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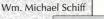
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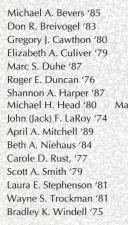
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Alumni Council Modifies Mission

Dear Alumni and Friends,

In July, the Alumni Council voted to modify the mission of the USI Alumni Association and the Office of Alumni Affairs, increasing the emphasis on alumni cultivation activities and events, and transferring fund raising responsibilities to Development Office.

We are encouraging alumni to direct their financial support to the new USI Annual Fund which solicits unrestricted funds for University priorities. The University relies on this type of private support for equipment, faculty stipends and research, scholarships, and much more. With the present cuts in state funding, unrestricted gifts have become a necessity.

The Office of Development, which is responsible for coordinating all University fund raising, will organize and coordinate the new USI Annual Fund. Donations to the Annual Fund will be deposited into the USI Foundation general operating fund.

The USI Foundation has agreed to provide an annual allocation to support USI Alumni Association sponsored programs and activities. To continue alumni involvement and interest, Foundation committees will have alumni representation. If you have any questions or comments, please call or write Nancy Johnson, Director of Alumni Affairs, 812/464-1924, or Jean Brubeck Stayman, Coordinator of Annual Giving, 812/464-1918.

Sincerely,

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Deidra R. Conner '87 President

Matthew Graham, left, and Eric Braysmith review slides for *Fragile Harmony*, a creative effort that combines Graham's poetry and Braysmith's photography into a special exhibition about the places and feelings of people in southern Indiana. The project, funded by the Extended University Project, is explained on page 3.



Governor Bayh Makes Trustee Appointments

Governor Evan Bayh has reappointed Bruce H. Baker of Boonville to a four-year term on the USI Board of Trustees. He also has appointed two new trustees to fill vacancies on the nine-member board. Cannelton resident J. David



J. David Huber

Huber will serve a four-year term and USI senior Kristel Swan will serve a two-year term. Huber replaces George Weathersby, whose term expired June 30 and who moved from the State. Swan replaces Brad Schepers '91, whose term also expired June 30.



Baker first joined the Board in October 1989 when he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Robert J. Fair. He has been actively involved with the University through the Varsity Club and the USI Foundation Board,

Kristel Swan

where he and his wife Carol are directors. A health care consultant, Baker formerly owned Newburgh Health Care and was in the insurance business in Warrick County.

An attorney in the Tell City firm of Zoercher, Huber, and McEntarfer, Huber formerly served as Perry Circuit Judge before entering private practice. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard School of Law. Huber also serves on the Board of Overseers of St. Meinrad Seminary and is a director of the Tell City National Bank.

Swan is majoring in marketing while also seeking an associate degree in computer information systems. She is an AMIGO orientation leader and has been vice president of Delta Zeta sorority and a senator in the Student Government Association. A 1988 graduate of Princeton Community High School, she is the daughter of Edward and Shirley Swan and the niece of Robert Swan '72, who was appointed to the Board of Trustees earlier this year.

Health Professions Building Receives Legislative and Commission Approvals

The 1991 Indiana General Assembly and the Indiana Commission for Higher Education have given approvals for USI to proceed with plans for a \$14.5 million Health Professions Building. The legislature approved bonding authorization for the building, which will provide badly needed space for nursing and health professions programs. Classes for many of these programs now are taught in space rented from Deaconess Hospital in downtown Evansville. Approval is needed from the State Budget Committee, and USI officials are optimistic the project will be on the Committee's fall agenda.

Commission for Higher Education Approves New Programs

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education has approved a new baccalaureate program in occupational therapy and master's degree programs in social work and psychology. The Bachelor of Science degree in occupational therapy and the Master of Social Work degree both are in high demand and currently offered only in central Indiana. All of the programs are in the University's development plan for implementation during the 1991-93 biennium.

Gifts from Evansville Hospitals Accelerate USI's Occupational Therapy Program

Thanks to the cooperative efforts of Evansville's four hospitals, a baccalaureate program in occupational therapy will be started at USI during this academic year. The program was approved by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education in May, but there was no special appropriation to begin the new program.

Area hospitals -- Deaconess Hospital, St. Mary's Medical Center, Tri-State Regional Rehabilitation Hospital, and Welborn Baptist Hospital -- have collectively contributed \$55,000 to help USI begin the occupational therapy program. A director is being recruited to oversee curriculum development, student selection, and faculty recruitment. The first class, estimated at about 12 students, will begin classes in summer 1992.

Dr. Nadine Coudret, dean of the USI School of Nursing and Health Professions, lauded the hospitals for their generous support, saying it is an excellent example of public/private partnership to meet health care and education needs.

Tom Kramer, president of Deaconess Hospital, said that "statistics and experiences at Deaconess clearly indicate that there continues to be an alarming shortage of health care personnel in many critical areas, with occupational therapy being just one example. Long-term solutions to these shortages will require even more collaborative efforts between health care providers and educational institutions," Kramer said.

The national vacancy rate for occupational therapists is 13.6 percent. In Indiana, the rate is 16.1 percent. Indiana's higher rates are related to the fact that the state has had only one bachelor's program for occupational therapy, offered in Indianapolis.

