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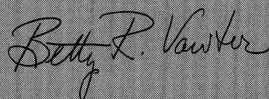
## Legislative appropriations bring campus-wide improvement

Enrollment is up (page 6) and the needs of the University of Southern Indiana are greater than ever. The Indiana General Assembly, acknowledging the fast growth of the state's newest university, has appropriated funds for the 1997-99 biennium to help USI keep pace with increasing demands upon faculty and facilities.

- A \$705,000 base appropriation recognizes prior enrollment and gives USI funds to hire additional faculty/staff.
- A special equity adjustment of \$833,000 was appropriated to USI because of its rapid growth. These funds will be used to support new academic programs, equipment, and supplies for the classroom and additional faculty.
- A one-time \$1,034,000 allocation for technology will be used over two years to increase student access to computers and to enhance academic instruction. Funds will purchase additional computers, upgrade computer laboratories, and expand classroom technology with further development in multimedia, distance learning, and videoconferencing.
- In repair and rehabilitation funds, \$824,000 will be spent for major building maintenance and for infrastructure including the repair of sidewalks, roadways, and utility support systems.
- For capital projects, \$8 million is forthcoming to renovate laboratory space in the University's oldest classroom building, the Science Center, and to complete unfinished areas in the Health Professions Center. The Science Center project (page 8) will be augmented by a \$1.2 million National Science Foundation grant to upgrade research laboratories.
- A \$3.5 million bonding authorization will make possible a Wellness Center, presently under design.
- The University already has received approval from the Commission for Higher Education and the State Budget Committee to proceed with three new apartment buildings at a total cost of \$3.2 million to be paid for with revenues from rent. When completed, there will be 2,162 beds available in campus housing. Looking to the future, the University is planning a major new housing phase to be constructed and available by fall 1999. Intended principally for entering freshmen, it will offer special services to increase the success and retention of students.

As always, alumni look out for the needs of the University. The Alumni Legislative Assistance Committee is actively involved in grass roots efforts to help USI with its legislative priorities. This group, chaired by Rob Zigenfus '90, will meet this fall with USI's two alumni legislators—State Rep. Vaneta Becker '94 and State Rep. Russell Stillwell '77—to learn how to be more effective in their work.

The legislature and state officials continue to assist USI as it seeks to increase the state's educational attainment level. We will assure them that these dollars they are investing are well spent.



Betty R. Vawter

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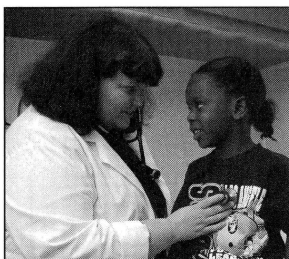
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Melissa Fuquay (cover) and Roseanna Parkhurst (left) are two of the first graduates in the family nurse practitioner program in the School of Nursing and Health Professions. See story, page 2.



*Roseanna Parkhurst and her colleagues take health care to the patient with St. Mary's Mobile Outreach Clinic.*

# The family nurse practitioner will see you now

Combining nursing skills with medical management for quality, cost-efficient care

**T**he University of Southern Indiana is helping to bring a greater level of health care to the Tri-State with the graduation in August of the first 10 family nurse practitioners in the master's level program.

Dr. Nadine Coudret, dean of the School of Nursing and Health Professions, said the USI program was made possible by a \$750,000 grant from the Division of Nursing, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Melissa L. Vandever is associate professor of nursing and program coordinator for graduate studies in nursing.

The grant for USI's program is part of an outreach effort to recruit family nurse practitioners in medically underserved areas. Studies

show that 16 of the 25 counties in southern Indiana, southern Illinois, and western Kentucky are designated as medically underserved areas. Another five counties are identified as partially underserved. In such areas, the family nurse practitioner can be an important factor in realizing a greater level of health care.

Nurse practitioners work in collaboration with physicians and other health professionals. They are primary health care providers, offering nursing and medical services to individuals, families, and groups. They emphasize health promotion and disease prevention as well as the diagnosis and management of acute and chronic diseases. They may order and conduct appropriate diagnostic and

laboratory tests and interpret them. Nurse practitioners serve as health care resources, interdisciplinary consultants, and patient advocates.

Effective utilization of nurse practitioners can increase access to health care, increase efficiency in providing health care, and provide cost-savings. Studies show that almost 80 percent of adult primary care services and up to 90 percent of pediatric primary care services could be performed by nurse practitioners, according to the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

USI graduates are now on the job, proving they can handle patient care.

Melissa Fuquay is a family nurse practitioner in the office of Dr. Stephen Cullen, a family practice physician in Washington, Indiana. She sees patients in the clinic, treats medical conditions, and refers difficult cases to the physician. She has similar duties at Dr. Cullen's clinic in Montgomery, Indiana.

Speaking about the USI family nurse practitioner program, Fuquay said, "Students do more than a year of clinical practice. The hands-on experiences are invaluable. I've seen ear infections, the common cold, bronchitis. I know how to recognize these conditions."

In presenting the role of the nurse practitioner to patients, Fuquay tells them that the doctor needs extra help. "The practice is a busy one, and we hope to help both the doctor and the patient by seeing patients on time."

Washington and Montgomery are north of Evansville in an area that is primarily agricultural.

Another rural area now served by a family nurse practitioner is Mt. Carmel, Illinois, where Lisa Alexander, also a new graduate of the master's program, is working at the Wabash County Rural Health Clinic.

## *"It's a different kind of nursing"*

Alexander said the clinic provides primary health care services to many persons who might not otherwise be able to afford or have access to good medical care. "We try to give quality service with a caring attitude. In this area we have a need for health care education, and a doctor in a busy practice doesn't have time to offer that," Alexander said, adding that her patients are very accepting of the nurse practitioner's mid-level role.

According to the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, "patients respond favorably to the quality of treatment itself, as well as the tendency of nurse practitioners...to spend more time with them, to create a more relaxed atmosphere in which they (the patient) feel more comfortable asking questions which they might regard as too trivial for a physician."

The Wabash County Rural Health Clinic has physician support from a doctor of internal medicine and from a pediatrician. The clinic is one of several which the state of Illinois plans to establish to increase the availability of health care to the underserved population.

A USI graduate working in an urban setting is Roseanna Parkhurst. She is a family nurse practitioner for the new Mobile Outreach Clinic offered by St. Mary's Health Care Services in Evansville. The clinic, a 40-foot van on a fire engine chassis, began operation in August, bringing health care in some cases to individuals who have not seen a doctor in years. The mobile clinic includes a small admitting area, two exam rooms, a small lab area, and a bathroom.

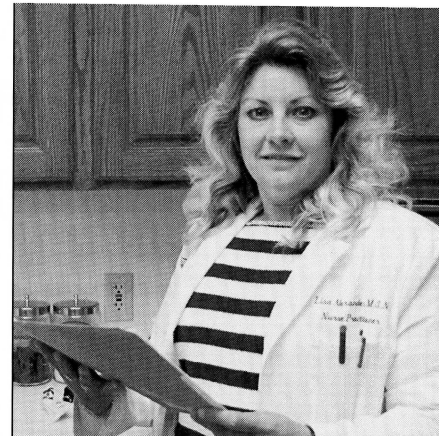
In addition to family nurse practitioners, the clinic on wheels is staffed by physicians and family

practice residents, a dietitian, respiratory therapist, social worker, emergency medical technicians, and volunteers. The clinic staff handles routine care and refers patients with more serious problems to area physicians.

"We can give you anything that a physician's office can give you," Parkhurst said. She and other clinic staff members provide care for all ages—from babies to geriatric patients. The clinic offers general medical care and screenings, immunizations, health and wellness education, screenings and counseling for sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy tests and prenatal care, lead screenings, childhood physicals, advice on healthy eating, and cholesterol, blood pressure, and blood sugar tests.

"It's a different kind of nursing," said Parkhurst, who worked more than 16 years in nursing before earning her master's in August. She received her associate's degree in 1981 and her bachelor's in 1990. "The family nurse practitioner has a lot of autonomy, but you don't lose the nursing part because there's a lot of patient education going on—a lot of talking and listening to what the patients say."

