RESEARCH AT SIU

Dr. Nicole Rader, an SIU doctoral graduate, joined the Institute on April 17 to discuss her research on school safety, fear of crime, and gender, and to highlight her book *Teaching Fear: How We Learn to Fear Crime and Why It Matters*.



UNDERSTANDING OUR NEW WORLD

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The Institute's Understanding Our New World series of virtual conversations continues to provide critical insights about the seismic political and cultural changes that are shaping our collective future. We hosted 11 conversations this year with a diverse array of speakers covering a wide range of topics, including religion, democracy, voting, journalism, philanthropy, civil rights, economics and history.

We are continuing this series in 2026. Visit bit.ly/PSPPEvents to see who we'll be speaking with and register to join us.



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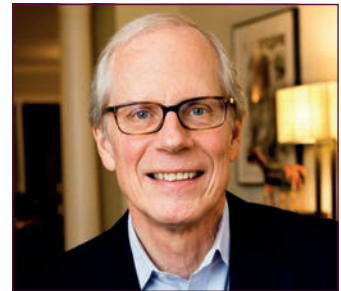
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Former Deputy Secretary-General of
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Professor at Johns Hopkins University
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New York and author



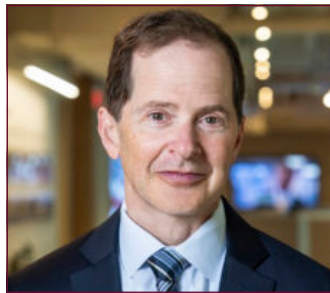
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MORTON-KENNEY LECTURE

The Morton-Kenney Public Affairs lecture series is presented by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute and SIU's School of Anthropology, Political Science, and Sociology. The lectures occur in the spring and fall of each year. The late Jerome Mileur, an SIU alumnus, established the series in 1995 in honor of two of his political science professors—Ward Morton and David Kenney—who inspired him as a student.

The lectures in 2025 were:

Paul Djupe

Professor at Denison University

Djupe, a nationally recognized expert on religion and politics, joined the Institute for the Spring Morton-Kenney Lecture on March 20.

Djupe talked extensively about Christian nationalism and its growing influence on the American political landscape, especially in relation to the 2024 election. Djupe's research reveals alarming trends about Christian nationalists, including a significant number who harbor extreme beliefs, such as advocating for the repeal of the 19th Amendment and the perception of threats to Christian freedoms posed by Democrats. Through these insights, Djupe's research sheds light on the evolving complexities of Christian nationalism, urging a reevaluation of its role in shaping the American political landscape and identity.



Nikki Budzinski

Illinois Congresswoman, 13th District

Budzinski joined the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute on November 24 to deliver the Fall Morton-Kenney Lecture.

Congresswoman Budzinski discussed her personal story, her career in public service and the labor movement, and her work representing Illinois' 13th Congressional District. She also reflected on how her family's deep roots in organized labor, public education, and community service shaped her values and led her to political engagement as a student at the University of Illinois, where she interned for both Congressman Richard Gephardt and Senator Paul Simon. She urged everyone to stay politically engaged during these tumultuous times.



Watch **Morton-Kenney Lectures** on our YouTube channel [YOUTUBE.COM/PAULSIMONINSTITUTE](https://www.youtube.com/paulsimoninstitute)

