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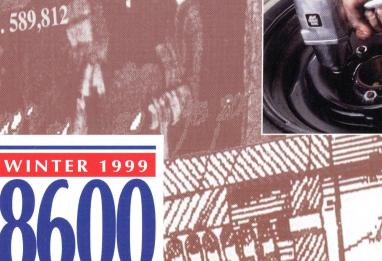
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# Campaign USI tops goal

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### From the editor

### Evansville invention still making impact

ne of the most rewarding aspects of work for me is finding someone else who gets excited about the same thing. As we worked on our cover story for this issue, we were fortunate to have a number of people take up our cause.

As you already have seen, our cover features the \$2 million Campaign USI gift from the Robert H. and Elaine H. Pott Foundation to endow our School of Science and Engineering Technology. When we concluded that no photo of the donors was available, we began thinking how we might otherwise bring the Pott gift to life for our readers.

One of the first persons to come to the rescue was Evansville attorney Mike Schopmeyer, who with his wife, Laurie, and children Sarah, Jim, Joan, and Kaitlin lives in the house the Potts built in 1937. The Schopmeyers let us tour their home and indicated to us some of its inventive features. Schopmeyer also obtained for us a copy of the patent for the impact wrench invented by Robert Pott and first marketed in 1934 by Ingersoll-Rand.

We found more enthusiastic support for our research from Donna Marcrum of Evansville's Tri-State Repair Service. She produced a tool manual that said our man's impact wrench "revolutionized an entire industry." We had to know more.

A call to Ingersoll-Rand headquarters in New Jersey put us in touch with Paul Sumner, who retired from the company in 1989 as manager of communications services. He pointed out that one of the most common places we see the impact wrench in action today is during a car race. When the pit crew members dash out to change the tires, they are wielding impact wrenches to loosen the nuts. Sumner graciously sent us a history of the impact wrench, articles from the company's Compressed Air Magazine, and copies of advertisements introducing the Ingersoll-Rand Pott Impact Wrench.

Getting a tire changed will never be the same for me again. The cover story begins on page 4.

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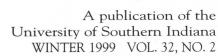
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Evansvillian Robert Pott revolutionized the tool industry in the 1930s when he invented the impact wrench which is still used today. Now his foundation impacts USI faculty and students with a \$2 million Campaign USI gift to endow the School of Science and Engineering Technology. See story, page 4. Cover ad, drawing, and photo courtesy of Ingersoll-Rand.



#### Employment for disabled

A n article in a recent issue (fall 1998) featured the closing of Epi-Hab, an employer of persons with disabilities in our community. This closing removed an important local not-for-profit corporation dedicated to assisting individuals with long-term employment.

Let us take stock of where we are concerning employment of persons with disabilities. In April and May of 1998, Louis Harris and Associates conducted a nationwide survey of Americans with disabilities, aged 16 and older. This survey found that Americans with disabilities continue to lag well behind other Americans in the most basic aspects of life, as previous Harris studies found in 1994 and 1986. Employment continues to be the area with the widest gulf between those who are disabled and those who are not. The survey found among adults with disabilities of working age (18 to 64) only 29 percent work full or part-time, an actual decline since 1986, when 34 percent were working. This is a reduction of five percent during the time of redirection of major federal and state financial resources from traditional vocational rehabilitation services and with the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

It is worthy of attention that in the immediate Tri-State area, there are nine Community Rehabilitation Programs that are alike with a common goal to provide quality community support and employment services to over 1,000 persons with disabilities.

Since 1923, the Evansville Association for the Blind has played a most important role in the local community by offering employment opportunities for persons with disabilities. As the employer of choice for these individuals, the Association' provides meaningful and productive work for persons with disabilities within a strong supportive environment and will continue to do so in the years ahead.

Frank E. Kern Executive Director Evansville Association for the Blind

#### Death

Fred C. Newman, 93, one of the University's most ardent supporters, died December 26. Formerly the president of Old National Bank, he was active in a wide range of service clubs and community organizations. At USI, he established the Char-Ron Newman Scholarships and the Fred C. Newman Family Presidential Scholarship. He was the first donor to make a \$100,000 endowment gift to Presidential Scholarships. Mr. Newman enjoyed helping young people reach their educational goals and took a personal interest in each of his scholarship recipients, nurturing them while students and corresponding with them after graduation. One of the new suite-style buildings in Residence Life will be named in his honor.



Fred Newman celebrated his birthday with Presidential Scholar Sarah Grabbe, '01.

# Crime prevention starts early

As a crime prevention officer for the Evansville Police Department, Karla Robinson knows that teaching young people about citizenship can make the community a better place for everyone.

"Juvenile crime and juveniles as victims of crime are recurring themes in my work," said Robinson, who works in the city's eastside crime prevention office. To address those issues, she implemented an educational program for middle school students as her capstone project in completing a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies at the University of Southern Indiana.

Robinson's project was a six-week after-school program which brought sixth- and seventh-graders from three different schools together once a week for two hours. The students toured the police department, interacted with a police dog, studied drug and alcohol awareness, heard about volunteer work they could do, learned about self-defense, and received information on other citizenship topics.

Robinson worked with officials of the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation, St. Mary's Mobile Outreach Clinic, and I-V Coaches to put together the program. Various community agencies provided guest speakers.

Dr. Charles F. Petranek, professor of sociology, supervised Robinson's project. He said that the requirement for the capstone project, which many M.A.L.S. students complete in place of a thesis, requires the student to research a topic and then design and implement a program. Most projects have a practical application in the community or in the graduate student's work place.

With her program Robinson wanted to reach students before

Police officer Karla Robinson teaches kids about citizenship

M.A.L.S. program, said the program often appeals to individuals who already are well established in a career but feel the need for a broader education. As they continue their lifelong learning, graduate students can develop skills that allow them to be more productive and more helpful to the institution for which they work. In addition to



Robinson

they move on to high school. She included interactive demonstrations and presentations to get the middle schoolers involved in the learning process. After positive feedback from the pilot program, she is working with St. Mary's Health Care Services to adapt the material for use with elementary school children.

A police officer for nine years, Robinson earned a B. S. degree in sociology with a concentration in criminal justice from USI in 1986. "One reason I enrolled in the graduate program was because I missed the educational environment," Robinson said. She finished requirements for the M.A.L.S. degree in December after taking one course a semester to complete the 33 hours of course work.

Thomas M. Rivers, director of the

the capstone project, the curriculum includes seminars and an individualized program of study in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

#### Liberal Studies is interdisciplinary

The Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program at the University of Southern Indiana can provide personal enrichment or career enhancement. Students pursue an interdisciplinary course of study.

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# Campaign USI tops \$24 million

Pott Foundation endows School of Science and Engineering Technology

*ampaign USI* took the theme of "Education Taken Higher" to an extraordinary new level. The bold fund-raising initiative begun in 1996 with a \$10.5 million goal has concluded with current gifts and pledges of more than \$18 million and an additional \$6 million in deferred gifts, far exceeding even the challenge goal of \$16 million.

Total impact of the fund-raising program is \$24 million.

Ninety-five percent of the current gifts and pledges to *Campaign USI* came from donors in the state of Indiana. Of that 95 percent, 87 percent of the gifts came from southwestern Indiana and 83 percent from Vanderburgh County.

Before closing in December, the campaign received a \$2 million gift from the Robert H. and Elaine H. Pott Foundation. This donation, USI's largest single gift ever, will endow the School of Science and Engineering Technology, which has been named for the donors.

The overwhelming success of *Campaign USI* is due substantially to the generosity of employees, alumni, board members, and community friends and to outstanding volunteer leadership. James G. Giancola, president and chief executive officer of CNB Bancshares, Inc., chaired the

campaign. He attributed its success to "the high regard donors have for the University's role in providing educational programs" and to the dedication of the 300 volunteers "whose efforts ensured we would reach campaign goals."

What do the campaign dollars do? They provide money for four featured objectives-Presidential Scholarships, faculty enhancement, technology and equipment, and programs in student life enrichment-above and beyond state appropriations. The campaign exceeded its goals for each one of those four featured objectives. Right now these dollars are paying the way for some of the state's brightest students to attend USI. They're supporting professional development for the faculty. They're buying the latest in technology for the Liberal Arts Center under construction. They're funding programs that teach students how to be leaders in the next millennium.

The University's first capital campaign received broad support. Campaign leaders organized solicitations into four divisions: faculty/staff, boards, alumni, and friends. Each division exceeded its goals. Dr. H. Ray Hoops, USI president, expressed his gratitude to those who strengthened University programs through the campaign, saying, "These are sound investments in the future of our state, our community, and Hoosier young people. The University will be a careful steward of these resources and will use them to return maximum benefits to the community."