In the first month of operation, Parkhurst said the mobile clinic saw 150 patients. "There is a need right here," she said. The van is open at some locations after school and after work hours so patients can be seen at their convenience. The mobile clinic makes regular visits to the following locations: Evansville Rescue Mission, neighborhood of Cedar Hall School, Salvation Army Shelter, Sweetser Neighborhood (teen clinic), neighborhood of Fulton Square Homes (teen clinic), Zion Missionary Baptist Church,



*Lisa Alexander helped set up the new rural health clinic in Mt. Carmel, Illinois.*

neighborhood of Howard Roosa School, and Bread of Life Ministries in Lynnville, Indiana.

The USI master's program can be completed in two years by full-time students or in three years by part-time students. A flexible program accommodates, as much as possible, the schedules of the master's candidates—many of whom are working nurses returning to school for the advanced degree. Some courses are available through videoconferencing and through computer-mediated instruction for those who want to complete course work through distance education.

In teaching the master's program, USI faculty members collaborate with area agencies to offer graduate students a variety of classroom and clinical experiences. Guest lecturers in many fields of medical expertise appear on campus, and students spend 665 clinical hours working side-by-side with physicians and nurse practitioners to gain practical experience.

The USI School of Nursing offers two additional master's level programs. The nurse specialist is an advanced clinician in a selected specialty of clinical nursing. The acute care nurse practitioner is a provider of care to clients with acute and chronic illness across all settings from hospital to rehabilitation.

# Caring people bring about positive experiences

## Harolyn Torain begins term as chair of Board of Trustees



Torain

A people-oriented school is what the University of Southern Indiana always has been and should be as it produces citizens for tomorrow, says Harolyn Atwater Torain '71, newly elected chair of the USI Board of Trustees.

"I can look back to all the positive things that were happening here when I was a student," she said, "and it always comes back to the 'people thing.' The faculty doesn't just teach. They interact with the students."

As assistant principal at Ben Davis Junior High School in Indianapolis, Torain brings the experience of an educator to her new post as board chair. She has been a board member since 1990 and succeeds Bruce Baker as chair.

In dealing with junior high students, Torain encourages them to do three things: set goals, set limits, and seek direction. "They need to find the people who have their best interests at heart and listen to those people," she said.

Torain grew up in Evansville, where she attended Central High School and then earned her B.S. in biology from USI. She received her M.S. in secondary education from Indiana University.

"I feel that we have to prepare students for a bigger world," said Torain. "At USI, our faculty is growing, and our enrollment is growing. Students and faculty come from more diverse places, and this adds to the culture of the school. I think that interaction with people is one of the greatest learning tools."

With students coming from greater distances to USI, Torain recognizes the need for the campus community to build in a greater sense of caring. Programs such as the Multicultural Center, the sororities and fraternities, and other campus organizations help students develop links that make them more satisfied in their new setting.

Torain does her part to promote USI in Indianapolis and Marion County, the market which sends more students to college each year than any other in the state. When visitors enter Torain's office they know they are in USI territory. The red and blue mementos are hard to miss. She also makes a point of getting to know high school college counselors in her area so they will be more aware of USI programs. She credits the USI Office of Admission for making a strong statement in Indianapolis with informational meetings for prospective families, participation in college fairs, and an attractive display at the state fair's higher education booth, where she and her sister Aurore Atwater Johnson '73 volunteered this summer. And USI sports also add to the school's statewide presence.

Torain is the first board chair to reside outside the Southwestern Indiana area and also the first USI

graduate, and first woman to hold the post.

The new board chair is interested in seeing USI's expansion continue at a natural pace. Board members are working to ensure that the availability of housing on campus keeps pace with the desire of more students to live on campus. Another emphasis is on class size. More faculty will be needed in order to continue to keep classes smaller than those at other state universities. The board chair appreciates a strong commitment from private donors who help make possible many new programs.

The board's vision for the University also includes state-of-the-art facilities and technology to give faculty and students the competitive edge in teaching and learning. One project helping to accomplish this goal is the construction of the new Liberal Arts Center. (See back cover.)

Torain also commended the level of community involvement in USI activities. President Emeritus David Rice always let people know that there was a place for them to be involved at USI, and President H. Ray Hoops has built upon that strong foundation, she said. Torain was a member of the search committee that selected Hoops to succeed Rice in 1995.

Torain and her husband Stephen have two sons, Kyle and Stephen. She is active in a number of community organizations and in her church, Kingsley Terrace Church of Christ, where she works with teenagers and adults and also serves in the prison ministry. Her parents are E.D. and Thelma Atwater of Evansville.

# Taking hold for oneself

## Students grasp responsibility as college life unfolds

When students move from high school to college, a transformation takes place. As youngsters, they were largely consumers of the quality of life that others provided for them. As college students, they are more responsible themselves for the quality of life that goes on around them.

Dr. John W. Byrd, vice president for Student Affairs, believes that college is a four-year laboratory for personal growth—a place where students can both learn and practice skills that will help them take responsibility for their own quality of life.

Teaching students to develop responsibility is one of three goals set forth by Byrd as the 1997-98 academic year begins. Another is to ensure that the Office of Student Affairs continues to be an outstanding provider of services. “We look at our students as customers,” the vice president said. “We will be collecting data to assess how well we are meeting their needs.” For instance, surveys will ask students about the condition of their apartments, the response time for repairs, and other residence issues.

The third goal involves building community. The vice president said, “People eat, sleep, and recreate here, and we want to make sure it is a complete environment.”

The Office of Student Affairs encompasses a broad array of student services, including admission, financial assistance, career services and placement, career counseling, personal counseling, intramurals, fitness center, health services, student life, residence life, the multicultural center, and the office of the registrar.

Byrd joined USI in February 1995. “The wonderful thing about



John Byrd turns to his woodworking shop for relaxation. Here he finishes a walnut frame for a hanging mirror.

USI,” he says, “is that the quality of education is very high. It’s a teaching institution that cares greatly about its students and their success, and it does so at the lowest cost of any four-year institution in the state.”

Under his direction, the University has added 150 high schools to the recruiting list. Admission counselors travel statewide.

Campus involvement also is increasing. The student government has more contested elections, the new fitness center attracted about 300 students a day when it opened in March, and more than 5,100 students participated in intramurals last year.

These changes reflect USI’s shifting profile. In 1983, no students lived on campus. Now 40 percent are involved in residence

life. As the campus becomes more residential, there is a greater need for a complete environment.

Byrd uses the terms “leadership” and “taking responsibility” almost interchangeably. “Leadership is all about taking responsibility,” Byrd said. “Even if you’re not the president of an organization, you’re a leader if you have accepted responsibility for any role within that organization and have carried out that responsibility.”

USI’s O’Daniel Leadership Academy, established in 1996 through a gift to *Campaign USI*, helps participants develop skills—communication, critical thinking, self-confidence, initiative, motivation, conflict management, goal setting, the ability to work in teams, and self-assessment—that will be useful throughout life.

Byrd earned B.S. and M.Ed. degrees at the University of Missouri-Columbia and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. He came to USI from the University of Evansville.

Away from the office, Byrd continues an interest in woodworking that began as a youth. Projects from his home workshop are likely to be from walnut, a wood he prefers for its classic look and feel.

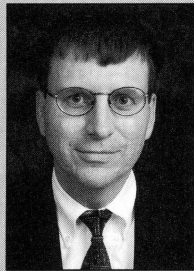
Growing up near St. Louis, Byrd lived within walking distance of the Missouri River, where he fished almost every day. Now he and his wife Nancy, director of human resources for USI, enjoy getting away to Missouri’s Current River. “When you’re fishing, there’s an element of competition between you and the fish and a little element of the unknown that makes it challenging,” he says.

## New director, associate join admission staff

Michael Oligmueller, former dean of admission at Earlham College, has been appointed director of the Office of Admission.