BUILDING A STRONGER ILLINOIS



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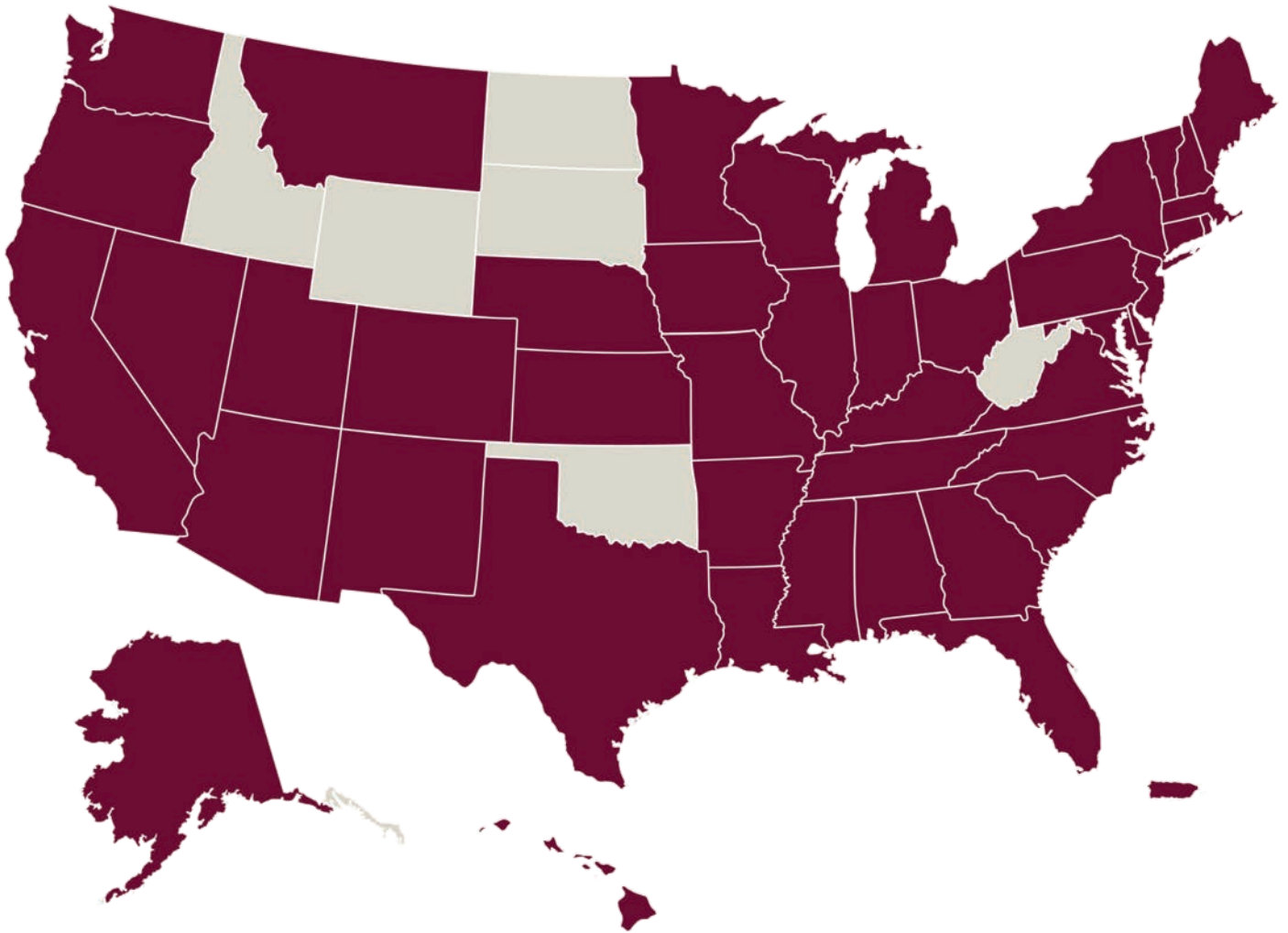
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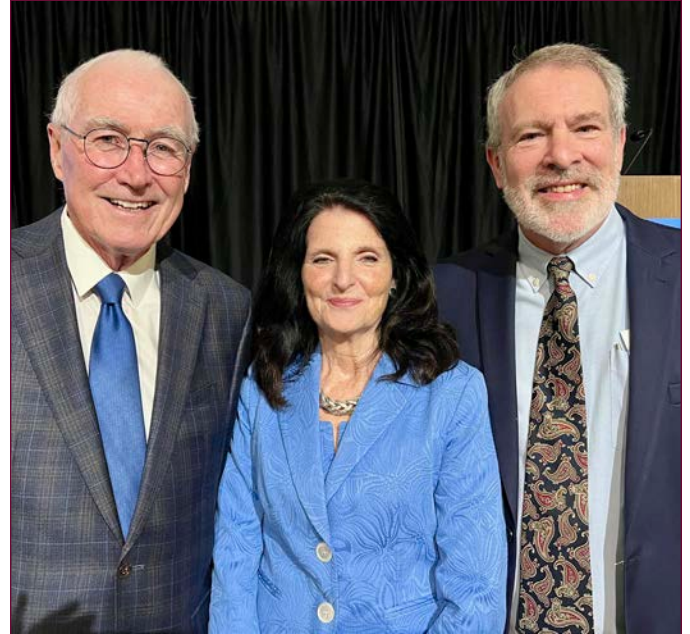
FORMER BARRINGTON VILLAGE PRESIDENT KAREN DARCH RECEIVES 2025 SIMON-EDGAR STATESMANSHIP AWARD

Karen Darch, former village president of Barrington, was honored as the recipient of the 2025 Paul Simon-Jim Edgar Statesmanship Award for her three decades of practical, problem-solving, and visionary leadership.

The annual Simon-Edgar Statesmanship Award honors an elected state or local government official in Illinois who has demonstrated a pattern of public service marked by vision, courage, compassion, effectiveness, civility, and bipartisanship.

The award highlights exemplary leadership across the state, inspiring current and future public servants to uphold the best traditions of Illinois governance.

