Join in the Finals Week Bash

The finals week bash offers rest and refreshment for weary students. HP 2058 will be converted to a snack bar from December 15 through December 18. It will be available to students from the hours of 8 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be lots of hot coffee, lemonade, hot chocolate and other beverages plus an abundance of snacks and homemade treats to satisfy hungry students. Rohn Butterfield, instructor in Health Services, chairs this event. With the help of a large number of faculty and staff, Rohn coordinates the set up, presentation, and clean up of the finals week snack bar. Students taking 6:00 exams might arrive early so they can grab a bite or a drink beforehand. Come and graze.

Dental Hygiene Students Win in Indianapolis

The Indiana Dental Hygienists’ Association met in Indianapolis on Friday, November 3, for their annual gathering. Shelby Craig, student delegate, Michelle Collier, and Natalie Brown presented the colors for the opening House of Delegates meeting. Several groups of students presented table clinics at the meeting; Krissy Pahmeier, Joni Sears, and Chrisann Swanson won first place with their presentation on Controlled Drug Delivery Systems. There were 31 table clinics presented from the five dental hygiene programs in Indiana.

Ceremony Set for Masters’ Candidates in Health Administration

The Master of Health Administration Program will be holding its first annual Residency Symposium and Hooding Ceremony on December 2, 2003, in Mitchell Auditorium. As part of the symposium, the eight graduates will be presenting their projects during their residency. The Hooding Ceremony will follow at 5:00 p.m., when Dr. Linda Bennett, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Nadine Coudret, Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Professions, will bestow the treasured academic hood, presented to all graduates of masters degree programs. Look for photos in our next edition of the newsletter.

A Christmas Wish

“Fear less, hope more; Eat less, chew more; Whine less, breathe more; Talk less; say more; Hate less; love more; And all good things Will be yours.”

—Anonymous
Opportunities to Share in the Spirit of the Season

In the spirit of caring and sharing, the Learning Caring Committee will be coordinating the adoption of a family whose life has been impacted by AIDS/HIV and are living at, or below, the poverty level. Ornaments with specific information for gift-giving have been placed on the Christmas tree in the offices of SNHP this week. All gifts need to be wrapped and tagged with the ornament card, ready for Santa’s delivery on or before Friday, December 12. Gale Hoehn, coordinator, sends her thanks for your generosity.

The Health Services Organization (HSO) is collecting toiletry articles and non-perishables for families living and coming to the Salvation Army Homeless Shelter. There are boxes at both ends of the second floor hall for donations; Julie McCullough will also be collecting items in her office. All children living at the shelter have been adopted by HSO and will receive gifts; their parents will be given the toilet articles.

The USI Staff Council annually sponsors “The Giving Tree” which offers extra help for the holiday for some of our USI families.

If you would like to help, select an ornament tag that’s hung on the tree and register it. This year the tree is located on the south end of the second floor in HP 2145. Wrap your gift and securely attach the tag. Return it to the foot of “The Giving Tree” by December 12.

Faculty Notes

Jennie Hiam, instructor in Graduate Nursing, was recently honored by The Beacon Group, a local organization dedicated to helping others. A citation entitled “Jennie Hiam: Mission is Her Way of Life” was read at the group’s Annual Celebration Dinner held November 13. At the end of a litany of her past and current community activities, Jennie was recognized with these comments: “Angels are all around. One is named Jennie and she cares deeply for each and every one of those that she meets. Jennie is indeed a beacon for kindness, one whose light shines on so many.”

Linda Matheson, program director for Dental Assisting, will be on sabbatical leave for the spring semester. She is retiring from USI at the end of the spring semester. She looks forward to her new life at home with her family.

Colleen Walsh, instructor in Graduate Nursing, will be a presenter at the national certification review course for acute care nurse practitioners this spring.

Student Fundraisers

- World’s Finest Chocolate— Respiratory Therapy Care Club (AVAILABLE AT BARB YATES’ DESK)
- Celestial Candles (holiday fragrances) - Student Dental Hygiene Students Association (AVAILABLE AT BARB YATES’ DESK OR DENTAL CLINIC)
- Avon Products—Student Occupational Therapy Association (MEMBERS AND FACULTY/STAFF KITCHEN)
- Krispy Kreme Gift Cards—1st Year Radiologic Technology Students (AVAILABLE THROUGH BARB YATES’ EMAIL OR IN FACULTY/STAFF KITCHEN)

Upcoming Events

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Holiday Gatherings

On Tuesday, December 9, the USIANS are celebrating the holidays with a party, laden with food, games, and prizes. The students will also write Christmas cards to local nursing home residents.

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