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Reading

The key to learning

From the editor

The Pledge

Recently I received an issue of the alumni magazine from my *alma mater*, the University of Tennessee, where coincidentally our former men's basketball coach, Bruce Pearl, now holds the same position. In the publication, the head of UT's national alumni association reminded readers of the pledge that Andy Holt, UT president from 1959-70, required of graduates before he conferred degrees. It went something like this:

If you confer on me my degree, I solemnly promise to:

- 1. Participate in my alumni association.** (He urged involvement and volunteerism in addition to attendance at chapter meetings. Read about Stephanie Buchanan's goals as president of the USI Alumni Association and how you can be involved on page 25.)
- 2. Support all programs of my *alma mater*, academic as well as athletic.** (USI has opportunities for alumni to support academic and athletics programs, student recruitment, and many other University activities. And there's a new Parents and Families Association. See page 18.)
- 3. Brag on my *alma mater* at every opportunity.** (Be informed about USI and tell your friends and acquaintances about the University.)
- 4. Put my money where my mouth is by opening my pocketbook as widely as my mouth when bragging on my *alma mater*.** (The folksy Holt was known for being plainspoken. USI alumni giving had its largest increase ever during the 2004-05 Annual Fund and a matching gift this year provides donors an opportunity to make an even greater difference. See page 15.)
- 5. Conduct myself in such manner as to reflect credit on my *alma mater*.** (Alumni achievements and contributions to society reflect well on USI.)

I like this pledge because it demonstrates how important alumni are to the life of an institution. USI and its graduates—it's an enduring connection.

Betty R. Vawter

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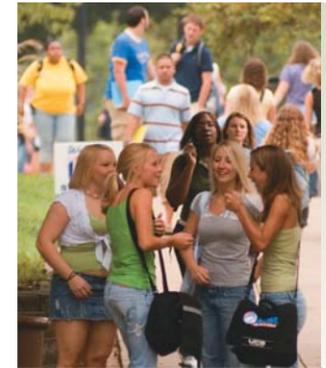
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Susan Wolfe

Touching lives through the University Core Curriculum

As a faculty member teaching in the University Core Curriculum, Dr. Susan Smith Wolfe believes she has an opportunity to reach out and unlock doors for USI students.

"The core catches people as they cross the threshold," said Wolfe, associate professor of German. "It's exciting to feel that you may be one of the first to make an impression."

Wolfe is winner of the 2005 H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award.

"We all have a duty to help students get oriented and get integrated into the University community and develop the kind of study skills and life skills that will help them be successful," Wolfe said.

Teaching in the core curriculum is a challenge. "It's more difficult than teaching our students majoring in German because those students [German majors] are committed with heart and mind and will follow your banner wherever you take them," Wolfe said.

Her desire is to light a fire in the minds of students. She spends extra time with those taking classes in the core curriculum. "I think that's crucial," she said, "I had some great lecturers in college, but the ones that I had some actual contact with are the ones who changed my life."

Wolfe meets individually with freshmen in core courses after the first exam and makes a point of talking with them before and after class. She investigates what other interests students have and helps them understand the advantage of combining those interests with foreign language.

An extra semester or year invested in education to pursue additional subjects can give students "a career that would only have been in their dreams," she said. Language combines well with

many other interests, including political science, business, and international studies.

Wolfe said, "Almost every German major we've had in the last few years has been a double major, opening themselves up for careers that take many paths."

In language courses, three things are taught: the language itself, culture, and literature. One of the primary goals of the core is to help students develop skills in critical thinking. The teaching of foreign language lends itself naturally to that goal as students look at cultural values.

"We're discussing many great universal questions that we're all facing," Wolfe said.

Her students study the geographic situation of nations and how it might impact them, national traumas and events that have shaped countries, and the nations' responses to those traumas and events. They learn how school systems are different from country to country and compare constitutions.

"We end up discovering not who the German is, but why he is who he is," Wolfe said.

Wolfe and her husband Dr. Donald S. Wolfe came to Evansville in 1984 when he accepted a full-time teaching position in German at USI. She taught four years as an adjunct in French and German. By 1988, growth in the German program indicated the need for an additional full-time faculty member. Susan Wolfe filled that position and has taught full-time since then. Her husband, an associate professor of German, is now



Susan Wolfe

retired and fighting non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Eric Adams '86 was a chemistry major taking second-year courses in German when the Wolfes arrived at USI.

He said, "I fell completely under their spell and chose to minor in German (rather than the traditional minors for chemistry of physics and mathematics).

"Becoming a student of Suzi's involved far more than 'learning German.' Under her, I learned the following:

- far more about the English language and grammar than I had ever known
- history, including biblical, medieval, industrial revolution, and modern, more so than from any other coursework

- the arts, in particular the Romantic period
- an appreciation for literature, something completely atypical for me
- an understanding and respect for opinions and experiences so completely far removed from my own.

Can you find a better definition of a teacher?"

Following graduation from USI, Adams received a scholarship for summer study in Regensburg, Germany. Then, after earning a master's in international business at the University of South Carolina, he returned to Germany to work for an international pharmaceutical company based there. In all, he spent about six years studying, working, and living in Germany. Adams is now chief executive officer and president of enGene, Inc., in Vancouver, British Columbia. EnGene is a biotech company developing a technology that has the potential to help produce drugs that will treat several diseases, including diabetes, obesity, hemophilia, and anemia.

"In essence, Suzi (and Don) showed me that the world really is my oyster," Adams said. "Everything she communicates to her students has a foundation in 'Set your goals high. Reach for the stars.'"

Wolfe grew up in the high mountain country of northeastern Oregon. She earned a bachelor's degree at Pacific University. She completed three advanced degrees—a master's

in French literature, a second master's in German literature, and a doctorate in German literature—at the University of Oregon. She and her husband taught at Washington State University before joining USI.

Wolfe also has studied at the University of Aix-Marseilles in France, the University of Tuebingen in Germany, the University of Bonn in Germany, and the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi. She has lived abroad for about seven years, one year in France and six in Germany.



Adams

In 1990-91, she received a Fulbright grant to teach in Selb, Germany, a town five miles from the Czech border and 30 miles from the border with East Germany. She found it a fascinating time to be there because the Berlin Wall had recently come down and the two Germanies had not yet unified. East Germans were pouring over the border to buy products they had not been able to get for years. She witnessed the West Germans coping with new problems amid the euphoria.

Wolfe is USI's Fulbright advisor. Students who have completed Fulbright programs for study or teaching abroad include Tracy Bee '97, Kirt Page '98, and Walter Jermakowicz '03.

Wolfe said that many USI students have Fulbright potential. She encourages them and their advisors to be aware of award requirements. With two years of foreign language study, students are eligible for many Fulbright awards. Without the foreign language experience, they are eligible for perhaps only 10 percent of the possible awards. Students who apply for a Fulbright award, but do not receive it, may be eligible for similar awards given by a particular country.

"When you apply for a Fulbright, a country may offer you an award that you didn't even know existed," she said.

Wolfe also encourages students interested in German to participate in a summer language immersion program in Heidelberg, Germany. Three USI students completed the program this year with other students from throughout the world.

In spring 2003, Wolfe established USI's first distance education courses in foreign language. Based on that experience, she has incorporated more emphasis on the visual and more listening exercises into face-to-face classes. She has long been known for a bagful of personable puppets whose actions and conversation help students deduce rules of grammar.

Wolfe is pleased that a number of her former students are teaching German in area high schools, sending well-prepared students to USI.

"No matter what subject you teach in the core curriculum, you are always bringing it back to the students' lives,

to their own culture, and to their own mores," Wolfe said. "You are using another venue to help them discover who they are and why. If you can teach them that, you are teaching them to be the kind of people who will be informed citizens."

About the H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award

Focusing exclusively on teaching, the H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award honors a USI faculty member whose work in University Core Curriculum courses has been especially creative and successful in furthering UCC goals. The award is named in honor of H. Lee Cooper, an Evansville philanthropist and long-time USI supporter. Presentation of the Cooper Award is a tradition at the Fall Faculty and Administrative Staff Meeting. The award includes a generous stipend, a plaque, and additional monies for travel and faculty development. As this year's winner, Wolfe will deliver a presentation to the University community during the 2005-06 academic year.

Pick up a book and read

Stimulating and rejuvenating for the individual, reading also plays an important role in the nation's culture

Sticking your nose in a book is good for you and good for society.

Dr. Linda Bennett, USI provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, calls reading the secret to learning. She has been encouraging students and others to get to know the joys and benefits of spending time with books—not just for school or work.

Reading is tied to the development of writing and communication skills. It helps individuals develop the ability to focus, to concentrate, and to decode and encode—understand what the symbols mean and integrate those into an existing body of knowledge and build on it, Bennett said.

Coming from a political science background, Bennett believes that reading is a fundamental obligation. Several years ago she was involved in research about citizens in the United States and Western European democracies. Results showed that the people who knew the most about what was going on in their countries were those who read the most.

“And it didn’t matter what they were reading,” she said.

In its 2004 report *Reading at Risk*, the National Endowment for the Arts reported that less than one half of the American adult population reads literature. The percentage declined from 56 percent in 1992 to 46 percent in 2002.

“If one believes that active and engaged readers lead richer intellectual lives than non-readers and that a well-read citizenry is essential to a vibrant democracy, the decline of literary reading calls for serious action,” the report said.

Bennett, who championed the cause of leisure reading at USI’s new-student orientation, takes her own advice to heart. She quickly lists favorite authors in the field of political science, but her reading goes way beyond her career field.

“I’m a murder mystery fan and I’ll grab anything by Elizabeth George, Minette Walters, Anne Perry, or Peter Robinson. Each of these authors has created a cast of characters that I enjoy following,” she said. “Other novelists I enjoy include Louise Erdrich, Gail Godwin, and John Irving. That’s a short list that would change if you asked me next month.”

A devoted Harry Potter fan, she has read all six books in the series.

Are you overwhelmed by the long shelves of books that face you at the library or the bookstore? We asked Bennett and other USI faculty members to recommend some of their favorites.



Reading recommendations from faculty



POLITICAL SCIENCE

Recommended by Dr. Linda Bennett
Bennett is provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. She holds bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in political science.

1776

by David McCullough
This book will appeal to readers with an interest in the colonial period in U.S. history. A great story teller, McCullough weaves the detail of people and time together in a way that makes his descriptions vivid and memorable.

Truman

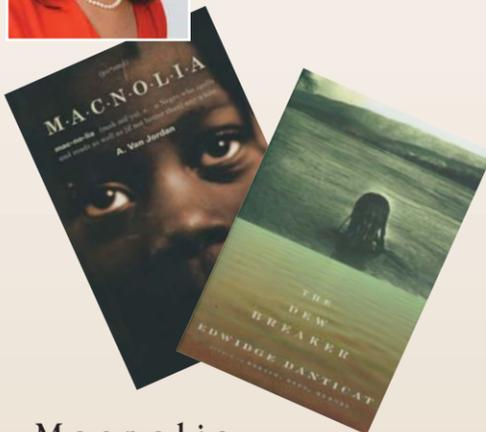
by David McCullough
McCullough provides a colorful look at the nation's thirty-third president.

Andrew Jackson:

The Course of American Empire, 1767-1821, Vol. 1
by Robert Remini
Remini's three-volume work is an authoritative portrait of the seventh president's role in American history.

LITERATURE

Recommended by Dr. Julia Galbus
Galbus is assistant professor of English. Her interests include fiction, poetry, and autobiography and memoir. (Memoir is an autobiography focused on a particular theme rather than the entire span of one person's life.)



M·a·c·n·o·l·i·a

by A. Van Jordan
Jordan's second book is a carefully researched biography in poems, describing the life of MacNolia Cox, who in 1936 at the age of 13 won a district spelling bee in Akron, Ohio, and then traveled to Washington, D.C., to compete nationally. Because the judges did not want a young black woman to win, they gave her a word off the official list of 100,000 words: nemesis. Cox came in fifth, and subsequently relinquished her dream of attending college, becoming a maid instead. Read the poems in order to get the whole story.

Crazy in the Kitchen

by Louise deSalvo
As a child, Louise DeSalvo watched her mother and her grandmother fight over bread. Her grandmother made it from scratch. Her mother preferred white bread wrapped in cellophane and resented the grandmother's consumption of flour. This memoir will invite you to rethink the way you cook your next meal for friends or family. It may also make you hungry.