Some of the significant gifts received in the closing days of the campaign include the following:

#### • Robert H. and Elaine H. Pott Foundation

The gift from the Robert H. and Elaine H. Pott Foundation which endows the School of Science and Engineering Technology will provide an annual source of funds for student scholarships, professional development for the faculty, faculty and student research, and purchases of scientific equipment.

The Pott Foundation was created in 1963 to benefit educational institutions in Indiana and Wisconsin which have engineering programs. Pott was born in 1890 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin; his wife was a native of South Bend, Indiana. The two were married in 1925, moving shortly afterward to Evansville where he became plant superintendent of





Judith Clabes and Vince Vawter pose in front of the new Liberal Arts Center which will house the Scripps Howard Center for Media Studies.

Miller

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Vulcan Plow Works. Pott resigned from Vulcan in the early '30s and began working on the development of a new tool, the impact wrench. He applied for a patent in 1932 and the invention was placed on the market in 1934 as the Ingersoll-Rand Pott Impact Wrench. According to an Ingersoll-Rand history, the impact wrench was revolutionary for its ability "to remove nuts and bolts that could otherwise not be removed except by chiseling or burning with a torch." The first sales were made largely to railroad shops, shipyards, oil refineries, and automobile assembly plants. Over the years the tool has been modified and improved and today continues to be an important fixture on "hundreds of assembly lines in many kinds of industries" and in "thousands of garages," the company history said.

Pott died in 1964, and his wife died in 1974. Their charitable foundation is managed by Citizens Trust.

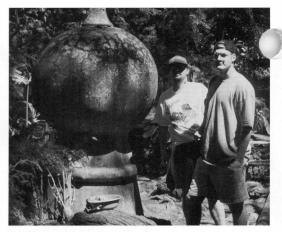
Jerry Cain, dean of the newly named Robert and Elaine Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology, said the endowment meets critical needs: "Scientific knowledge is changing rapidly and it is imperative that our professors keep pace with new information and new technology appropriate to their academic specialities. The beneficiaries of this fund will be the students who obtain the latest information in the classroom and the people in the southern Indiana community who come to our faculty seeking expertise for community progress."

#### Scripps Howard Foundation

The Scripps Howard Foundation has established the Scripps Howard Center for Media Studies with a \$200,000 campaign gift.

Judith G. Clabes, president and chief executive officer of the Cincinnati-based Scripps Howard Foundation, presented the gift on campus in January. A former editor of the *Evansville Sunday Courier & Press*, Clabes said the Scripps Howard Foundation is devoted to improving journalism by partnering with its newspapers and "great universities like USI."

Vince Vawter, publisher and president of the *Evansville Courier* & *Press*, said that leaders in his company look forward to seeing young journalists graduate from the center with the knowledge and skills they need to function in the digital world. Vawter's paper is one of 18 daily newspapers in the E.W. Scripps Company, which also includes television stations, Home & Garden Television, the Food



Betty Zutt's gift will help fund travel such as this spring break trip to Mexico in conjunction with a course on the Art of Ancient Mexico. Students Garry Davidson, left, and Clint Reine view a trail marker on the footpath to the archeological site of Tepotztaco.

Network, United Media, and related communications entities.

The Scripps Howard Center for Media Studies, to be located in the \$15.2 million Liberal Arts Center opening in the fall, will be outfitted with digital photography software and equipment, digital scanners, audio and video editing equipment, and modern web page software.

#### Cynderella McDowell Miller

Cynderella McDowell Miller, whose family owned the farm where USI and nearby Solarbron Pointe Retirement Center are located, left three bequests to benefit USI students. Miller died in March 1998, at age 91. She established two endowed scholarships for bright and deserving students in memory of her parents, Henry and Mary McDowell, and in the name of her late husband, Elder Miller, and herself. The third bequest will assure that USI has state-of-the-art instructional technology for teaching foreign languages in the new Liberal Arts Center. The Cynderella McDowell Miller Foreign Language Laboratory will be named in her honor.

#### Fred C. Newman

Just weeks before his death in December, Fred Newman celebrated his ninety-third birthday with current recipients of USI scholarships he has underwritten. His estate will add substantially to the endowments of both the Fred Newman Family Endowed Presidential Scholarship and the Char-Ron Newman Scholarship. The retired president of Old National Bank referred to the scholarships as "the best investment I ever made." Newman gave the USI Foundation its first \$100,000 donation in 1990 when he endowed his family's Presidential Scholarship.

#### Victoria L. Wertz

A major gift from Victoria L. Wertz of Evansville establishes an endowment for faculty enhancement to benefit the nursing faculty. Wertz gave her former Red Wing Drive residence to the University in 1995 and in December relinquished her life estate claim. Proceeds from the sale of the home were used to establish an endowment of more than \$130,000, which will produce an annual income of about \$5,000 to enable the nursing faculty to improve their scholarship, attend professional conferences, perform student/faculty research, and bring speakers to campus.

#### Elizabeth Zutt

Betty Zutt of Evansville has endowed a special student development fund which reflects her love of art and travel. The Elizabeth Zutt Art Student Enrichment Program in the School of Liberal Arts will enable the Art Department to offer new opportunities to fulltime art students. Income from the Zutt endowment will help purchase special art supplies; provide funds for admission to exhibits, lectures, and other art-related events; and make possible local, national, and international travel to study art and art history.

# Pott home reveals genius of inventor

Evansville attorney Michael Schopmeyer and his family live in the Lombard Avenue home built in 1937 by Robert H. Pott and his wife Elaine, whose foundation has presented the University with a \$2 million gift.

Schopmeyer says the red brick Colonial home reflects features engineered by a person in the vanguard of technological advancement. The air-conditioning system, operated by running well water through a coil, was one of the first in Evansville. A foyer light is a source of wonder for many people, including electricians, because it can be turned off and on from any of four switches located at the front door, back hall, bottom of the stairs, and top of the stairs.

In the 1940s, Pott added a greenhouse with arched ironwork to the detached garage, creating an automatic climate control system of the type later adapted for commercial greenhouses. A windowless room at the back of the garage served as Pott's workshop. Known for developing the impact wrench, he held patents on other items.

The Schopmeyer family enjoys the backyard greenhouse where Robert Pott cultivated orchids. From left are Mike and Laurie Schopmeyer with two of their children, infant Kaitlin and daughter Joan. Impact wrench 'revolutionary'

Evansville's Robert H. Pott, whose foundation recently endowed the School of Science and Engineering Technology, was with engineers from Ingersoll-Rand at a railroad depot in Sayre, Pennsylvania, in 1933 when they tested the impact wrench he had developed. The tool was meant to loosen even the most stubborn of bolts in a matter of seconds.

"If this new invention worked, it would revolutionize the tool industry and the workplace. No longer would men have to labor with hand wrenches. Existing motordriven tools for removing bolts, which kicked back their torque to the operator, would become obsolete," according to an article in the October 1983 issue of the company's *Compressed Air Magazine*.

The Pott wrench did indeed remove a rusted head bolt from a steam engine boiler at the railroad yard in seconds.

Ingersoll-Rand acquired the manufacturing rights and introduced the Ingersoll-Rand Pott Impact Wrench the following year. "A Tough Job Made Easy," proclaimed the first ad.

The new wrench, later called an Impactool, dramatically reduced the amount of time needed to do work. In 1983, *Compressed Air Magazine* said, "Today's garage mechanic revs his Impactool, and bangs off the lug nuts from all four wheels in less time than his predecessor in the 1920s and 1930s could remove the nuts from one wheel by hand." Today Ingersoll-Rand continues to

improve the impact wrench, manufacturing it in a variety of sizes and models for industrial and automotive Use.



# Meet The Dean

#### Charting a path

When Dr. Nadine Coudret was growing up in Vincennes, Indiana, there were two careers—nursing and teaching— she thought she would never pursue, mainly because nearly all young women at that time were directed into those paths. Obviously, she changed her mind. Now dean of the School of Nursing and Health Professions for the University of Southern Indiana, she has spent more than 30 years in nursing and health care education.

An incident at a recreational camp as a teenager awakened Coudret to her abilities in patient care. When a cabin mate jumped off a bunk and cut her foot on the sharp edge of a can, the young Coudret found herself responding while others were losing their heads. She realized that a career in nursing would couple her skills in caring for patients with the study of science that she loved so much as a high school student. Her course was set.