He succeeds Timothy K. Buecher, who was named to the new post of director of career counseling.

Oligmueller is a South Dakota native who earned his B.S. from the University of South Dakota and his M.A. from Purdue University. He was an international credential evaluator at Purdue



Oligmueller

prior to joining the Earlham staff at Richmond, Indiana, four years ago.

The new admission director said he finds that the modern USI campus creates a sense of energy for prospective students and families. "When students spend time on campus, they pick up on more than we think they do," he said. "They're listening to



Burns

the conversations they hear in the Eagle's Nest, in the bookstore, and elsewhere. If the current students are happy, they pick up on that."

The Office of Admission already is recruiting for fall 1998. Oligmueller said he and seven admission counselors will be reaching out to visit every high school in the state. They also will concentrate on community colleges and on counties in Kentucky and Illinois where students may be eligible to be considered for in-state tuition rates through reciprocity agreements.

Joining Oligmueller as the new associate director of admission is Janelle A. Burns, who was assistant admission director at Saint Francis College in Loretta, Pennsylvania. Burns received a B.S. in business administration from Missouri Southern State College and an M.B.A. from Pittsburg State University in Kansas.

## Enrollment tops record at 8,300

### A fresh look at the freshman class: bigger, better, farther from home

Freshmen make a strong impression on the University of Southern Indiana campus this fall. There are more of them, they come from a great many more hometowns, they are more likely to live on campus, and they are better prepared academically to begin their college careers.

A record enrollment of 8,300—a seven percent increase over last year—for the fall semester includes a first-time freshman enrollment of 1,949, a 13 percent increase over last year.

Dr. John W. Byrd, vice president for Student Affairs, said the 1997 freshman class has a different profile from the freshman class of four years ago. For analysis, the freshman class beginning in 1994, this year's senior class, was compared to the 1997 freshman class. The analysis shows that USI's 1997 freshman class is more geographically diverse, better prepared for academic work, greater in number, more traditional in age (enrolling in college immediately after high school), more residential, and with more attending as full-time students.

While enrollment continues to increase from nearby counties, enrollment also is up from outside the region. The 1997 freshman class has 288 more students from Vanderburgh and other southern Indiana counties than the class which began in 1994. This year's freshman class has 410 more in-state students from counties outside southern Indiana than the 1994 freshman class. Students from the Greater Indianapolis area show increased interest in USI. From 1994 to 1997, enrollment from

Marion County tripled, increasing from 30 to 90.

Today's freshman class is better prepared for academic work. In 1997, 25 percent of the incoming freshmen qualified for the Indiana Academic Honors Diploma grant or the Scholastic Excellence Award. In 1994, 18.5 percent of the freshman class met criteria for those two scholarship awards.

Byrd said that USI now is viewed by many high school students as a first choice when selecting a college. Eighty-nine of Indiana's 92 counties are represented among USI's students.

USI also is seeing increased demand for living on campus. Housing residents have increased more than 82 percent in four years, and campus housing is at capacity with five buildings new this fall. More than 2,000 students live on campus, 114 live in USI-owned apartments off campus, and another 300 students live in apartments in Evansville leased by the University.

Byrd also said that retention is improving with the number of students who continue at USI increasing at all class levels.

### USI Enrollment

	1996	1997
All students	7,763	8,300
Freshmen	1,721	1,949

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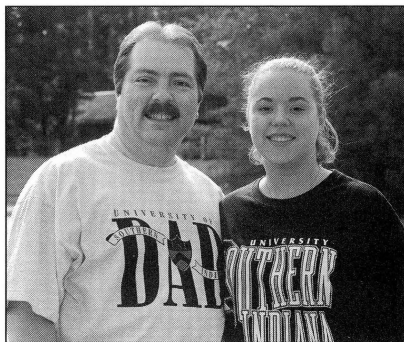
# Family Ties

## Second generation students embark on shared experience as USI frosh

When Fred Frayser '74 says his University of Southern Indiana education has been key to his career, he isn't speaking figuratively. As a Mid-America Singer in the '70s, he was assigned the task of going to New Harmony (Indiana) School to pick up the key for the community's Murphy Auditorium, where the USI singing group was to give a performance.

The superintendent agreed to hand over the key, but only if Frayser filled out an application to teach. Himself a graduate of New Harmony School, Frayser got the post. He has been there ever since and now serves as principal of the 260-student school offering preschool through twelfth grade.

Frayser is one of a growing number of alumni who are now seeing their children pick up class schedules at USI. As he talked about taking his daughter Tessa to live on campus this fall for her freshman year, he recalled that there was only one building on campus when he started in 1970. Now USI has eight major classroom buildings and apartments housing more than 2,000 students. Tessa's class, 1,949 students, is the largest freshman class to date.



Fred Frayser is on the job as his daughter Tessa moves into her campus apartment.

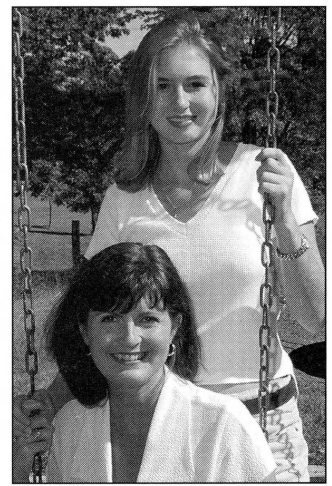
Like her father, Tessa is interested in education. She is taking a look at the early childhood education program and also is thinking about majoring in elementary education. She is interested in some learning experiences at the on-campus day care facility as she explores what her niche in the field of education might be.

Also like her father, Tessa plans to use her singing talents at USI. At New Harmony School, she was active in three vocal groups and played trumpet in the pep band. She has enrolled in USI's Concert Choir.

Tessa's mother, Janey, also attended USI. In fact, her parents met when they were dancing partners in the Mid-America Singers. Tessa's father says his decision to attend USI was based largely on location. He was the first in his family to go to college and at the time he finished high school his father was recovering from a work-related injury. He embraced the chance to live at home and get a degree.

While Tessa was drawn to USI by the availability of the education major, she said the accessibility of the campus also was a factor. "I want to go to college not too far from home, but I also want the on-campus experience," she said.

Another USI graduate with a freshman daughter this fall is Karen Hinderliter '90, a kindergarten teacher at Corpus Christi School in Evansville. "I started at USI a long time ago. I was raising children so I took a few courses at a time," she said. Hinderliter is now working toward her master's degree in education.



Freshman Shanna Hinderliter plans a teaching career like her mother Karen.

Her daughter Shanna also is interested in education as a major. "I always thought it was good to be able to help somebody understand something," she said.

While Shanna has through the years helped her mother prepare materials for kindergartners, she said she might be interested in teaching second graders because "they can give me feedback into what they are learning."

Since Shanna's mother is a fairly recent graduate, she knows many faculty members. "When we went to pick up my schedule, my mother was saying hello to a lot of the teachers," Shanna said.

Hinderliter and her husband Keith are members of the Varsity Club and have had season basketball tickets for five years. "I see the professors at the ball games," she said. "USI is like a hometown where everybody knows each other." Keith Hinderliter, now a master electrician, attended the school when it was called Indiana State University Evansville.

Shanna graduated from Mater Dei High School and played volleyball there. She will live at home and continue working part-time as a records clerk at Kern Brothers, a company providing office furniture and services, as she begins her freshman year as a second-generation USI student.

# Science Center renovation to begin

Legislature, National Science Foundation provide \$5.2 million

The University of Southern Indiana Science Center, the first classroom building constructed on campus, will undergo a multimillion dollar renovation with funding appropriated by the state legislature and a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Dr. Jerome R. Cain, dean of the School of Science and Engineering Technology, said, "The benefit of this renovation to faculty and students is that the science facilities will be more amenable for the science teaching and the research we do in the '90s." The Science Center opened in 1969 and has had heavy use as USI enrollment has grown from 1,617 students to the present 8,300.