"The need is here," said Janet Raisor, Welborn Hospital's assistant director of physical medicine, who also serves as chair of the Indiana Occupational Therapy Council on Education. She also underscored the value of the wide range of clinical facilities which will be available to students training in Evansville. Marjorie Soyugenc, president of Welborn, said she is "really pleased that USI is starting this program which will enhance the skill levels and professional staff available to us locally."

Locally trained therapists are especially important to the Tri-State Regional Rehabilitation Hospital, which provides specialized rehabilitation services. Jerry Vozel, chief executive officer, said, "There is a shortage and need for occupational therapy as well as other therapists. As a free-standing rehabilitation hospital, we depend heavily on occupational therapists to provide the services needed to help our patients function independently again."St. Mary's president and chief executive officer Douglas D. French commented, "St Mary's is proud to be a key player in the development of USI's occupational therapy program. We pledge our continued support as the program gets underway."



The Atheneum from Fragile Harmony

Twenty grants have been awarded to USI faculty members through the Extended University Program, a threeyear project funded by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. that began in 1989.

The proposals encompass many disciplines. A sampling shows establishment of an electronic bulletin board at USI that played host to an Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation Telecommunication Project, organization of a business operation simulation and assistance center, and *Fragile Harmony*, a compilation of photography and text that documents and interprets the people and places of southern Indiana; it is being developed into exhibits for museums and galleries and a book.

Dr. Charles Price, professor of science education, developed the Electronic School, with a computer at USI serving as the host for the message board. Apple Computer, Inc., provided the computer. Middle school students, using a phone modem, could connect with the Electronic School and get information on a variety of subjects, including problem-solving activities developed by USI students. Math and science projects were available, as was a limerick drill which allowed a student to submit additional lines to a limerick. Middle school students also could examine what other students had submitted.

"As more people became aware of the Electronic School, we received up to 70 phone calls a week," Price reported. "It was a good project. It showed students — both the middle school and college

Scholarly and Creative Projects Thrive in Extended University Program

students — how the emerging field of telecommunications works. And though this project is over, the idea of the bulletin board has been continued by teachers in the school corporation."

School of Business professors William Henderson, Ramadan S. Hemaida, and Marwan A. Wafa teamed with Donald Sobek, director of the USI Technical Assistance Center, to establish a business operation simulation and assistance center. Through the Extended University Program, faculty members are gaining the expertise to simulate business operations, using models to assist regional businesses that seek information on useful technical advances.

"The grant money allows the faculty to gain the expertise needed to set up and run these computer-based simulations," Henderson said. "And through the Technical Assistance Center, USI faculty and students can effectively aid Tri-State businesses in analyzing and improving their operations." Computer simulations have been employed in a wide variety of settings: in space flight, in hospital cost prediction, in race course design, and in fast food production methods, as examples.

Matthew Graham, associate professor of English/creative writing, and Eric D. Braysmith, special lecturer in art and English, traveled the backroads of southern Indiana to research and create *Fragile Harmony*. Braysmith took photographs and Graham wrote the poetry and prose. The project is being organized into an exhibition for museums and galleries and will be on display in the Evansville Museum in the spring of 1992. Graham and Braysmith also plan to publish a book with interpretive poetry and photographs taken throughout southern Indiana.

Graham explained, "For a year and a half we travelled over 3,000 miles along what is called the historic corridor of the southern part of the state, from New Albany to Vincennes and all points south to the Ohio River, photographing and writing on what we found."

"*Fragile Harmony* is a collection of places and feelings."

"We were fascinated by the towns we travelled through, discovering that the past is not preserved or restored as the past; the past is the present day," Braysmith said. "We were awed by the timelessness of the area."

Poet Graham noted, "Fragile Harmony is a collection of places and feelings. While the photographs or the poems can be read separately, together they create a more complete impression of the region — the poems adding voice and internal landscapes to the photographs and the photographs grounding the poems in a physical landscape that is both meditative and documentary."

New Harmony

"The shadows of history are long here, and dark."

-John Hawkes

A distant sadness A smudge of light against the **Golden Rain trees** And then shadows spreading through the streets, To the fields and the river. The golden hair On an arm trembles in a breeze Like a breath. Utopia lost, Twice here in this town mapped in a dream. **Clouds build above distant** church bells. The sun dials darken. Someone turns to leave And all that was ever meant to be And could not happen, flickers As the first sweep of rain across the screened porch Disturbs the shadows, neither new nor old, Of this fragile harmony.

-Matthew Graham

Dr. M. Edward Jones, associate vice president for Academic Affairs and EUP chair, explained, "A goal of the Extended University Program is to encourage professional development among faculty members and link faculty expertise with needs in the area served by USI. The project also encourages collaborative projects between complementing academic disciplines."

This is the third and last year of the Extended University Program. Among other projects that have been funded are those listed in the next column.

Representative Faculty Projects

Collaborative Approach to Oral Health in the Nursing Home

Professors Anne G. Denner, Phyllis A. Maddox, and Joy Suhrheinrich, School of Nursing and Health Professions, collaborated on this project to determine if an increase in caregivers' knowledge of oral health would improve the oral health of nursing home residents. The investigators developed and presented educational programs for nursing home caregivers and assessed the oral health of residents before and after the educational programs. From the results they developed a model others can us, to teach oral health care in nursing homes.