She earned her diploma from St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Evansville and a year later became an instructor in that program. While she was devoted to taking care of patients, she said, "I thought if I taught others to take care of patients, it would be a bigger circle."

Seeking to broaden her education, she earned B.S., M.A., and M.S.N. degrees at the University of Evansville and an Ed.D. from Indiana University. She joined the University of Evansville as an instructor in nursing in 1970 and held increasingly responsible positions, serving as dean from 1986-88. Coudret brings to the field of nursing education her experience as a working nurse in a variety of settings. Over the years she has practiced in hospital units, home health, a nursing home, and physician's office.

She joined USI as dean in 1988, charged with the responsibility of starting a nursing program.

#### The growth plan

As she took the reins 11 years ago, Coudret laid out a developmental plan that has steadily unfolded. USI already had wellestablished programs in dental hygiene, dental assisting, respiratory therapy, and radiologic technology. While her first priority was to establish a baccalaureate program in nursing, she also has created programs in occupational therapy, occupational therapy assisting, health services, and a master's program in nursing.

The USI nursing program now has 16 full-time faculty members and seven part-time or clinical faculty members. The master's program was begun with a \$750,000 grant from the Division of Nursing, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, with the first class of family nurse practitioners graduating in August 1997.

The school is applying now for a grant to implement a master's program for acute care nurse practitioners. As the lead institution in collaboration with Indiana University, USI plans to begin the program with 10 students in the fall. The acute care nurse practitioner is a physician extender who can particularly be of service in rural hospitals where it may be difficult to provide 24-hour physician coverage.

In keeping with the commitment to quality, the school is pursuing accreditation for nursing programs with the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. A team visited the school in February and a report is expected in the fall. The baccalaureate program was accredited in 1993 by the National League for Nursing.

The occupational therapy program includes 30 students in a class. Demand for this baccalaureate program is high with about four qualified applicants for each class opening. The first 18 students in occupational therapy assisting, an associate degree program, graduated in December.

Health services, which prepares students for administrative and other jobs not involving patient care, is the program of greatest growth in the school. Coudret said, "We have people who have been in clinical work and are now moving into the administrative field, and we have freshman students who don't want to be in patient care, but they know the health care industry is going to continue to be one of growth."

Pending approval by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, the school plans to offer in the fall a new baccalaureate degree in radiologic and imaging sciences. This program goes beyond the existing associate degree program in radiologic technology to produce graduates qualified to perform sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, and CAT scans.

#### The right people

When Coudret joined USI, she believed that the key to the development of successful programs would be having the right faculty. "We wanted people clinically able to care for patients as well as teach," she said, adding that this dual concept is now a widely accepted standard although it seemed new, even revolutionary, a few years ago. Time has proven that professional practice in disciplines such as nursing and health profes-



sions enables the faculty member to test theory in real-world situations and bring that knowledge back to the classroom.

The faculty also have been leaders in distance education, using technology to take their message to a wider audience. The school offers 15 courses with the Internet as the primary vehicle of instruction.

#### **Partnerships**

Coudret is chair of the Partnership for Health Care Information, a community organization of hospitals, physician groups, and other Tri-State entities that identifies opportunities and sets goals to improve health and health care in the region. The School of Nursing and Health Professions maintains a community health information page on its web site (http://health.usi.edu) to help disseminate information about health topics.

The school also is involved in providing community health services, participating in programs with senior citizens, schoolchildren, and other groups. The school has partnered with the Beacon Group of Evansville to send students to Jamaica to provide dental and other health care services.

#### Around the world

The dean's involvement extends beyond the local level. As a recognized leader in her field, she has traveled the world as an advisor to the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, which helps professional people develop leadership skills. In 1995 while in Beijing, China, for the U.N. Fourth Conference on Women and on other trips to Russia and Greece, she has had opportunities to look firsthand at health care facilities in other countries. It is eye-opening, she said, to compare the hotel-like hospitals of the United States featuring carpeting, television and other amenities with facilities in other countries.

At the state level, Coudret is president of the Indiana Women's Political Caucus. "The agenda is involved with promoting women's participation in appointed or elective offices," she said.

#### Learning caring community

The dean also believes in what she calls a "learning caring community." "The mission of an organization is better achieved if the people in the group care about each other," she said. The School of Nursing and Health Professions sponsors an internal newsletter to keep students and faculty informed and has a dean's student council to promote the sharing of ideas.

Coudret also is excited about the completion of the lower level of the Health Professions Center. Work in progress there will include new space for the school, including a faculty/student interaction area with up-to-date video equipment and comfortable tables and chairs that will promote activities in a setting other than a structured classroom.

#### Family time

Coudret and her husband, Raymond J. "Duke" Coudret, who is involved in real estate and has a home inspection company, are avid USI basketball fans. He serves as vice chair for the Varsity Club board. The Coudrets are the parents of three grown children. Their son, David, and daughter, Carol, live in Evansville. Another daughter, Gayle, lives in Denver. They have four grandchildren from ages one through 11.

The dean has committed herself to having a balanced life and says it helps that she does not "need a lot of sleep." She plays racquetball on Monday, tennis on Wednesday, and gets together with other faculty members once a week at lunchtime for a game of bridge. "If I had time, I'd play golf every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday," she added. The University of Southern Indiana has a tremendous opportunity to make a good impression on the world. Heidi Gregori-Gahan, director of International Programs and Services, said that international students are often the brightest and best a country has to offer.

After studying in the United States, these students go back to their native countries and become leaders in government, business, and industry.

Gregori-Gahan's position is a new one at the University of Southern Indiana. Most of the international students at USI now and in the past have found the University on their own or through word-of-mouth. Her mission is to put out the word



program in engineering technology is accredited by the Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering Technology.

To increase awareness of USI abroad, the University will be listed in the catalog of approximately 450 educational advising centers around

# Coming to America or going abroad

USI expands international recruitment, overseas study opportunities

in all the right places so that more international students will enroll at USI. She also is charged with expanding opportunities for USI students to study abroad.

The University has a number of strengths that attract international students, Gregori-Gahan said. Strong programs at an affordable cost, a safe and friendly environment, and on-campus housing are some of the features that appeal to students from abroad.

Accreditation also is important. Nationwide the two most common majors for international students are business and engineering, and USI has accredited programs in both those fields. Baccalaureate and master's programs in the USI School of Business are accredited by the AACSB—The International Association for Management Education, and the bachelor's the world which serve as the gateway for many students seeking information about opportunities in the United States. More than half of the 400,000 international students in this country come through these centers. The school also can identify prospective international students through an association with Peterson's educational information/communications company in Princeton, New Jersey,

A "must" way to promote USI in today's world is through the Internet. Gregori-Gahan plans to subscribe to a Study in the USA web site that will link to USI's web site. Other recruitment efforts are targeted at community colleges whose international students may want to complete a degree at a four-year institution.

The new director also sees opportunities for students, profes-

sors, and short-term scholars to participate in exchange programs following approval of the appropriate designation from the United States Information Agency.

Gregori-Gahan is a leader at the national level in her field. She serves as vice president for professional development for NAFSA: Association of International Educators; NAFSA is National Association for Foreign Student Affairs. She will be promoting USI in her travels with that organization, including visits to the educational attaché offices at embassies in Washington, D.C.

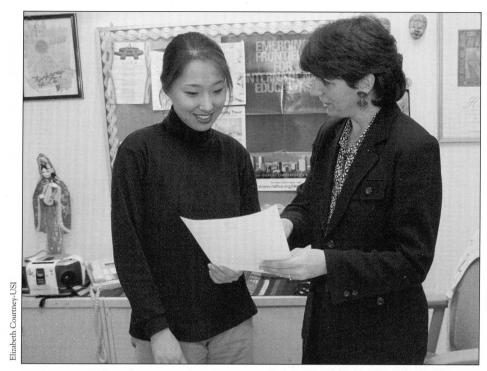
In recruiting international students, Gregori-Gahan said, "Some countries are sending students more readily than others, but we're striving to develop as diverse a population as we can.

"One of the reasons I love my job is that I learn every day from my students. I learn so much about other cultures and traditions, and when it really matters, we're all alike. Human beings all want the same things."

In addition to recruitment, Gregori-Gahan focuses on providing special services unique to the USI experience for international students. When they arrive from their native country for the first time, she is the smiling face they see at the airport and finds students often seek her out later when they have questions.

Gregori-Gahan publishes a newsletter for international students and sponsors the International Club, open to all students. In addition, she is developing a Friendship Partners Program to encourage involvement with American families and a Conversation Partners Program to help with language skills. An International Outreach Program gives students from other countries the opportunity to share their culture and language with community groups. USI students currently have study abroad opportunities at universities in Harlaxton, England, and at several other locations, but Gregori-Gahan expects to expand those choices by joining the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), a network of a hundred universities throughout the world. "It will open the world to our students," she said. Through this program students pay the usual USI fees to attend a university on an exchange basis.