The Dew Breaker

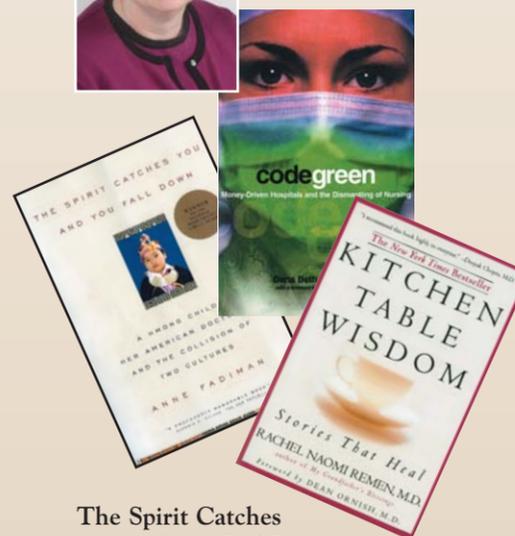
by Edwidge Danticat
How does a daughter come to terms with a major family secret: her father tortured people in Haiti before he and his new wife fled to the United States. This is a poignant, beautifully written novel built from a series of stories that come together at the end.

Exuberance: The Passion for Life

by Kay Redfield Jamison
This book describes a creative mood and type of personality. Jamison fills it with interesting examples taken from the lives of real people. It was nominated for a National Book Award in 2004.

HEALTH CARE

Recommended by Dr. Ann White
White is assistant dean for nursing and professor of nursing.



The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down: A Hmong Child, her American Doctors, and the Collision of Two Cultures

by A. Fadiman
This book is about respecting cultural diversity and increasing the health care professional's sensitivity to cultural differences in the health care environment.

Code Green

by D. Weinberg
This book looks at the impact of restructuring/reengineering in acute-care hospitals and how these decisions have influenced the level of care being provided in today's health care industry.

Kitchen Table Wisdom

by Rachel Naomi Remen
This compilation of short stories tells about people and how they healed their physical, emotional, and/or spiritual being.

SPORTS

Recommended by John Morris
Morris is general manager and former sports director of the USI radio station WSWI. He is an instructor in radio and television.



Slider

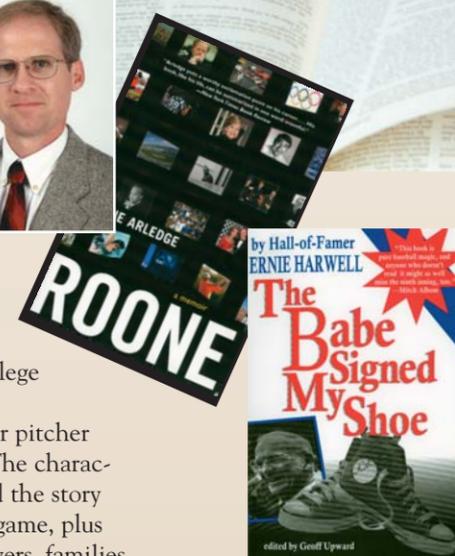
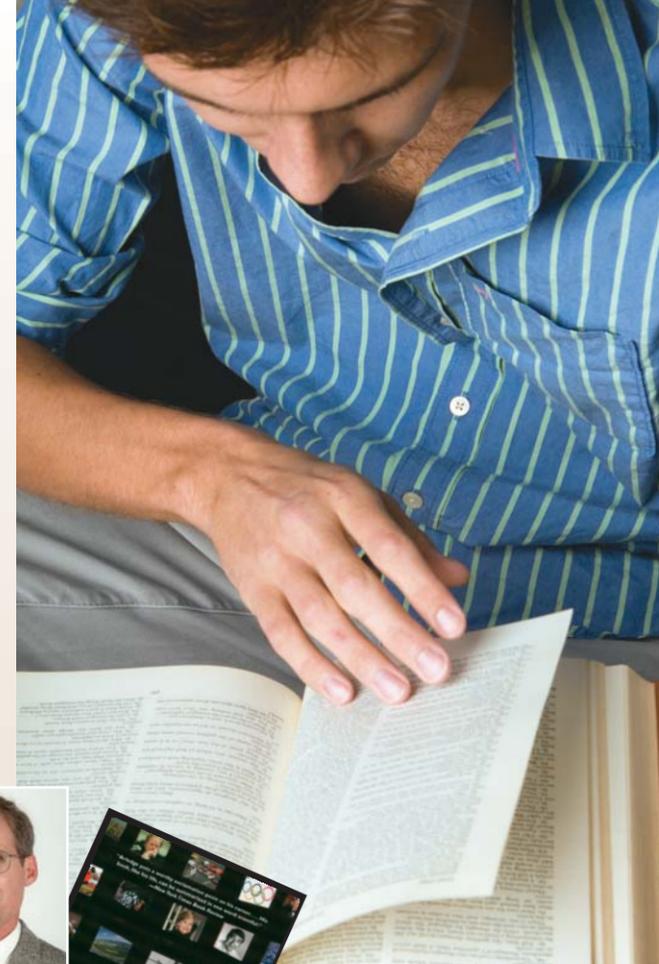
by Patrick Robinson
Based on a true story, Slider delves into a summer baseball league that features college players. The story follows a superstar pitcher and his rise, fall, and rise. The characters work together well, and the story touches on the love of the game, plus the separate battles the players, families and town face. Robinson is best known for submarine thrillers.

Roone

by Roone Arledge
No single person has had a bigger impact on televised sports than Roone Arledge. His memoir gives his side on how he helped create such sports legends as Monday Night Football, Wide World of Sports, and numerous Olympics broadcasts. Arledge also writes about his move into news and the ideas and leadership that eventually moved ABC into a news leader.

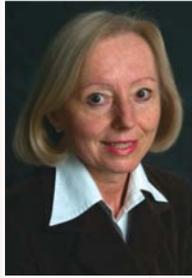
The Babe Signed My Shoe

by Ernie Harwell
Detroit Tigers baseball fans heard the voice of Ernie Harwell for more than 40 years as he announced Tigers games. This book contains snippets of some of the most memorable moments and people during his years behind the microphone. Major league baseball is full of characters and stories, and Harwell writes vividly about some great moments and memorable names in the game.



BUSINESS

Recommended by Dr. Eva Jermakowicz
Jermakowicz is a professor of accounting. Her interests are international accounting and finance.



The United States of Wal-Mart

by John Dicker

The author describes how the world's largest and most reviled corporation using "cheap goods and cheap jobs" policies has become a "global despot." His analysis is lively and well balanced.

Enron: The Rise and Fall

by Loren Fox

This book provides an in-depth investigation of what Enron did wrong and why the company wound up as the biggest bankruptcy of its time, going from humble beginnings to the depths of unprecedented fraud and dragging down many individuals and firms with it.

The Warren Buffet Way

by Robert Hagstrom

Hagstrom explains the investment principles of the greatest investor of all time, who started with an investment of only \$100 and managed to amass billions by buying pieces of companies and holding on to them. The book reveals the relationship between the behavior of economics, the performance of firms, and the ups and downs of the stock market.

FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Recommended by Dr. Sherry L. Boyd
An associate professor of education, Boyd teaches courses in early childhood development.



Pat the Bunny

by Dorothy Kunhardt

This is a good first book for infants and toddlers. It encourages involvement of parent and child. There's much for parent and child to "do" in this book.

Goodnight Moon

by Margaret Wise Brown

This is a good bedtime book for preschoolers. The use of color and rhyme are excellent, and the book has lots of repetition and predictability so a child soon learns to join in with the reading.

Harold and the Purple Crayon

by Crockett Johnson

This book for preschoolers is known for the simplicity of its drawings and story. Young children can relate to this imaginative tale about Harold's adventures. And, the story contains some fun word play.

ETHNIC LITERATURE

Recommended by Dr. Betty Hart
Hart is a professor of English. Her teaching and research interests include computer-assisted writing and ethnic literature.



Youngblood

by John Oliver Killens

Killens' first novel chronicles the lives of the Youngblood family and their friends in Crossroads, Georgia, from the turn of the century to the Great Depression. The book confronts the sad impact of race and prejudice in Jim Crow America, both as it affects its victims and perpetrators.

Jasmine

by Bahrti Mukherjee

This is the story of a widowed Punjabi woman reconciling her East Indian cultural identity to life in America. This book offers a candidly personal perspective into a culture that many Americans have known relatively little prior to the nation's involvement in more global political issues.

Paradise

by Toni Morrison

Paradise is the eerie story of an all black, patriarchal community attempting to isolate itself from the twentieth century and its contention with an intrusive



community of four women holed up in an abandoned nearby convent. The story is intense and, at times, perplexing, but Morrison's writing is at its absolute finest. Though most people may remember Morrison for *Beloved*, this book represents her maturation in the craft of writing fiction.

ENGINEERING

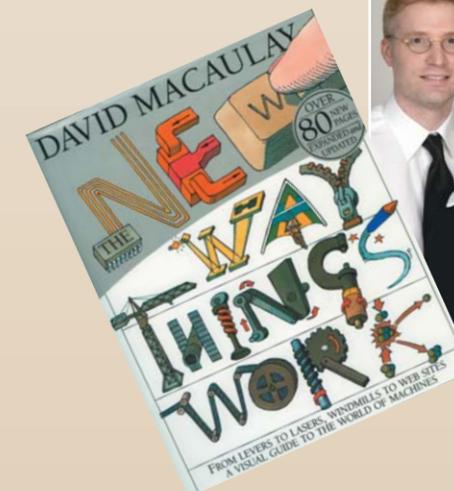
Recommended by Dr. Laura Ruhala and Dr. Richard Ruhala
The Ruhalas are both assistant professors of engineering. She earned a doctorate in engineering science and mechanics. He holds a doctorate in acoustics.



The New Way Things Work

by David Macaulay

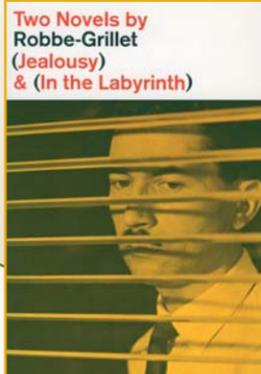
This book does a good job explaining—without all the math—how everyday machines work. Non-technical folks who have a curiosity about how things (like computers, engines, airplanes, radios, etc.) work might like this book.





DESIGNED TO MAKE A READER FEEL AS IF HER OR HIS HEAD HAS BEEN TAKEN OFF, GIVEN A GOOD SHAKING, AND PUT BACK ON SLIGHTLY ASKEW

Recommended by Dr. Michael S. Kearns. Kearns is professor of English and chair of the Department of English. He is editor of the Bulletin of the Emily Dickinson International Society and is working on a book, tentatively titled *To Write for the World or to Write for One: Melville, Dickinson, and the Material of Culture*.



Written on the Body
by Jeanette Winterson

This book is in one sense a classic story of a lover who can't make a commitment and a beloved who chooses an uncertain life over an uncertain love. More: it is a story that challenges a reader from first page to last to set aside stereotypes of gender and sexuality. On the head-askew scale, this novel rates eight out of 10.

The Quest for Christa T.
by Christa Wolf

Wolf wrote *The Quest for Christa T.* while living in the former German Democratic Republic; the book was published in 1968 and translated into English in 1970 by Christopher Middleton. The unnamed narrator tries to understand? creates? flees from knowledge of? her old friend Christa

throughout the story; the same is true of the narrator's relationship to the ideology of the GDR. Christa dies; the narrator lives on to wonder. Head-askew scale: 7/10.

In the Labyrinth
by Alain Robbe-Grillet

Grillet's *In the Labyrinth* is a perfect 10. An unnamed narrator describes? creates? an unnamed soldier on a quest in an unnamed city to deliver a dead comrade's package. Amid all of this uncertainty — did anything really happen aside from someone putting words on a page? — human honor, compassion, and dogged persistence stand out ■



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USI Theatre will present "The Exonerated," a documentary drama, in February. Tickets are \$10. "Seussical, the Musical" takes the stage in April. Tickets are \$11. Both productions have special prices for seniors (60+), children under 18, and USI

students. New Harmony Theatre offers professional summer theatre. A comedy, a drama, and a musical will be presented in summer 2006.