Atmospheric Dispersion Model for Chemical Emergency Planning, Economic Development Planning, and University classroom instruction

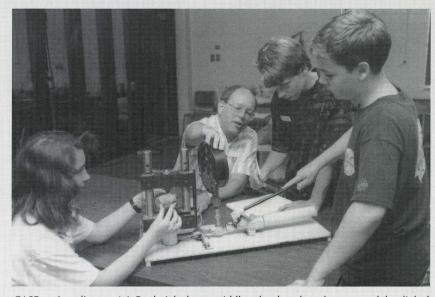
Researchers Howard E. Dunn and Benjamin P. Miller, School of Science and Engineering Technology, developed AIRMOD, a series of computer programs for atmospheric dispersion modeling, which calculate down wind concentrations of toxic chemicals, and toxic gas releases, and plot evacuation zones. They wrote and published a users' manual and made the package available to emergency planning groups, educational institutions, and government agencies.

A Cooperative Regional Tourism/Economic Development Strategy for Historic Southern Indiana

Peggy Hildebrand, Timothy Schibik, and Robert Hartl of the School of Business conducted an economic and marketing study to help Historic Southern Indiana develop a coordinated regional marketing program for the natural and historical resources of the region. HSI's goal is to increase travel and tourism and in turn, encourage increased private investment in the regionl tourism industry.

Project CASE: A Summer Program to Promote Career Awareness in Science and Engineering

Augustine J. Fredrich, David W. Kinsey, and Judy A. Wells, School of Science and Engineering Technology, conducted a five-week summer program to stimulate interest among area middle school students and high school freshmen in careers in science and engineering. Regional businesses also helped support the project.



CASE project director A.J. Frederich shows middle school students how to read the dial of a point load tester during the summer program that acquainted students with careers in science and engineering technology. It was funded in part by the Extended University Program.

SEEKING UNRESTRICTED PRIVATE GIFTS



\$150,000 GOAL SET

A \$150,000 goal has been set for the new USI Annual Fund, a merger of the Alumni Association telefund and the USI Foundation annual appeal. It is USI's largest unrestricted fund appeal ever.

The USI Annual Fund is the first united fund-raising effort to attract unrestricted dollars, the dollars that are typically the most difficult to raise. Unrestricted dollars serve the University's immediate needs and unexpected opportunities. They allow the flexibility to respond in a timely, effective manner to priority needs.

Among the priority needs are:

- Faculty development funding to help cover expenses and travel to academic conferences
- Student/faculty research funding to underwrite joint research projects
- Underwriting the Presidential Scholarships which attract Indiana high school valedictorians and salutatorians to USI
- Seed money for vital second-year programming for the student honors program and the minority mentoring program

"USI has a tradition of generous donors," notes USI President David L. Rice. "Early in its history, the USI Foundation was established to help fund the critical needs of a growing campus.

"Funding is needed to achieve the institution's goal of strengthening faculty and improving the students' educational experience," Dr. Rice said. "Challenged by a 99 percent enrollment increase in the last decade, the University's highly productive faculty continue to assume heavy teaching, advising, and service assignments while earning less than their peers at regional Indiana institutions. "As enrollment figures outdistance the level of state appropriations, we must turn to the private sector for support of important University programs," Dr. Rice said.

"USI stands ready to address higher education and economic development needs unique to the southern Indiana region," Dr. Rice continued. "Historically, participation in education has lagged in this region — 28 of the 36 counties have lower rates of adult participation in higher education than the statewide average.

" In every program, for every student and faculty member, we want to achieve the best."

"And educational opportunities are in short supply," he said. "While there has been improvement in accessibility of master's-level programs, Evansville continues to show the poorest access to graduate programs of any metropolitan area in the state, leaving southern Indiana at a disadvantage in economic development initiatives."

Suzanne A. Nicholson, director of development, also emphasized University needs. "Record enrollments continue, with an eight per cent increase for the current year.

"Although legislators and state agencies have been supportive, appropriations have not paralleled the enrollment increases," Mrs. Nicholson said. "It is imperative that funding be obtained to support faculty development, faculty research, scholarships, and programs to assist underprepared and minority students. In every program, for every student and faculty member, we want to achieve the best."

Private gifts provide USI faculty with time and resources for additional study, course development, research, and continuing study of new developments in their field.

"Support for faculty projects is critical,"

Volunteers Accept Challenge Griffin and Rust to spearhead campaign

"The campaign goal is ambitious, but we have tremendous support," declares Carole D. Rust, '77 alumna and cochair of the first USI Annual Fund, an appeal merging the Alumni Association Telefund and the USI Foundation's annual appeal.

"USI alumni appreciate their education," Rust said. "If it weren't for USI, many of us could not have afforded a college degree. We can celebrate our own successes in life through gifts to the University which made them possible."

She added, "Friends in the community value the economic impact of so many additional college graduates. That is one reason they give us such terrific support. Together, our alumni and our friends will take us over the top."

Robert E. Griffin, Evansville business leader and USI Foundation board member, is chair of the appeal. He pointed out that "with the potential to initiate a dramatic increase in support for the University, the new USI Annual Fund will ultimately benefit all of southern Indiana.

"I am convinced that businesses and individuals have an obligation to support education," Griffin declared. "The products of that education are too vital for us not to assume some responsibility. Major gifts and the development of said Dr. Robert L. Reid, vice-president for Academic Affairs. "USI faculty members have a reputation for outstanding teaching. They have been called upon again this year to accommodate more students, to work with underprepared students, to challenge the good students, to continue service to the community, and engage in scholarly and creative work.

