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## ON THE COVER

The south side of the University Center will undergo the most change as the University Center renovation project moves forward. A second entrance will be constructed allowing greater access to the building from parking areas south of the University Center. Construction is expected to be completed by next fall.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this opening letter to the USI family as the president of the University of Southern Indiana Alumni Association.

This year, USI celebrates its 30th anniversary. It will always be easy for me to remember the age of the University since I turn 30 this year, too. The last 12 years have given me many things that I will always cherish; an excellent education, wonderful friends, and great memories. Being part of the USI family has been a fantastic experience that I am sure will continue for a long time to come.

With the University's 30th, I hope that all members of the USI family will take a few minutes to reflect on their USI memories. When I think of the major events at USI that have had an effect on many people, I remember Independence, the first on-campus student housing, a new overpass, national basketball champions, and our second president.

Many of my fondest USI memories are on a much more personal note. Many of the people I consider to be my closest friends today, were my closest friends while I was an undergraduate. The career I selected, went into, and love today is because of the influence of my USI family. It is amazing to think of all the things that are part of my life today that are somehow related to my USI family. I think you see what I mean. The University has been an important part of my life as it has been for many others. I am almost jealous of those people who have already accumulated 30 years of great memories.

It is my hope that all members of the USI family will take an active role in the many activities constantly happening at USI. Let us know what and how you are doing now. Read the materials USI sends, so you will continue to keep abreast of the University.

I am looking forward to making many new USI memories in the coming years and I hope you will too. Enjoy this issue of the 8600 and keep making USI memories.

*Eric R. Williams*

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## Three women appointed to USI Board of Trustees

Tina Alcorn Kern '86 has been appointed the alumni representative on the USI Board of Trustees by Governor Evan Bayh. She has been active with the USI Alumni Association for many years and is a past president of the Alumni Council.



**Tina Alcorn Kern**

Kern has been president of Kern Bros. Office Systems, Inc., the past five years. She previously was with Keller-Crescent Co. for 10 years, holding positions as associate director for new business, supervisor of the information center, and production coordinator. She also was vocal music director at Mater Dei High School and student assistant to the USI publications director (1978-80).

Kern is a 1971 Mater Dei graduate and attended the University of Evansville (1971-74). She completed work on a management degree at USI in 1986 and has attended M.B.A. classes at both universities.

She is a board member of the Center for Economic Education at USI, a member of the Evansville Diocese Secretariat on Wor-



**Louise Bruce**

ship, and director of music and a religious education instructor at Resurrection Catholic Church.

Kern's past involvements have been with Raintree Girl Scout Council, the Danceworks board, WNIN telethon, the Arts Council Arts Festival, USI Foundation Board, and USI Alumni/Development annual telethon.

Two other new members are Louise Bruce, chairman of Can-Clay Corporation of Cannelton, Indiana, and Nicole Cable of Crown Point, Indiana, the new student representative.



**Nicole Cable**

Bruce, a Tell City resident, is active in the Perry County Community Foundation and Leadership Perry County and is a national leader with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Cable is a junior chemistry major who is attending USI as the Fred Newman Presidential Scholar. She is president of the Student Alumni Association and a Dean's List student.

A resolution of appreciation for service on the Board has been presented to Brent A. Auberry of Washington, Indiana, immediate past student representative on the Board (1993-95); attorney J. David Huber of Tell City; and Evansville executive Robert W. Swan, who was the alumni representative and left the Board to accept a gubernatorial appointment to the State Gaming Commission. Huber and Swan had served since 1991.

## USI enrollment up three percent; freshman enrollment jumps 22 percent

Fall enrollment reached 7,666, three percent higher than in fall 1994, with several factors entering into the University returning to a positive figure after last year's decline.

USI President H. Ray Hoops, citing the fact that 92 percent (7,059) come from Indiana, said, "More Hoosiers are coming from more-distant counties to become full-time residential students." The growth in full-time students "is a pattern we expect will continue into the future," he said, "as we seek to assist the state of Indiana in reaching its goal of

adding 20,000 students in postsecondary education by 1997."

"We may not see an annual increase as dramatic as the 22 percent jump we had in freshman enrollment this fall, but we do expect to continue a steady pace of growth," Dr. Hoops added. The 1995 freshman class is the largest in the University's 30-year history — 1,535, compared to 1,256 in fall 1994, helping to offset the graduation of nearly 1,000 students last May.

Dr. John Byrd, vice president for Student Affairs, said USI's reputation is spread-

ing across the state. "The refrain we have heard over and over from parents and students, as the students registered, is that they are attracted by the quality of the academic programs offered at USI," Dr. Byrd explained.

The fall enrollment shows 87 Indiana counties, 32 states, and 36 nations represented. Dr. Hoops noted this mix of students is helping to create cultural and ethnic diversity, as well as a balance of students who are choosing their courses of study from across the curriculum.



## University Center expansion to double the facility's size

Ground was broken October 9 for the \$4.7-million expansion/renovation project at the University Center, with USI students wielding an antique plow loaned by John Stephan of Stephan's, Inc., as a means to recreate the original groundbreaking in 1972.

USI Board members, area legislators, faculty, staff, and USI friends joined the students in the ceremony presided over by USI President H. Ray Hoops.

The expansion will nearly double the 52,000-square-foot building, which was opened in 1974. There will be an additional entrance on the south side, a Great Hall on the second level with the capacity to seat 530 people for dining and 750 for meetings. There also will be a computer lab, a small art gallery, a formal

meeting and dining area, and more space for Student Life staff offices, conference facilities, student publications and other student activity offices, and for student recreation and lounge areas.

During the groundbreaking ceremony Bruce Baker, chair of the USI Board of Trustees, announced that private donations would furnish the renovation. "State funds cannot be used for the University Center project," Mr. Baker explained. "Thus the University Center bonds will be paid from student fees. With the project costs outstripping the bonding authorization, certain spaces will need private assistance."

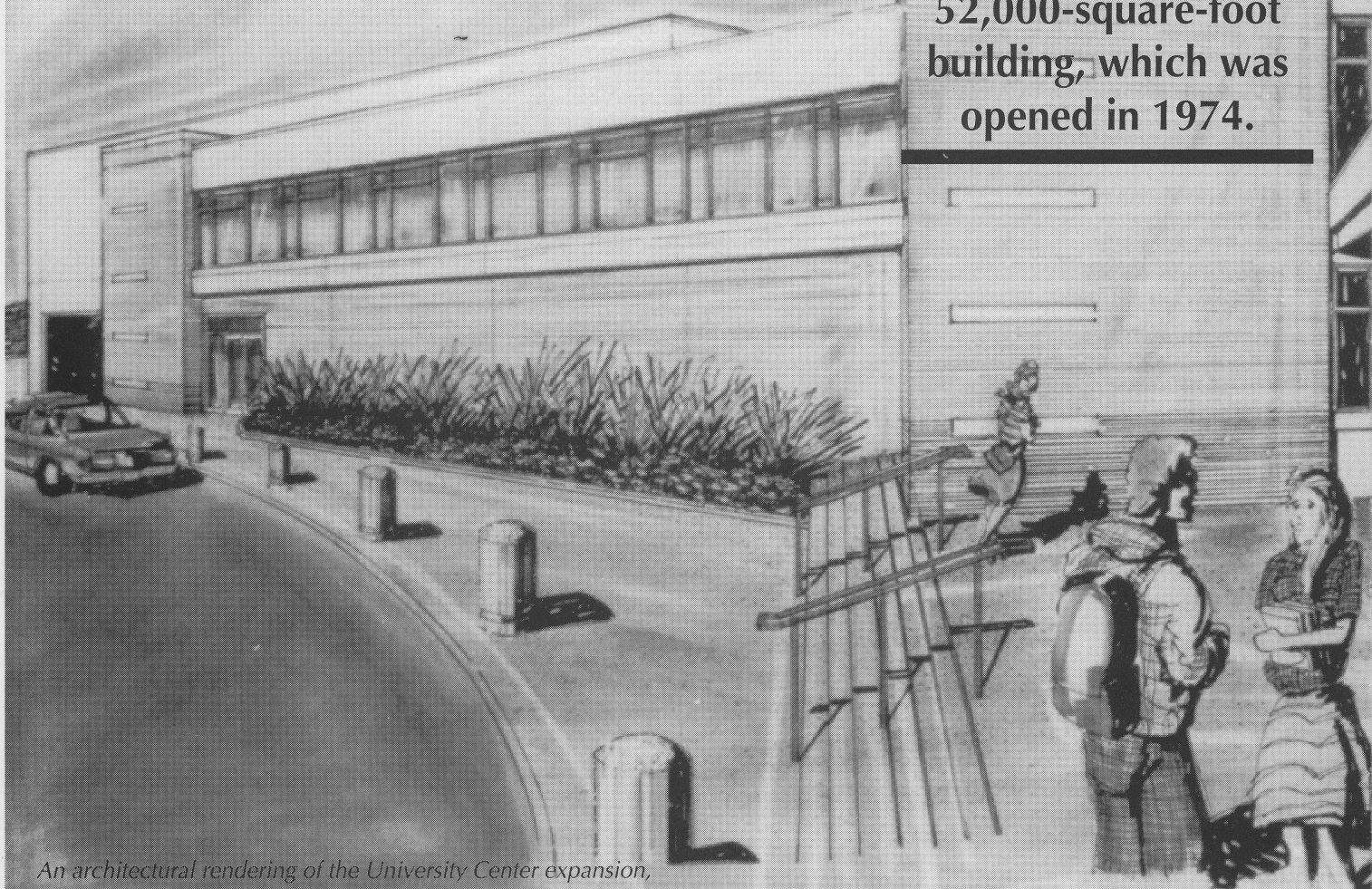
Mr. Baker continued, "Ted Ziemer, chairman of the USI Foundation, has enthusiastically taken this project under his capable wing, and with the entire

USI Foundation Board, will be working with the University Center Coordinating Council and the architects to identify areas needing support."

