LOCATION

The Center for Communal Studies is located in the Liberal Arts Center (Room 2009) on the USI campus. The University is two miles west of Evansville, Indiana, on Indiana Highway 62. Evansville has a regional airport with jet service from Chicago, Atlanta, and elsewhere.

YOU CAN HELP

The Center welcomes your inquiries (phone 812/465-1656), information, expertise, communal materials, and tax-deductible donations.

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ARCHIVAL RESEARCH COLLECTION

Scholars and researchers are invited to use the Center’s extensive collection of primary and secondary communal materials on more than 500 historic and contemporary communes. Items range from newsletters of communal groups to the private communal collections of Harmonist scholar Karl J. R. Arndt.

As an additional resource, the Communal Studies image collection contains over 10,000 images of communities as well as finding aids for all the major collections held in the archives and a communal studies reading room with an extensive library for research. Online resources also can be found at www.usi.edu/library/archives.asp.

The Communal Studies collection is housed in the University Archives and Special Collections of the David L. Rice Library on the campus of the University of Southern Indiana (USI). It is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to Noon and 1–4:30 p.m. For collection information phone the archivist at 812/464-1832 or email jagreene@usi.edu.

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In 1976 Dr. Donald Pitzer created the Center for Communal Studies as a clearinghouse for information and a research resource on past and present communal groups worldwide. The Center encourages and facilitates scholarship, meetings, historic preservation, and public understanding of historic and contemporary intentional communities.

Donald E. Pitzer
Photographs
Darryl D. Jones
Foreword
Jane Blaffer Owen & Connie Weinzapfel

New Harmony Then & Now
Dr. Pitzer called upon his 40 years of research on the communal village of New Harmony, Indiana, to tell its story in New Harmony Then & Now.

PROGRAMS
The Center for Communal Studies sponsors lectures, seminars, conferences, publications, and exhibits. The Center has an abundance of programming resources from its contacts with historic communal sites, contemporary communities, and organizations that study utopian groups, including the Communal Studies Association, International Communal Studies Association, Fellowship for Intentional Community, Society for Utopian Studies, and others. Future projects call for scholars-in-residence, student exchanges, internships, and an institute for the study of community.

CENTR PRIZES AND RESEARCH TRAVEL GRANT
The Center annually awards a $250 prize for the Best Undergraduate Student Paper and a $500 prize for the Best Graduate Student Paper on historic or contemporary communal groups, intentional communities, and utopias. Deadline for submissions is February 1, and the prize winners are announced in April.

An annual Research Travel Grant funds research in the Communal Studies Collection at USI’s Rice Library and at the Center. The award will fund research up to $2,000 to be used by June 30 of the subsequent year. Applications are due by May 1, and the winner is announced in June.

REGIONAL RESEARCH
The Center for Communal Studies is part of an unusually rich array of historic communal resources within a 30-mile radius from the University of Southern Indiana campus. The Center’s research capabilities are enhanced by its special relationship with the famous Harmonist and Owenite village of New Harmony, Indiana. The University manages an archive and public tours of this idyllic setting of gardens, statuary, and historic communal buildings. New Harmony’s 1838 Working Men’s Institute library and the Indiana State Museum collection also offer unique research opportunities.