Noncredit courses

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Logo wear or other merchandise from the USI Bookstore

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Travel with faculty

USI faculty lead trips to places of interest and offer expert interpretation. Coming up in the spring: **Spain and Morocco** (includes Madrid, Toledo, Seville, Gibraltar, Tangiers, Granada, Cordoba, and Valencia); **Mexico** (ancient sites in Mexico and the colonial city of Queretaro); **Paris/London** in connection with first summer session Cathedrals course; **Spain: the places you've always wanted to see and the rare and off the beaten path** (optional: enroll in first summer session ART 359 to prepare for the trip). Coming up in the fall: **Stratford Festival of Canada** to see Shakespeare plays.

Art

The consignment shop at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art in New Harmony, Indiana, displays a wide variety of art-related gifts by regional artists. Look for handblown glass, one-of-kind pieces of jewelry, and ceramic pieces as well as paintings, drawings, prints, and mixed media pieces.



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David M. Glassman

Dean, College of Liberal Arts

On the case of shaping the future

On the college campus or assisting at the scene of a crime, USI's dean of the College of Liberal Arts is equally at home. Dr. David M. Glassman is a forensic anthropologist with university teaching and administrative experience spanning 25 years. He also is a nationally known forensics consultant, helping law enforcement agencies from the local to the federal levels recover and identify human remains.

Glassman brings national visibility to USI as vice president of the Board of Directors of the American Board of Forensic Anthropology for 2004-06.

Prior to coming to USI in July 2004, Glassman was at Texas State University-San Marcos, a 26,000-student university. He joined the faculty there in 1985 and served as department chair for anthropology from 1997-2004 and as associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts in 2003-04.

USI's College of Liberal Arts serves not only students majoring in liberal arts but all students of the University as they complete the University Core Curriculum.

Glassman grew up in St. Paul, Minnesota, and earned an undergraduate degree in anthropology at the University of Minnesota. As part of his core curriculum education, he enrolled in an anthropology course and then "took another and another."

"I look back at that and thank the core curriculum, because I would never have found anthropology without it," he said.

Glassman developed a special interest in the subfield of physical anthropology and after graduation spent several months with the anthropology division of the Mexican government excavating and analyzing prehistoric skeletons in Central Mexico.

For graduate school, he chose the University of Tennessee at a time when a faculty member, Dr. William Bass, was helping to develop and formalize a new

subfield of physical anthropology known as forensic anthropology, the applied science of human osteology to issues of human identification in medical and legal contexts. Bass created the world's first laboratory devoted to human decomposition, a lab that was immortalized in Patricia Cornwall's bestseller *The Body Farm*. Glassman was instrumental in bringing Bass to USI as the keynote speaker in April for the Vectren RISC Showcase celebrating undergraduate research, innovation, scholarship, and creativity.

Glassman earned master's and doctoral degrees in anthropology at Tennessee.

As dean, Glassman has a multifaceted vision that encompasses the continued preparation of top-quality graduates to take their place in a changing world, making the quality of the college's faculty more broadly known, and enhancing the community of learners.

Glassman said, "We need to let the external community know what a jewel of talent we have here."

To recognize faculty and increase their public persona, individual faculty members will be featured on the college's Web site (www.usi.edu/libarts) each semester. Glassman also has initiated three faculty awards for teaching, scholarship and creativity, and service. The first awards were presented August 22 at the college's fall meeting to Ronald G. Mitchell, instructor in English, teaching; Dr. Donald E. Pitzer, professor of history and director of the Center for Communal Studies, scholarship and creativity; and Margaret M. Felton, instructor in psychology, service.

Another opportunity for the community to get to know the college's programs and faculty is through an annual showcase that was established last year. The first showcase featured the Department of Communications with community leaders and professionals in communications visiting



David Glassman in his office in the Liberal Arts Center.

campus to meet faculty and students in that department and tour the facilities. The art program will be featured this year.

In fostering a community of scholarship and learning, Glassman believes in transcending department lines and bringing together faculty, students, and other stakeholders from throughout the college.

"We want to work together, learn together, and share intellectual ideas," he said.

The college is continuing and enhancing its program of workshops, lectures, literary readings, and other opportunities that bring people together. Last year a new interdisciplinary colloquium called "The Parthenon Project" drew 2,500 persons to presentations and exhibitions. This year's colloquium "The Ram in the Thicket," focusing on the cradle of civilization, was held September 23.

Glassman also believes in building community through shared governance. He meets weekly with department chairs. Soon after arriving on the job, he formed an organization of junior faculty (in their first through third years at USI) to meet with him monthly.

"This organization fosters the integration of new faculty," Glassman said.

"It gives them a sense of belonging and assists them with questions that new faculty have."

Glassman also formed a Student Advisory Council with a student representative from each department of the college. In their monthly meetings the students have voiced comments about advising, the traits of a good teacher, the art in the Liberal Arts Center, smoking outside the building, the registration process, and faculty office hours.

The councils for junior faculty and students have been so successful that Glassman is expanding the concept of bringing people together. This year the new-faculty group includes faculty through their sixth year with the college. An advisory group composed of graduate students also has been added.

"Everyone wants to be a part of the discussion," he said. "Everybody wants to provide opinions and learn what's going on."

Glassman's expertise in forensic anthropology has made him a sought-after consultant. He has been involved with law enforcement agencies in more than 300 cases and has appeared on the cable television programs "New Detectives" and "Forensic Files" and on Fox's "America's Most Wanted." He also was a consultant to director John Sayles for the 1996 movie "Lone Star," with Kris Kristofferson, Chris Cooper, and Matthew McConaughey. Glassman's hands are seen in the movie laying out the bones from a 25-year-old murder that is the subject of the film.

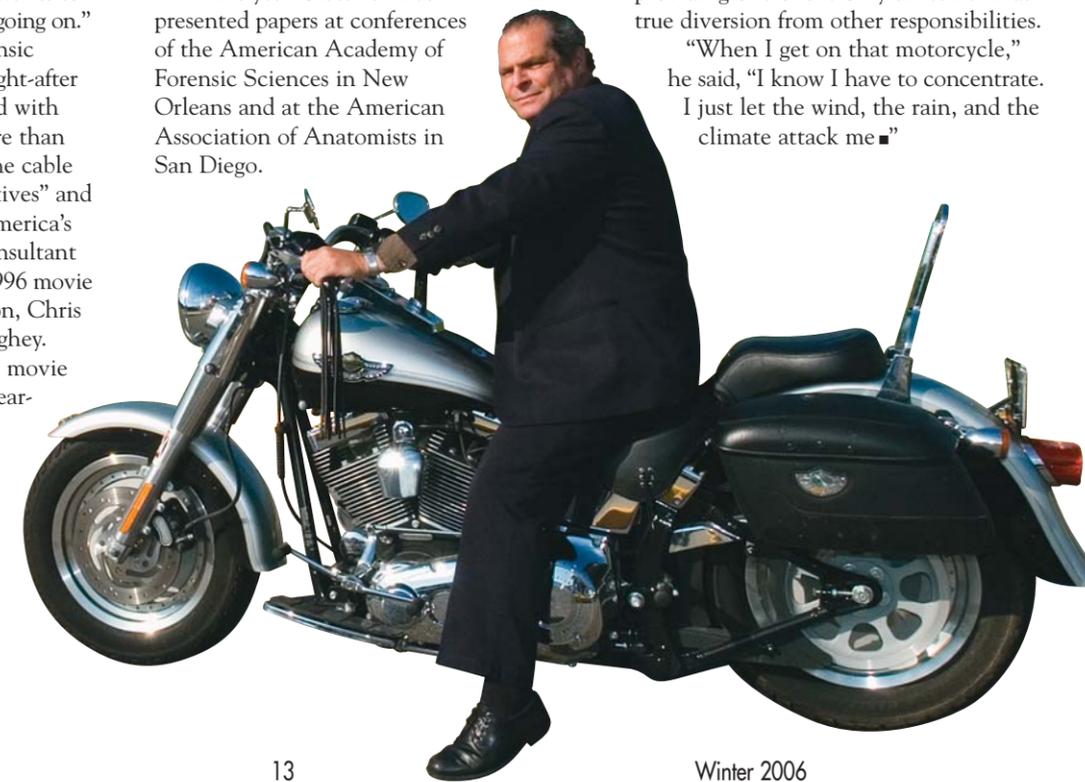
David Glassman rides a Harley-Davidson Fat Boy.

His satisfaction in working on forensic cases comes from two perspectives. From a personal standpoint, he has an opportunity to use his education and experience to analyze complex evidence. When studying prehistoric cases, he never knows if his findings are correct. But in present-day cases, he learns whether or not his investigative findings are borne out when the case is solved.

From another perspective, Glassman is pleased to be able to apply his knowledge to help others. "When someone loses a loved one, I feel personal satisfaction in helping them get closure or helping law enforcement investigators make a case," he said.

Although Glassman intended to put aside consulting while new in the dean's job, he had such strong ties with a couple of agencies that he came to their aid. He has worked recently on two cases that are pending.

This year Glassman has presented papers at conferences of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences in New Orleans and at the American Association of Anatomists in San Diego.



At the San Diego meeting, he was asked how real-life forensics differs from the television version, as depicted in shows such as "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation." He said in actual practice "most answers come from recognition of minute differences that occur between different ages, ancestry, backgrounds, injuries—and being able to do that requires years of experience."

From television, viewers get the idea that technology and instrumentation produce quick answers, he said.

Glassman has a 16-year-old son, Michaels. Since moving to Evansville, Glassman has bought a home in the downtown historic district where he enjoys the "tree-lined streets and the friendly people."

And the home is just a short motorcycle ride from the USI campus. Glassman said he enjoys traveling by motorcycle because it requires a total degree of focus, providing one of the only times he finds true diversion from other responsibilities.

"When I get on that motorcycle," he said, "I know I have to concentrate. I just let the wind, the rain, and the climate attack me ■"

Campaign for B/MD Scholarships

Donors will support outstanding students preparing for careers in medicine

A new Campaign for Baccalaureate/Doctor of Medicine (B/MD) Scholarships launched in the fall by the USI Foundation seeks to underwrite tuition for USI students preparing to be practicing physicians through the B/MD scholarship program.

Since it was organized in 2000, the B/MD program has become USI's most competitive scholarship program, attracting students with excellent high-school academic records and outstanding SAT and ACT scores.

Dr. Jeanne Barnett, USI professor of biology and faculty advisor to pre-med students, said, "The B/MD students at USI are some of the strongest academic students to attend the university. In addition to the students will win the scholarship, many of the applicants also will attend USI. The program provides USI with a core of strong, involved students. These students become the leaders in the classroom and in campus organizations."

Dr. Thomas E. Topper, a surgeon with The Heart Group in Evansville, chairs the B/MD Scholarship Committee. He is chair elect of the USI Foundation board of directors.

Six entering freshmen with outstanding academic promise and an

interest in becoming a physician are selected each year for the B/MD Scholarships, giving the University a total of 24 B/MD students (freshmen through seniors) in the program.

The selected students receive admission to USI and a provisional seat in the Indiana University School of Medicine-Evansville Center. A full tuition waiver is granted for the undergraduate program at USI.

The goal of the new campaign is to raise funds for the B/MD scholarships by June 30 in order to partially fund all 24 B/MD Scholarships with private gifts starting in fall 2006. The private gift would fund approximately half of a scholar's tuition with University fee waivers continuing to provide the remaining half.

A commitment of an annual gift of \$2,000 in each of the next four years will fund the private share on one four-year full-tuition B/MD Scholarship. B/MD Scholarships may be named in honor of the donor or as a memorial tribute. Four-year pledges of \$8,000 may be paid in \$2,000 annual installments.

The cost to endow a B/MD Scholarship is \$100,000. Suzanne Nicholson, president of the USI Foundation, said

that the current Lilly endowment initiative to provide a matching grant of \$1.25 for every \$1 to an academic scholarship endowment will apply to the Campaign for B/MD Scholarships. Therefore, the current donor cost of endowing a \$100,000 scholarship is only \$45,000 with a Lilly matching grant of \$56,250. Gifts must be received between June 1, 2005, and December 31, 2006, to be eligible for the Lilly grant.



Freshman B/MD scholar Sarah E. O'Donoghue is a graduate of The Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities, a two-year residential high school for academically gifted students located at Ball State University. She is from Newburgh, Indiana.