Mr. Baker recalled that in 1972, when the building was first constructed, a Donor Recognition Program brought many donors together to meet student needs. He said, "Throughout the University Center are plaques recognizing the contributions of donors whose help was so vital. There will be similar opportunities in this renovation."

The University Center will not be closed during the work, which is expected to

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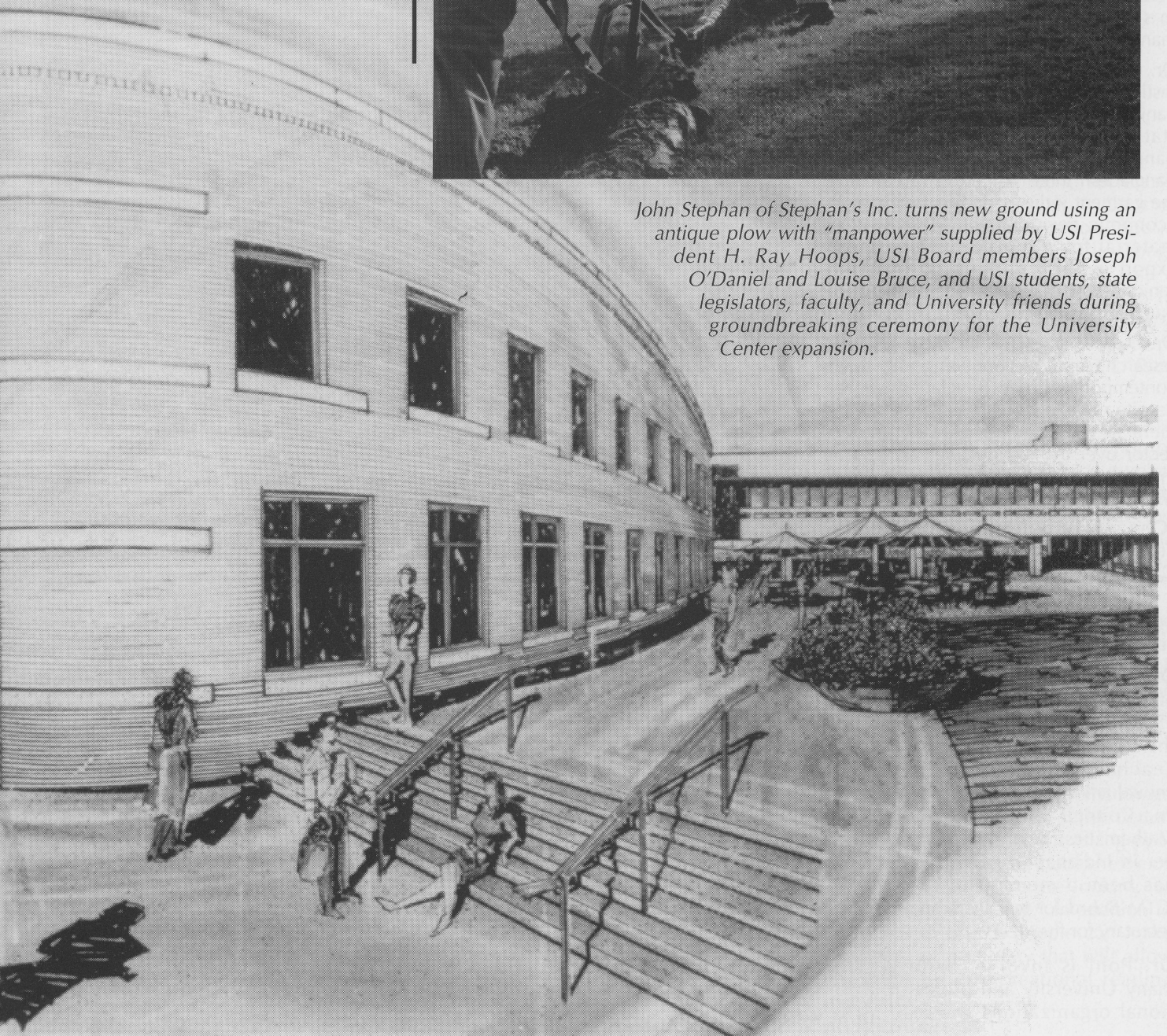
*An architectural rendering of the University Center expansion,*



take about 12 months. Deig Brothers Lumber and Construction Company is the general contractor. Other contracts went to Premier Electric Company, Arc Mechanical Co., U.S. Industries (roofing), Johnson Controls, and Flotech (test and balance). Twenty-three years ago, Deig Brothers was the general contractor for the original construction.



*John Stephan of Stephan's Inc. turns new ground using an antique plow with "manpower" supplied by USI President H. Ray Hoops, USI Board members Joseph O'Daniel and Louise Bruce, and USI students, state legislators, faculty, and University friends during groundbreaking ceremony for the University Center expansion.*

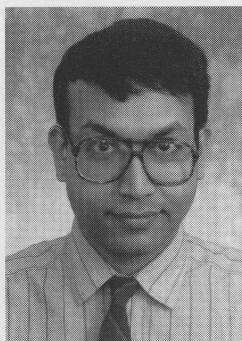




## Fulbright grantee to return to native land

Munir Quddus, associate professor of economics, has been named a Fulbright Scholar, one of about 2,000 U.S. grantees who will travel abroad in the coming academic year. Dr. Quddus plans to leave in January 1996 for his native Bangladesh and will return to USI in June.

His project will be to study the feasibility of establishing credit unions for the urban poor, starting in the Bangladesh garment industry which employs nearly a million workers, 80 percent of whom are women in semi-skilled and skilled manufacturing jobs.



Munir Quddus

Dr. Quddus is convinced that access to institutional credit through cooperative banks will greatly improve the economic status of the working class in Bangladesh. He spent his sabbatical in Bangladesh three years ago, researching the garment industry and its potential in economic development. He collected material for a book on the garment export industry of Bangladesh as the senior fellow of the American Institute of Bangladesh Studies.

Dr. Quddus, in explaining the goal of his research, said, "A continuing tragedy in contemporary urban Bangladesh is that despite notable gains in female employment in the booming garment export sector over the last decade, workers in this industry have been unable to break out of the proverbial poverty trap."

"One important reason for this continued deprivation is the complete lack of

access to formal credit for workers and their families," he said. "As a result, this large group of hard-working women and men are not only without access to basic banking services, they also are unable to pool their hard-earned incomes and to access this pool of savings to build homes, start new businesses, educate their children, and break out of the cycle of poverty."

Historically, the benefits of credit unions in helping members reach financial independence are well documented. Over the short life of

credit unions in the United States, they have helped literally tens of millions of American citizens—employees and their families—use their limited savings to improve their lives by providing easy access to credit on reasonable terms.

Dr. Quddus joined the USI faculty in 1984. He received his doctoral degree from Vanderbilt University. He is the original author of *The Evansville Factbook*, first published by the USI School of Business in 1992. He developed the book with Extended University Program support funded by a Lilly Endowment grant. *The Factbook* now is updated annually by several USI economists to include the most recent data from primary and secondary sources and provides the most comprehensive, up-to-date statistics available on the greater Evansville economy.

## Senator Fulbright supported cooperation through the Fulbright Exchange program

Through the Fulbright Exchange Program, established in 1946, Senator J. William Fulbright sponsored a program of exchange of students and scholars that would increase the understanding and pursuit of enlightened foreign policies, according to Randall Bennett Woods, professor of history at the University of Arkansas. Since its inception the Fulbright Exchange program has produced more than 150,000 alumni from the United States and 60 other countries. The Fulbright program has offered faculty, professionals, teachers, and students the opportunity to conduct research, teach, or study abroad. The 1996-97 program year marks the 50th anniversary of the Fulbright

program and includes grants to more than 135 countries.

In 1944 James William Fulbright captured an Arkansas senate seat and two years later sponsored legislation creating the international exchange program that bears his name. In the Senate Fulbright served the interests of his state faithfully, laboring in behalf of agriculture and industry, although his real interest was in international affairs. In 1959 Fulbright assumed the chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and served in that capacity until his departure from the Senate in 1975. He died in February, 1995.