The Simon-Edgar Award was established in 2021 by Governor Edgar, the 38th governor of Illinois, and John Shaw, director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute. Illinois residents, including political, academic, and business leaders, nominated dozens of state, city, and county officials for the Simon-Edgar Award. Look for nominations for the 2026 award to open in the spring at bit.ly/SimonEdgarAward.



Former Illinois Governor Jim Edgar, former village president of Barrington Karen Darch and Institute Director John Shaw.



WOMEN'S GOVERNMENT DAY



Women's Government Day, one of the flagship initiatives of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, empowers and inspires the next generation of women leaders by connecting Southern Illinois University students with key figures in Illinois state government. Held annually at the Illinois State Capitol in Springfield and led by Dr. Linda Baker, this event highlights the achievements of women in public service, celebrating the leadership and impact of women legislators, public officials, and community advocates.

Designed to cultivate leadership skills and encourage greater civic engagement, the program provides participants with opportunities to engage with influential speakers, including state lawmakers, senior public sector leaders, and prominent community organizers. Through these interactions, students gain invaluable insights into the legislative process, build professional networks, and are inspired to pursue careers in public policy and leadership.



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PAUL SIMON DEMOCRACY PRIZE

The Institute presented four \$5,000 awards as part of the annual Paul Simon Democracy Prize in 2025. The recipients were current students from Illinois colleges and universities, recognized for designing and implementing projects aimed at revitalizing democracy in their communities.

2025 Paul Simon Democracy Prize Winners:



Tatiana Castillo of Southern Illinois University is chronicling the contributions of the international community to democratic life in southern Illinois over the past five years. The project culminates in a public event that showcases these contributions and encourages a discussion of democracy and inclusion.

Winter Hurst-Leadicker of Western Illinois University is working to add a referendum to the Macomb ballot aimed at implementing a ranked-choice voting system to replace the current first-past-the-post electoral system.

Ben Muncy of Illinois State University is working to set up voter registration tables on campus to help students register to vote or update their existing registration, with the goal of making voting more accessible and representative of where students actually live.

Raluca Pavel of Loyola University in Chicago will create and implement an upper-level undergraduate course designed as an experiential learning opportunity for students to explore democratic participation, civic responsibility, and policy engagement, with an emphasis on participatory budgeting.



PAUL SIMON
DEMOCRACY PRIZE

WOMEN IN PUBLIC POLICY AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT



The Paul Simon Public Policy Institute is proud to announce a new registered student organization, Women in Public Policy and Civic Engagement. This student-led group focuses on empowering women and students of all majors to participate in political discourse, policy development, and civic life. The organization is spearheaded by Dr. Linda Baker and Howard Fellow VanKe'via Garner, whose leadership helps bring the group from concept to reality.

At the inaugural meeting, Journey Short was elected the organization's first President, with Melanie Harriss selected to serve as Vice President. The group plans to host several events each year, including a campus resource fair, guest speakers, and opportunities to engage in constituent casework, giving students practical insight into how public policy affects individuals and communities. The organization is intentionally interdisciplinary, encouraging participation from students of all academic backgrounds who are interested in public policy, advocacy, and civic engagement.

Women in Public Policy and Civic Engagement identified several key policy areas of focus, including reproductive rights, environmental law, media law, health care, LGBTQ+ rights, and criminal justice policy, with particular attention to issues affecting juveniles. In addition to policy-centered programming, the group undertakes multiple community service projects, with activities throughout the year culminating in the Institute's annual Women's Government Day, connecting classroom learning and campus engagement with real-world governance and leadership.

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YOUTH LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

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The Institute hosted the 20th Metro East Youth Leadership Weekend in November. The theme was “Civility, Leadership, and Civic Engagement: Start Now.” More than 35 students in grades 8 through 12 engaged in activities designed to promote career awareness, servant leadership, and political involvement.

The program featured a variety of activities, including breakout sessions with local leaders and group activities at SIU’s Touch of Nature. The Honorable Rodney H. Holmes delivered a powerful keynote on leadership, followed by a chance to experience Saluki spirit at the SIU football homecoming game.

The leadership weekend has been an important initiative of the Institute since Paul Simon launched the program in 2002. Dr. Linda Baker directs the weekend with assistance from local mentoring groups from the Metro East area.

Many young men who participated in the program in previous years have gone on to achieve considerable academic and professional success and we are grateful to be a small part of it.



INTERNSHIPS



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VanKe'via Garner with Dr. Linda Baker

CELIA M. HOWARD FELLOW

VanKe'via Garner is the Institute's 2025–26 fellow. A native of Jacksonville, Arkansas, Garner is a fourth-year clinical psychology doctoral student at SIU who focuses on the intersection of mental health, criminal justice reform, and reentry into society. Garner was one of four recipients of the 2024 Paul Simon Democracy Prize for her podcast, *More Life: The Reentry Podcast*.

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