"Funding for faculty projects can reward achievement in teaching and serve as incentive for productivity," Dr. Reid said.

The program has brought many superior students — the valedictorians and salutatorians from Indiana high schools--to USI. Presidential Scholars excel in the classroom and stimulate other students toward academic achievement. The scholarships are funded by contributions from individuals and corporations who share the USI Foundation's goal to keep the brightest and best students in Indiana.

Carole D. Rust and Robert E. Griffin will serve as co-chairs of the campaign. It will be kicked off on November 1 when an appeal letter will be mailed to USI alumni, donors, and regional businesses.

matching gift programs are real target areas. I am particularly interested in developing a larger funding base and in encouraging businesses which employ USI graduates to institute a matching gift program."

Rust is a former USI Board of Trustees member, and currently serves on the

giving to the USI Annual Fund. The chairs, all of Evansville, are: Class of 1972: Lana G. Bunner, chair of the business department at Ivy Tech, and David A. Bunner, attorney with Bunner & John, Class of 1977: Douglas F. Claybourn, assistant vice-president and business development officer, Citizens



Annual Fund Chairman Robert E. Griffin, left, and Carole D. Rust '77 discuss strategy as they plan the largest unrestricted fund apppeal ever for the USI Foundation.

Alumni Council, and USI Foundation board. She will oversee the Reunion Class Gifts Committee and the Phonathon, a new version of the Alumni Telefund, as well as help coordinate the merger of the USI Foundation and the Alumni Council annual appeal.

Reunion class gifts are expected to spark a spirit of competition between the classes. Classes scheduled for reunions this year — 1972, 1977, 1982, and 1987 — have named reunion class gift chairs who will make special appeals to their classmates for increased reunion year National Bank, Class of 1982: John L. Schutz, investment broker, Hilliard Lyons and Class of 1987: Shannon K. Harper, director of public relations, Old National Bank.

Phonathon leaders will be Rita H. Joest '84, Alumni Council treasurer and open-end credit operations officer at Citizens, and Wm. Michael Schiff '75, Alumni Council president-elect and attorney with Kahn Dees Donovan and Kahn. The phonathon will attempt to reach a record number of potential donors. The Alumni Association recognizes that the need for unrestricted dollars is greater than ever before and is intent on seeing more dollars raised for USI. Council members proposed the Annual Fund merger as a way to increase dollars raised.

"The new USI Annual Fund appeal is a positive move for fund-raising efforts," noted John Schutz '82, Alumni Telefund chair for the past five years. "Alumni know USI is bursting at the seams with students, at a time when enrollment is up, and state allocations are limited."

Jean Brubeck Stayman, USI coordinator of annual giving, sees the combined appeal "as a wider opportunity to communicate the University's greatest needs — needs that are funded only through private unrestricted gifts. We can anticipate a greater ability to generate increases in funding, through enhanced programs to attract major gifts, reunion class giving, and corporate matching gifts."

Five Alumni Head Reunion Class Gift Appeal

Class of '72 Lana G. and David A. Bunner

Class of '77 Douglas F. Claybourn

Class of '82 John L. Schutz

Class of '87 Shannon K. Harper

ALUMNI TODAY

Class of 1972

Joy Bohleber Fox, elementary education, a teacher at Emanuel Lutheran School in Okawville, Illinois, was listed in the 1990 Who's Who Among Teachers.

Deborah Burdette Meyer, English, is a behavior consultant with the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation.

Sharon Wright Voight, English, is a junior counselor at Reitz High School, Evansville.

Class of 1973

Andrea G. Miles, history, has been promoted to director of field operations with Scan Volunteer Service, Inc., in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Phillip E. Pyle, history, has joined the staff of Ingersoll-Rand in Louisville. He previously was eastern area sales manager with Marubeni America Corporation in New York City.

Class of 1974

Mark A. Greenwell, philosophy/social science, has been elected Vermillion County prosecutor. He lives in Newport, Indiana.

William A. Moehlenkamp, management, recently was promoted to national director of marketing centers for Sears in Chicago. He lives in Aurora, Illinois.

Class of 1975

Richard D. Galbreath, Jr., political science, is human resources manager with Cabot Safety Corporation in Indianapolis.

Scott R. Noah, communications, is a partner in Walter F. Sill, Jr., Inc., Nashville, handling concerts and special-event promotions for Reba McIntyre, Alabama, Randy Travis, Dolly Parton, and Barbara Mandrell.

Randy Ward, biology and 1982 mining engineering technology, is a technical writer with Digital Equipment Corporation in Nashua, New Hampshire. His wife, Bernice Bone Ward, 1976 secretarial administration, is an information systems specialist with Digital.

Class of 1976

Lee C. Berg, Jr., social science, has been named principal of Mary Carrico Memorial School at Philpot, Kentucky.

Michael B. Cockrum, biology, has joined Keller-Crescent Company, Evansville, as director of quality assurance for the print production division.

The Rev. Robert Cunningham, elementary education, is associate chaplain at Baptist Hospital East, Louisville. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have a daughter, Holly Elizabeth.

Roger E. Duncan, communications, is supported-employment coordinator with the Rehabilitation Center, Developmental Service, Evansville. He organized and is president of Evansville's Council for the

Suzie Fox

Employment of People with Disabilities. Linda L. Jean, marketing, has been named account executive with Data Business Group, Inc., with offices in Louisville and Evansville.