A substantial portion of the budget for the project will be used to upgrade the heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. Modern science teaching, research, and research training activities generate fumes in volumes that demand increased HVAC capacity. The electrical and the plumbing systems will be improved to meet modern demands and provide emergency back-up electri-

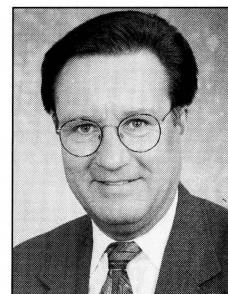
cal support. Space will be reconfigured to improve efficiency, productivity, and traffic flow.

Cain said he is especially pleased with the grant from the NSF because USI was competing with universities throughout the country. He said that NSF commits no more than \$2 million to any facilities project, and the largest awards usually go to doctoral-granting institutions with extensive research programs. The USI grant proposal was written by Cain; Dr. Jeanne K. Barnett, associate professor of biology; and Dr. Marie G. Hankins, chair of the chemistry department and associate professor of chemistry.

Funds from NSF specifically are to be used for the research and research training space. Biology and chemistry laboratories will be upgraded with this money. Since 1988 the number of credit hours which students take has increased 71 percent in biology and 76 percent in chemistry while overall in the School of Science and Engineering Technology, credit hours have increased 65 percent

"One difference in the sciences from the '60 to the '90s is that far

more students do research as undergraduates," Cain said. "This renovation will give us the space and the laboratories we need to do that."



Students with a <sup>Cain</sup> background in research enhance their likelihood of obtaining entry into graduate and professional schools, not only because of the methodology they learn, but also because of the critical-thinking and problem-solving skills they exercise. Employers seek to hire scientists with research experiences in laboratories similar to their own.

The renovation will begin in May 1998 and is scheduled for completion in August 1999. At that time, liberal arts faculty members who now have offices in the Science Center will move into their new building, freeing office space for science faculty now sharing space or in a temporary building.

Construction can be phased so classes will continue as the project proceeds.

## Deaths

**Dr. Virgil Alfred Clift**, 85, died April 15 in Austin, Texas, where he lived. A prominent educator, he received an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the University of Southern Indiana in 1977. Clift served on the faculty at several universities including Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical University in Greensboro, and Morgan State University in Baltimore. Of African-American descent, he recorded the achievements of black scholars in *Negro Education in America*, of which he was senior editor, and the *Encyclopedia of Black America*, of which he was co-editor.

**William J. Moutoux**, 97, longtime friend of the University of Southern Indiana, died July 4 in Evansville. A business and civic leader, Moutoux helped bring the USI campus to Evansville and continued to support it throughout the years. The University recog-

nized his continuing contributions in 1974 by conferring upon him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. He was honored again in 1987 by the University with a special toast. Moutoux was an All-American donor to the Varsity Club and made a substantial leadership gift to the New Varsity Club Room now under construction. He was a long-time member of the USI Foundation board of directors and served as treasurer for many years. Two scholarships are named for him.

**Kenneth H. "Jack" Hahn**, 74, a founding member of the USI Foundation board of directors died October 11 in Evansville. He and his brother Lloyd were founders of Hahn Inc., which was sold in 1995 to the Toro Company in Minnesota. The first treasurer of the USI Foundation board, Hahn recently served on the board's Advisory Council.

# Volunteers rack up hours

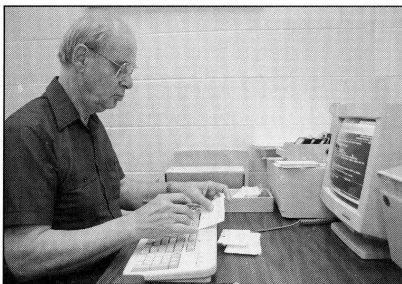
## Lloyd Jost honored as Volunteer of Year



Lloyd Jost, Volunteer of the Year, chats with Joanne Wright, president of the Volunteer USI advisory board.

Lloyd Jost, longtime Varsity Club member and University of Southern Indiana supporter, was named the first Volunteer of the Year recently at the first annual Volunteer USI Recognition Luncheon. The 425 hours he contributed to club projects in 1996-97 are representative of the time he has devoted to USI since becoming active with the Varsity Club in the mid-1970s.

Volunteer USI was begun a year ago to provide volunteer assistance to supplement the work of USI employees during peak times and provide support for projects and special events. Nancy Johnson '83, director of alumni and volunteer



Norman Armstrong began his volunteer work in the library after meeting Dr. Ruth Miller, director of library and media services, at a reception at the USI president's home. A resident of Solarbron Pointe Retirement Community near the campus, Armstrong came to Evansville from Lisle, Illinois, where he volunteered in his community library.

services, directs the program, and Trisha Kempa Kennedy '94 is coordinator of volunteer services.

The Volunteer of the Year is the husband of Joan Berridge Jost, long-time USI employee who was secretary in the Athletic Department when she retired a few years ago. The Josts have worked

together on many projects, such as the Varsity Club booth at the West Side Fall Festival (his project) or heading the chili cookoff for four years for the Evansville Freedom Festival (her project). He has chaired the fall festival booth numerous times, lining up the 300 volunteers and virtually living on West Franklin Street the week of the festival.

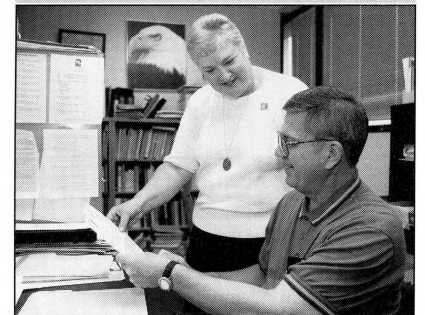
Jost was chairman of the Varsity Club in 1986, when the club room in the Physical Activities Center (PAC) was redecorated. His support of USI men's and women's athletics has involved rooting for the teams as far away as Alaska, Florida, and Las Vegas.

In the Volunteer of the Year presentation, it was noted that Jost's "affection for USI and his commitment to help all athletic programs succeed is unsurpassed." This year, in addition to his ongoing support, he chaired the committee to build a new press box, concession stand, and storage facility for USI softball and cross country. He also recruited volunteers and gathered donated prizes for the Varsity Club's golf outing. Jost often works the concession stand, takes tickets at ball games, or monitors the Varsity Club room during events.

Among others singled out for special recognition at the luncheon in Carter Hall at USI was Deryl Blackburn, an Evansville city fire-fighter who spent 255 hours creating graphics for campus-wide television monitors which keep students informed of meetings and activities.

### Vital statistics

- Volunteers contributed 53,621 hours to USI programs and activities in 1996-97.
- 820 volunteers included 561 from the community, 158 alumni, 71 USI employees, and 30 students.
- The volunteer group included 338 who donated 20 hours or more, 134 with 100 to 249 hours, 30 with 250 to 499 hours, nine with 500 to 749 hours, six with more than 750 hours, and four occupational therapy professionals who gave more than 1,000 each (three of them more than 2,000) to oversee occupational therapy students in clinical situations.
- Calculated at the minimum wage rate, the volunteers contributed more than \$260,000 to the University since the program began July 1, 1996.



Volunteer Harriet Gentry helps Dr. Larry W. Arp, chair of information systems and business education department, organize his office. Ardent Eagle fans who travel to see the teams play, Gentry and her husband got to know Arp when he was athletic director.

# Half-million dollar gift endows first academic chair

## Quality Measurement executive stresses effective marketing

**M**argaret Henderson Blair, president of rsc The Quality Measurement Company in Evansville, has established the first endowed academic chair at the University of Southern Indiana with a personal gift of \$500,000 to Campaign USI.

Blair's gift will be invested and the interest used to underwrite the supplemental salary necessary to attract an experienced professor for the Blair Chair in Marketing Sciences. This professor will teach and will conduct applied research in the field of marketing to benefit local businesses with national or global objectives.

Dr. Phil Fisher, dean of the School of Business, said, "This adds a new dimension to the curriculum and to what we can do for Evansville."

