

## Greetings Fellow SUU Alumni



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One of the greatest thrills in my 18 year association with Southern Utah University has been the involvement with all of you...our wonderful alumni. Now I am more excited than ever because I have just recently been named Associate Director of Alumni, which means, I will be even more involved with all the activities my esteemed colleagues, Pennie and Marlo, have planned. There is nothing like "T-Bird Pride".

We, as alumni, attended Southern Utah University because it is a special place - a place that offers an exceptional setting for learning and growing - a place with a diverse and supportive academic community - a place where the lessons learned will last a lifetime. We are excellent examples. I would like to invite you to become aware of our "Alumni Mentoring Network".

The Alumni Mentoring Network is a fantastic program that was a coordinated effort involving three entities on campus, the Alumni Office, SUUSA and Career Services. This is a program where an Alumni or friend can take a young S.U.U. T-Bird under their wing and mentor them through career choices in life. Please go to [www.suu.edu/alumni](#) and check out how you can help a Southern Utah University graduate succeed. It only takes a few minutes to sign up.

Our goal is to have 500 mentors by Fall 2004. When we reach our goal of 500 mentors, the students will then be invited to sign up and contact mentors through email.

Thank you for your friendship and support. I look forward to working with all of you.

*Respectfully,*

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*Associate Director of Alumni Relations  
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*Pennie Copley  
Assistant Director  
Alumni Relations*



*Marlo Jensen  
Executive Director  
Alumni Relations*

### ON THE COVER

SUU students (from left) Travis F. Jensen, Whitney Nicholes, Samantha Rogerson and Adam Bealer at the Starmaker sculpture on the upper campus.