



Lovejoy Library to honor SIUE's Earl Lazerson

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EDWARDSVILLE - Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Library and Information Services (LIS) invites campus and surrounding community members to a reception honoring Dr. Earl Lazerson's donation of his expansive collection of mathematics books

to SIUE and generous planned gift establishing the Lazerson Mathematical Symposium. The President Earl Lazerson Collection includes more than 2,000 books, comprising mathematics-focused materials that Lazerson collected for more than 65 years.

“Many of these resources are rare or out of print,” said Lydia Jackson, interim dean of LIS. “The collection serves as a valuable academic resource to faculty, staff and students. The collection has been designated a special collection and is housed in University Archives and Special Collections in Lovejoy Library.”

The reception will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12 in The Friends Corner of Lovejoy Library. Refreshments will be served, and Lazerson invites conversation and comradery.

During the reception, the University will present Lazerson with a commemorative photo and proclamation. SIUE Chancellor Randy Pembroke will offer remarks.

Lazerson is the institution’s longest-serving president. During his tenure at SIUE, Lazerson was honored with the Teaching Excellence Award, the most prestigious teaching award for a SIUE faculty member. Among his most memorable achievements as president were transitioning the SIUE campus from a quarter to a semester system and consolidating various schools into what is now known as the College of Arts and Sciences.

Additionally, he presided over the construction of several major buildings, including the Vadalabene Center, the Student Fitness Center, the dental clinic at the SIU School of Dental Medicine in Alton, the University’s first 500-student residence hall, and the Art and Design Building.

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The [SIUE Library and Information Services](#) (LIS) consistently strives for new and inventive ways to deliver information to students, faculty and the community. LIS is home to Lovejoy Library, the heart of the University. The library provides SIUE faculty and students the information required for their academic pursuits that result in improving our communities. LIS faculty and staff nurture SIUE students’ scholarship with resources that support the collaboration and innovative thinking needed to succeed in the global marketplace.