The Blair Professor of Marketing Sciences will conduct research designed to help southern Indiana businesses thrive and improve. Marketing students will study and perform undergraduate research under the direction of the professor, and the School of Business faculty will gain by having an experienced researcher in their midst.

Fisher said that Blair's company will help identify qualified candidates and the professor is expected to join the faculty in fall 1999. A recognized leader in advertising research, Blair is credited with developing an advertising research methodology widely used for evalu-



Margaret H. Blair, left, president of rsc, The Quality Management Company, shares the excitement of President H. Ray Hoops' announcement that she is endowing the University's first academic chair with her Campaign USI leadership gift.

ating the sales effectiveness of television commercials.

In establishing the chair, Blair cited the work of W. Edwards Deming, who applied rigorous measurement in the field of manufacturing to achieve higher productivity levels, and said that she believes the same concept of strict measurement in the field of marketing can dramatically improve its effectiveness. She said she hopes that the Blair Chair will "build a lasting bridge between USI and the global business community."

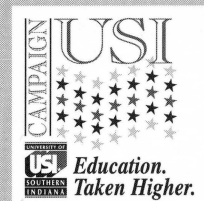
"Marketing is a very young discipline and still much more of an art than a science. As marketers learn to apply rigorous measurement, as is the practice in the sciences, to areas where they traditionally have relied solely on their judgment, they will systematically improve marketing productivity," she said.

Blair was educated at Sarah Lawrence College and the New School for Social Research in New

York. She has been a member of the USI Foundation Board of Directors and still serves on its Advisory Council. She received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from USI in 1994. She was the first individual to underwrite a four-year Presidential Scholarship at USI.

## Going for the goal

Campaign USI has raised more than \$8 million toward its goal of \$10.5 million. The first capital campaign for the University was launched early this year and continues through March 1998.



# Graduate pledges \$100,000 to School of Business

William Fisher gift puts Alumni Division over half-million dollar goal

**W**illiam E. Fisher '73 of Omaha, Nebraska, has pledged the largest gift ever made by an alumnus to the University of Southern Indiana. His gift of \$100,000 to *Campaign USI* is to be used for the greatest needs of the School of Business.

The USI alumnus is chief executive officer of Transaction System Architects, Inc. (TSA) and also of Applied Communications, Inc., of Omaha. With his leadership gift, Fisher becomes honorary chair of the Alumni Division of the capital campaign.

Chaired by Connie '74 and Ron Romain '73, the Alumni Division has reached its base goal of \$500,000 and is stretching toward its challenge goal of \$1 million.

Fisher said he was motivated to make the gift by his positive experience while a student, particularly his interaction with faculty. Fisher earned his B.S. in management. His two companies are related to the computer industry. TSA devel-

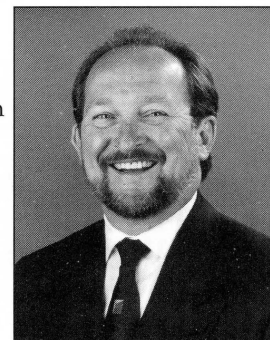
ops software products and services for the global electronic funds transfer market. Its BASE24 and TRANS24 software series are used to process transactions involving credit cards, debit cards, automated teller machine, point-of-sale terminals, home banking, wire transfers, and automated clearinghouse functions. Applied Communications, Inc., is a computer programming and systems design company.

Fisher grew up in Evansville. His father was Willard E. Fisher, who was employed at Servel and then at Tyson Construction Company before his death in 1968 at age 49. His mother, Rachel J. Fisher Altheide, is remarried and still lives in Evansville.

The Alumni Division of the campaign has benefitted from other significant gifts. The Romains have contributed \$50,000, and other alumni who have made \$50,000 leadership gifts are serving as honorary campaign chairs for their

respective schools. They include Dr. John Fehrenbacher '72 and his wife Cindy '72 for the School of Science and Engineering technology and Robbie Kent, Evansville automobile dealer, and his wife Marguerite '72 for the School of Business.

James J. Giancola, general chairman for the capital campaign, praised the alumni participation. Because the University was founded in 1965, the alumni body is still relatively young. Giancola said the solid response from graduates indicates their positive feelings about their USI experience and their confidence that the University has a bright future ahead.



Fisher

## Friends Division stresses alliance with community

**“Y**ou haven't seen anything yet,” Dr. H. Ray Hoops, president of the University of Southern Indiana, told 95 community leaders September 10 at the Petroleum Club during the kickoff luncheon for the Friends Division of *Campaign USI*. Bruce Baker, former chair of the Board of Trustees, chairs the Friends Division.

Hoops emphasized USI's dramatic growth in recent years and said the University will have “an even greater impact on the economy of our community and our state” in the years to come. “But,” he said, “to compete on the statewide level, we need your help.”

Baker announced that the Friends Division already has raised \$3.8 million, or 70 percent, of its \$5.5 million goal.



Friends Division leaders include (from left) John Dunn, section chair for leadership gifts; Dick Cannon, co-chair for special gifts; Bruce Baker, division chair, and Ted Ziemer, chair of the USI Foundation Board of Directors.

## Dental hygiene students conduct clinic in Jamaica

Six University of Southern Indiana students and their professor spent one week in September providing dental services in the Caribbean. The students traveled to Annotto Bay, an impoverished area in Jamaica where they offered dental sealant services at a community clinic and presented educational programs.

The USI group was led by Deborah Carl, program director and assistant professor of dental hygiene, as part of her sabbatical. The students provided information to new mothers about basic dental care for infants and adults, taught in the schools, and visited a preschool where 100 well-disciplined children listened to their educational program. The dental hygiene students

also mingled with people in the community, handing out toothbrushes and dental floss and explaining their use.

"The combination of the clinical and educational experience gave the students a true feeling of how these people live day in and day out," Carl said. The country was suffering a severe drought while the USI team was there, placing limitations on their ability to do clinical work and presenting hardships for daily living. "I was impressed with how my students rose to the occasion. They could not imagine how well we live in the United States and how people in other places do function with very little."

Carl traveled to Jamaica in



*Kristina Welch teaches two Jamaican women how to use dental floss.*

February to plan for the participation by USI students in cooperation with a group from Deaconess Hospital, which has adopted a Jamaican hospital. Carl's group assisted the Deaconess team in doing general maintenance on the hospital during the week-long stay.

USI students who participated were Diane Lynn Barnes, Amanda Kraft Dardeen, Cindy S. Kleaving, Tamara J. Smith, Emily J. Waltz, and Kristina B. Welch.

## USI Foundation elects five new directors

Five new directors have been elected to the USI Foundation Board of Directors, and three other new members represent their respective organizations at the University of Southern Indiana.

Elected to three-year terms at the recent annual meeting were:

- Sara Burckhardt Davies, executive director of Leadership Evansville
- Michael F. Elliott, vice chairman of National City Bancshares and chairman of National City Bank
- Nancy Hartley Gaunt, investment broker at Hilliard-Lyons

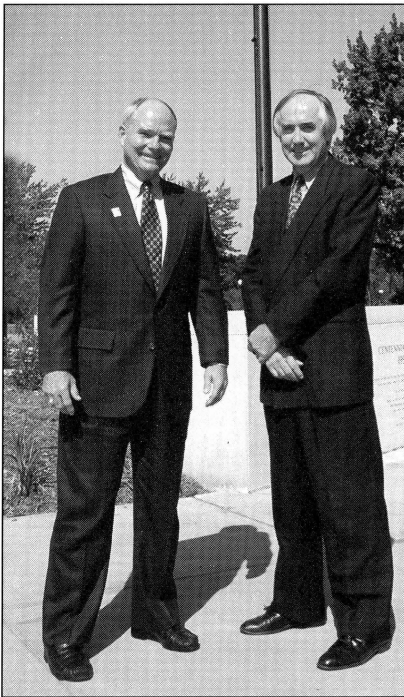
- Allan R. Kuse, executive vice president of rsc The Quality Measurement Company
- Doris J. Halwes, Evansville civic leader, was elected to complete an unexpired term.

