Vintage Times
The semi-annual newsletter of the USI Retirees

Fall 2016

Events 2016-2017

Thursday, November 10
2:30 p.m.
USI Retirees Annual Meeting
LA 0112

Monday, January 9
11:30 a.m.
Spring Pizza Party
Turoni's Pizza

Saturday, February 4
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
USI Foundation
Luncheon for Retirees
Griffin Center
Invitations will be mailed

Homecoming game starts at 1:00 p.m.

In Memoriam

Ruth A. Cutteridge
Retiree

Patsy Ann Hape
Retiree

Jack F. Naghdi
Retiree

Bette K. Walden
Retiree



Members of the USI Retirees celebrated the successful conclusion of *Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence*
From left, Helen Fisher, Helen Sands, Barbara Blevins, and Robert Reid

Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence

Just three years after the public launch of the University of Southern Indiana Foundation's $50 million *Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence*, the Foundation and the University are celebrating its success.

Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence closed on June 30, 2016, with gift commitments of $57.1 million - $7.1 million over the campaign's $50 million goal.

"The tremendous success of *Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence* is another example of the University's history of delivering results," said Dr. Linda L. M. Bennett, USI president. "Hundreds of alumni and friends made gift commitments as an investment in the civic, cultural and economic well-being of all the communities we serve. Now, in our 51st year of operation, we remain committed to ensuring and expanding an excellent, affordable and accessible education. We are profoundly grateful for their investment."

Over 100 USI retirees made specific campaign gifts which total $2.6 million. When we add in gifts from retirees who also serve on the Foundation Board of Directors, the total giving is $4.9 million. "Our retirees have never stopped helping USI. They give of their time, share their expertise and continue to provide leadership gifts in financial support of the University they served so well. All of us owe them a great debt," said David A. Bower, USI Foundation president.

Message from our President

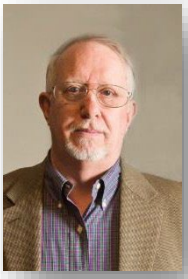
The fall semester has arrived, and if we were still working we would be involved in the beginning of another academic year. Fortunately, rather than planning for registration, processing financial assistance or preparing syllabi, we joined each other on the first day of classes at Turoni's for pizza.

Where did the summer go? In June, Dr. Bandoli and number of us spent a morning on the lake in Lynnville. Just this month of July, we got together in New Harmony for a play followed by visiting with each other at Sherrianne Standley's home. And we met as a group in the new Griffin Center as guests of President Bennett.

What's next? On November 10, we will have our annual meeting and elect members of the coordinating council and officers for 2017. Whatever follows after that we need to keep in mind that dedication, cooperation and friendship were the key elements of our helping USI become the institution that it is.

Let's keep in touch, continue supporting each other and helping the University with our talents, counsel and treasure. The University was good to us and gave each of us an opportunity to grow faster than we may have at any other institution. We were the lucky ones who were able to work with Presidents Rice, Hoops and Bennett.

Mike Whipple, President
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USI Retirees





Congratulations to Dr. Harlan Van Over, 6th Degree Black Belt

At age 94, Dr. Harlan Van Over, professor emeritus of business, is believed to be the oldest person to win the sixth-degree black belt in martial arts. He spent the minimum of five years as a fifth-degree black belt and trained for the arduous mental and physical test for the sixth degree. A video of his test was watched over 5,000 times on Facebook the first day it was posted. He is now training to become a Master Instructor for the 2017 World Expo.

Congratulations to our colleague!

USI Retirees Recent News



President Linda L. M. Bennett addresses USI Retirees during the July 28, 2016 Retiree reception at the Griffin Center.

First USI Retirees Grants Awarded

Four full-time, benefits-eligible employees received the first USI Retirees Educational Grants this year. The grants of $100 each were awarded through a random drawing in which all degree-seeking employees were entered. The grants are funded through the USI Retirees membership fees. The recipients are: Shannon Hoehn, Tyler Rapp, Craig Carroll and DeAndra Powell. Congratulations!

Retiree Wellness Fair

The Retirees second Wellness Fair, held March 8 in Carter Hall, was well attended. Workshops included those on hearing loss, Medicare, TIAA's new long-term health-care option, Anthem Health Insurance, polypharmacy and herbal medicine, estate planning, and foods that harm or heal. Several vendors attended with their staff and were available to answer questions. Thanks to Ginger Ramsden, director emerita of the Center for Education Services and Partnerships, and secretary of the USI Retirees coordinating council, for organizing this valuable seminar for retirees.



Several friends of Professor Emeritus of Business Dr. Wanda Hibbitts (center) gathered in Montgomery, Indiana, to wish her a happy 95th birthday.

Directory Updates

Please send your address, phone or email changes to Sara Rhoades before December 1, 2016, so we can include them in the 2017 USI Retirees Directory, which will be distributed at the Spring Luncheon.

Welcome New Retirees!

We welcome the following friends and colleagues to retirement:

Dr. Karen H. Bonnell, Professor of Communications
Dr. Robert E. Boostrom, Professor of Education
Rohn J. Butterfield, Instructor in Health Services
Donna Evinger, Executive Director of Human Resources
Peggy A. Graul, Coordinator of Continuing Education – Nursing and Health Professions
Dr. Marsha L. Segebarth, Contract Assistant Professor of Biology
Deborah J. Weigand, Assistant Director of Procurement Services
Judith A. Wells, Instructor in Mathematics

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Membership in USI Retirees

Membership in the USI Retirees is open to retired employees, spouses, partners and surviving spouses and partners.

To become an active member or to renew your membership, send us your address, telephone numbers, email and a list of your interests with an annual $20 check (per person) payable to USI Retirees.

Mail to: USI Retirees, c/o USI Foundation, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. Dues cover the time period from an Annual General Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting (November).

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Retirees Continue their Fitness Paddling

Dr. Jim Bandoli, professor emeritus of biology and president-elect of the USI Retirees, organized another popular canoe trip for USI Retirees. On June 7, 13 people spent the morning paddling on Lynnville Lake and learning about its ecology. The Retirees appreciate the support of staff from the Wesselman Nature Center who supplied the canoes and kayaks. Thanks to Jim and all who attended.