Purpose of the B/MD program is threefold:

- to increase the number and distribution of physicians providing medical services in southern Indiana
- to increase opportunities for Indiana residents, especially those in southern Indiana, to attend Indiana University School of Medicine-Evansville Center
- to enhance the state's efforts in medical education, research, and services

Students selected for the B/MD program may pursue a degree in any major offered at USI. They must complete courses required for the B/MD program and for admission to medical school. They have special opportunities to learn more about medicine as a career, including opportunities to conduct undergraduate research. ■



Dawn Dycus was among USI's first group of B/MD scholars in fall 2000 and now is in her second year of study at Indiana University School of Medicine-Evansville Center. She graduated from Reitz High School in Evansville.

USI Foundation welcomes new board members, officers

Five new directors were elected to the USI Foundation board of directors at its annual meeting in May. The new directors began their terms on July 1.

New board members include the following:

- Joan David, a civic leader whose career has included executive assignments at Citizens Bank and the City of Evansville
- Dan Fuquay, president and owner of D & F Distributors, Inc.
- Mike Head '80, president and chief executive officer of first Federal Savings Bank
- Mike Lynn '98, manager of special projects for Alcoa-Warrick Operations
- Jack Pate, president and publisher of the *Evansville Courier and Press*

Annual appointments by USI President H. Ray Hoops include Dr. Nadine Coudret, dean of the College of Nursing and Health Professions, who will represent the deans, and Dr. Leslie E. Nunn, associate professor of business law, who will represent the faculty. Geoff A. Gentil '92, assistant vice president at Integra Bank and president elect of the USI Alumni Association, also joins the board.

Ron Romain '73 will continue as chair of the USI Foundation board through June 2006. President of United Leasing, he has served as a foundation director since 1994 and is the first graduate to chair the board. He is completing the second year of a two-year term as chair.

New officers include Stephanie Buchanan '97, president of the USI

Alumni Association, who is serving as vice chair for alumni; David Herrenbruck '76, vice chair for development; Marie Bussing-Burks, vice chair for planning; Kevin Eastridge, treasurer; and Mark Rozewski, the University's vice president for Business Affairs and treasurer, assistant treasurer.

Other officers include chair elect Tom Topper, M.D., a surgeon with The Heart Group, and secretary Carol Baker, a life director.

Suzanne Nicholson, the University's director of Development, is president of the USI Foundation. Hoops and Sherianne Standley, vice president for Advancement, serve as administrative advisors. ■

Lilly Foundation to match gifts to USI Annual Fund in 2005-06

USI Foundation directors Jamie Wicks '91 M '97, John Stuff Staser, and Jack Schriber will provide leadership for the three campaigns which constitute the USI Annual Fund. The 2005-06 goal is set at \$405,000, a four percent increase over the previous year's receipts.

Contributors to the Annual Fund this year have an opportunity to increase the impact of their gifts through the Lilly Endowment matching grant initiative. For every \$1 gift to the Annual Fund, Lilly will provide a matching grant of \$1.25. Annual Fund gifts up to \$650,000

will be matched, putting the maximum Lilly grant to the Annual Fund at \$812,500. (The Lilly initiative of \$2.5 million also includes a possible \$1,687,500 million matching grant for scholarship and other academic endowments.)

Wicks, immediate past president of the USI Alumni Association and assistant vice president and trust officer for Fifth Third Bank, will chair the Alumni Campaign, which last year raised \$120,225, up from \$103,387 the previous year and the largest increase in its history. Vice chair is Stephanie Buchanan '91, Alumni Association president. Their dual 2005-06 goals are to attract \$130,000 and 500 new alumni donors.

Staser, an attorney with Bamberger, Foreman, Oswald & Hahn, will head the Corporate Campaign with vice chair Sharon Reed Walker, the director of nutritional policy with Mead Johnson Nutritionals. The Corporate Campaign's 2005-06 goal is set at \$75,000 and 25 new business donors.



Wicks



Staser



Schriber

Schriber, supervisor of fine arts and drama for the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation and active community volunteer, is responsible for the Friends Campaign, which traditionally raises half of the Annual Fund total. Its 2005-06 goal is \$200,000. Serving as vice chair of the Friends Campaign is Michael Veal, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Integra Bank Corporation and another active community volunteer.

Growing the USI Annual Fund has been one of the Foundation's key goals over the past five years, increasing annual unrestricted gifts from \$276,033 in 2000-01 to \$387,692 in 2004-05. ■

2005/06 Annual Fund Campaign Goals

Alumni	\$130,000
Corporate	75,000
Friends	200,000
Total	\$405,000

Freshman enrollment is largest ever

The University of Southern Indiana welcomed its largest freshman class ever this fall. The number of new freshmen is 2,148. USI also recorded strong growth in retention from freshman to sophomore year, the highest full-time equivalency rate, and the highest credit-hour production in the University 40-year history. The University also had its third-largest number of transfer students, at 663 students. More than 7,600 undergraduate and graduate students, 76 percent of the students, are full-time students. Dr. Rob Parrent, vice president for Student Affairs, pointed to the continuation of a trend of more of USI's enrollment as full-time students. He said, "USI's exemplary residence life program, with contemporary living and learning communities, draws talented high school graduates from across the state, and the program helps USI retain students as well." USI has employed several strategies to improve retention of students from freshman to sophomore year, and the statistics, an increase of 8.5 percent, show that those strategies are working.

The retention growth is seen in the increase of 145 sophomores over last year's sophomore class. This spring, USI graduated 1,500 students, the largest class ever, so officials expected the number of upper class and graduate students to be smaller than 2004. Junior class figures are up by 76, and the senior class is 52 students fewer than last year's class. Graduate students decreased by 81, but individual graduate programs are up for Master of Social Work, Master of Science in Nursing, Master of Science in Occupational Therapy, and Master of Public Administration. The majority of the students (49.5 percent or 4,943 students) continue to come from Vanderburgh and contiguous counties. The number of students from area counties and other Indiana counties continues to increase, with 1,245 students coming from area counties and 2,733 students from Indiana counties not in southern Indiana. All 92 Indiana counties are represented in the USI count. Diversity continues as a goal for USI. The number of Hispanic students



USI has enrolled 2,148 freshmen—a record number. Total enrollment is 10,004.

has increased slightly. Minority and international students represent 6.6 percent of the students, with African American students comprising 4.2 percent. Students are enrolled in a record 121,644 credit hours. Female students represent 61 percent of the students. The enrollment report also shows traditional-age students are in the majority (7,742), and students 25 and over number 2,262. Total enrollment is 10,004. ■



Legislators honored on 40th anniversary

The University paid tribute on its 40th anniversary to state legislators who have focused on meeting the need for higher education in Southwestern Indiana since USI's founding in 1965 through the present. Gathered at the 40th Anniversary Dinner on September 9 are legislators and University administrators. From left are (front row) Mary Kay Orr, (widow of former Governor Robert Orr), John Cox, Greg Server, Carl Allen, Jeff Hays, Wes Bowers, USI Vice President Emeritus and Treasurer Emeritus Byron Wright, and USI President H. Ray Hoops, and (back row) Jane F. Johansen (daughter of former legislator Harry Thompson), Mike Phillips, Jonathan Weinzapfel, Vaneta Becker, Phil Hayes, Larry Lutz, Phil Hoy, USI President Emeritus David Rice, Trent Van Haaften, and Dennis Avery.

Lauren Fultz is voice of students on USI Board of Trustees

Lauren Fultz, a junior chemistry/pre-medicine major, has been appointed to the USI Board of Trustees by Governor Mitch Daniels. A resident of Seymour, Indiana, she will serve a two-year term on the board as student trustee. Fultz said that USI's master plan was discussed September 8 at the first board meeting she attended. "Many exciting things are in USI's future," she said. "The master plan includes additional parking and housing, a performing arts center, and several other additions that will accommodate USI's rapid growth. The Board of Trustees and the administration have made me feel welcome as a member, and I am impressed with their dedication and commitment to USI and the students." Fultz is a student ambassador, chosen by the Office of Admission to

represent USI to new and prospective students. She serves as vice president of the American Chemical Society Student Affiliate and vice president of Sigma Zeta Science and Mathematics Honor Society. A member of the USI Honors Program, she has a 4.0 grade-point average. Fultz is the Pott College of Science and Engineering's representative on the Student Government Association, and she is working with Dr. Jeanne Barnett, professor of biology, to start a pre-med club at USI. She completed a summer internship with the Indiana University School of Medicine at the Evansville Center for Medical Education, located on the USI campus. Fultz graduated in 2003 as valedictorian at Brownstown Central High School in Brownstown, Indiana. The student trustee serves as a full voting member of the board who is expected to bring both the interests of students to Board discussions and relate her perspective to issues dealing with the University community. ■

Patrick Hoehn chairs Board of Trustees



Hoehn

G. Patrick Hoehn of Jeffersonville, Indiana, is the new chair of the Board of Trustees for the University of Southern Indiana. Hoehn is president of Cornerstone Group, a real estate development business. A member of the USI board since 1998, Hoehn has served as vice chair for the Finance/Audit Committee and Construction Committee. He is a former member of the Indiana Commission for Higher Education. Hoehn succeeds J. David Huber of Cannelton. The elections were held in July. ■



Fultz

Seasonal Events

November 26 Spirits in Harmony

Celebrate the season in New Harmony, Indiana, with this progressive event sponsored by Historic New Harmony at historic sites throughout the town. Wine tasting at the Atheneum/Visitors Center, hand-crafted beers at the 1775 Double Log Cabin, and hard ciders at the Rapp-Owen Granary. A variety of non-alcoholic beverages also are available. Music and food at each site. 5–9 p.m. Tickets \$22.50 in advance or \$25 at the door. Information 800/231-2168 or 812/682-4488

December 1–4 36th Annual Madrigal Feaste

Enjoy USI's oldest musical tradition, the reenactment of a Renaissance royal feast. Presented by USI Chamber Choir. Carter Hall of the University Center. 7:30 p.m., Thursday–Saturday; 6 p.m., Sunday. Information 812/461-5237

Jeffersonville receives HSI Community Legacy Award

Jeffersonville is the 2005 recipient of Historic Southern Indiana's Community Legacy Award, recognizing a southern Indiana community for outstanding achievements in preservation, enhancement, and promotion of its distinctive heritage. The community received \$1,000 in support of heritage-related projects and a plaque of achievement for public display. The award was presented June 24. Historic Southern Indiana is a heritage-based regional outreach program of the University of Southern Indiana. ■

New degree program in food and nutrition

A new baccalaureate degree program in food and nutrition will prepare graduates for careers in dietetics, nutrition and wellness, and food-service management. The Indiana Commission on Higher Education approved the program at its April meeting.

Dr. Julie McCullough, associate professor of nutrition, said that 35 students are enrolled in an introductory course for the new degree program.

The USI College of Nursing and Health Professions developed the food and nutrition program in response to student requests and a survey of area employers. In addition, the USI President's Task Force on Economic and Workforce Development reported in 2000 an increasing demand by regional employers for individuals prepared for jobs as food-service managers. ■



Jack Marr named Volunteer of the Year

USI President H. Ray Hoops, center, and Dr. Larry Arp, right, professor emeritus of business education and president of Volunteer USI Advisory Council, congratulate Dr. Jack Marr on being named Volunteer of the Year. Associate professor emeritus of biology, Marr has volunteered 1,145 hours of service to the University since July 1, 1996, when the Volunteer USI program was established. The award was presented August 17 at the annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner.

Thank you, volunteers, for adding value

Since its inception in July 1996, the Volunteer USI program has involved 3,551 volunteers giving 743,896 hours of service to the University and the community. Calculated at the national volunteer wage, these volunteer services are valued at \$12,304,039.

New organization connects parents, families to USI

A new association serves as a link between the University and the family members of USI students.

The Parents and Families Association keeps family members more informed about the academic and social environment of the University. The association also helps families become engaged in their students' college experience with opportunities to participate in campus programs and activities geared toward families. In August, members partnered with the USI Alumni Association to sponsor the Eagle Roundup picnic during Welcome Week.

A parent mentoring network is planned, and a Families Helpline is available to answer questions about USI and put family members in touch

with the appropriate department or individual to help them.

Darrell Ragland, father of former USI men's basketball player David Ragland, chairs the 21-member advisory council.

The USI Parents and Families Association is open to all past and present parents, family members, and guardians of USI students. Those who make an annual donation of at least \$25 to Parents and Families Association fund in the USI Foundation are considered "active members" and are eligible to serve on the advisory council. Online membership registration is available at www.usi.edu/family.