Research has shown that students who study abroad increase their tolerance, adaptability, and sensibility, not to mention their knowledge of the world and their language ability. Students who study abroad are better prepared for careers in an increasingly global economy.



Heidi Gregori-Gahan, right, reviews an orientation schedule with Hyun-Ju (Julie) Youn, a Korean transfer student in nursing.

#### **Out of the tropics, into the blizzard** New citizen recalls introduction to USI

Roberto Maximo '84 remembers seeing snow for the first time when he arrived in Evansville in December 1977 to enroll for the spring semester at the University of Southern Indiana. Maximo had left the tropical climate of Rio de Janeiro without a coat—unprepared for the Midwest blizzard that awaited him.

The USI graduate, who became a naturalized citizen in October, lives now in Acworth, Georgia, where he is associated with the Kendall Company. He looks forward to the increased opportunities and voting privileges which U.S. citizenship affords.

Maximo was introduced to Evansville and encouraged to attend USI by the Reverend Harold Ashby, pastor of Christ Temple, after the two had become acquainted through the church's mission work in Brazil.

When he first arrived, Maximo was surprised by the large homes and yards and by the American dependence on private automobiles. "Where I come from, the houses are very close together, like townhouses. You go outside and you are in contact with people all the time. You take the public transportation which runs 24-hours a day. In the USA, you can get in your car and drive by yourself for a long time."

Maximo said that teachers and students at USI soon recognized his difficulty with language and provided tutoring. Dr. Donald E. Pitzer, professor of history, was one of the faculty members who helped him adjust to the new environment. Maximo completed a B.A. in communications. To USI students who plan to study abroad, Maximo offers these suggestions: "Learn as much as you can about the country and work on your language skills before you go because that will give you the edge. Also, try out some of the foods that you will have there, and talk with some people from that country."



Roberto Maximo took the oath of allegiance to become a U.S. citizen in October at the Richard B. Russell Federal Building in Atlanta. His wife Pamela is at his side.

# **Real time in Korea**

Part teacher, part tourist-graduate meets challenges of working, living on foreign soil

Editor's Note: Tracy Bee reports here on her year as a teaching assistant in Korea through a student Fulbright grant. Her oneyear assignment, beginning in July 1997, took her to a school south of the Korean peninsula on the island of Cheju.

#### By Tracy Bee Class of 1997

One week after receiving a letter congratulating me as a Fulbright alternate, I received another telling me to pack my bags. So, I crammed a year's worth of stuff into two suitcases, waved good-bye to teary parents, and boarded a plane to Korea where I would teach English as a second language. For anyone who complains about the six-hour ride to England, try 17 plus layovers.

Seven thousand miles later I landed in Seoul. On the way to my hotel, the assistant director of the Korean Fulbright explained the fluid nature of Korean traffic, a challenging phenomenon that renders American defensive driving techniques ineffectual. Cars "flowed" into any available space. A few cars almost flowed into our mini-van.

The frightening road conditions notwithstanding, my first impression of Korea was how very foreign it appeared, and how very modern. The scene outside my window was nothing like a "M\*A\*S\*H" episode. As we took the expressway into the city, I gaped at skyscrapers, flashing lights, and huge public television screens. But the neon signs written in a script I could never hope to master captivated me the most.

A few weeks later I could read the strange script and eventually, I'm not sure when, the strangeness of Korea subsided. My adopted town of Cheju City became home. Immersed in Korean culture, placed with a Korean family and new job, I started to assimilate. Every day, I learned to be a better expatriate. I mastered flat, metal chopsticks, learned to bow in salutation, and how to order a meal. I opened a bank account and learned to use a Korean ATM. I bought bus passes and took advantage of the excellent public transportation system. And, when I stayed out too late drinking soju, I took taxis home and practiced my preschool Korean on the drivers.

Of course, I played tourist I traveled, saw real pagodas, visited Buddhist temples, climbed mountains, and swam in crystal blue waters, but these jaunts do not compare to the intensity of living day-to-day in a foreign culture. Though the strangeness of a place disappears, the challenges are not so easily dismissed. When you live in a foreign country, the most mundane action requires more effort. Like Henry David Thoreau, I learned to live deliberately.

Students in uniform bid farewell to their English teacher, Tracy Bee

CAMPUS NEWS

# Construction projects change campus look

Several construction projects are taking shape on the USI campus.

- The largest project, the new Liberal Arts Center, is slated to open fall semester. The new building is located west of the University Center overlooking Reflection Lake.
- Two new 54-unit student housing buildings are visible south of the Technology Center parking lot. The buildings will provide suite-type accommodations on three levels for 360 students.
- A new art studio to replace a temporary facility in use for more than 20 years, is under construction on University Boulevard west of the Technology Center. The studio will house drawing, painting, and printmaking classes and will be convenient to art faculty offices and labs in the Technology Center and nearby Ceramics Studio.
- Contractors continue to work on the second phase of the Science Center laboratory renovation with some labs expected to be in use this semester. The entire project is slated for completion by fall.
- Construction also continues in the previously unfinished lower level of the Health Professions Center. This new space will provide class rooms, labs, a human performance laboratory, and a center for student wellness. Completion is expected for fall classes.
- Team rooms in the Physical Activities Center are complete and only a few furnishings remain to be installed. Provided by contributions to *Campaign USI*, the team rooms will be used by men's and women's intercollegiate athletic teams and coaches.



New student housing will open in fall.

#### New Harmony features 'Mad About You' actor

Louis Zorich, currently portraying Burt Buchman on NBC-TV's "Mad About You" will direct this summer's New Harmony Theatre production of *The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekhov. He also will act in the production.

Zorich has appeared on Broadway with Laurence Olivier and Anthony Quinn in Beckett, with Dustin Hoffman in Death of a Salesman, and in Hadrian VII for which he received a Tony Award nomination. His other Broadway credits include She Loves Me, The Odd Couple, and They Knew What They Wanted which earned him a Drama Desk Award nomination. Zorich has appeared in over 100 television shows, most notably starring in "Brooklyn Bridge," "Young At Heart" with Frank Sinatra, and is a regular on NBC's "Mad About You." Zorich is married to awardwinning actress Olympia Dukakis.

In addition to *The Cherry* Orchard, this year's New Harmony Theatre schedule will include Cole Porter's 1938 musical, *You Never Know*, and the popular play *Steel Magnolias*. Scott LaFeber, artistic director for the USI-sponsored professional summer theatre program, will direct both shows.

The season begins June 11. Plays are performed at Murphy Auditorium in New Harmony. For more information, or to charge by phone, call 812/682-3115 or toll free 877/NHT-SHOW (648-7469).



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# CAMPUS NEWS **Off-road vehicle** to compete again

A car built by USI engineering technology students has been improved this year for its second appearance in the Midwest MiniBaja competition sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE).

The vehicle won first place for originality of design last year for USI's student chapter, which was organized in fall 1997. Students from more than 130 universities entered the competition in Milwaukee.

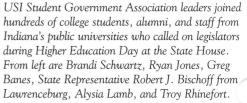
Engineering technology students Chuck Wright and Jason Hoffman have worked to improve the handling and braking system for this year's competition which will take place during June in Dayton, Ohio. Wright said the car has a top speed of about 40 miles per hour. In addition to the endurance run on a motocross track, the vehicle is judged on a hill climb, tractor pull, acceleration, aesthetics, and other characteristics.

#### USI engineering technology students Jason Hoffman, left, Hans Schneider, and Chuck Wright fine tune the car they plan to enter in the Midwest MiniBaja, an undergraduate design competition with emphasis on design and endurance.

The car is built primarily of aircraft-quality material for light weight and high strength. Paul Kuban, assistant professor of engineering technology and SAE sponsor, said the vehicle ran the first time the students tested it, a credit to their engineering capability.

Other students involved in the project include Cletus Esarey, Jason Fromme, Mike Hosman, Trent Lamb, and driver Matt Kelley. Sponsors include George Koch Sons, EMJ Steel, Evansville Sheet Metal Works, Inc., Hardy Brake and Electric Company, and Stephan's Rentals.

### Higher Education Day at State House







#### CAMPUS NEWS

### Former ISU president dies in Terre Haute

#### Campus street to be named in his honor

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Dr. Alan C. Rankin, the seventh president of Indiana State University who served from 1965 to 1975, died on February 24 in Terre Haute. He was 84. He received an honorary degree from USI in 1975 and served as director emeritus of the USI Foundation. A street on the USI campus which will serve a new student housing complex will be named Rankin Lane in his honor.