## USI retiree gets state award

Dr. M. Victoria Pohl, professor emeritus of mathematics who recently celebrated 25 years with USI, was named the Outstanding Retired Teacher in Indiana at the annual fall meeting of the Indiana Council for Teachers of Mathematics, held in September in Indianapolis. Dr. Pohl has been a member of the ICTM Board for ten years and secretary for five years.

Dr. Pohl is involved with many University and professional organizations and in



Dr. M. Victoria Pohl

1994, was named Indiana Teacher of the Year by the Southwest Indiana Council of Math Teachers. In 1975 she started Math-O-Rama for area high school math students, a program of recreational math problems which was merged in 1993 into the USI section of an annual state math contest sponsored by ICTM. Dr. Pohl also is the author of *How to Enrich Geometry Using String Designs*, which became one of the ICTM's best selling books.

## Worksite wellness program offered in continuing education

Classes in a new certificate program, Health Promotions and Worksite Wellness, will be offered in the spring. The program is designed to initiate efforts to improve health and productivity on the job by helping change lifestyle and behavioral choices. The program has six three-hour classes and a practicum in which an individual or team will create a project demonstrating proficiency in the health promotion and worksite wellness concept.



## School of Education and Human Services receives professional accreditation

USI's School of Education and Human Services has been accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the agency responsible for professional accreditation of teacher education.

Schools seeking NCATE accreditation since the agency's 1989 redesign are

required to meet high standards in areas including quality of faculty and graduates, and program excellence. The accreditation process is on a five-year cycle with the program up for evaluation every five years.

Dr. Robert E. Mays, associate dean of the school, said, "The public wants

school systems it can trust and that extends to the system of teacher education. The new vigorous NCATE standards and reviews promote quality teacher education and also connect teacher education to the K-12 schools and the community."



### USI Foundation chooses *Reflections* for new planned giving society

*Reflections* is the name selected for a new planned giving society established by the USI Foundation to honor alumni and friends of the University of Southern Indiana who create deferred gift or estate plans to benefit the University.

The name was taken from Reflection Lake on campus, meeting Foundation officials' desire for a name which is uniquely USI. Anyone who creates a deferred gift or estate plan between now and December 31, 1997, will be recognized as a *Reflections* charter member.

*Reflections* also is the name of a 12-page planned giving society publication which will be mailed to friends and alumni in January. It explains the kinds of gift plans which are used most frequently as deferred gifts — bequests, life insurance gifts, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, charitable lead trusts, gifts of real estate with life estate agreements, and gifts of personal property.

The *Reflections* society lists three primary objectives:

- To recognize donors who have taken important steps toward developing a gift plan for USI.
- To increase awareness of the personal benefits of charitable gift planning.
- To encourage all alumni and friends to consider a meaningful gift for USI.

Individuals who notify the USI Foundation in writing that they have a gift plan in place for the University will be welcomed as members of *Reflections*. To qualify, these gift plans must specify that the USI Foundation will receive the gift on behalf of the University. A deferred gift provision of any amount, for either an unrestricted gift or one designated for a specific purpose, qualifies an individual for membership. Anonymity is assured, if desired.

*Nestled in the heart of the University campus, Reflection Lake resonates light and life from a single drop of rain, a ray of sunshine, or a skipping stone. Inspired by the impact a solitary gift can make, the USI Foundation selected Reflections as the name for its planned giving society.*

### Current novels and nonfiction sought to establish Popular Reading Collection

Mrs. Bettie G. Engelbrecht, secretary-treasurer of South Central Communications Corporation, public service director of WIKY Radio, long-time USI Foundation director, and a tireless USI supporter, has agreed to chair the Popular Reading Collection, a new initiative to augment the leisure reading reserves at the David L. Rice Library.

The library, hindered by limited funds, has never purchased popular fiction or nonfiction. With the increasing number of students living in campus housing, Martha Niemeier, acting library director, believes "the time has come to provide recreational reading for our students and the entire University family."

Engelbrecht heartily agrees and feels the project is particularly suited to Foundation Board leadership. She said, "I think we can accomplish this with telephone calls, some letters to Board members, and getting the word out to alumni, faculty and staff."

The focus of the drive is to encourage donations of recent, best-seller fiction and nonfiction. "We're not asking people to clean off their bookshelves," Engelbrecht said. "We are looking for current popular reading." In addition to donations of books, people can make cash gifts to the library that will allow the purchase of recreational reading materials.



## USI dean surveys women's issues at world conference

"It was so rich!" is how Nadine Coudret, dean of the School of Nursing and Health Professions, describes the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Forum and the United Nations Conference on Women which she attended in September with over 29,000 women from around the world. Elaborating, she said the richness was found in the variety of peoples and cultures and the myriad topics discussed in the global arena.



Nadine Coudret

"The energy of the women across the countries was impressive. And their concern for women's rights came across as concern for human rights," Dr. Coudret continued. "The status of women became the platform for the status of humanity and how it could be improved. I expected to hear more blaming of men and that was not dominant. The message was that the women must assume a leadership role not just for themselves but for the benefit of mankind. With issues like war and violence, women may be able to make a difference and need not settle for what has been. They can change the future if they are willing to do something."

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Dr. Coudret recognizes that the Platform for Action adopted at the world conference will not be implemented soon. She recalled a conversation at the conference. "A gentleman that I met at the conference from the Middle East, and I didn't get the impression he was a bad man, saw no real reason for his daughters to be educated. In a per-

sonal conversation with him, he said to me, 'They are going to get married.

They will help on the farm. Why would you want to send them to school?' You begin to recognize this narrow sense of understanding is going to take time to change."

Dr. Coudret attended the coinciding conferences as an advisor to the W. K. Kellogg Foundation Fellows, professional men and women who have earned grants to study global issues. She was accompanied by fellow advisor Marta Sotomayor, president and chief executive officer of the National Hispanic Council on Aging of Washington, D.C. and 14 Fellows. The goal of the Kellogg Foundation Fellows aligned with the goal of the conference to explore new interdisciplinary pathways, develop a broader knowledge and experience base, and challenge their own perspectives on topics of national and international concern. The women's conference promoted the empowerment and celebration of women.

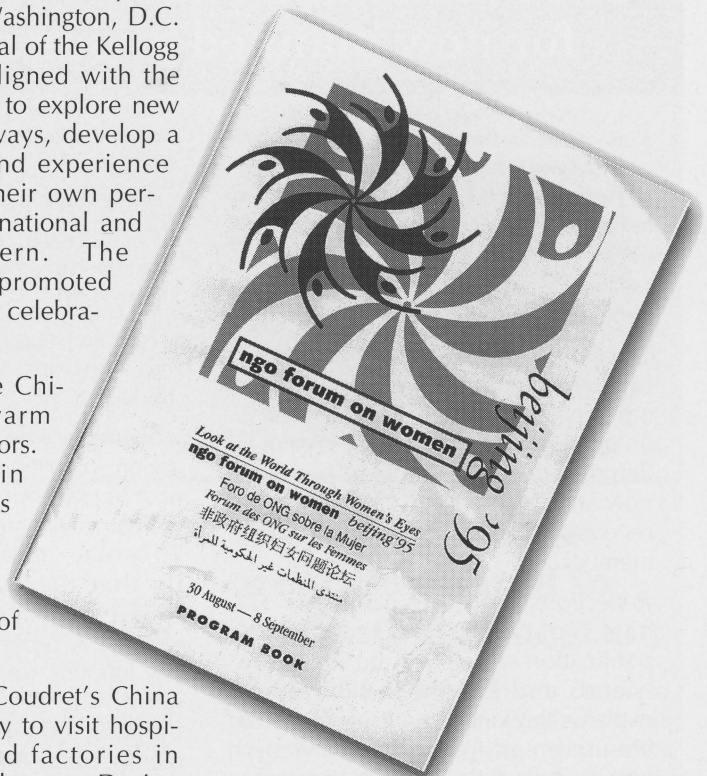
Dr. Coudret found the Chinese people to be warm and welcoming to visitors. Most sessions were in English, with ear phones offering translations available for the guests. It was the largest ever gathering of the world's women.

A side benefit of Dr. Coudret's China trip was the opportunity to visit hospitals, universities, and factories in metropolitan and rural areas. During hospital tours she met health care professionals and was impressed with the physician-nurse work team.

In touring the factories, Dr. Coudret observed that the work conditions for the employees were hazardous. "I know OSHA would shut them down," she said alluding to the strict federal regulations in the United States. "There

is no interest in the workers and their conditions—poor lighting, no ventilation when working with glues and paints, little thought to the physical position of the worker and cramped quarters—though we saw some small movement in that direction."

As an American at a world conference, Dr. Coudret found she was sought out by foreign women with questions about American universities. One wanted to explore possibilities about sharing programs and another wanted information about tenure for faculty. Dr. Coudret explained, "The approach wasn't, we want to do it because America does it, but a real eagerness to understand what is done in America and acknowledgment of that leadership."