The association was formed by the USI Office of Alumni and Volunteer Services. ■



USI center recognized for promoting economic literacy

USI's Center for Economic Education has received the Peter V. Harrington University Center Award from the Indiana Council for Economic Education (ICEE) for accomplishments in the 2004-05 academic year.

The award is given annually to the Center for Economic Education in Indiana that has excelled the most in its mission of economic literacy. ICEE sponsors 13 regional Centers for Economic Education at universities throughout the state. Dr. Gregory P. Valentine, professor of business education, is director of the USI center.

Presented in October, the award recognized a number of accomplishments for the USI center, including successful promotion and teacher training for ICEE's Stock Market Simulation. In 2004-05, 665 Evansville-area student teams participated in this activity. ■

Bigham chronicles home front, emancipation aftermath

Darrel Bigham, USI professor of history and director of Historic Southern Indiana, writes about the Evansville home front during World War II and the repercussions of emancipation in the Ohio River Valley in recently released books.

Evansville: *The World War II Years, Indiana* is part of Arcadia Publishing's "Images of America Series." Photographs are from USI Special Collections as well as from the Evansville Museum of Arts, History, and Science, and the Willard Library.



University Archives of the University of Kentucky

This photo from *On Jordan's Banks* shows Camp Nelson in Louisville, Kentucky. The camp was established in 1863 for the enrollment and training of African American soldiers in the Union army and later became a refugee camp for African American slaves—many of them the wives and children of those soldiers.

On Jordan's Banks: Emancipation and Its Aftermath in the Ohio River Valley focuses on the 50 counties on both sides of the Ohio River in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio and encompasses the years 1861-95. Bigham said it is the first work to attempt to compare and contrast the formation and development of black communities in these counties as well as to explore black-white relations in this era.

On Jordan's Banks is published by the University Press of Kentucky. ■

Coordinator to assist transfer students from Ivy Tech

A transfer coordinator will assist students at Evansville's Ivy Tech Community College who have expressed interest in continuing their education at the University of Southern Indiana.



Dauby

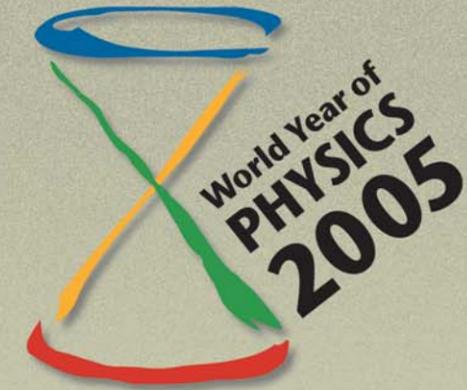
Nancy Dauby '99, formerly a training consultant with Extended Services at USI, assumed the new position in September.

Eric Otto, USI director of Admission, said, "This partnership helps ease the transition for students to USI, helps clarify transfer of credits, and helps us to identify the needs of the transfer student." ■

Dauby's office is located in the Career Services office at Ivy Tech. The position reports through the USI Office of Admission and is funded by USI.

Dr. Deborah Garrett, dean of Student Affairs at Ivy Tech, said "Each year, we see an increase in the number of our graduates who want to transfer. The most recent placement survey indicated that nearly 60 percent of our graduates hope to pursue higher education, many of whom want to attend USI."

A student in USI's Master of Public Administration program, Dauby has been a presenter at the regional conference for the University Continuing Education Association and a member of the UCEA planning committee. She is Communications Committee chair for the USI Alumni Council. ■



Physics lecture series honors Einstein's 1905 groundbreaking year

"Brownian Motion" will be the topic of Dr. Thomas J. Pickett, associate professor of physics, when he delivers the third in a series of lectures by physics faculty to celebrate the 100th anniversary of three groundbreaking publications by Albert Einstein.

The USI lecture series is part of the World Year of Physics 2005, an international celebration of physics endorsed by the United Nations.

The public is invited to Pickett's lecture at 2 p.m. November 18 in Room 1101 of the Education Center.

Einstein's three papers in 1905 helped provide the foundation of modern physics. Each presentation in the lecture series has covered one of the topics. Dr. Kent W. Scheller, associate professor of physics, opened the series in September by speaking on "Photoelectric Effect." Dr. Shadow Robinson, also an assistant professor of physics, spoke on "Special Relativity" in October.

Historians call 1905 Einstein's *Annus Mirabilis*, the miracle year. Scheller said, "Professor Einstein's work in this single year helped foster scientific revolutions in our understanding of space and time, as well as matter and energy." ■

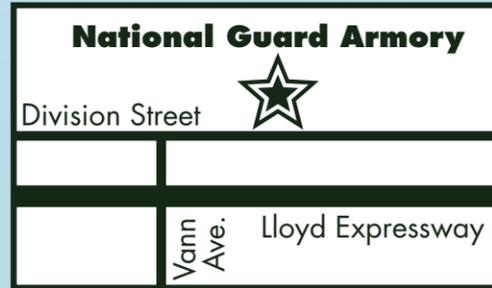


If you live or work on Evansville's east side or in Warrick County, USI courses may be right in your backyard. And you'll have the same instructors that you would have on campus.

Each spring and fall USI offers courses, most meeting University Core Curriculum requirements, at the following off-campus locations:

National Guard Armory, 3300 E. Division Street, Evansville
Evening classes offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.
Classes meet one or two evenings a week.

Warrick County – **Castle High School**, Highway 261, Newburgh
Evening classes offered on Mondays and Thursdays. Most classes meet one time per week.



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These classes will meet at the National Guard Armory:

HISTORY	1865 to Present
EDUCATION	Foundations of Reflective Teaching
MATH	College Algebra
POLITICAL SCIENCE	Introduction to American Politics
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Wellness/Fitness Appraisal

BIOLOGY	Environmental Conservation
ENGLISH	Rhetoric and Composition I
MARKETING	Introduction to Marketing
GENERAL STUDIES	Algebra Review
SOCIOLOGY	Principles of Sociology
CHEMISTRY	Molecules, Matter, and Me

These classes will meet at Castle High School:

COMMUNICATION STUDIES	Introduction to Public Speaking
ENGLISH	Introduction to Literature
EDUCATION	Teaching Foreign Language-Spanish

**Early registration for continuing and returning students begins November 3
Spring classes begin January 9**

For information on off-campus courses, visit www.usi.edu/extserv/offcampus.asp or call the USI Registrar (812/464-1762) for a schedule.

USI grads find success in real world

By Gordon Engelhardt, *Evansville Courier & Press*

Every morning on his way to work at Johnson Space Center in Houston, Ryan Fetscher drives past "Rocket Park," which features boosters from the Apollo V launch vehicle.

At 24, Fetscher is too young to remember the glory days of NASA, immortalized in books and movies such as "The Right Stuff" and "Apollo 13." "It is kind of overwhelming on my way to work, seeing the original Apollo rockets," said Fetscher, a 1998 Reitz High School graduate and 2003 graduate from the University of Southern Indiana.

Despite his youth, he's experienced enough to have landed a job with MRI Technologies Inc., creating several key financial tracking tools for NASA. He budgets more than \$70 million, spread over 89 different projects in the Avionic Systems Department.

Fetscher is one of several former USI sports statistics crew members thriving in the professional world. While Fetscher works for NASA, Nathan Fry is Harvard University's director of compliance, trying to ensure



Fry

that Harvard's athletes meet eligibility requirements and updating coaches on NCAA regulations. Among other former stat crew members who have achieved considerable success are Brian Chatten, the Florida Marlins' director of player development; Brian Harper, a Mount Vernon, Indiana, native who works in the Minnesota Vikings' marketing department; and John Mullins, a Washington, Indiana, native who is the principal at Loogootee High School.

While USI doesn't exactly resonate with the name recognition of NASA or Harvard, it has admirably prepared these individuals for life after college, they said. USI sports information director Ray



Ryan Fetscher, a budget analyst for NASA, uses a space simulator.

Simmons is the common thread, supervising all of the aforementioned stat crew members. "I would love to take the responsibility for how they turned out. But a lot of it was just their ability to buckle down and work and take care of business," Simmons said.

USI may be a relatively small university, but those traits can be seen as a strength, said Fry, a native of Washington, Indiana.

"I was able to take advantage of the intimate setting and developed close relationships and found wonderful mentors," Fry said. "My experiences at USI gave me the foundation to accomplish things professionally. When I introduce myself to people at Harvard, I'm proud to tell them that I'm from Southern Indiana and graduated from USI."

Coming out of college as an accounting major, Fetscher had two job offers. The first was as a payroll clerk at Casino Aztar, but he longed for work in a larger city. He landed a job as the chief financial officer for Olympus/ Nelson, a \$1.5 million property management firm in Houston, but budget cuts cost him his job in March 2004. Undaunted, he joined MRI Technologies Inc.

Wary of the onset of Hurricane Rita, NASA closed on September 21; Fetscher returned to work last Tuesday. His home in the Houston suburb of Pearland, Texas, incurred only minor damage.

Meanwhile, Fry credits Sherry Darrell, his academic adviser and professor in several classes, for helping hone his perfectionism.

"Every time I would turn in a paper, she would mark it with a purple pen," Fry said. "I thought I turned in a perfect research paper, and she would always mark it up. She taught me never to accept mediocrity."

In addition to his duties on the stat crew, he served a 10-month internship in USI's sports information office in 1998-99 and 1999-2000. He took a year off between undergraduate and graduate school to recharge, then graduated No. 1 in his graduate school class at Southern Mississippi, earning a degree in sports administration in 2001.

Fry accepted an internship in July 2001 with the Ivy League's NCAA compliance office in Princeton, N.J., where he was also a public information intern. He accepted a full-time director of compliance position in the summer of 2003 at Harvard, which created the position exclusively for him.

While Ivy League schools participate in NCAA Division I, they do not offer athletic scholarships.

"The Ivy League has purely need-based financial aid," Fry said. "I think one of my main jobs is student-athletic eligibility, overseeing the eligibility process."

He answers questions from coaches concerning eligibility and recruiting and can tell you in an instant that the NCAA Division I Manual is 494 pages long. "I pinch myself every now and then that I'm walking through the Harvard campus and think, 'How in the world did I get here?' It's very special to be here," Fry said.

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Cooksey making *run at history*

USI's first female national champion is a two-time GLVC Scholar Athlete of the Year who keeps running hard in her senior year

A week into the 2005 women's cross country season, senior Heather Cooksey was already making news.

She finished the 4,000-meter race in the University of Evansville Early Bird Invitational in 14:02, eclipsing her meet record of 14:14 from a year ago. Indiana State's Laura Engle was second, 36 seconds behind Cooksey's finish time.

Following this dominating performance in the season opener, Cooksey—a 10-time All-American—became the first person in league history to be named the Great Lakes Valley Conference Runner of the Week. The league initiated the award for the 2005 season.

A graduate of Brownsburg High School in Brownsburg, Indiana, Cooksey has always been a decent runner but was never the main focus on her high-school team.

"In high school, I had another girl on my team who was really good," Cooksey explained. "I was used to not getting all the attention, even though I was doing good things. I also had an older brother who was really good."

But when Cooksey got to the University of Southern Indiana, things changed. "When I got here and started doing stuff, I got singled out," she said. "It took a little bit of getting used to, because I didn't want to be on top. I wanted to be the person nobody looked at."

Cooksey's rise to stardom at USI began with a big splash. She started her career by earning GLVC Freshman of the Year honors during the 2002 cross country season and never looked back.

However, it was not that easy. The transition from high-school student

to college freshman was a time of adjustment.

Cooksey said, "You have to learn how to do things by yourself, when to eat, what your schedule is, and basically plan everything. That's kind of hard."

Learning how to balance time between academic work and training was a challenge that Cooksey, a business administration major, met with full force as a freshman. She earned not only All-GLVC honors during her freshman cross country season but Academic All-GLVC honors as well. Cooksey has continued to achieve academically. Entering her senior year, her grade-point average was 3.566.

"Although you have the coach there with you a lot of times, there are other times when you are on your own in training," Cooksey said. "You have to figure out how to make your schedule work, and you can't cheat yourself. You have to go out there and do it."

That is exactly what Cooksey did. She balanced the training and the academic work in her freshman year to earn two All-America honors in the outdoor track and field season and Academic All-GLVC honors for the track and field season. Her second-place finishes in the 3,000 and 5,000 meters at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field championships were the highest finishes by a female athlete in school history.