Mel R. Niemeier, management, has joined Oxytec, Inc., in Evansville as general manager. He has a Master of Public Administration degree from Indiana State University.

Edward B. Obermeier, management, has joined the marketing staff of Kimball International, Inc., in Jasper, Indiana.

Keith A. Rice, political science, has been promoted to operations manager with Stuart's Drug and Surgical in Evansville.

Mary Kittridge Spahn, administrative systems, is a lab technician with Straub Photography, Evansville.

Class of 1977

Douglas F. Claybourn, communications, recently was promoted to assistant vice-president for business development by Citizens National Bank, Evansville.

Chris Edwards-Butler, administrative systems, has been named branch manager of CBM Computer Centers in Evansville and Owensboro, Kentucky.

Charles A. Goodman, art, is assistant principal of Perry Heights Middle School, Evansville.

Steven Henderson, business, has joined T.J. Maxx distribution center, Evansville, as a distribution services supervisor.

Lois Loehr Rini, business administration, has been appointed associate director of financial aid at Purdue University.

Thomas E. Williams, communications, has been named general manager of WHMA AM/FM in Anniston, Alabama, by Crown Broadcasting.

Class of 1978

Pam Ford, dental hygiene, has been elected vice-president of the Evansville Dental Assistants Society.

Donna Bayer Jourdan, dental technology, has joined the office of Dr. William E. Johnson as an orthodontics technician. Her husband, **Paul "P.J." Jourdan**, 1979 communications, has accepted a position with Kwick Kleen Industrial Solvents, Inc. as marketing and promotional manager. They live in Vincennes, Indiana, and have a 3-year-old son, Joshua Edward.

James R. Maurer, accounting, has joined Mid-West Federal Savings Bank, Evansville, as a construction loan officer.

Richard A. Weighmann, accounting, has been named general manager of A Quality in Oxnard, California. He lives in Simi Valley.



David Camp

Class of 1979

Patty Polen Ingle, sociology, is a health-care consultant in Louisville. She received a master's degree in social work from the University of Louisville and a master's in counseling, with gerontological specialization, from the University of Evansville. She and her husband, Don, have a year-old daughter, Jenny.

Terry W. Mullins, management, is a manager with Conseco, Inc., Carmel, Indiana. He and his wife, Danette, live in Indianapolis; they have two daughters.

Class of 1980

Sue Garrett, psychology, has been elected president of the Evansville Tri-State Advertising Federation. She is sales manager for WBKR/WOMI radio in Owensboro, Kentucky.

Mary M. Hess, psychology, has been promoted to manager of assessment and advising with Ivy Tech in Evansville.

Mary Lou Myers Peyton, dental technology, has been named manager of the Louisville branch of Patterson Dental Company.

Class of 1981

Susan Warren Clark, computer information systems, is a broker associate with Emge Realty Company, Inc., Evansville.

David B. Durkee, sociology, has graduated from the Harvard University Trade Union Program. He has a master's degree in agency counseling from Indiana State University and is organization director for the Bakery, Confectionery & Tobacco Workers International Union.

Stephen Witte, communications, is president of Solutions in Marketing Communications, Evansville. He was co-recipient of a bronze award for corporate identity materials, presented by Industrial Designers Society of America in the 1991 Industrial Design Excellence Award program. The awards are sponsored by Business Week.

Class of 1982

Randall W. Dauby, accounting, is a CPA and controller at Hamilton Memorial Hospital. He lives in Enfield, Illinois.

Marilyn A. Hirsch, accounting, has been promoted to personnel assistant at the Evansville Post Office.

Daniel L. Hopkins, communications, is associate pastor of Farmdale Church of the Nazarene in Louisville.

Carl Vincent, sociology, and Cynthia D. Mahaney were married in May. He is a sales associate with Frito-Lay; she attended USI and is employed at Evansville Sheet Metal.

Class of 1983

Mark S. Allen, business administration, has been promoted to senior analyst with the Daughters of Charity-IRC in Evansville. He and his wife, Becky, live in Fort Branch; they have two sons.

Dr. Donna J. Cook, psychology, is a clinical psychologist with the University of South Carolina School of Medicine, where she has been appointed to the teaching staff.

Vickie A. Gibson, accounting, has joined the City of Henderson, Kentucky, as a senior accountant.

Danette Dunigan Robinson, dental hygiene, is a hygienist with Dr. H. L. Dunigan of Petersburg, Indiana. She and her husband, Thomas, live in Decatur, Illinois.

Jennifer Schuessler, accounting, has joined Methodist Health Care in Indianapolis as accounting supervisor.

Class of 1984

Lisa R. Jenkins, finance, and Mark A. Foster were married in March. She is human resources manager at the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union; he is an attorney.

Robin McCoy Renschler, elementary education, is a teacher at St. Joseph School in Hoboken, New Jersey.

Cynthia "Susie" Sarver, management, and Paul Mattingly were married in June. She is a service representative with Manpower Temporary Services, Evansville; he is employed by CSX Transportation.

Jane M. Sohovich, marketing, recently was promoted to senior account executive with Contel of Indiana, Inc., at Jasper, Indiana.

Class of 1985

Michael Bevers, communications, has been promoted to general sales manager for WGBF and WWOK radio stations in Evansville.