Appointed new members are Dr. Jerome R. Cain, dean of the School of Science and Engineering Technology, representing USI deans; Nancy Sieben '93, executive director of Deaconess Hospital Foundation, representing the USI Alumni Association; and Dr. Margaret A. Skoglund, chair

of the Art and Music Department, representing USI faculty.

Rolland Eckels, retired business/civic leader and 15-year member of the USI Foundation, was elected a life director.

All officers were re-elected. They are Ted Ziemer, Jr., chair; Robert Griffin, chair elect; James Giancola, vice chair for development; John Dunn, vice chair for planning; Bettye McCutchan, secretary; and John Bolger '80, treasurer.



Joe Kernan (left) and Dennis Avery

## Lieutenant governor visits USI campus

**L**t. Gov. Joe Kernan brought his Jobs Council public forum to the University of Southern Indiana this summer, meeting in Mitchell Auditorium with business and economic development leaders to discuss job creation and retention in the state.

State Rep. Dennis Avery (D-Evansville) used the occasion to show the lieutenant governor the USI campus.

Evansville was the fifth stop on Kernan's eight-city tour to gather recommendations. Forums also were held in Indianapolis, West Lafayette, Fort Wayne, New Albany, Terre Haute, Gary, and South Bend.

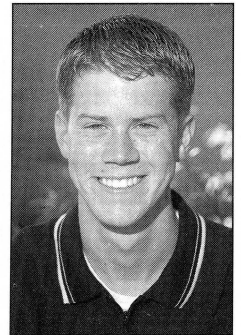
## Brian E. Pauley named student representative on Board of Trustees

**B**rian E. Pauley of Princeton, Indiana, has been appointed by Governor Frank O'Bannon as the new student trustee on the University of Southern Indiana Board of Trustees.

A junior chemistry major, Pauley has been on the Dean's List for three semesters. He currently is a student worker in the chemistry lab and has graded papers for two USI professors. He also serves as Student Government Association attorney general and has been a member of the Financial Aid Review Committee and the Leadership Advisory Committee.

Pauley is a member and past president of Mu Gamma Pi, the USI Mathematics Club, and a member of the student chapter of the American Chemical Society. In the community, he is a member of Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve Society, Evansville Audubon Society, Indiana Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Pauley is a 1995 graduate of Princeton Community High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society.



Pauley

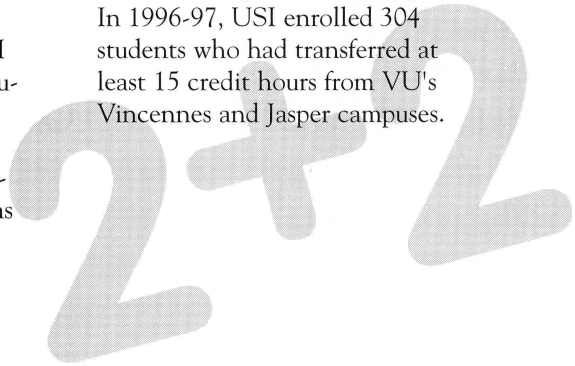
## Vincennes University/USI partnership announced

Students will transfer credit for junior standing

**S**tudents transferring from Vincennes University to the University of Southern Indiana will benefit from a partnership announced in June.

USI President H. Ray Hoops and VU President Phillip M. Summers announced a "2+2 Articulation Agreement," which initially will include more than 25 VU and USI programs and will enable VU graduates to transfer all relevant course credits earned in their two years at VU and enter USI with full junior-level standing. Additional programs will be added as the articulation process continues.

The agreement applies to students who complete the requirements for an associate degree at VU. Students who transfer to USI prior to completing an associate degree will have their credits evaluated on a course-by-course basis, as has been the practice in the past. In 1996-97, USI enrolled 304 students who had transferred at least 15 credit hours from VU's Vincennes and Jasper campuses.



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### Cynthia Greeson ranks first in Indiana, third in nation

Cynthia Greeson, who earned a post-baccalaureate certificate in accounting from the University of Southern Indiana in 1992 and an M.B.A. in 1993, ranked first statewide on the May 1997 Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam and third in the nation.

Greeson is an instructor at Ivy Tech State College in Evansville. Her employer recognized her with a reception in late October, at which time she was presented a gold medal award from the state CPA society.

Jennifer Holcombe '97, an accounting major, ranked fourth statewide on the test. She is associated with Harding Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

### Friends of library give popular books

The Friends of the David L. Rice Library through the University of Southern Indiana Foundation are keeping current popular fiction titles on the library shelves. Martha Niemeier, collection development librarian and associate director, said that recent donations from the group have made possible the purchase of 50 titles spanning mystery, romance, and thriller genres.

Among the best-selling authors whose books were selected recently are Robert James Waller, Amy Tan, Judith Krantz, Mary Higgins Clark, Michael Crichton, John Grisham, and Tom Clancy.

### Medical honor society inducts USI graduates

Three alumnae from the University of Southern Indiana Class of 1993 were among 43 graduates of the Indiana University School of Medicine to be inducted this spring into Alpha Omega Alpha, the medical honor society.

They are Patricia Godeke, Sheri Kozar, and Sondra K. Wolf. Selection for Alpha Omega Alpha is based on high academic achievement, moral character, and professional potential.

### USI Theatre combines two classics for holidays



University of Southern Indiana Theatre will present a special production for the holidays as part of its "Patchwork of Life" season.

The Christmas Show is a combination of *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens and *A Child's Christmas in Wales* by Dylan Thomas. Scott LaFeber, director of theatre for USI, will direct the production which runs November 20-23 and December 4-7.

USI Theatre is located at 3001 Igleheart Avenue. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 812/465-1668.

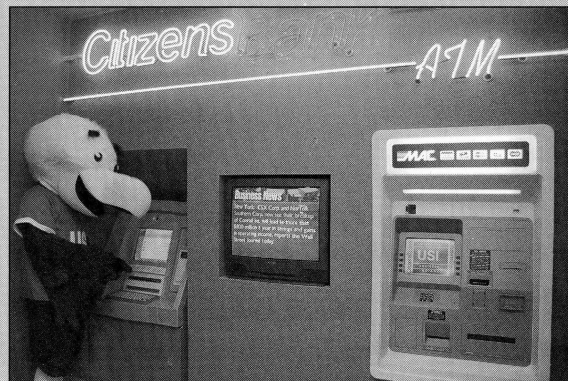
### 'Virtual Bank' opens in University Center

A "virtual bank" now in operation in the expanded University Center is the first of its kind in Indiana.

Citizens Bank opened the facility in June.

More than an automated teller machine, the virtual bank uses a touch sensitive screen and interactive technology allowing customers to see and talk with a live service representative on screen.

Users can access personal financial information and open new checking, savings, or credit card accounts. They also can apply for auto, home, or personal loans.

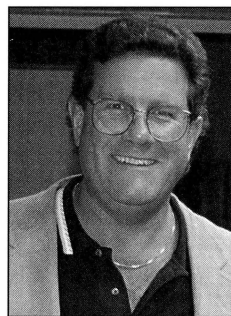


Archibald, the USI mascot, tests the convenience of on-campus banking.



# Former student athlete plays new position as Varsity Club chair

## Bill Joergens—his memories and his outlook as an Eagle



Joergens

The year was 1968 and Bill Joergens, an Evansville teenager, enrolled in a biology class at Indiana State University Evansville.\* While on a class field trip on land west of Evansville, Joergens' class heard Dr. David L. Rice, the chief administrative officer, describe how the area was going to be developed into a new campus for the fledgling University then holding classes at the Centennial School on 12th Avenue.

While Joergens had a hard time envisioning what USI was about to become, the University already was making an impact on his life. "In the fall of 1966, I was a member of the University's second entering class," Joergens said. "I had just graduated from Memorial High School and really did not have any direction in my life.

"In that first semester, I did not start well, getting three Ds and two Cs. I knew I had to keep grades up, or become eligible for the draft and be sent to Vietnam." Joergens became a more serious student. In 1968, he was named the Most Outstanding Male Student.