Cooksey's freshman year was as successful as any season ever enjoyed by a USI student athlete. Yet, she maintains that the freshman year is the toughest. She had people to turn to for support.

"You have your friends, your coach, and when you hit rock bottom, you have



Heather Cooksey won the 3,000-meter run at the 2004 NCAA II Outdoor Track and Field Championships to become USI's first female national champion. She is shown here on her home course when USI hosted the 2004 NCAA II Cross Country Championships.

your parents to call. My parents are really supportive," she said.

She is the daughter of Lucian and Theresa Cooksey of Pittsboro, Indiana.

With the first year out of the way, Cooksey was ready to soar, and soar she did. She finished third at the GLVC Cross Country Championships and fifth at the NCAA II Great Lakes Region Championships while earning All-GLVC and All-Region honors.

Her brightest moment, however, came at the 2004 NCAA II Outdoor Track and Field Championships when Cooksey became the first USI female athlete in any sport to capture a national title. Cooksey won the 3,000 meters and finished second in 5,000 meters, adding two more All-America honors to her already growing list.

Cooksey, who also earned All-America honors in the mile at the 2004 NCAA II Indoor Track and Field Championships, was dominating on the track as a sophomore, winning 14 of the 17 individual races in which she competed.

Her honors were not limited to the track. She earned Academic All-District V honors and was named the GLVC Scholar Athlete of the Year for track and field as a sophomore.

"I try to do a good job in everything I do," Cooksey said.

Winning a national title put Cooksey in the spotlight, especially with USI being the host school for the 2004 NCAA II Cross Country Championships. It was probably a foregone conclusion that Cooksey would compete on her home course in the national championships, but she still had to qualify for the meet.

She started her junior season by winning the 2004 University of Evansville Early Bird Invitational and carried that momentum into the Indiana Intercollegiate, where she finished first in the Little State competition. Cooksey went on to win the GLVC and NCAA II Great Lakes region titles, becoming the first USI women's competitor to capture either crown.

That is when things got a little hectic. As the media attention rose, so did Cooksey's list of responsibilities. She had to keep up her academic work and her running while making time for media interviews.

Cooksey finished 17th at the national championships held at USI, earning her sixth All-America award and her first in cross country. The night prior to the national championships, she was honored as the 2004 NCAA II Great Lakes Region Female Runner of the Year. She had earned the award

in track and field the previous spring. She also earned a second GLVC Scholar Athlete of the Year award, this time for cross country.

During the indoor track and field season last year, Cooksey earned a pair of All-America honors after finishing fourth in the 5,000 meters at the NCAA II Indoor Track and Field Championships and helping USI's distance medley relay team to a fifth-place performance. She capped her junior year by earning her ninth and 10th All-America honors as she finished second in the 5,000 meters and third in the 3,000 meters at the NCAA II Outdoor Track and Field Championships. She also was named the USI/Integra Bank Female Student Athlete of the Year as a junior.

Now in her senior season, Cooksey said, "Right now, my approach is to do the best I can do in my running because I would like to go further with my running. It is something I enjoy and I'm going to work really hard."

Mercer named head volleyball coach



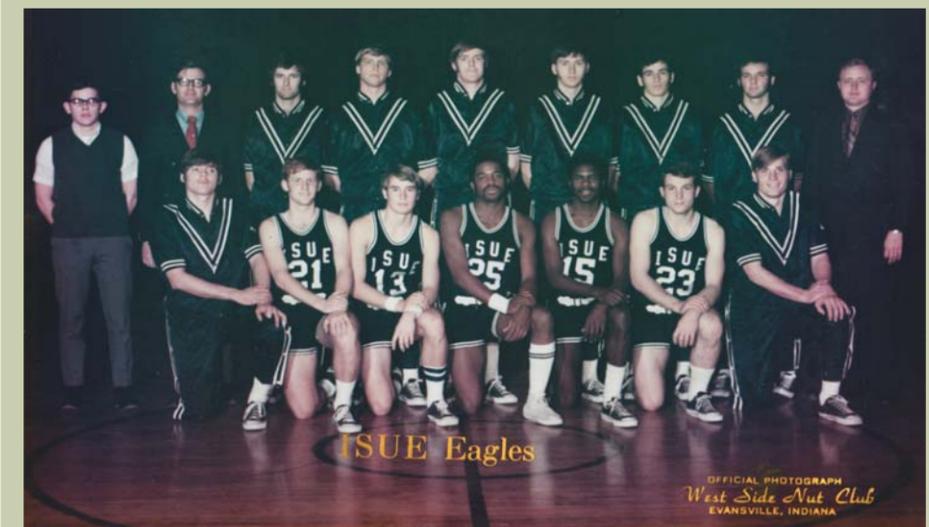
Mercer

Former USI volleyball player Leah Mercer '02 has been named head coach for volleyball.

An Evansville native, Mercer served Loyola Uni-

versity in Chicago as the top assistant coach in 2004. She spent a year as a graduate assistant coach at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. Mercer earned a bachelor's degree in physical education (teaching K-12) at USI and a master's degree in recreation and sports science (coaching education) at Ohio University.

Men's basketball in 1970-71: USI's first intercollegiate sport



In 1970 men's basketball became the first intercollegiate sport at USI. This 1970-71 men's basketball team photo is available through the courtesy of team member Dana Finn '75. The team photo in the history timeline published in the last issue of USI Magazine was from the 1965-66 season when men's basketball played in a local league. From left are (front row) Joe Rivers, Kenny Wannemuehler, Dave Williamson '74, Mike Young '73, Leon Swope '72, Randy Flamion '72, and John Stocker '72, and (back row) Manager Denny Kleiman, Coach Jerry Altstadt, Jim Beagle, Kim Schiff '73, Robert Swan '72, Steve Feagley '72, Bob Granman '74, Dana Finn '75, and Associate Coach Jim Brown.

1980s

Stephen E. Castlen '81, marketing, is a staff colonel judge advocate with the U.S. Army at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

James F. Gentry '83, communications, is a specialist for Paymentech in Tempe, Arizona.

Nicole Quinn Breaux '84, elementary education, received a five-year teaching service award at Travis Elementary School in Ennis, Texas.

Emily J. Gartner '84, business administration, is owner of Album Cover Handbags in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Michael T. Kress '84, political science, is employed as a supervisory special agent for the U.S. Department of Justice in St. Louis, Missouri.

Randall E. Eades '85, management, has been promoted to financial services representative at Vicki Brasel State Farm Insurance Agency in Evansville.

John T. Morrow '85, management, has been hired as an investment consultant for Old National Bank Investment Services in Evansville.

Kenneth F. Egler '88, finance, has joined Brown-Forman Corporation as a business systems analyst in Louisville, Kentucky.

Bradley M. Rust '89, accounting, has been promoted to chief financial officer by German American Bancorp in Jasper, Indiana.

1990s

Shelley Helzerman Houser '91, chemistry, recently published two books of piano hymn arrangements. She is a year-long breast cancer survivor. A chemist, she works as a consultant in Evansville.

Clara Berry Fyffe '92, communications, is the owner of All-Write Virtual Office in Ellettsville, Indiana.

James L. Bartlett '93, business administration, is a senior marketing research analyst for American General Financial Services in Evansville.



November 20	Greater Louisville Chapter Gathering Follows the 4:05 p.m. (CST) USI at University of Louisville Exhibition Basketball Game Cardinal Hall of Fame Café Louisville, Kentucky
December 4	Lighting A Tradition 4 p.m. USI Orr Center Holiday tree-lighting featuring the Madrigal Singers and Santa photos with children
January 10	Alumni Council Meeting, 5:45 p.m., USI Foundation
January 14	Varsity Club and Alumni Chili Supper 5:30 p.m. USI Physical Activities Center 200
February 11	Homecoming 2006: Dancing Through the Decades
April 22	USI Day at the Zoo, Mesker Park Zoo
May 5	USI Alumni Association Annual Meeting Followed by Class of 2006 Graduation Celebration Reception and Dinner, USI University Center
June 4	Alumni Picnic University Center Mall

All alumni are invited to attend these events. For further information and reservations, call the Alumni and Volunteer Services Office, 812/464-1924. Check out the Alumni Web site at www.usi.edu/alumni.

Stephanie Buchanan dives into duties as president of Alumni Association

Stephanie Wuchner Buchanan '97, president of the USI Alumni Association for 2005-06, says she may be involved in more campus activities now than when she was a student. "Those of us who have been fortunate enough to partake in USI's growth and academic achievements have much to be proud of as alumni. I, for one, continue to be excited about all we have going on at the University.



Buchanan

With each dinner, luncheon, and meeting, I learn something new. It amazes me how much there is to know and learn about my alma mater," she said.

Now an Evansville resident, the Jasper, Indiana, native earned a double major: business administration with a marketing emphasis and German. In her student days, she worked to help meet school expenses and often spent weekends back in her hometown.

Going to college at USI was a "huge experience," said Buchanan, now an Evansville resident. She recalled the excitement of moving into an apartment as a freshman and USI's commitment to quality experiences in the classroom. She expressed appreciation for faculty members who presented real-life analogies from their work and experience in the field rather than just textbook lessons.

Increasing alumni involvement is Buchanan's first goal for the Alumni Association this year. "I would like to increase the participation of alumni in University functions across the board from sporting events to fund-raising activities to volunteer opportunities to monetary support," she said.

As president of the Alumni Association, she serves ex-officio as vice chair for alumni affairs on the USI Foundation board. She also is vice chair of the USI Annual Fund alumni campaign.

Buchanan's second goal is to raise awareness and participation in the new Alumni Resource Directory. (See page 26.) The online directory allows alumni to locate and support companies locally and abroad that are owned by or employing alumni.

"As owner of a small local business, I view this directory as a great opportunity to promote my company to other local businesses that may need quality telecommunication services," she said. She and her husband Jason own a small business, Business Communications Solutions, which provides telephone equipment and services.

Buchanan's third goal for the year and an ongoing goal of the association is to increase awareness of the benefits the association offers to alumni.

Before she became involved in the Alumni Council in 2001, she did not realize that the Alumni Association handles the USI collegiate license plate program and offers discount programs, an affinity credit card, and other services. Go to www.usi.edu/alumni to read about benefits, view the Connect online alumni newsletter, and access information about other benefits.

Buchanan works for Evansville-based KDL as a sales representative for wholesale services to telecommunications companies. She met her husband-to-be when they were in similar sales jobs competing for business throughout the area. They are the parents of Katherine Arlene, born February 7, 2005. Though travel has become more infrequent in recent months as they have turned their attention to parenthood, they share an interest in scuba diving and have made trips to Mexico and spots in the Caribbean to enjoy that pastime.

"It amazes me how much there is to know and learn about my alma mater."

— Stephanie Wuchner Buchanan '97
President
USI Alumni Association

Buchanan became interested in diving after hearing Jason's stories and watching a video of him on a dive. In 2000 while on their honeymoon in Jamaica, she took a course to become a certified diver. She said, "It's like a whole other world down there. It's hard to describe the feeling of peace when you're underwater and the beauty below is like no other."

Buchanan's sister and mother also are USI graduates. Her sister Michelle Wuchner Weinzapfel '96 is a kindergarten teacher at Holy Family School in Jasper. Her mother Arlene Wuchner '03 earned an associate degree in early childhood education and is a Head Start teacher in Jasper.

Other Alumni Council officers for 2005-06 are Geoff A. Gentil '92, president elect; Sandra L. Bosse '97, secretary; Debra E. Wells '00, treasurer; Jamie L. Wicks '91, M'97, immediate past president; and Frank F. McDonald II '73, alumni trustee. A complete list of council members appears on the inside front cover of each issue of *USI Magazine* ■

Jennifer Payne Wigginton '93, communications, is the project leader for The ARS Group in Evansville.

Lisa M. Berfanger '94, political science, has joined the firm of VanStone & Komblum as an associate in Evansville.

Kristina Harder Kaczor '95, dental assisting, is the office manager with Dzuban Dental Associates in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Alan D. Kitch '95, art, was recently promoted to printing/packaging manager for Berry Plastics in Lawrence, Kansas.

Kendall D. Paul '95, communications, has been promoted to executive director at the Vanderburgh Humane Society in Evansville.

Shawna Kuester Riggs '95, elementary education, is a kindergarten teacher for South Gibson School Corporation in Fort Branch, Indiana.

Michelle Denu Arthur '96, mathematics, has been promoted to purchaser/estimator at Dominion Homes in Dublin, Ohio.