Angela L. Hughes, marketing, and Gene Dawson were married in June. She is associate director of admissions at the University of Evansville; he is loan operations officer at Citizens Bank of Gibson County.

Jennifer Lescault Kempf, elementary education, is a fourth-grade teacher at Holy Spirit School, Evansville. She and her husband, Mike, live in Wadesville; they have two children.

Karen K. Moore, secretarial administration, and Michael M. Mammoser were married in June. She is an account executive for Sell, Inc., an Evansville food broker; he is art director with Firehouse Graphics.

Donald R. Neel, accounting, has been appointed assistant vice-president for corporate planning and insurance at Citizens National Bank, Evansville.

Kenneth P. Schenk, accounting, is a pharmaceutical production planner with Bristol-Myers Squibb in Evansville.

Michael V. Volpe, general science, was chosen at the "1991 Silver Knight" by the Miami Herald for excellence in teaching, and service to the school and community with Students Against Drunk Driving. He also was featured in the August issue of *Voices of the Italian American.* He is a physics teacher at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Fort Lauderdale, and lives in Boca Raton.

Class of 1986

Kevin DeSanti, communications, is a management consultant with Andersen Consulting, Arthur Andersen & Company, Chicago.

Lori A. DeVillez, psychology, has accepted a position in the administration office at Welborn Baptist Hospital, Evansville, and plans to begin work on a master's degree this fall.

Brian Dilger, accounting, is an accounts administrator with Crawford & Company, Schaumburg, Illinois. His wife, **Connie Schroering Dilger**, 1987 accounting, is a senior accountant with Woodland Hospital in Hoffman Estates. They live in Schaumburg.

Kimberly E. Foster-Brave, biology, is a science teacher at Highland Community Schools in Highland, Illinois. She and her husband, Stephen A., live in Pocahontas, Illinois.

Simone R. Head, chemistry, is an associate chemist with Ball Corporation in Muncie, Indiana. She lives in Indianapolis.

Thomas G. Heeke, management, is a corporate recruiter with Kimball International, Inc., in Jasper.

D. Keith Jewell, accounting, received an M.B.A. from USI in July. He is a senior consultant in the health-care practice of Ernst & Young, Indianapolis. He lives in Carmel, Indiana.

Ensign Pennie L. Johnson, biology, recently returned from deployment to the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm, serving at Fleet Hospital Five based at the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia. She joined the Navy in November 1990.

Sandra G. Keitel, business administration, has been promoted to compliance officer at CNB Bancshares, Evansville.

Paul D. Medcalf, business administration, has been promoted to manager of sales coordination by Faultless Caster Corporation, Evansville.

Jean Puertzer, social science, recently began work as a substance abuse counselor at the Branchville Training Center near Tell City, Indiana.

Class of 1987

John C. Claybon, economics, has been promoted to investment officer in the Trust Department of Old National Bank, Evansville.

Paul A. Hancock, communications, received a master of divinity degree in May from Memphis Theological Seminary.

Kimberly H. King, dental technology, is president-elect of the Evansville Dental Assistants Society. **Deborah L. Payne**, accounting, has been promoted to accounting manager with World Championship Wrestling, a subsidiary of Turner Broadcasting Systems, Inc., in Atlanta. She lives in Smyrna, Georgia.

Charles Robinson, English, is in textbook sales and marketing with Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., of Orlando, Florida. He and his wife, **Jean Hoffman Robinson**, 1985 secretarial administration, live in Cross Junction, Virginia.

Debra Robling, computer information systems/management, has joined T.J. Maxx distribution center, Evansville, as a distribution services supervisor.

Sandra L. Woolston, management, has become a supervisor with T.J. Maxx distribution center, Evansville.

Kimberly York, accounting, is a cost accountant with RuVan, Inc., of Evansville.

Randy J. Zimmerman, management, has been promoted by Brown-Forman Beverage Company of Paramus, New Jersey, to state manager for Wisconsin. He and his wife, Julie, a neonatal nurse, live in Hawthorne, New Jersey.

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Victoria Blackwell Bush, mathematics, is a computer consultant helping people use symbolic algebra systems at Indiana University, where she is a graduate student working on a Ph.D. She has two children, Brad and Allaina.

David W. Camp, English, has returned to Solarbron Pointe Retirement Center, Evansville, as executive chef. He worked at the center part-time while attending USI and recently was a chef for Amelia Island Plantation in Florida.

Christine S. Cumbee, management, has been promoted to loan officer at the Poseyville office of Citizens Bank of Posey County. She and her husband, Jody, live in Poseyville.

Jeanette C. Maier, accounting, and Tracy S. Franklin were married in June. She is a staff accountant for Alcan in Sebree, Kentucky; he is a maintenance worker at The Evansville Courier Company.

Annette M. McDonald, accounting, and Mark A. Wright were married in June. She is an accountant with Riney Hancock & Company, Evansville; he is an investment broker for Hilliard Lyons.

Tammy LaGrange Ringham, English teaching, is a teacher and coach at North High School, Evansville. She and her husband, Charles, a USI social studies secondary education major, have a daughter, Jordan Rose.

Loren Serber Traylor, communications, has been promoted to electro-optics analyst with Nichols Research Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama, where her work includes analyzing infrared images for Department of Defense customers.

Amy Whitten, communications, has been promoted to sales administrator in Dallas, Texas, for Kimball International, Inc., of Jasper, Indiana.