The logo of the NGO Forum on Women (seen on the program cover) depicts eight women dancing. Each has her own energy and dynamism. Each one is tied to the other through a common center. All together they generate more energy and power than each of them could generate singly. The logo celebrates women as risk-takers, doers, and active shapers of their own destinies.



## University friends endow Presidential, Foundation scholarships

Evansville friends and USI faculty have endowed five new USI Foundation scholarships and two new Presidential Scholarships in recent months. Three additional substantial contributions have been received to establish scholarships. Included are:

The **Stanley B. and Ruth C. Atkinson Endowed Presidential Scholarship** is the recent gift of Stanley Atkinson, founder and retired president and general manager of Pepsi Cola General Bottlers in Evansville. Presidential Scholarships help attract Indiana valedictorians and salutatorians to USI on full four-year academic scholarships.

The **William F. Bennett Memorial Scholarship** is a memorial tribute to the father of Paul E. Bennett, USI professor emeritus of electrical engineering technology. Bennett and his wife Carolyn established the scholarship to provide recognition of academic excellence to a senior majoring in engineering technology.

The **George Decker Memorial Scholarship** was established by his daughter and son-in-law, Mary Helen and Joseph Theby, to provide financial assistance to single mothers who are majoring in social work and

have real financial need. Mrs. Theby earned a bachelor's degree in Social Work in 1994. Mr. Theby, president of Lensing Wholesale, is a member of the USI Foundation Board of Directors.

The **Roy G. Long Memorial Scholarship** is a memorial tribute to the former Bosse High School teacher and administrator, 1945 to 1972, by his daughter, Barb Long Hochgesang of Cortland, Ohio. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a USI-bound Bosse senior who has at least a 3.0 GPA and plans a career in mathematics, education, or mathematics education.

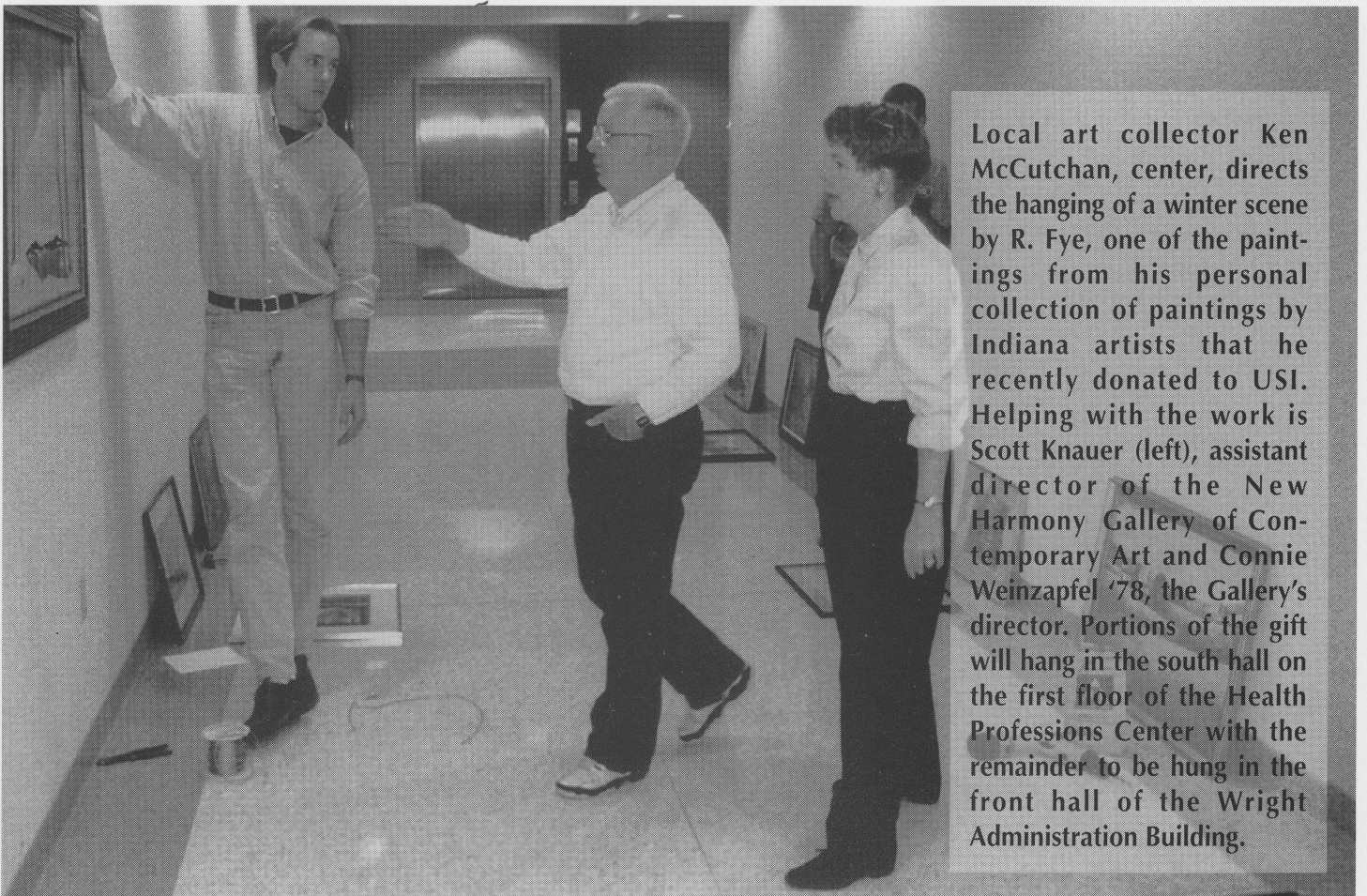
The **NBD Bank - Evansville Region Presidential Scholarship** is a four-year Presidential Scholarship established through the efforts of Jerry N. Crawford, NBD chairman and CEO. Crawford has been a member of the USI Foundation Board of Directors for more than ten years and is Board vice chairman for development.

The **Joseph E. and Marie O'Daniel Endowed Presidential Scholarship** is the gift of USI Trustee O'Daniel and his wife, who have been involved with the University since it was established in 1965. O'Daniel

helped organize the USI Foundation and served as its first chairman. He also is past chairman of Southern Indiana Higher Education, Inc. (SIHE), and has been on the USI Board of Trustees since it was established in 1985. In 1985, he was named national Volunteer of the Year by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

The **Roy W. and Adelaide Daudistel Sanders Scholarship** is an endowed tribute to their parents by Doris J. Sanders Halwes and James A. Sanders. The scholarship will provide full financial assistance for a deserving student with a disability who is advancing successfully toward a college degree. James Sanders is USI director of corporate and foundation relations.

The **E. Harvey and Shirley Seaman Merit Scholarship for Business** is the first merit scholarship endowment specifically created to enhance School of Business efforts to recruit and retain top students, one of Dean Philip Fisher's highest priorities. Harvey Seaman, retired chairman of Product Acceptance & Research (PAR), established the Evansville business more than 35 years ago.



Local art collector Ken McCutchan, center, directs the hanging of a winter scene by R. Fye, one of the paintings from his personal collection of paintings by Indiana artists that he recently donated to USI. Helping with the work is Scott Knauer (left), assistant director of the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art and Connie Weinzapfel '78, the Gallery's director. Portions of the gift will hang in the south hall on the first floor of the Health Professions Center with the remainder to be hung in the front hall of the Wright Administration Building.



# ALUMNI TODAY

## 1970s

**Ken W. Yates '71**, elementary education, is the principal of Elberfeld Elementary School in Elberfeld, Indiana.

**Thomas E. Field '72**, biology, has opened a family medical practice at St. Mary's West Franklin Professional Building in Evansville.

**Chris D. Melton '72**, marketing, is senior vice president with American National Bank in Vincennes, Indiana.

**Robert Swan '72**, accounting, has been elected a senior member at Kemper CPA Group which makes him a member of the accounting firm's five-member executive committee. He will continue as member-in-charge of the company's Evansville office.

**Jack L. VanWey '72**, marketing, is a business consultant for North America Business Consultants, Inc., in Worthington, Ohio.

**Bill Blackard '74**, business, has been named vice president of business development for Jack Frost, Inc., in Evansville.

**Betty McClarney Schmitt '74**, English, is the manager of St. Mary's Medical Center Hospitality House in Evansville.

**Dave Williamson '74**, elementary education, successfully defended his title at the Journal Review Golf Championships in Crawfordsville, Indiana. **Stan Covey '74**, elementary education, came in second in that same golf tournament. He is a teacher and coach for the North Montgomery School Corporation in Linden, Indiana.

**Michael S. Eickhoff '75**, finance, is a postal inspector for the U.S. Postal Service in Evansville.

**Stephen Ulrich '75**, elementary education, is the pastor at St. Edward Church in Fulton, Sacred Heart in Hickman, and St. Jude in Clinton, Kentucky.

**Robert G. Cunningham '76**, elementary education, is an associate chaplain for Baptist Hospital East in Louisville, Kentucky.