Sandra K. Burkhart '96, social work, is a therapist at Solutions Counseling in Evansville.

Hupfer named USI assistant vice president for Business Affairs



Hupfer

Mary Hupfer '84, MBA '94 has been promoted to assistant vice president for Business Affairs for the University of Southern Indiana.

Hupfer joined USI in 1989 as a budget officer and was named budget director in 1993. Responsibilities as fiscal officer for the USI Foundation were added in 1997. She was promoted to director of University Budgets in 2002.

Sharon R. Mondino '96, accounting, has been promoted to manager in the Computer Services Division of Riney, Hancock & Co. in Owensboro, Kentucky.

Janelle Rudlaff Patton '96, business, recently graduated *magna cum laude*, with a degree in practical nursing from Iowa Community College in Emmetsburg, Iowa.

Amy Happe Schoettle '96, accounting, has taken the position of attorney for Williams Hewitt Barrett & Wilkowski, LLP in Greenwood, Indiana.

Mark A. Walden '96, biophysics, is the owner and practicing chiropractor at Chiropractic Worx in Louisville, Kentucky.

Elizabeth Pike Williams '96, nursing, is a registered nurse in St. Mary's Hospital labor and delivery room in Evansville.

William E. Kothe '97, business administration, has joined Indoff Business Products as a branch partner in Evansville.

Brett A. Melton '97, business administration, qualified for the PGA Championship, missing the cut after two rounds by just three strokes. He traveled in September to the K-Club in Ireland to represent the United States in the 22nd PGA Cup.

Julie Sweet Pepple '97, dental assisting, is a licensed dental hygienist for Klondike Dental Care in West Lafayette, Indiana.

Pamela S. Thompson '97, business administration, is a human resources generalist at Alcoa Warrick Operations in Newburgh, Indiana.

Jill Steurer Trautvetter '97, business, has been promoted to senior marketing specialist at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

Chad W. Armstrong '98, communications, is a consultant/research assistant for Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana.

Richard J. Kaczor '98, communications, is the operations manager for West Penn Diesel in Shelocta, Pennsylvania.

Brent C. Ketcham '99, chemistry, has taken the position of volatile department manager for Severn Trent Laboratory in Savannah, Georgia.

Matthew A. Rice '99, business administration, has been promoted to senior marketing research analyst with American General Finance in Evansville.

Elly Rono '99, mathematics, "blew away the herd" at the 10-mile Sunset Stampede on April 30 in Asheville, North Carolina. The native Kenyan won the mountainous race with a time of 52 minutes and three

seconds. On May 15, he won the Biltmore Estate 15K Classic for the sixth year in a row. He was inducted into the NCAA Division II Cross Country Coaches Association Hall of Fame in November 2004.

Farrah L. Stichler '99, accounting, is manager of accounting, physician services at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

2000s

Heather Phillips Austin '00, occupational therapy, works for the Webster County School system as an occupational therapist in Dixon, Kentucky.

John E. Campbell '00, public relations, is a senior admission counselor at USI.

Paul P. Cavins '00, art, is a graphic specialist for Insight Media in Evansville.

Caroline D. Christmas '00, biology, graduated from the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Missouri in May 2005. She has joined Banfield, The Pet Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky.

Katherine Clodfelter '00, nursing, has been promoted to director of patient care services for Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Evansville.

Paul J. Fallace '00, Master of Business Administration, is a financial advisor for Legg Mason Wood Walker, Inc., in Baltimore, Maryland.

Stanley Gouard '00, communications, is assistant coach for men's basketball at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Jessica A. McCarthy '00, history/social science teaching, is an associate attorney for Fine & Hatfield, P.C. in Evansville.

Tai E. Richardson '00, public relations, is pursuing a master's degree in educational policy and leadership from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Denton L. Simpson '00, business administration, is a branch manager for American General Finance in Greensburg, Indiana.

Kami Phillips Simpson '00, biology, is a veterinarian at Jennings Veterinarians in North Vernon, Indiana.



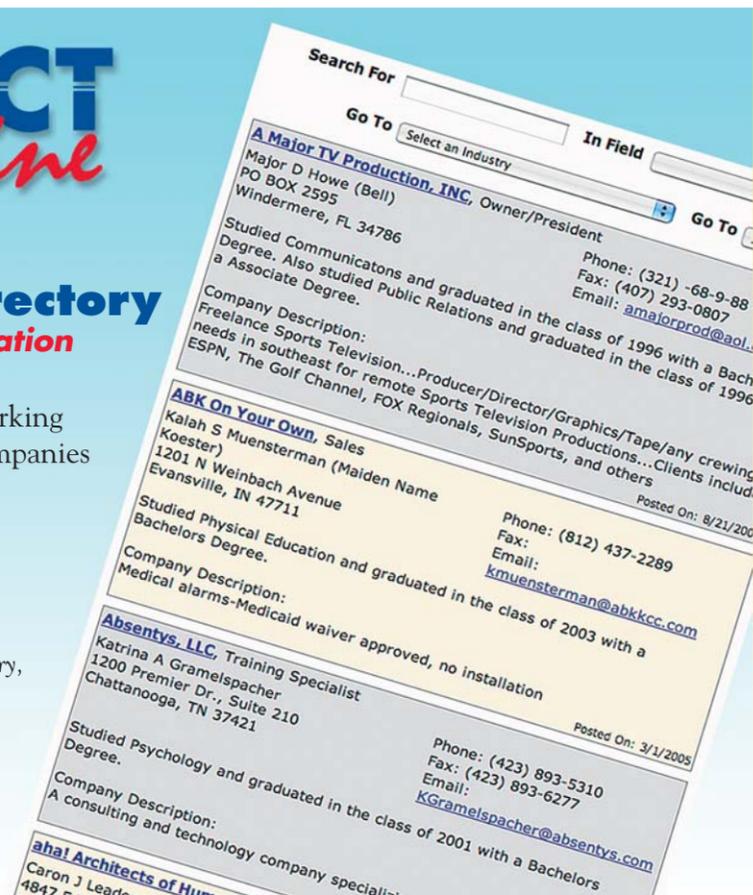
Alumni Business Resource Directory
A new online service of the USI Alumni Association

Find fellow alumni, products, or services and make networking connections in this online resource for businesses and companies owned by or employing USI alumni.

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Access the directory • Submit your listing

Users can search by the graduate's last name or major, business name, industry, or state. The listing includes business contact information for the alumnus, a description of the business, and any discounts or special offers available.



Dancing through the Decades
Homecoming 2006
February 11

Basketball Games

- Women's basketball vs. Rockhurst University at 1 p.m.
- Men's basketball vs. Rockhurst University at 3:15 p.m.

Alumni Gathering

- Complimentary food booths, cash bar, and entertainment from 5:30–7 p.m.
- USI Physical Activities Center, Room 200

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Major Edward White with medical unit in Afghanistan

At an aid station in Afghanistan, Major Edward White, facing camera, supervises trauma patients injured in a rocket attack. White is a surgeon with the U.S. Army's 173rd Division, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne) based in Vicenza, Italy. The unit was deployed in February for a year of service in Afghanistan. A native of Princeton, Indiana, White attended USI from 1981-86. He will serve on active duty with the army until September 2008.

K. Dori Branson '01, Master of Social Work, is a clinical case manager at Kenquest House, a home for babies and their teen mothers in Grayling, Michigan.

Sarah Stafford Browning '01, business administration, an investment representative at Edward Jones in Evansville, has been voted into the Manchester Who's Who of Executives and Professionals.

J. Chris Collins '01, accounting/finance, is the accounting manager for University Loft in Indianapolis.

Jason A. Coomer '01, social science teaching, was promoted to assistant director of marketing and licensing for the DePaul University Athletics Department in Chicago.

Libby Schenk Goedde '01, public relations and advertising, is an account coordinator at Keller Crescent in Evansville.

Rabia R. Habib '01, business administration, is a project coordinator at the American Heart Association in Dallas, Texas.

Anitra Acree Murphy '01, sociology, is an investigator for the Human Relations Commission in Evansville.

Cynthia Hock Steiner '01, nursing, is a family nurse practitioner at Martin County Health Center in Shoals, Indiana.

Dana Kissell Ketcham '01, accounting, has taken the position of accountant at South University in Savannah, Georgia.

Rachel Lee Lawmaster '01, business administration, was promoted to admissions coordinator for the Kelley School of Business MBA Program at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana.

Jennifer N. Loesch '01, journalism and computer publishing, is the first female police officer for Princeton, Indiana.

Nicole Jones Mervar '01, journalism and computer publishing, is a data set administrator at Volt Services in Indianapolis.

Ralph E. Plunkett '01, computer information systems, is a network administrator at Ervin Cable Construction in Sturgis, Kentucky.

Valerie L. Spellmeyer '01, public relations and advertising, is a marketing coordinator at Wilder Architecture, Inc., in Tampa, Florida.

Wendy Wade Taylor '01, computer information systems, is a systems engineer at Wynn Las Vegas in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Susan E. Temple '01, public relations and advertising, is the general manager for Nick's Pizza and Wings in Evansville.

Amanda Bartlett Turner '01, marketing, recently accepted the position of marketing consultant/project manager for the *Times-Mail* in Bedford, Indiana.

Stephen L. West '01, elementary education, teaches third grade for Clark County School District in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Martha Ashworth Al-Hieh '02, history, has completed a master's degree in near eastern languages and cultures at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, and has begun studies for a doctorate.

Anna M. Green '02, accounting, '04, Master of Business Administration, is a candidate for a doctorate in marketing at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Christopher C. Jenkins '02, public relations and advertising, has taken the position of regional director of operations for JAL Chemical TephSeal in Orlando, Florida.

Julie Wittman Morrison '02, public relations and advertising, is the marketing director for Allen County Fort Wayne Historical Society. She is chair of the marketing committee for a traveling Smithsonian Institution exhibit in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Kelli R. Orr '02, elementary education, is a fifth-grade teacher at Cobb County Schools in Marietta, Georgia.

Amanda Miller Smith '02, elementary education, graduated from USI in May 2005 with a master's degree in education (elementary education program).

Alfred J. Cooper '03, political science, is a sales associate with Ewin Equipment in Princeton, Indiana.

Morgan E. Jones '03, marketing, is a marketing coordinator for Makin' Batch Candies in Bridgeport, Illinois.

Shon A. Mosier '03, marketing, is the regional sales manager for Hansen Corporation in Princeton, Indiana.

Tina Cantrell Mosier '03, elementary education, is a third grade teacher at Haubstadt Community School in Haubstadt, Indiana.

Stacy Doane Wyatt '03, health services, is a health education prevention coordinator at Beach Cities Health District in Redondo Beach, California.

Cassie N. Burris '04, elementary education, is a special education teacher for McGary Middle School in Evansville.

Lisa M. Doddridge '04, marketing, has been promoted to an assistant media buyer for Keller Crescent in Evansville.

Sarah L. Hogg '04, political science, is a specialist at Fleishman-Hillard in St. Louis, Missouri.

Kenneth D. Johnson '04, individual studies, has taken the position of associate registrar and serves as an adjunct professor of rhetoric and composition at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California.

Charles W. Pride '04, finance, is a field examiner for the State Board of Accounts in Indianapolis.

USI Men's Basketball vs. University of Louisville

Exhibition game 4:05 p.m. (CST) November 20 Freedom Hall Louisville, Kentucky

Following the game, Greater Louisville Alumni Chapter hosts gathering for alumni and fans at the Cardinal Hall of Fame Cafe, 2745 Crittenden Drive, Louisville

Game telecast on WHAS in Louisville.

For details, call Alumni and Volunteer Services, 812/464-1924.

Eagle Roundup welcomes new students and families



The USI Alumni Association and the new Parents and Families Association cosponsored the Eagle Roundup picnic for entering freshmen and their families during Welcome Week.

Sara M. Stoops '04, public relations and advertising, is a marketing assistant for Premio Computer, Inc., in Hacienda Heights, California.

Haley N. Warren '04, public relations and advertising, has joined Keller Crescent as a media coordinator in Evansville.

Holly J. Bostock '05, dental hygiene, is a dental hygienist with Dr. Michelle Lumson, DDS, in Greenwood, Indiana.

Lauren Martin Cates '05, public relations and advertising, is the executive director for Wish Upon A Star, Inc., in Evansville.