His tenure as president of Indiana State University paralleled the first 10 years of USI existence as a regional campus in Evansville. On several occasions he remarked that working with the emerging Evansville Campus was one of his great satisfactions as president. In a newspaper article he was quoted saying, "It was not always an easy task. It has not been accomplished without some misunderstandings. There are some who thought we moved too slowly. There are some who thought we moved too rapidly. I am grateful for this collaboration which has brought new friends, provided a needed educational service, and has proved its worth in every diploma which bears the institution's name."

Dr. Rankin served his country in World War II and following the war he joined the faculty at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. He served as consultant to the National Personnel Authority in the reorga-



Dr. Alan Rankin, left, president emeritus of Indiana State University, met with Dr. David Rice, USI president emeritus, and Dr. Ray Hoops, USI president during dedication of Rice Plaza in August 1994.

nization of the Japanese Civil Service during a leave of absence from Miami University. He held positions at Cornell University and University of Pittsburgh before moving to Terre Haute, Indiana.

A native of Hays, Kansas, Dr. Rankin completed his undergraduate degree at Fort Hays Kansas State College in 1937. He held a Master of Arts degree in political science and doctoral degree in social science from Syracuse University. He is survived by his wife Frances and stepdaughter Lynn.

Memorial gifts can be made to the Alan Rankin Distinguished Leadership Award, a scholarship established at USI several years ago to honor his contributions to the campus. Contributions should be sent to the USI Foundation.



Pauley

#### Pauley presented Trustees award

Brian Pauley of Princeton, Indiana, received the 1999 Trustees Distinguished Merit Award during the Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology Honors ceremony in March. The student member of the Board of Trustees for the last two years, Pauley is majoring in mathematics and chemistry. His research and development of new chemical compounds was presented at the National American Chemical Society meeting last summer.

A campus leader, Pauley has served as attorney general of the Student Government Association and president of Mu Gamma Pi Mathematics Club. He is an active member of the American Chemical Society and the Acolytes of Space and Time Physics Club. Active in community service, he is a member of Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve Society, the Evansville Audubon Society, and serves on the Board of Directors of Historic New Harmony.

#### CAMPUS NEWS

# Frank McDonald '73 to speak at commencement

University to confer honorary degrees

Frank F. McDonald II, mayor of Evansville, will speak at the University of Southern Indiana's 1999 Commencement, which will be held at 7 p.m., May 8, at Roberts Stadium.

At the event, the University will confer honorary degrees upon McDonald, a 1973 USI graduate, and two other Evansville civic leaders, Dr. Edward L. Brundick Jr., an orthopedic surgeon who has served as team physician for USI's intercollegiate athletic program for 25 years, and James G. Giancola, president and chief executive officer of CNB Bancshares, Inc.

McDonald, serving his third elected term as mayor, will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws. He earned a B.S. degree in business management from USI and also is a graduate of the Indiana Bankers Commercial Lending School at the University of Indianapolis. Prior to becoming mayor in 1987, he was vice president and manager of the commercial loan department at Peoples Savings Bank. He also has been associated with National City Bank in Evansville and the Merchants National Bank & Trust Company of Indianapolis.

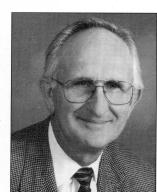
McDonald's contribution to the city of Evansville includes service as an at-large member of the Common Council from 1985 to 1987, city controller in 1983, and member of the water utility board from 1980 to 1982.

Dr. Brundick will receive an honorary Doctor of Science. A graduate of the University of Kansas and the University of Missouri Medical School, he has practiced in Evansville since 1971. Dr. Brundick is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, and the American Academy of Sports Medicine. He served as president of the Indiana Orthopaedic Society in 1995.

Giancola will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws. He joined CNB in 1992 as executive vice president, was named president and chief operating officer in 1994, and has held his current position since 1996. Giancola served as general chairman for Campaign USI, the University's capital campaign which concluded in December after raising more than \$18 million in current gifts and pledges and another \$6 million in deferred gifts. He serves as vice chair for planning on the USI Foundation Board. A graduate of Harvard University, Giancola is active with United Way, Leadership Evansville, and other community organizations.



**McDonald** 



Brundick



Giancola



#### Hitter going for third time at .400 Zap! Jason Folz aims for the gap

In 1998, baseball's senior outfielder Jason Folz of Mount Vernon, Indiana, became only the third player in USI history to hit .400 in two straight seasons. In 1999, Folz is trying to make USI history by hitting over .400 for his third straight season.

Folz, who needs to add seven points to his .414 average to set the career record, was named to the first team All-GLVC and All-North Central Region for his efforts last spring.

The three-year starter in the outfield came to USI from Mater Dei High School in Evansville where he was a letter winner in three sports—baseball, basketball, and football. "Jason Folz came in here as a guy who was a good athlete, playing three different sports," said USI Head Coach Mike Goedde. "He has blossomed by concentrating on baseball."

Folz said, "Hitting .400 wasn't anything I ever really shot for coming out of high school and I never thought I would hit .400 at USI, much less twice." He agreed that committing to one sport has been the big reason for his improvement along with additional experience from summer competition.

During the summer Folz has competed in the Coastal Plain League for Rocky Mountain (North Carolina) in 1997 and Florence (South Carolina).

Going into the 1999 season, Folz's goal was to continue his hot hitting and improve it. "I want to add a little power, but mostly, I want to

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improve by driving the ball into the gaps."

A senior, Folz may have the opportunity to continue playing professionally. "After college, if the opportunity presents itself, I would like to take the chance," he said.

#### Lady Eagles stack deck for softball

The cards have been dealt for the 1999 softball season and the University of Southern Indiana holds a full house, including two aces. USI returns an All-American selection, an All-Region selection, and five All-GLVC performers.

The Eagles finished the 1998 season with an overall record of 48-17 (22-6 in Great Lakes Valley Conference play), captured their third GLVC crown in six seasons, and advanced to the NCAA II Regionals. With the loss of only two seniors, the squad expected to improve on last year's success as the season began.

Dealing out the line-up cards for her fourth year is Head Coach Beth Watson. The 1998 Great Lakes Valley Conference Coach of the Year guided the Eagles to a school record 48 victories last season. Her three seasons at USI have resulted in a record of 100-65.

Anticipation for 1999 began with USI's two pitching aces. Amy

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Stetler

Roberts

Stetler, a two-time All-GLVC first team selection, posted a 25-10 record and 1.22 ERA in 1998. Her 25 victories placed her eleventh nationally among pitching wins.

Sharing the pitching duties is Katie Roberts, named to the GLVC second team last year. She turned in a freshman campaign of 21-7 and a 1.45 ERA, throwing a no-hitter in only her third collegiate start.

Stetler and Roberts combined last season for an overall ERA of 1.43, which ranked USI 20th in the NCAA. As the season approached, Coach Watson said, "Most coaches feel confident with one strong pitcher, so for us to have two is a huge boost."

If opponents get a bat on the ball, a solid veteran infield provides a defense which ranked first in Division II with a fielding percentage of .977 last year. "We have two of the best middle infielders (second base and shortstop) in the region, if not the country," commented Watson.

Returning at second base is first team All-American Trisha Poling, who hit a team-best .451 last season and set a school record for hits in a season with 87. She also was named first team All-Region and first team All-GLVC. Shortstop Toni Brannon hit a career-high .323 last season and had a fielding percentage of .946.

The outfield returns Nicole Vine and Andrea Strange. Both were named to the 1998 All-GLVC second team, and Vine was an All-Region second team selection. "Nicole and Andrea both have excellent speed and strong arms," Watson said.

Catchers Crystal Virgin and Jennifer Smith are back for a third season. Virgin started in 49 games last season and caught both of the Eagles' no-hitters. Smith started 20 games, hit for a .341 average, and committed only one error for a .990 fielding average.

USI is working through a tough schedule in 1999. The Eagles could play 15 of the 32 teams that participated in the 1998 NCAA Division II Tournament.

#### Wilkins to coach women's soccer



Newly appointed women's soccer coach Bill Wilkins, right, talks with Jon Mark Hall, assistant athletic director. Over the past five years Wilkins gained national exposure when he directed Auburn University women's soccer team to wins in the NCAA Division I and Southeastern conferences and their first-ever regional ranking. He took over the Auburn program in its second season of existence. Hall, the chair of the search committee, said, "USI has gained national exposure over the last two seasons in women's soccer and that has enabled us to bring in a nationally recognized coach.'