**Mary Pigman '77**, pre-medical technology program, is a medical technologist for GFI Pharmaceutical Services, Inc., in Evansville.

**Carolyn Klassy '79**, psychology, is a loan processor for Southwestern Indiana Land Title, Inc., in Evansville.

## 1980s

**Michael A. Elliott '80**, accounting, is a manager with Geo. S. Olive and Co. in Evansville.



**Carol Rowden Riffert '80**, communications, has been named vice president/general manager of FirstCom Music in Dallas, Texas. She will continue to oversee the radio division sales and marketing team.

**Christopher A. Kiefer '82**, psychology, is an agent for Schultheis Insurance in Mt. Vernon, Indiana.

**Carl K. Vincent '82**, sociology, is a route sales associate for Frito Lay in Evansville.

**Jesse James '83**, mechanical engineering technology, works for Ultra Plastics Equipment in Chesterfield, Missouri.

**Lisa R. Foster '84**, finance, has been named president of Centurion Federal Credit Union in Evansville.

**Gary Hartig '84**, electrical engineering technology, is manager of the West (Mt. Vernon) and North (Fort Branch) Districts of SIGECO in Evansville.

**Dave Papariella '84**, accounting, was elected secretary of the Southern Indiana Chapter of the Indiana CPA Society.

**Mary Reibel Smith '85**, computer information systems, works in accounting for Fine and Hatfield in Evansville.

**Julie Mitchell Stedeford '85**, dental hygiene, is a dental hygienist for John R. Sisk in New Albany, Indiana.

**Adam W. Hall '86**, accounting, has been promoted to human resource representative with The Evansville Courier Company.

**Joseph E. Lake '86**, business administration, is the human resource manager for Ashland Petroleum Company in St. Paul Park, Minnesota.

**Thomas K. Spindler '86**, biology, is a physician assistant at the Kokomo Rehabilitation Hospital in Kokomo, Indiana.

**Sherry Schneider Meeks '87**, math, is the disaster recovery coordinator for Daughters of Charity Regional Information Services in Evansville.

**Michael B. Carroll '88**, accounting, is a manager for Geo. S. Olive and Co. in Evansville.

**Rebecca Feldman Deener '88**, computer information systems, is a senior computer systems engineer at Alcoa in Newburgh, Indiana.

**Dennis R. Guthery '88**, accounting, is the controller for First National Mortgage Co., Inc., in Evansville.

**Deborah S. Long '88**, elementary education, is a lead teacher in the child-development center at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

**Michael J. Meeks '88**, accounting, is an accountant for Bristol-Myers Squibb in Evansville.

**Robert D. Stone '88**, accounting, has been promoted to assistant secretary and manager of the accounting department at Permanent Federal Savings Bank in Evansville.

**Debbie Pelkey Bennett '89**, elementary education, is the assistant manager for Deaconess Child Care Center in Evansville.

**Gregory S. Black '89**, business administration, is an optometry student at Indiana University.

**Kathryn Boes '89**, communications, is manager of regional sales for Burlington Northern Railroad in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

**Patricia Jackson '89**, communications, has been promoted to human resources officer at CNB Bancshares, Inc., in Evansville.

**Troy L. Mann '89**, management, is a technical assistant associate for Ameritech in St. Louis, Missouri.

**Michael D. McGavic '89**, biology, is a doctor of podiatric medicine with Coast Plaza Doctors Hospital in Norwalk, California.

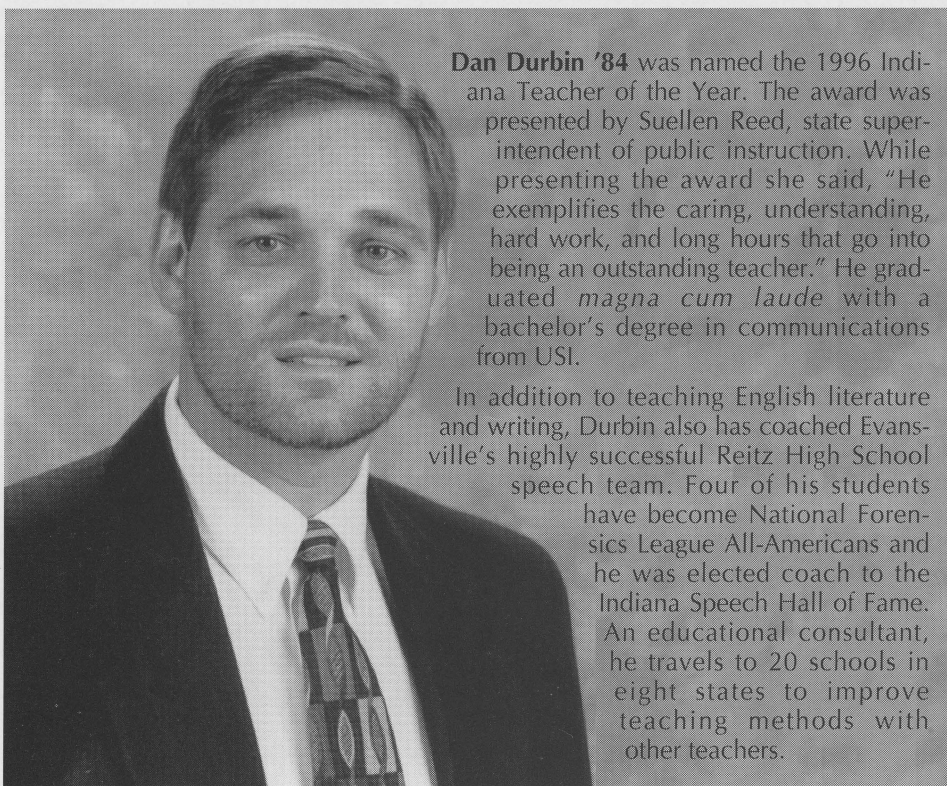
**Edwin L. Sellers '89**, social work, is the president of Preventative Measures Plus, Inc., in Washington, Indiana.

## 1990s

**Stanton M. Angermeier '90**, biology, graduated in May from Indiana University School of Medicine and is in his first year of residency in internal medicine at St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis.

**Jamie Brauser '90**, communications, is the marketing and sales director with United Fidelity Bank in Evansville.

**James L. Grobleben '90**, accounting, is a financial analyst with Cogen Technologies in Houston, Texas.



**Dan Durbin '84** was named the 1996 Indiana Teacher of the Year. The award was presented by Suellen Reed, state superintendent of public instruction. While presenting the award she said, "He exemplifies the caring, understanding, hard work, and long hours that go into being an outstanding teacher." He graduated *magna cum laude* with a bachelor's degree in communications from USI.

In addition to teaching English literature and writing, Durbin also has coached Evansville's highly successful Reitz High School speech team. Four of his students have become National Forensics League All-Americans and he was elected coach to the Indiana Speech Hall of Fame. An educational consultant, he travels to 20 schools in eight states to improve teaching methods with other teachers.



**Melanie Douglas Krueger '90**, social work, is a therapist at Southern Hills Counseling Center in Jasper, Indiana.

**Julie Shoulders Martin '90**, business administration, is an accounting clerk for Hamilton Glass Products in Vincennes, Indiana.

**Lois Young '90**, social science, recently received a Master of Public Affairs in Non-profit Management from IUPUI in Indianapolis.

**Jennifer Damm Hertel '91**, communications, is a customer service representative for Bristol-Myers Squibb in Evansville.

**Mark Jackson '91**, business administration, is a senior analyst with St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

**Angela Montgomery Schwenk '91**, communications, is the customer service supervisor for Society National Bank of Indiana in South Bend.

**Stacey Shourd '91**, business administration, has been promoted to human resource manager with Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union.

**Jim Broadhead '92**, finance, is an agent for Farm Bureau Insurance in Evansville.

**Candace C. Conley '92**, communications, is a marketing and sales representative for Gabe's Oil, Inc., in Evansville.

**Dana Fulk Heldt '92**, elementary education, teaches math and science at Francisco Elementary School in Francisco, Indiana.

**Jenny Krapf '92**, business administration, is an account manager for One Call Communications, Inc., in Evansville.

**J. Edward Wicht '92**, economics, is an attorney with the law firm of Bowers, Harrison, Kent and Miller in Evansville.

**Jason Ashworth '93**, sociology, is a deputy with the Vanderburgh County Sheriff Department.

**James W. Cullison '93**, accounting, is an internal auditor for Kimball International in Jasper, Indiana.

**Tony Dillon '93**, business administration, has been promoted to assistant vice president with Old National Bank in Evansville.

**Cathy Schapker Dyson '93**, elementary education, is a second grade teacher at St. Wendel near Evansville.

**Kimberly R. Garrett '93**, physical education, is a firefighter with the Evansville Fire Department.

**Thomas E. Herron '93**, political science, is an instructor for Minact, Inc., at the Earle C. Clements Job Corp Center in Morganfield, Kentucky.

**Stacy Fulkerson Kappner '93**, elementary education, teaches kindergarten at Crestview Elementary in Huntingburg, Indiana.