Shannon M. Emmons '05, sociology, is the head softball coach at Lincoln Trail College in Robinson, Illinois.

Jason Gerbing '05, art, works as a photographer and graphic designer for the *Salt Lake City Weekly Magazine* in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mark E. Heuring '05, computer information systems, has joined Keller Schroeder & Associates, Inc., as a net developer on the Microsoft development team. He works in Evansville.

C. Kay Veach Kiesel '05, nursing, is a registered nurse in Deaconess Hospital emergency department in Evansville.

Adam M. Stowe '05, social science teaching, has been named coordinator of the Community Learning Center of Perry County in Tell City, Indiana.

Ashley A. Vezzoso '05, public relations and advertising, has been named a sales support manager at the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau in Evansville.

Seth N. Wade '05, communications, works in industrial relations for Warehouse Services, Inc., in Piedmont, South Carolina.

Marriages

Michael E. Moore '80, electrical engineering technology, and Laura Dishon, February 18, 2005

Nancy L. Hall '92, education, and Glen Main, April 1, 2005

Robert L. Kerney '95, psychology, and Adena, February 11, 2005

Brenda S. Stevens '96, electrical engineering technology, and **Matthew E. Branaman '95**, biology, January 22, 2005

Julie D. Flaherty '98, sociology, and **James B. Norman '98**, communications, October 2, 2004

Cash, Brownfields, and Stein win Indy scramble



The winning foursome at the Greater Indianapolis Scholarship Golf Scramble August 19 was, from left, Michael Cash '91, Kip Brownfield '90, Dennis Brownfield, and Rick Stein '92, head coach for women's basketball. The event was held at The Links golf course in New Palestine, Indiana.

Allison L. Schultz '99, psychology, and James M. McGinley '99, political science, August 14, 2004

Elizabeth M. Bucko '00, biology, and Jeremy D. Melton '01, radio and television, October 2, 2004

Jamie R. Fiscel '00, business administration, and Brent Copenhaver, June 10, 2005

Cynthia D. Hartig '00, advertising, and David Brugger, September 18, 2004

Cynthia A. Pund '00, business administration, and Matthew Knepper, October 23, 2004

Melissa L. Lehman '00, public relations and advertising, and Chris Cothran, January 8, 2005

Erin M. Bane '02, marketing, and Michael Gerth, April 16, 2005

Angela N. Ford '02, finance/economics, and Garrett Sloat, April 2, 2005

Erika L. Weaver '03, accounting, and Craig Buse, July 9, 2005

Renee L. Rooksberry '04, elementary education, and John Siminski, June 25, 2005

Births

Eric R. Williams '89, management, and Jude, son, Patrick, June 20, 2005

Michelle Rooze Gilbert '90, communications, and Rich, son, Nicholas, June 1, 2005

Jacqueline Miller Knobbe '93, communications, and Kent, daughter, Chloe, October 12, 2004

Heather Nesbit Rettig '93, dental assisting, and Don, son, Braden, January 24, 2005

Holly Peppiatt Arnold '94, business education, and Bryan, son, Garrett, December 1, 2004

Judy Woods Clark '95, dental hygiene, and Chris, son, Ryan, July 9, 2005

Carrie Pugh Staggs '95, elementary education, and Scott, son, Chase, November 19, 2004

Anna Buchhorn Ankenbrand '96, communications, and Kerry M. Ankenbrand '94, political science, daughter, Grace, March 21, 2005

Ranell Elpers Rexing '96, elementary education, and Brian, daughter, Mylie, February 7, 2005

Kathryn Vandever Summers '96, health services, and Rodney R. Summers '96, communications, daughter, Annabelle, October 1, 2003

Michelle Koch Hogan '97, dental assisting, and Douglas, son, Wesley, March 27, 2005

Stuart A. Martin '97, business administration/computer information systems, and Kristina, daughter, Macy, April 25, 2005

Kendra Burns Morton '97, psychology, and David, daughter, Chloe, April 26, 2005

Jody Dedman Troutman '97, administrative support systems, and Kenneth R. Troutman '98, biology, son, Wyatt, March 4, 2005

Alicia Armes Cecil '98, biology, and Nathan, daughter, Anna, February 27, 2005

Blythe Schreiber Reherman '98, physical education, and Chris R. Reherman '88, communications, son, Justin, April 21, 2005

Eric W. Turner '98, business administration, and Stacey Stonecipher Turner '00, occupational therapy, daughter, Chelsea, June 7, 2005

Lori Kaetzel Brubaker '99, health services, and Tyler, son, Xander, November 2, 2004

Emily Waltz Jackson '99, dental hygiene, and Joshua, son, Charles, December 2, 2004

Rebekah McDaniel Knight '99, computer information systems, and Jason, daughter, Gabrielle, November 1, 2004

Ann M. Nelson '99, civil engineering technology, and Andrew, son, Gabriel, February 3, 2005

Christy Kellett Podewils '99, nursing, and Daniel A. Podewils '96, mechanical engineering technology, son, Blake, December 1, 2004

Chad A. Smith '99, social science teaching, and Danielle, son, Daniel, August 21, 2004

Joel A. Thomas '99, physical education, and Grace, son, Levi, May 3, 2005

Lara Hansen Hughes '00, biology, and Jon, son, Jackson, December 27, 2004

Anne Aldenderfer Morgan '00, radiologic technology, and Jason, son, Jacob, July 4, 2005

Amanda Ramey Roth '00, elementary education, and Randy, daughter, Erika, February 1, 2005

Summer Holt Sisney '00, public relations and advertising, and Ryan Sisney '02, communications, son, Parker, April 6, 2005

Jennifer Niccum Tanksley '00, social work, '02, Master of Social Work, and Brad M. Tanksley '02, physical education, son, Brendan, June 12, 2005

Katherine Fellner Barr '01, business administration, and Douglas, daughter, Olivia, April 3, 2005

Elizabeth Powell Bergwitz '01, radiologic technology, and Edward, son, William, October 19, 2004

Andrea Nall Esparza '01, elementary education, and Thomas, son, Ean, April 13, 2005

Melody Puller Freeman '01, public relations and advertising, Michael, daughter, Anabelle, June 6, 2005

Kelly Foster Hall '01, business administration, and Ryan, daughter, Emily, June 26, 2005

Kristy Peterson Kahle '01, nursing, and Kary M. Kahle '02, German/science teaching, daughter, Kaitlyn, October 30, 2004

Kevin L. Kling '01, social science teaching, and Amy Matthes Kling '02, business education, son, Alexander, April 6, 2005

Jason E. Land '01, business administration, and Renae, son, Gabriel, December 19, 2004

Natalie Peach McDurmon '01, health services, and Jeff, daughter, Summer, September 9, 2004

Lacie Kiesel Tindall '01, nursing, and W. Thad Tindall '00, nursing, son, Gavin, December 2, 2004



Eric Edwards wins regional Emmy

Eric Edwards '85, communications, was awarded a regional Emmy for work on a program for WDRB Fox 41 in Louisville, Kentucky. Called "From the Riverbank," the show featured area people and their talents. From left are Edwards, news photographer, with co-winners Jennifer Keeney, producer; and Barry Bernson, reporter. The award was presented July 9.

Tait D. Wagner '01, sociology/history, and Stephanie, daughter, Lehna, March 29, 2005

Samantha Bernhart Lewis '02, elementary education, and Joshua, daughter, Abigail, December 12, 2004

Aimee Ogle Lyday '02, dental hygiene, and Steven, son, Andrew, March 19, 2005

Michael P. Miller '02, elementary education, and Sarah, son, Cody, April 21, 2005

Andrea Barchet Steele '02, elementary education, and Joel, son, Drew, July 7, 2005

Katie Longabaugh Ellis '03, finance, and Chad, daughter, Kelsey, February 18, 2005

Emily Eckert Holt '03, dental hygiene, and Tracy, daughter, Lauren, June 16, 2005

Stephanie Barnett Ragsdale '03, radio and television, and Joshua M. Ragsdale '03, sociology, daughter, Madison, April 16, 2005

Krystal Builtman Walls '03, psychology, and Troy, son, Ethan, March 30, 2005

Alumni team gets double win



The Phi Delta Theta alumni team, from left, Todd Krapf '92, Steve Henke, Mike Bell '93, and Jeff Jewell '89 won the USI Alumni Fun Golf Scramble and the School and Organization Traveling Trophy competitions with a score of 54 at Evanville's Helfrich Hills Golf Course in September. The Alumni Fun Golf Scramble raised funds for USI Alumni Association grants and scholarships.

Indy alumni host entering freshmen



The Greater Indianapolis Alumni Chapter invited entering USI students and their families from the area to join them August 20 for a picnic at the Indianapolis Indians baseball game at Victory Field. USI freshmen, from left, Kurt Sarlls Jr. and Sarah Storvick, with Kurt's family, father Kurt Sr., sister Tara, and mother Lesley enjoyed the event.

Alicia McCoy Sollman '04, Master of Science in Nursing, and **Chris M. Sollman '95**, communications, son, Kaden, March 21, 2005

Kendra L. Wagner '04, journalism and computer publishing, and Bryan, son, Michael, June 21, 2005

L. Barry Tucker '05, radiologic technology, and Mary, daughter, Olivia, February 19, 2005

In Memoriam

Thomas A. Boyd II '73, accounting, of Evansville, died June 30, 2005. He was a member of Glezen Revival Center, a Vietnam War Air Force veteran, and a golf-course manager.

Jay R. Klamer '77, social science, of Mount Vernon, Indiana, died May 9, 2005. He was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War and a warehouseman for T.J. Maxx for 12 years.

Betty Hosick Reynolds '93, accounting, of Evansville, died June 23, 2005. She retired in 1998 after 25 years of service with Bristol-Myers Squibb. Reynolds was a USI Alumni Council member 1996-98.

Harold J. Cole '97, nursing, of Henderson, Kentucky, died June 11, 2005. A Navy veteran, he was owner and operator of Seven Seas Lawncare and a registered nurse.

Staci Bufkin Halleron '97, elementary education, of Louisville, Kentucky, died July 22, 2005. She was a teacher for Jefferson County School Systems for seven years. She taught technology at Watson Lane Elementary, JFK Montessori, and Foster Elementary School, all located in Louisville.

Dana Cain Gilstrap '02, dental assisting, of Springfield, Indiana, died August 9, 2005. She was a dental assistant in Evansville. She was an avid animal lover and enjoyed fishing and golfing.

Faculty

Dr. Dona Frost, professor emerita of business, died October 6 in Evansville. She retired in 1987 after 17 years on the faculty.

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Senior Human Resources Business Partner
Vice President
Fifth Third Bank
Evansville

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Travis Hudak '00
Finance Manager
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NOVEMBER

15	Women vs. Brescia University	6 p.m.
20	Women vs. Northwood University	2 p.m.
22	Women vs. Central State University	5:15 p.m.
	Men vs. Robert Morris College	7:30 p.m.
25	Men's basketball hosts USI Invitational	5:30/7:30 p.m.
26	Men's basketball hosts USI Invitational	5:30/7:30 p.m.
27	Women vs. West Virginia Wesleyan College	2 p.m.

DECEMBER

8	Women/Men vs. University of Wisconsin-Parkside*	5:15/7:30 p.m.
10	Women/Men vs. Lewis University*	1/3:30 p.m.
17	Men vs. Bryan College	7:30 p.m.
18	Women vs. Wayne State University	2 p.m.
20	Women vs. Purdue University -Calumet	6 p.m.
31	Women vs. Oakland City University	1 p.m.
	Men vs. Lees-McRae College	3 p.m.

JANUARY

2	Women vs. University of Alabama-Huntsville	5:15 p.m.
	Men vs. Oakland City University	7:30 p.m.
12	Women/Men vs. Quincy University	5:15/7:30 p.m.
14	Women/Men vs. Southern Illinois University Edwardsville*	1/3:15 p.m.
26	Women/Men vs. University of Indianapolis*	5:15/7:30 p.m.
28	Women/Men vs. Saint Joseph's College*	1/3:15 p.m.

FEBRUARY

9	Women/Men vs. Drury University*	5:15/7:30 p.m.
11	Women/Men vs. Rockhurst University* (Homecoming)	1/3:15 p.m.
23	Women/Men vs. University of Missouri-Rolla*	5:15/7:30 p.m.
25	Women/Men vs. University of Missouri Missouri-St. Louis* (Senior Day)	1/3:15 p.m.

Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament

March 3-5
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