National Backpack Awareness Day is September 21. The Occupational Therapy and Occupational Therapy Assistant students will be visiting 5 area elementary schools and presenting to a total of ten classes. The local news media will be covering the event and a number of area legislators have been invited to attend. Children carrying too much weight and failing to properly pack and wear back-packs is of national concern. USI OT and OTA in conjunction with St. Mary’s Hospital and the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) are collaboratively sponsoring this event.
Meet New Faculty and Staff of CNHP

Joy McBride, Radiologic Technology, joined the faculty in July. A magna cum laude graduate, Joy holds bachelor’s degrees in Radiologic and Imaging Sciences and Health Services from USI. For the past ten years, she has worked at Deaconess Hospital in Diagnostic Radiology, Computed Tomography, and Magnetic Resonance Imaging. She has advanced registry in Computed Tomography and is a member of Indiana Society of Radiologic Technologists, Alpha Chi National Honor Society, and Pinnacle Adult National Honor Society. Joy resides in Evansville and is recently engaged.

Kate Miller joined CNHP in June as admissions and advising coordinator. Kate received her bachelor’s degree in journalism and communications from Western Kentucky University in 2003. She will complete a master’s degree in health services administration in December at the University of Evansville. Before coming to USI, Kate worked as the assistant director of student life at the University of Evansville. Kate resides in Newburgh with husband Aaron.

Dr. Kathy Riedford is not a newcomer to USI. For the past eleven years she has served as adjunct faculty in nursing. This year, she said, she “has a real home.” Dr. Riedford received both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in nursing from the University of Evansville. In 1997 she completed a doctorate in nursing science from Indiana University. In addition to teaching, Dr. Riedford has worked in psychiatric nursing. A resident of Evansville, Dr. Riedford, along with her husband, Rick, care for their 6 children, ages 7 through 20.

Jennifer Titzer, Radiologic Technology, came to USI in August. She is a graduate of USI and holds associate degrees in radiologic technology, nursing, and a bachelor’s degree in health services. A member of ISRT and ASRT, Jennifer is certified by Cardiovascular Credentialing (RCIS). She most recently worked with the Heart Group as a nurse/radiographer in the cardiac catheterization and peripheral vascular labs. She has also worked with St. Mary’s cath lab, special procedures, and diagnostic radiology. A resident of Evansville’s west side, she and her husband, Craig, have 2 boys, ages 1 and 3.

Victoria Pigott, 2004 recipient of Nursing’s Distinguished Alumni Award, celebrated 50 years of good clean living!

Corcoran Public Lecture

Dr. David Eisenberg of Harvard Medical School will speak on the topic, “Integrative Medicine: A Disruptive Innovation?” Dr. Eisenberg is the Director of the Osher Institute’s Division for Research and Education in Complementary and Integrative Medical Therapies. The free lecture is scheduled for Tuesday, October 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Mitchell Auditorium. Students are invited to attend the lecture.

Nursing Alumni Dinner October 18

Victoria Pigott, Nursing special projects coordinator and director of the Nursing Alumni Society, has announced the date of the upcoming annual alumni dinner. On October 18 at 5:30 p.m., faculty, seniors, alumni, and special guests will gather in Carter Hall. In the spring of 2005, the Nursing Alumni Society presented its very first scholarship to Cassandra Bartelt. At the end of what will be a delightful evening of information and fellowship, the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award for 2005 will be announced. The membership fee for the Nursing Alumni Society is $25 annually; those monies are earmarked for the scholarship fund.
STUDENT NEWS

- At least two graduate students in nursing have been called to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina. **Rory Spray** and **Sharon Sepanek** have been deployed south and will be assigned upon arrival.

- **Randa Wade** and **Jessica Bowman**, nursing, have been recently inducted into the National Collegiate Scholars organization here at USI.

Sonography Lab Debuts During Summer Sessions

Eight members of the charter class in Diagnostic Medical Sonography share a laugh on the first day of lab clinical practice in the new Sonography lab located in 2117 on the second floor in the Health Professions Center.

Study / Travel Opportunities through CNHP

Travel to Harlaxton College in Grantham, England this summer with USI Nursing and Health Professions students. **Reneé Dugger**, Nursing faculty, will lead the group this year. Three hours of credit is available to students—HP 498 (University Core Curriculum credit), NURS 467, or NURS 613. Watch for posters on the second floor of CNHP announcing a kickoff meeting for interested students. Contact Renée Dugger at 461-5241 or email her at RDugger@usi.edu.

A week long stay in Annoto Bay, Jamaica, is also planned for February 2006. Students work under supervision at a community clinic and can receive three hours credit for travel to Harlaxton College in Grantham, England this summer with USI Nursing and Health Professions students. Reneé Dugger, Nursing faculty, will lead the group this year. Three hours of credit is available to students—HP 498 (University Core Curriculum credit), NURS 467, or NURS 613. Watch for posters on the second floor of CNHP announcing a kickoff meeting for interested students. Contact Reneé Dugger at 461-5241 or email her at RDugger@usi.edu.

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HP 492, Transcultural Health Care (University Core Curriculum Credit). This trip is co-sponsored by Deaconess Hospital. Interested students can contact **Ann White**, Director of Nursing, at 465-1173 or by email, AWhite@usi.edu.

Free pregnancy ultrasounds will be available throughout November. Call 465-1181 to schedule an appointment.

RESPIRATORY THERAPY GRADUATES 15 IN AUGUST


EVENTS TO NOTE

October 12  USI Health Fair, Carter Hall
October 25 Dr. David Eisenberg,
Corcoran Public Lecture,
Mitchell Auditorium, 7:30 pm

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4. Can we have a snack vending machine? The snack vending machines that were previously located in the HP Center were moved to the Link. The reason that the university made this decision was that the volume of use in the lower level was not sufficient to support their placement in that location. The snack vending machines in the LINK serve our students as well as science and education students.

5. Can we have a sink? At the present time there is no funding available for the addition of a sink in the lower level. Space is also a problem but that could probably be worked out. This request will be kept in mind when monies are available.

College of Nursing and Health Professions “Input for Excellence”

“INPUT FOR EXCELLENCE” offers students and staff an opportunity to make suggestions, offer praise, etc. “INPUT FOR EXCELLENCE” boxes are located in the School Community Lounge HP 110, the Charles Day Learning Resource Center, and the Reception Desk in HP 2068. Use this handy tear-off to share your thoughts with us or email your comments to dgutley@usi.edu.

Note from Dean Coudret

Thank you for your Input for Excellence comments. Your questions and my responses follow.

1. Can we get a small TV or radio? After input from faculty, staff, and students, the decision was made to not put a TV or radio in the College Interaction Room. It was thought that the addition of a TV or radio would detract from the multiple uses of the room. Some individuals indicated that they appreciate a quiet place to read and relax. I know that some of you also use the room for study groups—again a TV or radio would lessen its use for that purpose. There are TVs available in the University Center.

2. Why are the cabinets locked? One of the cabinets by the microwave oven will be emptied and labeled for student use. The other cabinets will continue to be used for college storage of instructional materials and office supplies.

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