Along with becoming a success story in the classroom, Joergens joined the first business fraternity and played on the first basketball team, the ISUE Spartans. He said, "It was considered the first team because we had a paid coach (John Deem).

"Evening practices were held at the YWCA. The games were played at Plaza Park School and John's wife Pam washed the uniforms.

"I like to remember that first team and reflect on how far the program has come when comparing our team to the team which won the national championship." Competing in Division II of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the USI men won the national championship in 1995.

In addition to being one of the first student athletes, Joergens was one of the first volunteer admission recruiters. "I used to go with Dr. Rice to parent meetings at Centennial's gym to convince students and parents that this new University, which held classes in the non-air conditioned Centennial School, was the place to be."

Having completed all the course work possible in Evansville, Joergens transferred to Indiana State University in Terre Haute, where he completed his degree. He, and students like him, are considered by USI to be Centennial alumni.

"I was in Terre Haute with classmates Robbie Kent and Jim Fuquay. The faculty there had little knowledge of the Evansville campus. I found that I was well prepared to compete in the classroom after three years and three hot summers in Evansville."

After receiving his bachelor's degree from ISU, Joergens and Albert Umbach became partners in Data Business Group, an Evansville firm which specializes in office equipment. Over the years, Joergens, now president of Data Business Group, felt disconnected from the University. That changed in 1992.

"David Herrenbruck '76 and Rick Herdes (assistant men's basketball coach) recruited me for the Varsity Club and made me feel that I was a valuable alumnus even though my diploma said ISU," Joergens said. "President Hoops reinforced this feeling by stating that the University was founded in 1965 and included those who were enrolled in the beginning."

Since 1992, Joergens has become a fund-raising force within the Varsity Club. Joergens and Herrenbruck volunteered to co-chair the Varsity Club Steak Fry in 1994 and 1995, and Joergens chaired the event in 1996. The two alumni helped add an auction to the festivities and gave the event a country-western theme.

The Steak Fry which once struggled to raise \$3,000 is now netting \$20,000 a year.

"This could be one of the biggest years for the Varsity Club. PAC expansion construction and completion of the New Varsity Club Room signify the growth of the organization. They are a great bunch of people," Joergens said.

Since 1992, Varsity Club membership has doubled to more than 600. A membership includes an entire family, putting the total number of people associated with the club at nearly 1,000 people.

As chairman, Joergens hopes to add another fund-raising event. Joergens said, "In the next few years we want the Varsity Club to grow,

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\*The regional campus of Indiana State University became the University of Southern Indiana and Indiana's newest state university in 1985. For the first 20 years the University was Indiana State University Evansville (ISUE).

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but to do that we will need Phase II of the Physical Activities Center (PAC) expansion which is provided for in *Campaign USI*, the capital campaign now in progress. We need to increase the capacity of the PAC. It is hard to sell All-American Eagles unless they can have seats." All-American Eagles are donors who contribute \$1,000 or more each year to the Varsity Club.

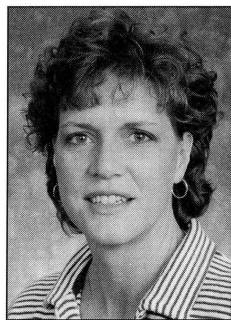
## Stegemoller to end stretch as USI cross country coach

**B**ill Stegemoller, director of cross country, has announced his retirement from coaching, effective the end of the 1997-98 school year.

Since coming to USI in 1979, Stegemoller has directed the Screaming Eagles to 11 Great Lakes Valley Conference titles; 11 Indiana Intercollegiates "Little State" championships; three NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional crowns; and appearances in 11 NCAA II National Championships. The top finish at the national championships was third in 1982.

In his 19 years, Stegemoller has produced 12 All-Americans in cross country and track. Jim Nolan was USI's first two-time All-American in cross country and track in 1983, while Elly Rono became USI's first Division II Runner of the Year in 1996.

Stegemoller was named NCAA II Coach of the Year in 1983, Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year three times, and GLVC Coach of the Year 11 times. He was an officer of the NCAA II Cross Country



Dugan

## Chancellor Dugan appointed WBCA legislative chair



**C**hancellor Dugan, women's basketball head coach, has been named legislative chairperson for Division II on the board of directors of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA).

The USI coach, who will be serving a three-year term, also will serve as chair of the Division II meetings at the WBCA convention. The convention, which is held annually at the NCAA Division I Final Four, will be in Kansas City, Missouri, in March 1998.

A native of Louisville, Dugan is USI's all-time winningest coach for women's basketball with a career record of 114-59 (.659) and was the Great Lakes Valley Conference and the District IV Coach of the Year in 1997. USI was 30-2 last season and finished as the NCAA Division II Tournament finalist.

Coaches Association for six years, serving as president in 1988. This season, the Screaming Eagles are ranked fourth nationally and second in the Great Lakes Region.

A graduate of Indiana State University, Stegemoller came to USI after leading Vincennes University to two National Junior College Athletic Association national championships. He is retiring to devote more time to his family and teaching.

### Ticket turnabout

Eagle and Lady Eagle fans can't wait to get into their seats for the first tip-off. Season tickets are sold out!

This year for the first time, USI has a formal ticket redemption program on a game-to-game basis. Those who cannot use their tickets for a specific game can turn them in to the Athletic Department for re-sale. In return, they can take a charitable contribution for the face value of the tickets.

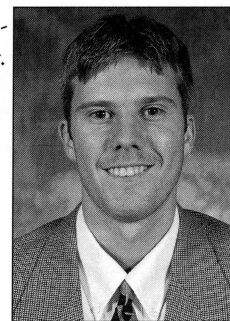


## Hostetter named assistant coach

**M**arc Hostetter has joined the men's basketball coaching staff. The announcement was made by Bruce Pearl, head coach.

The native of Lyons, Indiana, is a former All-Great Lakes Valley Conference and Academic All-GLVC performer. He is USI's all-time leader in assists and helped lead USI to the NCAA Division II National Championship in 1995, a finish as the NCAA II Tournament finalist in 1994, and three GLVC team championships in 1994, 1996, and 1997. He also played in more games, 117, than any previous USI player.

Hostetter succeeds Keno Davis, who accepted a position with Southeast Missouri State University.



Hostetter

# ALUMNI TODAY

## 1970s

**Jack L. Van Wey '72**, marketing, is a sales representative for CDS Moving Equipment, Inc., in Compton, California.

**Don Morrison '74**, accounting, is the vice president of business development with Hancor, Inc., in Findlay, Ohio.

**David E. Goodman '79**, finance/marketing, has formed his own international services firm, Edenark, in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

## 1980s

**Terri Weinzapfel Barnes '81**, accounting, is an operations officer with Citizens Information Systems, Inc., in Greenwood, Indiana.

**Cathy Clark Eichele '81**, communications, has been chosen as regional governor of the Midwest region Better Business Bureau. She is the executive director of the Tri-State Better Business Bureau in Evansville.

**Jeff Wilmes '81**, accounting, has been appointed by the United Way of Southwestern Indiana as chairman for the allocations cabinet.

**Eric Zirkelbach '81**, marketing, is a residential and commercial cabinet designer in sales with Cabinets by Design in Evansville.

**Carol Sterne Fehr '82**, accounting, has passed the CPA exam and received her license in the spring of 1997. She works as a controller at Automotive Color & Supply in Evansville.

**Steven L. Walker '82**, finance, is assistant vice president for commercial banking at United Fidelity Bank in Evansville.

**Brenda Baehl Wallace '82**, accounting, is a manager with Harding, Shymanski & Co. in Evansville.

**Cora Holmes Waltress '82**, art, recently received a doctorate in early childhood education from Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi.

**Shawn Clodfelter '83**, elementary education, is a sixth grade teacher and coach of the girls' track team at Loge Elementary School in Boonville, Indiana.

**Jim Thomas '83**, finance, was promoted to assistant vice president and commercial loan officer with Old National Bank in Evansville.