#### Jessica Pigman named GLVC Scholar-Athlete



Jessica Pigman, a senior midfielder on the women's soccer team, was named the Great Lakes Valley Conference 1998 Scholar-Athlete of the Year for women's soccer.

Pigman

This is the first year for the award.

Pigman, who played three seasons for the Eagles, is a nursing and physical education major from Evansville. She has been named to the Dean's List four times in three years.

In 1998, Pigman helped lead the Screaming Eagles to an 18-3-1 overall record, 9-1-0 regular season record in the GLVC, a second place finish in the GLVC Tournament, an NCAA Division II Central Regional win, and an appearance in the NCAA II Tournament quarter-finals.

#### 42 earn All-GLVC academic honors

The University of Southern Indiana had 42 student athletes named Academic All-Great Lakes Valley Conference for fall semester sports, 11 of them winning repeat honors with their individual teams. To be eligible, the student athlete must participate in a fall sport sponsored by the GLVC and have a 3.0 grade point average or a 3.2 GPA in each of the previous two semesters. Freshmen and transfer students are eligible if they have a 3.2 GPA in their first semester.

**Blizabeth Courtney-USI** 

#### 1970s

William A. Burgdorf '71, history, has been promoted at The Trane Company. He is a group coach for the Unitary Products Group Marketing and Sales Professionals in Tyler, Texas.

**Donald R. Adler '74,** general science, has been named associate principal at Three I Engineering Inc., in Evansville.

**Pam Rogers Juncker '75**, secretarial administration, joined SIGECOM as director of human resources in Evansville.

**Peter D. Helfrich '77,** art, is vice president and marketing director at Old National Bank in Evansville.

#### **1980**s

Harold E. Tepool '80, communications, was named to Who's Who Among American Teachers in 1998. He has also been named to Outstanding People of the Twentieth Century 1999. He is in his thirtieth year of teaching at Vincennes University.

Gerald A. Montgomery '83, marketing, has been promoted to manager of branch operation support at American General Finance in Evansville.

**David W. Snelling '83**, business, has joined the Visiting Nurse Association as director of human resources.

Larry E. Crouch '84, computer information systems, has been promoted to finance director with the Milwaukee County Council, Boy Scouts of America. He serves as alderman on the City Council in Bloomington, Illinois. **Emily J. Gartner '84**, business administration, is a design assistant for Majestic Athletic Wear in Bangor, Pennsylvania. She designs lines for college teams.

James Hynd '84, marketing and management, has been promoted to business director of women's health marketing for Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc., of Marietta, Georgia.

**Connie S. Wellmeyer '84,** accounting, is director of finance for Tri-State Medical Management in Evansville.

Kevin A. DeSanti '86, communications, is the managing director of the Media Arts Group at Anderson Consulting in Chicago.

John K. Hahn '88, management, was recently reelected to the Vanderburgh Soil and Water Conservation District as supervisor on the board of directors.

Altay J. Soyugenc '88, management, is with Breda Transportation as a materials manager in San Francisco.

Debbie Prueher Rahman '89, mathematics, is a project coordinator for Kimball Electronics in Jasper, Indiana.

Pamela Miller Schneider '89, marketing, has been named product manager-electronic services at Old National Bancorp.

Jill Hermann Wade '89, marketing, has been hired as a personal fitness trainer for Resultz Personal Fitness in Evansville.

**Eric R. Williams '89,** management, and his wife Judy are owners and operators of The Frame Shoppe, a custom framing and matting business in Evansville. Eric was appointed chief deputy of the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department.

#### 1990s

Mary L. Hollars '90, accounting, '92, Master of Business Administration, was honored as the "Outstanding Business Educator of the Year" at the Annual Indiana Business Education Association Conference.

**Tracy Shurig Maxwell '90**, nursing, is enrolled in a master's program in nurse anesthesia at Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia.

Tristan D. Barnett '91, mechanical engineering technology, will assume the duties of engineering manager at Williamson Metal Works at Madison, Indiana.

Jerry L. Pratt '91, elementary education, is working as a programmer/analyst for State Farm Insurance in Bloomington, Illinois.

Albert D. Rahman '91, social science education, is a personal financial advisor for American Express Financial Advisors in Greenwood, Indiana.

Stacey A. Shourd '91, business administration, has been named vice president of human resources at the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union.

John P. Wible '91, business administration, is working as an engineer at IT Systems/GTE in Roswell, Georgia.

Mark A. Happe '92, accounting, has been hired as a loan originator at Pathway Financial Services, Inc., in Evansville.

Kellie Shaw Harpenau '92, elementary education, is a teaching assistant at South Spencer Middle School.

#### We want to hear from you!

Do you have professional news about yourself 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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Michael P. Huber '92, business administration, was recently promoted to director of customer care for Kimball Office Group, a division of Kimball International of Jasper.

**Richard A. Jones '92,** accounting, graduated from Northwestern University Medical School of Prosthetics program in December 1997. He is now completing Prosthetic Residency at Rehabcare in Evansville.

Jennifer N. McAtee '92, sociology, was promoted to supervisor at T.J. Maxx in Evansville.

Brian K. Pease '92, history, has joined KFS & Associates as facilities manager. KFS is a local marketing and advertising firm.

Monty M. Ream '92, social studies, is a sixth grade teacher at Lincoln Middle School and cross country coach at Logansport High School in Logansport, Indiana.

Michelle L. Tinsley '92, business education, graduated from Western Kentucky University with an M.A. in student counseling. She is now employed by Barren County High School as a guidance counselor.

Wanda G. Grimwood '93, business administration, is working as human resources consultant for HReasy, Inc., in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Chad L. Williams '93, communications, has been promoted to assistant manager at Wal-Mart in Washington, Indiana.

Karla J. VanWinkle '93, English, is teaching at Homestead High School in Fort Wayne.

Lisa Loechte Witte '93, business administration, has accepted a new position with Kimball International as an international customer representative for KOG in Jasper, Indiana.

Angela J. Zwahlen '93, nursing, is associated with Barnes-Jewish Hospital in Saint Louis.

Lisa G. Alexander '94, nursing, has joined the staff at Deaconess MedWise Center on the north side of Evansville.

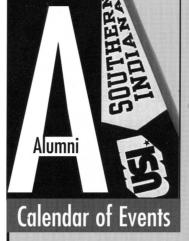
Jeffrey D. Doyle '94, social science teaching, is administrative assistant/athletic director at Shoals Junior High School.

Beth A. Edwards '94, communications, is a student affairs program coordinator at the University of Arizona College of Medicine.

Samuel W. Lawrence '94, accounting, has been promoted to supervisor of general services at Harding Shymanski & Co. in Evansville.

Darren W. Spainhoward '94, business administration, has been named assistant vice president and commercial loan officer at Old National Bank in Evansville.

Lance W. Stephens '94, accounting, has opened a full-service accounting firm, Otte & Stephens P.C. in Newburgh, Indiana.



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april 6	Dubois Chapter Meeting, 6 p.m., Homestead Pizza, Ferdinand, Indiana
april 10	USI Eagle 5K Run/Walk, USI Physical Activities Center, 10 a.m.
april 22	Indianapolis Chapter Meeting, 7 p.m., Gibson's American Grill, Circle Centre
1ay 7	Association Annual Meeting, 5:30 p.m., USI Carter Hall; Senior Reception and Dinner follows Annual Meeting
ine 18	Alumni Picnic, 5:30 p.m., USI campus, children's games and petting 200
ine 19	Alumni Golf Scramble, 8 a.m., Quail Crossing Golf Club, Boonville, Indiana
ine 19	Class of 1974 Twenty-Fifth Reunion
ıly 13	Dubois Chapter Meeting, 6 p.m., Schnitzelbank Restaurant, Jasper, Indiana
ıly 15	Indianapolis Chapter Meeting, 7 p.m., Gibson's American Grill, Circle Centre

All alumni are welcome to attend these events. For further information and reservations, call the Alumni and Volunteer Services Office, 812/464-1924.

Sharie D. Sweet '94, Spanish, is in her fifth year teaching Spanish at Hamilton Southeastern High School in Fishers, Indiana.

Jenny Fritz Jones '95, business administration, is employed at the University of Evansville in the Office of Instructional Technology.

**Tracy Wilcox Morgan '95**, social work, **'98**, Master of Social Work, has joined the staff at Deaconess MedWise Center on the north side of Evansville.

Terri Blume Bell '96, elementary education, is teaching first grade at Saint Anthony Elementary in Saint Anthony, Indiana.