**D. Blake Krueger '93**, business education, is a public accountant for Krueger and Associates in Jasper, Indiana.

**Pamela Ray McGavic '93**, physical education, is an aerobic coordinator/personal trainer at the Huntington Harbour Athletic Club in Huntington Beach, California.

**Lora C. Mehne '93**, business administration, is a quality assurance specialist for American General Finance in Evansville.

**Mark Miller '93**, sociology, recently opened a computer sales/service/training business called PC Quest in Evansville.

**David E. Rames '93**, marketing, is the marketing operations manager at Mr. Rooter Plumbing Company in Evansville.

**Robert A. Whitehead '93**, math, teaches pre-algebra and physics and is the assistant basketball coach at Houston County High School in Tennessee.

**Ken Deeg '94**, mechanical engineering technology, is a design engineer for Alfab Metals Corporation in Evansville.

**Jim Godsey '94**, business administration, is a member of the financial advisory staff for Payne Investment Counsel, Inc., in Evansville.

**Louetta Goodman '94**, nursing, is the supervisor of the Boonville, Indiana office of St. Mary's At Home.

**Matthew Hurt '94**, elementary education, is a financial assistance counselor at Ivy Tech State College in Evansville.

**Todd Joyner '94**, biology, is a medical technologist for St. Joseph's Hospital in Huntingburg, Indiana.

**Angela Kleaving '94**, communications, is a reporter for WEVV-FOX TV in Evansville.

**Jerrilee LaMar '94**, nursing, has been named nursing instructor at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.



**Rachael Wilhite Majors '94**, communications, has been promoted to public relations assistant account manager for Keller Crescent Co. in Evansville.

**Timothy G. Merrick '94**, business administration, is a systems analyst for St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

**Theresa S. Anslinger '95**, nursing, is a registered nurse for Welborn Baptist Hospital in Evansville.

**Sherri Arhelger '95**, elementary education, works in the accounting department at Replas, Inc., in Evansville.

**Daniel K. Beane '95**, certificate in professional accountancy, is the accounting department manager at Colonial Home and Garden Centers in Evansville.

**Carlin Beckman '95**, post-baccalaureate certificate in accountancy, is an accountant for Gaither Rutherford and Co. in Evansville.

**Terri S. Gilham '95**, accounting, is an inventory control specialist with GE Plastics in Mt. Vernon, Indiana.

**Brian K. Hankins '95**, accounting, is a junior accountant with Parmet, Chapman, and Key in Bellaire, Texas.

**Patricia Hoadley '95**, nursing, is a staff nurse at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

**Sherry L. Knies '95**, elementary education, teaches in the gifted and talented program with the Greater Jasper Consolidated School Corporation in Jasper, Indiana.

**Catherine Martin '95**, communications, is a marketing coordinator for GFI Pharmaceutical Services, Inc., in Evansville.

**Peggy D. Moeller '95**, social work, is the developmental director for the United Methodist Youth Home in Evansville.

**Amy R. Preske '95**, communications, is a media assistant for Marketing and Media Works! in Evansville.

**Mark A. Schlachter '95**, business administration, is a customer service coordinator for Kimball International in Jasper, Indiana.

**Alex W. Smith '95**, business administration, works in sales for the Blessing Company in Evansville.

**Marc L. Timberman '95**, accounting, is a state examiner for the Indiana State Board of Accounts in Valparaiso.

## Job Hotline produces hot results

The Job Hotline for USI graduates delivers on its promise of offering weekly updates of new positions open, and USI graduate Sheila Knepp couldn't be happier. A 1995 graduate, Knepp is a staff accountant with C-1 Professional Training Center in Indianapolis, thanks to the hotline.

Sheila heard about the hotline from mailings provided by Career Services and Placement and decided to call. She wrote down two job opportunities during the first call and sent a resume to each listing. The following week Sheila repeated the process, mailing out more resumes and on the Wednesday of that week got an interview from one of the sources. In less than ten days she had a job with C-1. She finished degree requirements in August and moved to Indianapolis and began her accounting career.

"This fairy-tale ending is being repeated for other hotline participants," said Tracy Powers, assistant director of USI's Career Services and Placement. Over 2,985 calls were made to the hotline in a three-month period. "We are getting responses from employers in cities like Davenport, Iowa and Kingman, Arizona. We encourage you to call often, so you don't miss your ideal job listing."

The access number for the Hotline is available by calling Career Services and Placement at 812/464-1865.



## Marriages

**Teresa Atkinson '82**, dental hygiene, and Anthony Tenhumberg

**Mark K. Cheek '83**, management, and Paula M. Meyer

**Jeffrey D. Kamman '83**, electrical engineering technology, and **Donna G. Hipp '82**, political science

**Lisa Welte '83**, biology, and William Sbai

**Christine A. Bohnert '84**, elementary education, and Mike Hinkle

**Mary A. Weidner '86**, business administration, and Eugene W. Rosek

**Karla Rothrock '88**, social science, and **Patrick Bengert '90**, social science

**Kimberly A. Stone '88**, marketing, and Travis Smith

**Julie Beckwith '89**, dental hygiene, and Matt Merkel

**Karen M. Hicks '90**, psychology, and Eric F. McDonald

**Eric J. Postlethweight '90**, marketing/management, and Kerri A. Nelligan

**Jennifer S. Damm '91**, communications, and Michael L. Hertel

**Angela Montgomery '91**, communications, and Robert Schwenk

**Kevin T. Pendley '91**, accounting, and Tricia Hollander

**Penny J. Schlimmer '92**, social work, and Kevin Titzer

**Douglas Schneider '92**, political science, and **Jennifer Wannemueller '93**, dental hygiene

**Jacqueline Arvin '93**, nursing, and Scott Fehd

**Jeff Duvall '93**, elementary education, and Amy Hope

**Duane Goedde '93**, accounting, and Angela Effinger

**Cathy A. Schapker '93**, elementary education, and Michael A. Dyson

**Amy L. Doan '94**, early childhood education, and James A. Duncan

**Sondra Leslie '94**, elementary education, and Shawn Wies

**Thomas J. Moore '94**, business administration, and Keri Ann Jones

**Leslie G. Moreland '94**, business administration, and David S. Carmack

**Kristen A. Oates '94**, elementary education, and Eric J. Girten

**Traci Rogers '94**, communications, and **Scott Maze '95**, communications

**Jason R. Evans '95**, business administration, and Amie K. Storms

**Brian Fossmeier '95**, science, and Stacie Heil

**Kelly Gish '95**, elementary education, and David Kell

**Lisa Higginbottom '95**, nursing, and Scott Wilson

**Jena Knopfmeier '95**, elementary education, and Shane Wessel

**Michelle Lowry '95**, business administration, and Jody Whitler

**Sherri Puttman '95**, elementary education, and Bryan Fleming

**Melanie Schemel '95**, elementary education, and Jerry Blanton

**David R. Slaubaugh '95**, communications, and Carrie A. Eggleston

**Kathryn M. Vandever '95**, dental assisting, and Rodney R. Summers

**Melissa A. Wright '95**, communications, and John L. Cowlin II

## Births

**John Humpert '84**, communications, and wife, Brigitte, daughter, Elena

**Wes Wilmes '86**, accounting, and wife, **Jody Wilmes '95**, elementary education, son, Grant Gerard

**Sherry Schneider Meeks '87**, math, and husband, **Michael J. Meeks '88**, accounting, son, Mitchell Jess

**Lisa Bullock Pruitt '87**, elementary education, and husband, Michael, daughter, M'Lea Nicole

**Dee Tomlinson Angermeier '89**, social work, and husband, **Roger Angermeier '88**, communications, son, David George

**Debbie Pelkey Bennett '89**, elementary education, and husband, **Scott Bennett '91**, accounting, son, Tyler Scott

**April Mitchell '89**, communications, and husband, Mike, twin sons, Bailey and Brodie

**Carol Dunkel Smith '89**, communications, and husband, **Glenn A. Smith '90**, accounting, daughter, Jenna

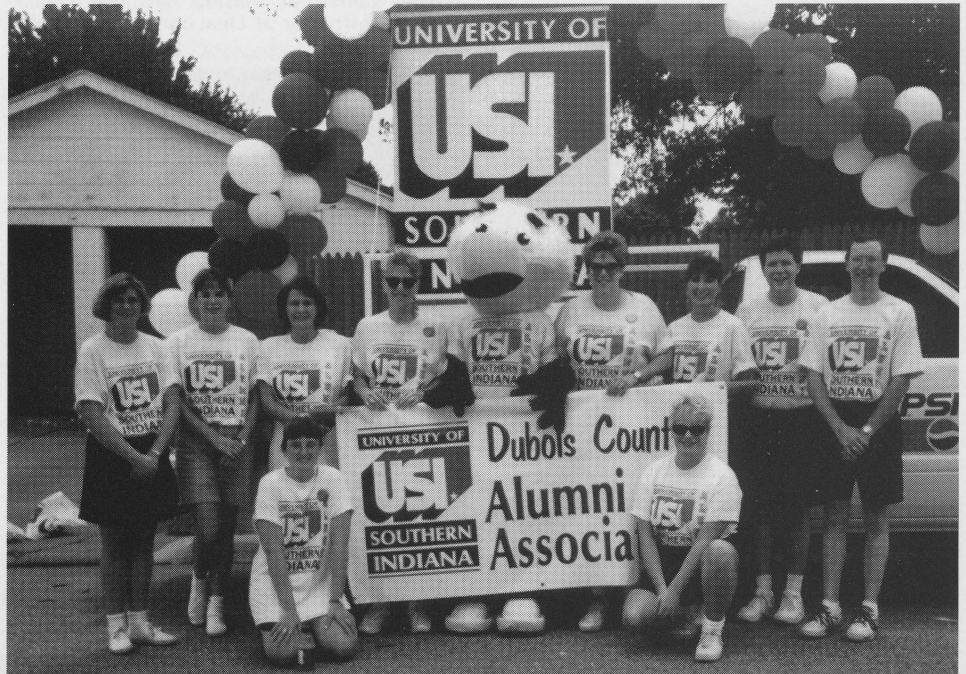
**Paula Byassee Harmon '90**, English, and husband, Daren, daughter, Madalyn Rae