Conversation with Dean Fisher School of Business Gets High Marks

By Nancy Bizal, USI School of Business

Dr. Philip C. Fisher was named Dean of the USI School of Business this past July. Dean Fisher came to USI from the University of South Dakota where he had been a faculty member and administrator since 1969. During his tenure there, he served as professor of management, director of graduate business programs, associate dean, and director of business program development and evaluation. He received his M.B.A. from the University of South Dakota in 1969 and his doctorate in business from Stanford University in 1979.

Dean Fisher's teaching, research, and con-

sulting interests are in organizational design and strategic management. He has published several case studies of successful small businesses and has been an editor and officer for the Midwest Society for Case Research.

As Dean Fisher has met our students, faculty, administrators, and community leaders, he has been enthusiastically received. The following is his view of the School of Business as he begins his first semester at USI. He calls it "The State of the School of Business."

"As far as I can tell from talking to long-time faculty, regional employers, and older alumni, the USI

School of Business has been a place where the students received excellent preparation. What was lacking in resources was managed by focusing the school's efforts on the students. Today our resources are much better; our challenge is to keep our focus on the students as we continue to develop.

"There is a lot of reason to be pleased with what we have. The Orr Center is well designed and well built; the classrooms and faculty offices are excellent. It will serve us well for a long time. This year with the purchase of 22 new personal computers for faculty, we've reached our goal of excellent access to state-of-the-art computing capability for both students and faculty.

In recent years faculty attention to the limited library collection has established sensible priorities and procedures for acquiring books and journals. More money and more time are needed to continue to build the collection. The faculty is our prized asset. Of our 30 full-time faculty, 25 have earned doctorates in their primary teaching fields. Many of our other faculty have high level executive or consulting experience to back up their masters degrees. Overall, our level of faculty preparation will compare very favorably with other universities which offer the M.B.A. as their highest degree as we do. More importantly, I find that people here really care about their students, their profession, and the University.

The curriculum has been kept up to date through periodic review and updating. We may suffer from some time lag in putting the latest developments in business into our classes, but this school has done as well as most schools. The evaluation and improvements of curriculum will continue.

Coming to Southern Indiana from the Great Plains, I was interested in knowing what kind of students I'd meet here. I can say that I'm really pleased. They are proud of their university, willing

to work, and they are well-mannered. USI is an open admissions university for undergraduates, so many need remedial work; our challenge is to bring them up to competitive standards of preparation for business careers.

The wonderful institutional spirit at USI is contagious. It's not found at all universities. I've found that the students, the faculty, the custodians, and the administrators all the way to President Rice really seem to want to help. Mike Whipple, the Controller, told me, 'We are here to serve.' He really means it and that seems to be the attitude everywhere.

There is still the need for improvement, and meeting the needs of our growing enrollment in these times of tight constraints on our budget will not be easy, but I am very optimistic about the future for USI and the School of Business. I am happy to be here."

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Andrea Young Clark, social work, is a therapist with the Center For Women & Families' R.A.P.E. Relief Center, in Louisville, working with survivors of sexual abuse and/or assault. Her husband, Del J., is regional director at Deliveries Limited.

Michelle Gatlin, elementary education, and Brian S. Johnston were married in April. She is a special education teacher at Mt. Vernon Junior High School and coaches the eighthgrade girls basketball team; he is store manager for RTO Rents. They live in Newburgh.

Marty Heick, psychology, is an assistant manager with USA Financial Services, Inc., of Springfield, Illinois. He and his wife, Jill, a physical education/health teacher at Sullivan High School, live in Decatur, Illinois.

Jim Hoffman, management, sales manager with Fastenal Company of Hamilton, Ohio, recently was transferred to the Cincinnati area from Lexington, Kentucky. He lives in Fairfield.

Mary A. Jacobs, business administration, and Darrin B. Ward, 1990 management, were married in April. Both work for Federal Express. They live in Newburgh.

Timothy M. Lindauer, accounting, has been promoted to office manager with Platolene 500 in Carmi, Illinois.

Troy Mann, management, is in charge of purchasing and inventory control for United States Cellular in Evansville.

Brenda G. McCormick, business administration, has moved to Hamilton, Ohio, with her husband, Joseph Crow, when he became manager of GE Aircraft Engines.

Geraldine C. Schnaus, marketing, has joined Oswald and Associates advertising agency, Evansville, as an account executive concentrating on the Jasper/Dubois County area.

Sharon R. Thomas, accounting, has been promoted to senior accountant/consultant by Geo. S. Olive & Co., Evansville.

Sheila Pund Wahl, mathematics, is a teacher at Mt. Vernon Senior High School and has started work on her master's degree at USI. She and her husband, Phillip, live in Mt. Vernon.

Mary T. Yaconiello, post-baccalaureate certificate in accounting, is an associate with Coopers & Lybrand in Tucson, Arizona.

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Stanton M. Angermeier, biology, has been accepted by the Indiana University School of Medicine and will attend classes at the Evansville Center.

Teresa Boyer, communications, is a news anchor and reporter with WSTO/WVJS and Cable 2 television in Owensboro, Kentucky.

Elizabeth K. Bryant, communications, has joined Naegele Outdoor Advertising as an account executive for the Evansville area.

Eric W. Effinger, business administration, and Melissa A. Martin were married in May. He is a sales representative with Carpenter Technology, Indianapolis; she is a civil engi-



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neer with the Indiana Department of Transportation.