Donald W. Burton '96, elementary education, teaches sixth grade at Salem Middle School, coaches seventh grade boys' basketball, and is assistant coach for baseball.

Jason P. Coulter '96, psychology, has his own business, PJ's Car Tunes, in Evansville. PJ's opened in October 1997.

Bryan R. Harper '96, communications, is an account executive for the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Lori A. Newman '96, Master of Business Administration, has been named advertising director for Old National Bank in Evansville.

Ranell Elpers Rexing '96, elementary education, teaches first grade and coaches cross country at Owensville (Indiana) Middle School.

Jeff W. Barton '97, sociology, is a federal law enforcement officer for the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Florence, Arizona.

Mark A. Bassett '97, electrical engineering technology, has been promoted to programmable logical controls specialist at Evansville Supply Company.

Stephanie J. Dunn '97, political science, works at the Tri-State Food Bank as volunteer coordinator/bookkeeper. She recently became engaged to Chris Norrick '98, biology.

Tangela Boyd Floyd '97, communications, is a communications specialist for NIPSCO Industries in Merrillville, Indiana.

Laura A. Freese '97, Master of Social Work, has been promoted to program manager for a new therapeutic foster care program at River Valley Behavioral Health in Owensboro, Kentucky.

Dana L. Jackson '97, sociology, is chief probation officer for Harrison County Circuit Court in Corydon, Indiana.

Gena D. Kingen '97, communications, has been appointed sales coordinator at Micro Computer Solutions in Evansville.

Shannon R. Martin '97, elementary education, has been named director of Tender Tots Village child care center in Evansville.

Jennifer L. Metcalf '97, communications, joined the staff of Center City Corporation as publications manager.

Angela D. Paschall '97, communications, recently accepted a position as office manager at Premier Mfg. Support Services L.P. at the Toyota Princeton Plant.

Dawn Clesi Schuler '97, communications, has been promoted to corporate relations specialist at ITT Educational Services in Indianapolis. Dawn and her husband Jamy Schuler '98, business administration, currently reside in Fishers, Indiana.

**Derrick K. Smith '97,** accounting, has been hired as a staff accountant at Umbach & Associates in Evansville.

Madonna Parad Wagner '97, occupational therapy, has joined The Alternative Wellness Center in Evansville.

Rachelle M. Cox '98, psychology, is an outpatient case manager at Wabash Valley Hospital in Lafayette, Indiana.

Leigh Anne DeVoy '98, communications, is an account executive at the *Evansville Courier and Press*. Her awards include 1996 Best of Show and 1997 Best New Revenue Producer for advertising promotions that were also featured in international newspaper trade publications.

**Patricia A. Duguay '98,** nursing, is a registered nurse at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia.

Andrea Brenner Greaney '98, elementary education, teaches seventh grade at Evans Middle School, in Evansville.

Evan R. Hiple '98, biology, is a first-year dental student at Indiana University School of Dentistry.

**Gregory A. Hight '98,** physical education, has been named an admission counselor at USI.

James R. Hunter '98, geology, has been hired by Patriot Engineering and Environmental Company as environmental project manager.

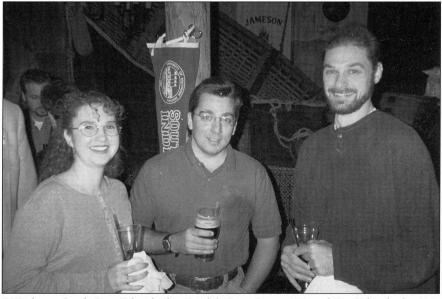
Kristoffer M. Miller '98, communications, is an account manager for Micro Computer Solutions in Evansville.

#### Marriages

**Stanley M. Campbell '72,** art, and JoBerta Hein, July 4, 1998

Connie J. Adams '86, business, and Karl McNichols, June 27, 1998

#### Alumni meet in Chicago



USI alumni Candy Jines Fehrenbacher '94, left, Brett Brewer '84, and Eric Fehrenbacher '94 joined other Chicago-area alumni at a reception at the Fado Irish Pub in December in down-town Chicago.

#### Kathy Schoettlin wins FEMA award

Kathy A. Schoettlin '92, communications, has received the Outstanding Voluntary Or Non-Profit Organization Member Award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

She was presented the award in December at an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. Schoettlin is director of public relations, disaster services, and volunteer relations at the Southwestern Indiana Chapter of the American Red Cross. She began working with the organization as an intern in 1992 while she was a USI student.

#### ICPAC appoints Paula Baughn

Paula Baughn '92, communications, has been named director of publications for ICPAC (Indiana Career and Postsecondary Advancement Center), a state agency that promotes career and education planning. Baughn completed an M.A. degree in journalism in December at Indiana University-Bloomington and worked with ICPAC while pursuing her graduate studies. Steve M. Nordhoff '86, communications, and Teri J. Andrick, December 5, 1998

Joan C. Grabhorn '87, secretarial, and Patrick M. Slevin, August 29, 1998

Ronald A. Hurm '87, accounting, and Toscha Winiger, October 17, 1998

Debra A. Rodgers '91, elementary education, and Matthew J. Bordenkecher

Lynn G. Simpson '92, nursing, and Dr. James Maserejian, April 18, 1998

Patricia A. Godeke '93, biology, and John Wiseman, August 22, 1998

Mike L. Hulsman '93, accounting and business administration, and Krista Wallace, September 19, 1998

Vicki L. Brown '94, communications, and Marc S. Duhe '97, communications, January 2, 1998

Tamara S. Harrison '94, communications, and Rob Lyons, July 18, 1998

Jennifer L. Sparks '95, elementary education, and Tim Claymier, August 15, 1998

Michelle D. Weisheit '95, elementary education, and Thomas Perry, August 1, 1998

Diana M. Nelson '95, accounting, and Leonard J. Winiger '82, accounting, July 7, 1998

**Amy B. Huebschman '96,** communications, and John Lutzel, October 3, 1998

Amy M. Morgan '96, business administration, and Jeffrey M. Phillips, July 15, 1998

Lana P. Schmidt '96, science teaching, and Joseph P. Hurst, September 5, 1998

Holly M. Trice '96, physical education, and Lafe A. Ransom, August 22, 1998

Rebecca L. Carney '97, biology, and Daniel L. Skiver, December 19, 1998

Shannon L. Christmas '97, early childhood education, and Michael P. Brenner, June 20, 1998

Marc J. Florence '97, accounting, and Laurie B. Hale, August 16, 1998

Daniel R. Griese '97, communications, and Heidi L. Jacobs, October 24, 1998

Melissa R. Schroering '97, business administration, and Chris S. Barthel, September 26, 1998

Staci L. Sparks '97, elementary education, and Brent Holweger, October 10, 1998

Rory D. Hague '98, business administration, and Jennifer A. Engelhardt, September 5, 1998

J. Andrew Hubbard '98, Master of Business Administration, and Francie N. Ward, September 12, 1998

Farrah L. Maddox '98, occupational therapy, and Larry Beard, June 6, 1998

Courtney L. Martin '98, occupational therapy, and Barry Maynor, October 17, 1998

#### Births

Gail Payne Hartlein '81, secretarial administration, and Robert, son, Ethan Scott, September 9, 1998

Jeffrey L. Wilmes '81, accounting, and Laurie, son, Daniel Christopher, October 13, 1998

Lisa Hancock Daugherty '82, secretarial administration, and Ernest, son, Ryan Austin, November 4, 1998

Joe A. Hargis '82, communications, and Kathryn, twins, daughter, Anne Cathryn, son, Samuel George, August 24, 1998

#### 4th Annual Alumni Fun Golf Scramble

June 19 Quail Crossing Entry deadline June 1 Call Alumni and Volunteer Services 812/464-1924

#### **USI Alumni Picnic**

5:30 p.m. Friday, June 18 University Center Mall

Watch for your invitation!