**Valerie Vincent Tilmon '90**, elementary education, and husband, Jon, son, Jacob Charles

**Michelle Boyd Webb '90**, marketing, and husband, Michael, son, Malin Wayne

**Michelle Seibert Motz '91**, accounting, and husband, Dennis, son, Daniel Ray

**Kimberly Merritt Julian '92**, accounting, and husband, John, son, Jordan Damien



The Dubois County Chapter of the USI Alumni Association marched in the Strassenfest Parade in Jasper, Indiana. Those participating are (from left, kneeling) Andrea Persohn, and Kelli Recker '92; (standing) Tracy Burke '92, Leigh Lambert-Neu '93; Jennifer Abell '91, Brenda Obermeier '93 with Archibald Eagle (husband Tim Obermeier), Connie Lueken '91, Karla Rahman '93, Mark Messmer '93, and Mike Betz '90.

## Come to Campus for Alumni Events

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Bring your family to our campus holiday Tree-Lighting at 4 p.m. in the Orr Center

February 10

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June 21-22

### Class of 1971 Twenty-Fifth Reunion

For information and reservations, please call the Alumni Affairs Office (812)464-1924. Watch for your invitation in the mail!



## A "Champ" ion

James T. "Champ" Douglas had the distinction of being the first of the clerical/support staff to join the ranks of 25-year veterans at USI. For him, the "good old days" came when Wayne Boultinghouse coached the basketball Eagles and Douglas not only volunteered his time during home games, but accompanied the team on the road as a "member" of the coaching staff.

Long-time fans will remember the drum he brought to the games for many years to provide a little emphasis for fan reaction. He said he hasn't used the drum in a couple of years, because a "misunderstanding" developed among game officials. Even without the drum, he still is a familiar face at Eagles' home games.

Dr. Donald Bennett, retired athletics director, said he frequently sought Douglas' opinion in hiring coaches because Douglas "always had them pegged."

Douglas started as a custodial worker in the Science and Administration buildings, then worked at the library prior to being assigned to the Central Arena in downtown Evansville in 1976 as the sole housekeeping employee for the former basketball facility. He was back on campus with the opening of the Physical Activities Center in 1980.

## USI history unfolds in documentary

A television documentary, *University of Southern Indiana: By the People, for the People*, served as the centerpiece of the University's 30th anniversary this year. Nancy Johnson '83 director of Alumni Affairs, produced the documentary with the cooperation of WNIN-TV9. It detailed Evansville's need for public higher education after economic diversities in the fifties and sixties, the outstanding community support

for the campus, the efforts for separation, achievement of the legislative reality to establish USI, the development of the campus since 1985, and future plans for the campus. Graduates Ann Komis '76 and Dean Webster '83 narrated the show and Karen Bonnell '80, assistant professor of communications, provided technical advice. Copies are available through the Alumni Affairs Office on campus.

### We want to hear from YOU!

Do you have professional news about yourself or other alumni to share with fellow graduates? Have you moved? Do you have a suggestion for a story? Use this space to let us know! If you have been quoted in a newspaper article, send us a copy. We want to hear from YOU.

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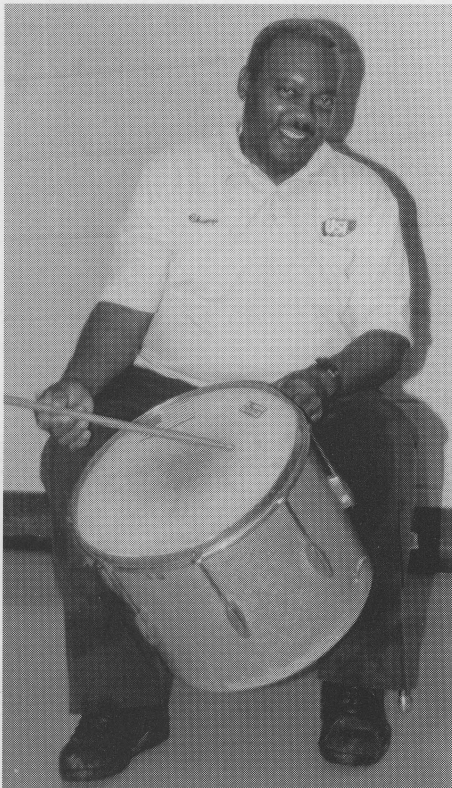
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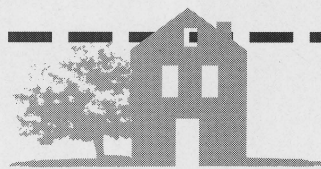
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We value your comments via mail (Alumni Affairs Office, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, Indiana 47712), phone (812/464-1924), fax (812/464-1956), or through E-mail on the Internet (MBURCH.UCS@SMTP.USI.EDU).



James T. "Champ" Douglas



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Christmas gift giving can be made easy with a gift certificate to The New Harmony Theatre's 1996 season. The New Harmony Box Office can help you make all arrangements. The 1996 season includes four plays: *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, June 14 - July 6; *Scotland Road*, July 12 - July 27; *The Mystery of Irma Vep*, August 2 - August 24; and *A Moon for the Misbegotten*, August 30 - September 14. The New Harmony Theatre is produced at Murphy Auditorium in New Harmony, Indiana.

Jay Raphael of New York City will be the guest artistic director for the 1996 season. You can take advantage of 25 percent savings on a season ticket at \$42. This is a limited holiday offer that ends December 22. Call 812/682-3115 for tickets and information.



# Defending the crown

by Ray Simmons, *Sports Information Director*

The 1995-96 men's basketball season will mark another first; the Eagles will be defending the University's first national championship.

Last year's season can only be described as "incredible." Despite finishing third in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, the Screaming Eagles rolled into the NCAA II Tournament like a juggernaut.