Janene M. Elsfelder, management, and Brad A. Korff were married in April. She works in accounts payable at Raben Tire Company, Evansville; he is a tool maker at B & D Mold Company.

Suzannah Fox, communications, has been promoted to special events planner for All-In-One Rental, Evansville.

Kimberly K. Hackler, business administration, and Daniel R. Grimwood were married in April. She is employed at Citizens National Bank, Evansville; he is employed at Empire Gas.

Michael Hensley, English, is a claims representative with State Farm Insurance in Griffith, Indiana. He and his wife, Lisa Hopper Hensley, an employee of Bank One, live in Crown Point.

Alan T. Kain, communications, and Julia L. Quirk were married in June. He works for CNN in Atlanta, where they live.

Janet Conrad Miguel, elementary education, is a Head Start lead teacher with the Community Action Program of Evansville. Her husband, Sean, is a USI student.

Robert T. Neth, management, and Stephanie J. Yates were married in May. He is a sales representative for Evansville Bolt and Nut; she is an elementary education major at USI.

Roxanna S. Nolt, elementary education, and Scott L. Huck were married in April. She is a substitute teacher for the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation; he is a photographer at Image Source, Inc.

Linda Susan Rowan, dental hygiene, is a hygienist with Dr. Donald Brown in Marion, Indiana. She lives in Fort Wayne.

Susan R. Taylor, business administration, is an inside salesperson with Old Fashion Candy Co., Inc., in Evansville. She and Steven R. Wilson, former USI psychology student, were married in May.

Angela D. Turner, nursing, and Alan B. Besing were married in July. She is employed at St. Mary's Medical Center, Evansville; he is employed at Tri-State Aero.

Jennifer L. Uhl, psychology, is with Humana Health Care Plans in Tampa, Florida.

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Lynell Breivogel, accounting, has joined Gaither Koewler Rohlfer Luckett & Co., Evansville, as a staff accountant.

Shelley Holland, accounting, has joined Gaither Koewler Rohlfer Luckett & Co., Evansville, as a staff accountant.

Jane A. Nunez, accounting/business administration, has joined the accounting and auditing staff at Harding, Shymanski & Co, Evansville.

Julie R. Schultheis, accounting, and Jeffrey B. Wenzel were married in May. She is a product cost accountant with Alcoa Warrick Operations; he is a respiratory therapist with St. Mary's Medical Center, Evansville.

Education Alumna Wins Major Awards; In Line for Disney Teacher of the Year

Ruth Zimmerman Baize, 1974 elementary education/mathematics graduate and a fifth-grade teacher at Lodge School in Evansville, is pinching herself, wondering how this year happened.

It was in 1991 that she was the recipient of two major awards -- one allowing her to go to England, Boston, and Philadelphia to study the American Revolution and the second, sending her off to Disney World in Florida and to Los Angeles as one of 36 finalists awaiting selection of the Disney American Teacher of the Year. Baize and her sister-in-law, Christine Zimmerman, who teaches eighth grade at Plaza Park School, each received a \$4,500 Lilly Endowment, Inc., Teacher Creativity Fellowship to pursue a selfdesigned plan for personal and professional renewal.

Their fellowship plan was to spend two weeks in England, studying what British students are taught about the colonization of America and the events leading to the Revolutionary War, then tour Boston and Philadelphia to enrich their appreciation of American heritage. "We saw every place Ben Franklin walked, and talked," Baize declared.

Baize said they learned the Revolution is not taught in England, that it is a void

much the way the Vietnam War once was in America. She suggested the reason is that "We were the first colony ever to break away from the mother country." They found only one or two statues relating to that war, she said, but they were able to experience the atmosphere of a



Ruth Baize in the classroom

This is the second year for the Disney award. Teachers are nominated from around the country and 36 -- three each in 12 categories -- are selected as finalists who offer a different style of teaching for their students. Baize said she presents her social studies students with projects designed to promote learning, including the use of memorizing with rhythm. She also teaches in what currently is termed an "at-risk school," or one in an area of low-income families.

The 36 teachers and their spouses were flown to Disney World September 27, for a two-day celebration that included a parade for the teachers. In late November, she and her husband will be flown to Los Angeles for an Academy Award-like gala in which the 1991 Teacher of the Year will be selected. The gala will be shown live on the Disney Channel on November 24. Some time after that, there will be a Ruth Baize Night on the Disney Channel, featuring a video made last May in her classroom at Lodge School. First Lady Barbara Bush has taped introductions for the videos of the 36 finalists.

monarchy and brought back all sorts of classroom materials that they couldn't have gotten here.

Their information will be used during the spring semester in role-playing by the students, with the "British" at Plaza Park and "colonists" at Lodge exchanging edicts and responses and rewriting both views on the Revolution.

In addition, the sisters-in-law appeared at an August School Board meeting to discuss their fellowships; they will present an in-service program for Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation teachers, with their students demonstrating what they will do in the classroom; they reported on the project in September at a Lilly awards program in Bloomington, Indiana; and next June, have been invited to discuss their project at a Daughters of the American Revolution luncheon. "We're booked a year in advance," Baize laughed.

What's the next project? She'd like to take a wagon train on the Oregon Trail if she can find anyone interested, either in going or financing a trip. She's checking out the available grants.



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