Jane Beuligmann Gibbs '86, respiratory therapy, and Terry, son, Nolan Henry, November 2, 1998

Jean Puertzer Miller '86, social science, and Paul, son, Anthony Nicholas, September 29, 1998

Jeffrey L. Cleek '87, chemistry, and Kimberly, son, Jaden Lee, November 12, 1998

Joy Nurrenbern Pfingston '87, computer information systems, and David, son, Bryce Alan, October 8, 1998

Gretchen Wallace Brennan '88, communications, and Jim, daughter, Alexandria Keefe, July 17, 1998

Dennis J. Staley '88, electrical engineering technology, and Gina, son, Richard Nicholas, December 5, 1998

**Christine Meinerding Bittner '89,** elementary education, and Daniel, daughter, Samantha Suzanne, October 8, 1998

David S. Straw '89, political science, '91, social science teaching, and Sabrina, daughter, Faith Marie, November 8, 1998

Sherri Rudolph Thomasson '89, business administration, and Michael, daughter, Halee Lynn, October 13, 1998

Holly Weinzapfel Wargel '89, business administration, and Dennis, daughter, Tara Leigh, October 15, 1998

Kimberly Rexing Ziliak '89, elementary education, and Stanley, twin daughters, Kate Allison and Lauren Marie, September 8, 1998

Marcy McDonald Mohler '90, communications, and Joseph, son, Carson Fox, September 21, 1998

Donna J. Harris '92, accounting, and Dean, daughter, Ashley Lane, October 15, 1998

Heather Fulkerson Lett '92, dental hygiene, and Rodney, son, Landon Chase, September 21, 1998

Leanne Weber McAtee '92, elementary education, and Craig, son, Garrett Lee, September 15, 1998

Candice L. Perry, '92, psychology, and Bryan, daughter, Arika Lynn, October 7, 1998

Frank E. Rago '92, computer information systems, and Shawn, son, Benjamin Ryne, September 2, 1998

Karen Kopec Wilson '92, English, and Ron, daughter, Lillian Diane, November 6, 1998

Carla Crane Alexander '93, elementary education, and Ernest, daughter, Alyssa Renee, June 6, 1998

Timothy M. Allen '93, Master of Business Administration, and Tracey, son, Zachary John, October 12, 1998

Michael T. Bacon '93, German, and Jennifer, daughter, Emily Michael, October 23, 1998

Teressa Libbert Fleming '93, business administration, and Rich, son, Kade Mitchell, January 7, 1999 Lora C. Mehne '93, business administration, and David, son, John Curtis, October 9, 1998

Gina C. Uloth '93, English, and Jon, daughter, Grace Elizabeth, October 12, 1998

**Craig E. Bottorff '94,** post baccalaureate certificate in accountancy, and Linda, son, Evan Kinkade, November 20, 1998

Jenifer Bryan Gossman '94, business administration, and Randy, son, Ryan William, November 3, 1998

Michele Martin Head '94, dental assisting, and Paul, twins, son, Caleb Martin, daughter, Kylie Diann, August 20, 1998

Timothy K. McCann '94, civil engineering technology, and Terri, daughter, Grace Louise, November 10, 1998

Rebecca Leedy Nichols '94, Master of Business Administration, and Scott J. Nichols '86, management, daughter, Hannah Caroline, October 19, 1998

Nichole Cheesman Blackwell '95, business administration, and Dave Blackwell '94, business administration, daughter, Marina Nichole, September 23, 1998

Amy Mehringer Eger '95, communications, and Brian, son, Jarod Matthew, August 4, 1998

Sharon Lentz Helms '95, mathematics, and Thomas Helms '93, mathematics, son, Caleb Thomas, August 6, 1998

Michael A. Lousignont '95, business administration, and Laura, daughter, Malia Breanne, October 8, 1998

Kenda Kleiman Cecil '96, dental hygiene, and Kevin, son, Grant Evan, November 23, 1998

Renae Blankenberger Egli '96, elementary education, and William Egli, Jr. '96, business administration, son, William Frederick III, August 31, 1998 Scott A. Schneider '96, business administration, and Amy, daughter, Sidney Lynne, October 11, 1998

Leah Davis-Seidl '96, elementary education, and Ryan Seidl '95, business administration, daughter, Gracie Leah, September 26, 1998

Michele Schwartz Blankenship '97, occupational therapy, and James, daughter, Arielle Elaine, October 22, 1998

Christina Will Crabtree '97, nursing, and Barry, son, Shane Dylan, August 8, 1998

Julie L. Kemp '97, elementary education, and Michael, daughter, Jordan Nicole, October 8, 1998

Ami L. Lloyd '97, health services, and Darrin, daughter, Emma Kristine, October 21, 1998

Janet Braddock McIntyre '97, elementary education, and Matthew, daughter, Velvet Noel, September 28, 1998

#### Daniel Hermann featured as speaker in alumni program

Daniel S. Hermann '79, president of Black Beauty Coal Company, was the featured speaker in March during the School of Business 1999 Alumni-in-Residence program. His presentation was titled "Succeeding in a Declining Industry—Is it Luck?"

A certified public accountant, Hermann began his career in 1979 as a staff accountant for Harding Shymanski & Company. He joined Black Beauty in 1982 as accounting manager and was promoted to various positions including executive vice president. In December 1997, Hermann was named president and chief operating officer of Black Beauty Coal Company and Black Beauty Resources, Inc. Hermann serves as director of the Boys and Girls Club, as director at Citizens National Bank, and as a member of Our Greater Community. At USI he is active in the Alumni Association, Varsity Club, Board of Visitors, and the Accounting Circle. He is a member of the Indiana CPA Society and American Institute of CPAs.



Hermann

# Help save USI's license plate



The total is mounting, but we still need your help. The Office of Alumni and Volunteer Services reports that 784 USI license plates have been sold toward the goal of 2,000 through the year 2000. Organizations that do not sell at least 2,000 plates by then will lose their special plate.

Your tax-deductible contribution of \$25 (\$10 for currently enrolled students) supports scholarships and authorizes you to get the special plate when you purchase or renew your plates.

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William B. Randell '97, business administration, and Susan, daughter, Kate Susanne, September 23, 1998.

Jayme Cowling '98, elementary education, and Bryan, daughter, Ashtyn Elizabeth, September 9, 1998

Gina Kitten Jones '98, health services, Mark A. Jones '89, management, daughter, Tori Lynn, October 11, 1998

Lisa D. Overton '98, French, son, Jacob Michel, August 26, 1998

**Paul E. Quinzer '98,** Master of Secondary Education, and Cindy, daughter, Savannah Jade, September 11, 1998

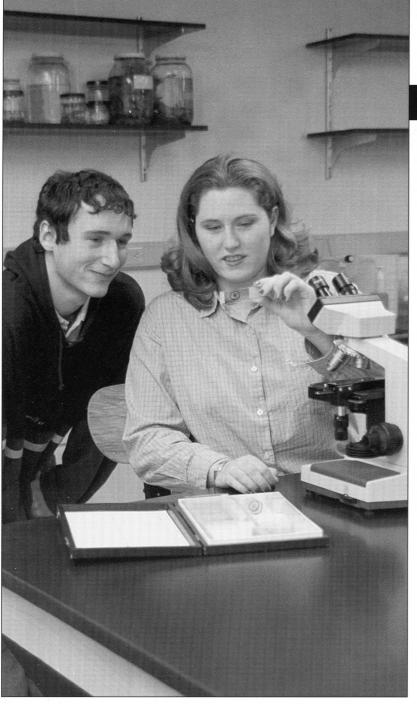
Erica Greenwell Springer '98, elementary education, and Ian, son, Jarik Alexander, October 27, 1998

#### In Memoriam

Mary Thompson Champion '71, elementary education, died October 28, 1998, in Evansville, Indiana. She was a retired schoolteacher. She received a bachelor's degree with the first graduating class at USI.

#### Faculty death

**Dr. Richard W. Henry**, an oral maxillofacial surgeon who was an adjunct faculty member for many years, died November 25. He retired as a captain in the Dental Corps of the U.S. Navy and was on the medical dental staff at Welborn Baptist Hospital and St. Mary's Health Care Services in Evansville for many years. At USI, he taught oral pathology in the dental hygiene program. He was active in many local, state, and national professional organizations.



**Bruce Yoder**, a sophomore chemistry major from Washington, and Jamie Seekins, a junior biology major from Marion, are recipients of Presidential Scholarships funded during the capital campaign. Seekins holds the Citizens Bank Endowed Presidential Scholarship, and Yoder was awarded the Harold W. Ashley Endowed Presidential Scholarship.

#### Campaign USI dollars at work

Generous donors funded eight new Endowed Presidential Scholarships and five new Four-Year Presidential Scholarships during *Campaign USI*, the University's first capital campaign. Presidential Scholarships help USI attract some of the brightest students from Indiana high schools.

Campaign donors clearly favored Presidential Scholarships among the campaign's four Featured Objectives, contributing more than \$2.7 million in current gifts and pledges. Additional Presidential Scholarships are pledged as deferred gifts.

Before closing in December, *Campaign* USI raised more than \$18 million in current gifts to surpass the \$16 million challenge goal. An additional \$6 million in deferred gifts was raised.



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