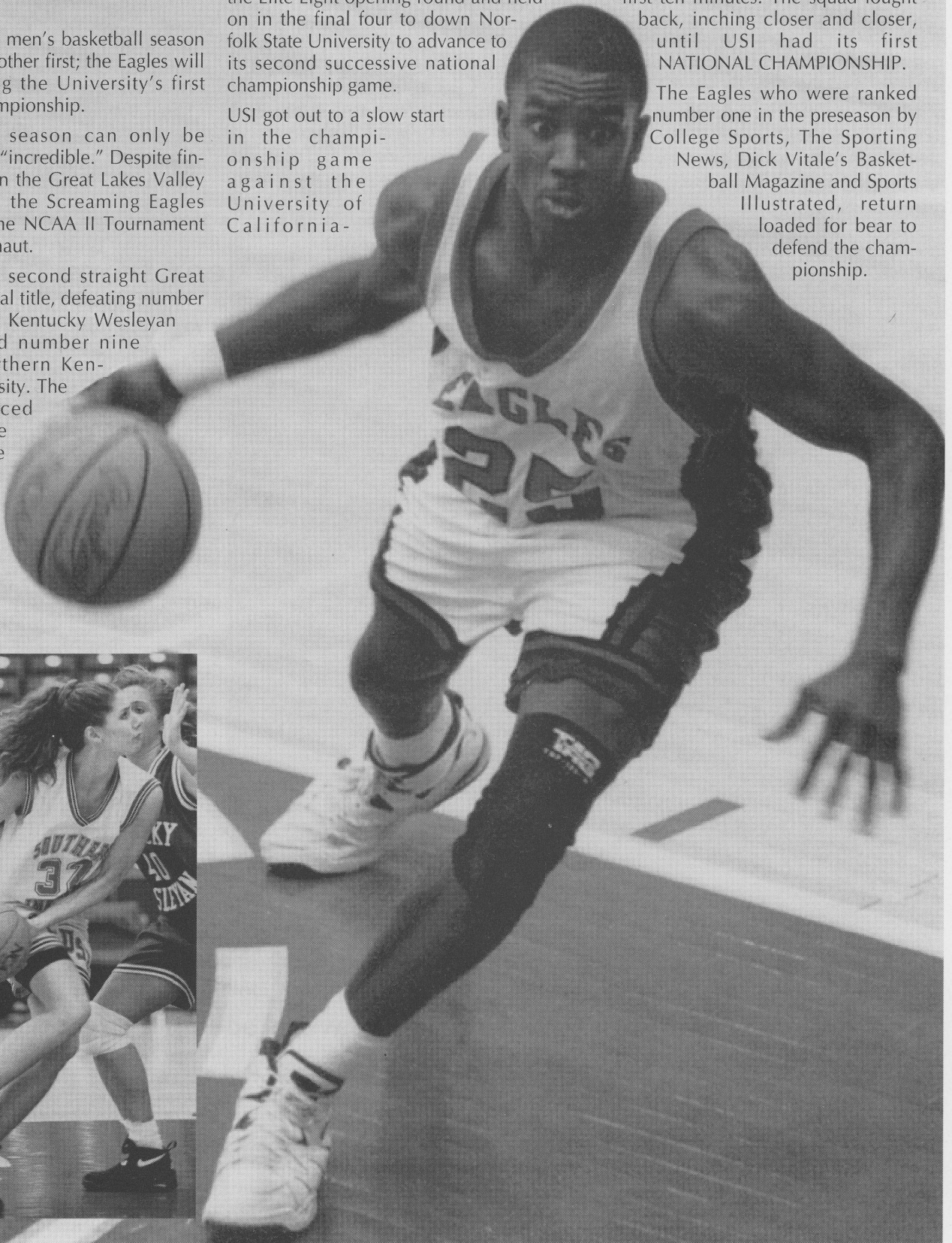
USI won its second straight Great Lakes Regional title, defeating number three ranked Kentucky Wesleyan College and number nine ranked Northern Kentucky University. The title advanced USI to the NCAA II Elite Eight for a second consecutive season.

USI defeated New Hampshire College in the Elite Eight opening round and held on in the final four to down Norfolk State University to advance to its second successive national championship game.

USI got out to a slow start in the championship game against the University of California-

Riverside, trailing by 22 points in the first ten minutes. The squad fought back, inching closer and closer, until USI had its first NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Eagles who were ranked number one in the preseason by College Sports, The Sporting News, Dick Vitale's Basketball Magazine and Sports Illustrated, return loaded for bear to defend the championship.





## Lady Eagles look to national title

by Ray Simmons, *Sports Information Director*

In 1995-96, the Lady Screaming Eagles hope to reach the national spotlight.

Last year they had the best season in school history, setting a school record for wins (22), winning their first Great Lakes Valley Conference championship, and making their first trip to the NCAA Division II Tournament. The squad also broke 13 individual records.

The accomplishments of last season are the reward for the work Head Coach Chancellor Dugan has applied since her arrival in 1991. "We are looking forward to this year more than any other," said Dugan. "We have a great challenge to repeat as conference champions."

Returning to lead the Lady Eagles is the 1995 College Sports magazine NCAA II Player of the Year, LeAnn Freeland (Sims, Ill.), a junior forward. Freeland, also GLVC

Player of the Year, led the league in scoring, blocked shots, and field goal percentage, setting single season and game records in the first two categories. USI's second women's basketball player to be named Kodak/WBCA All-American, Freeland also finished second in rebounding. This Fall, Freeland was named the College Sports' Preseason Player of the Year and Preseason All-American.

GLVC Newcomer of the Year Eileen Weber (Washington, Ind.), a sophomore, will join Freeland in the frontcourt. Weber was named to the second team All-GLVC.

Joining Freeland and Weber in the frontcourt is senior forward Curita Bonner (DeKalb, Ill.). Bonner, who made the switch from junior college guard to a USI forward last year, became a defensive and rebounding force on the inside.

Showing versatility as a forward and a guard last year, 5-11 senior Deb Pope

(Maroa, Ill.) will be back as a utility player. Pope led the nation in three point field goal percentage, hitting 50.7 percent (74/146) from beyond the arc.

"The experience of making the tournament has given the returning players confidence and their leadership will be invaluable. Our goal is to return to the tournament and advance to the Elite Eight."

Senior guard Daria Weitekamp (Sullivan, Ind.), who led the team in assists last year, will be joined by senior guard Stacey Roby (Owensboro, Ky.) and sophomore guard Randa Gatling (Evansville, Ind.). Gatling was redshirted as a freshman. Roby joined the team late last season.

Dugan adds four newcomers to the roster. The Lady Eagles welcome two freshman centers in 6-0 Nicole Coomes (Richland, Ind.) and 6-0 Angi Lintker (Venedy, Ill.). The freshman guards are 5-10 Adrienne Seitz (Otwell, Ind.) and 5-6 Christen Miller (Mitchell, Ind.).

### *Defending the crown, continued from p.13*

Directing the squad is Head Coach Bruce Pearl, who was named the NABC Division II Coach of the Year in 1995. Pearl leads college basketball in winning percentage with an .840 (79-15) in three seasons and ranks second at USI in career wins. He needs just 32 victories to become USI's all-time leader in wins in just four seasons.

"Having never won a national championship before, I've never been faced with having to defend one, but I'm excited about the challenge," said Pearl.

Pearl returns four starters and seven reserves. Pearl said, "We are talented and deep at every position and we are an experienced team. How well the returning players and newcomers work together will determine the outcome of the season."

Leading the way is the NABC Division II Player of the Year senior forward Stan Gouard (Danville, Ill.). The first team All-American is a preseason All-America candidate who set the USI single season record for points (623) and steals (66) last season.

Gouard was named 1995 preseason Player of the Year by Dick Vitale's Basketball Magazine and The Sporting News.

Joining Gouard in the front court will be the NCAA II Great Lakes Regional Most Outstanding Player and Elite Eight All-Tournament performer Chad Gilbert (Charlestown, Ind.), a 6-8 senior forward. Gilbert, named preseason All-American by Dick Vitale's Basketball Magazine and The Sporting News, came into his own in the NCAA Tournament.

Returning for their senior seasons in the frontcourt are 6-5 forward Scott Boyden (Evansville, Ind.) and 6-8 forward Neil Coyle (Campbellsburg, Ind.).

Off the bench in the frontcourt, the Eagles will return 6-5 junior forward Joel Thomas (Evansville, Ind.), 6-6 sophomore forward Tim Tooley (Huntingburg, Ind.), and 6-5 sophomore forward Ken Troutman (Boonville, Ind.). Junior forward Scott Taylor (East Moline, Ill.) and sophomore Grant Childers (Newburgh, Ind.), redshirted last year, will join the roster.

Returning to start in the backcourt is 6-2 junior guard Marc Hostetter (Lyons, Ind.). Hostetter, a point guard, filled the shoes of All-American Tyrone Tate quite well in 1994-95.

Joining Hostetter in the backcourt off the bench is 6-1 senior guard Larry Eady and 6-2 junior guard Shawn Aldridge.

The Eagles have picked up two pure post players in 6-8 junior center Brad Chap-

man, a transfer from Vincennes University, and 6-10 junior center Jason Dominick, a transfer from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.

New to the team in the frontcourt are freshmen Tyrus Shaffer (Indianapolis, Ind.), a forward, and Andy Swan (Evansville, Ind.), a center.

Chris Brand (Bloomington, Ind.) is transferring from the University of Tennessee and Johnny Moore is arriving from Eastern Illinois University. Entering USI as freshmen guards are Ryan Kelley and Ryan Luce.

The path to a second national championship leads through the GLVC. The league, which as always features tough conference rivals such as Kentucky Wesleyan College and Northern Kentucky University, will be even stiffer competition for the Eagles in 1995-96 with the addition of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and Quincy University. Northern Kentucky University was ranked as high as number five in the preseason polls.

"We play in the toughest conference in all of Division II basketball which was well documented with three top-ten teams in the (Great Lakes) regional. It will not be easy to get back to Louisville," said Pearl.



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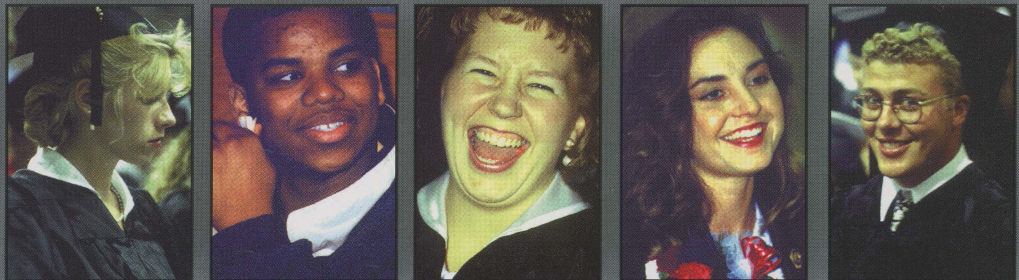
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