## Class of 1972 Reunion

Attending the reunion of the Class of 1972 were (from left) Gus Blume, Deborah Lueken Blume '72, Robert Swan '72, Roxanne Swan, Janet Griffin, Roger Griffin '72, Cindy Farmer, and Larry Farmer '72. The Griffins hosted the event at their home in June.

## Alumni Calendar of Events

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| November 11 | Alumni Council Meeting, 5:45 p.m., USI University Center, Room 206                                                                           |
| November 20 | Greater Indianapolis Chapter Meeting, 7 p.m., Planet Hollywood, Indianapolis                                                                 |
| December 2  | Dubois Chapter Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Dutchman Inn, Huntingburg                                                                             |
| December 6  | Alumni & Varsity Club Chili Supper, 6:30 p.m., USI Physical Activities Center, USI vs. St. Joseph's College basketball games                 |
| December 7  | Lighting A Tradition, 4 p.m., USI Orr Center Lobby, family holiday tree-lighting                                                             |
| January 13  | Alumni Council Meeting, 5:45 p.m., USI University Center, Room 206                                                                           |
| January 24  | Greater Indianapolis Chapter Reception follows the USI vs. University of Indianapolis basketball games at Longacre Bar & Grill, Indianapolis |
| February 3  | Dubois Chapter Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Homestead Pizza, Ferdinand                                                                            |
| February 7  | USI Basketball Homecoming, Alumni Party follows the USI vs. Kentucky Wesleyan games                                                          |

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

# ALUMNI TODAY

**Renee York Sanders '84**, business administration, is a network administrator with Harding, Shymanski & Co. in Evansville.

**Keith D. Reller '85**, marketing, has been selected as a member of the Leadership Evansville Class of 1998.

**Susan Sneed '85**, business administration, is with Onestar Long Distance, Inc.

**Eric M. Walker '85**, history, is a human resources consultant supporting oil and gas production facilities in Trinidad and South America for Amoco Exploration and Production, International Operations Group in Houston, Texas.

**John B. Wathen '85**, marketing, was promoted to chief operating officer with MediSphere Medical Research Center in Evansville.

**Scott Watters '85**, accounting, is the manager of the internal audit department with Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Jeffrey A. Erwin '86**, electrical engineering technology, is the manager of process controls engineering with Kvaerner John Brown in Louisville, Kentucky.

**John Claybon '87**, English, is assistant vice president of investments and investor relations at Old National Bancorp.

**Robert D. Stone '88**, accounting, is an assistant vice president and accounting manager for Permanent Federal Savings Bank in Evansville.

**Karen Marquis Warpenburg '88**, business administration, has started her own specialty advertising company, On The Mark, in Wadesville, Indiana.

**Tom J. Morris '89**, computer information systems, is a technical consultant with Oracle Corporation in Indianapolis.

**Brad Schneider '89**, mathematics, is the principal of Boonville High School in Boonville, Indiana.

**Kelly Carlton Stone '89**, psychology, is a vocational evaluator for Evansville Goodwill Industries, Inc.

## 1990s

**Kevin Goebel '90**, accounting, has been named a partner with Kemper CPA Group in Evansville.

**Brenda Harker '90**, management, is the midwest Civitan District Governor for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

**Gregory R. Harpenau '90**, accounting, has been promoted to assistant vice president and financial accounting officer with CNB Bancshares, Inc., in Evansville.

**Rod Meyer '90**, accounting, is a manager with Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Blake E. Titzer '90**, biology, recently completed the family practice residency program at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville. He has joined the medical practice of Drs. Bruce Brink, Sr., Bruce Brink, Jr. and Edward White in Princeton, Indiana.

**Ann Buechler East '91**, accounting, '96, Master of Business Administration, was promoted to general accounting supervisor with Red Spot Paint & Varnish Company in Evansville.

**Jane A. Nunez '91**, accounting/business administration, is the vice president of accounting and office operations for Regency Property Services in Evansville.

**Elizabeth J. Brown '92**, nursing, is the director of infection control at Welborn Hospital in Evansville.

**D. Brian Carroll '92**, accounting, has been named a member of the Leadership Evansville Class of 1998.

**Chris Green '92**, accounting, is a supervisor in the consulting department with Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Brandon T. Kibby '92**, biology, recently received a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Services in Des Moines, Iowa.

**Mindy Grooms Orth '92**, accounting, has been promoted to a manager in the assurance department with Geo. S. Olive & Company in Evansville.

**Joy Rowe '92**, art, is a production coordinator with Oswald & Associates Advertising Agency in Evansville.

**Shannon DeLong '93**, accounting, is director of internal auditing at Fidelity Federal Bancorp.

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We value your comments via mail (Alumni and Volunteer Services Office, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712), phone (812/464-1924), FAX (812/464-1956), or e-mail (alumni.ucs.@smtp.usi.edu).

# ALUMNI TODAY

**Patty Godeke '93**, biology, recently graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

**Jacqueline L. Graber '93**, biology, recently graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

**Sheri Kozar '93**, biology, recently graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis. She will be doing her medical residency at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

**Dan Moore '93**, communications, and wife, **Cindy Moore '93**, communications, have opened a national wellness franchise exclusively for women, Inches-A-Weigh, in Evansville.

**Steve P. Nerney '93**, Master of Business Administration, is a production manager with Midwest Sheets in Tipton, Indiana.

**Leah Parsons '93**, business administration, is a trainer/technical representative with Dynamic Logic Systems in Old Hickory, Tennessee.

**Scott Powell '93**, Master of Business Administration, is a loan review officer with CNB Bancshares, Inc., in Evansville.

**Nancy Sieben '93**, communications, has been promoted to executive director of the Deaconess Hospital Foundation in Evansville.

**Christine R. Weinzapfel '93**, social work, '96, Master of Social Work, is an outpatient therapist at Southwestern Indiana Mental Health Center in Evansville.

**Sondra K. Wolf '93**, biology, recently graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

**Lori Wood '93**, liberal arts, has been named area manager at National City Bank in Evansville.

**Kerry Ankenbrand '94**, political science, is a technical service representative for Red Spot Paint and Varnish Company in Milan, Michigan.

**Julie A. Jenkins '94**, Spanish, has been promoted to forecast manager with Cummins Engine Company Aftermarket in Memphis, Tennessee.

**Trisha Kempa Kennedy '94**, communications, is the coordinator of volunteer services at USI.

**Sam Lawrence '94**, accounting, became a certified public accountant in June 1997. He works for Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Mary Jane Schenk '94**, English, has been selected as a member of the Leadership Evansville Class of 1998.

**Randall Russell '94**, economics, is a staff accountant with St. Mary's Health Care Services in Evansville.

**Sabra Harp Stoner '94**, elementary education, is a fifth grade teacher with White River Valley School Corporation in Worthington, Indiana.

**Glen Barnes '95**, accounting, is a staff accountant with Vowells Harrison Schaaf in Evansville.

**Amanda L. Burch '95**, Spanish, is a customer service representative for OneStar Long Distance in Evansville.

**Brian Elpers '95**, elementary education, teaches third grade and physical education at Holy Cross Catholic School in Ft. Branch, Indiana.

**Carla Forston '95**, communications, has been promoted to claims service representative with Reliance Insurance Company in Chicago, Illinois.

**Kim Lamb '95**, post-baccalaureate certificate in accountancy, is a staff accountant with Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Leslie D. McKibben '95**, communications, is a teacher at Hildebrandt Intermediate Klein School District in Spring, Texas.

**Erica Greenwell Springer '95**, early childhood education, is a child care assistant with Deaconess Day Care Center in Evansville.

**Jenny Wood '95**, business administration, is credit card and merchant services manager at National City Bank in Evansville.

**Anna Buchhorn Ankenbrand '96**, communications, is a marketing representative for Advantage Systems Incorporated in Madison Heights, Michigan.

**Sandra K. Arnold '96**, social work, is the program director for family preservation and child welfare services at Lincoln Hills Development Corp. in Tell City.

**Jeanie Diemer '96**, business administration, is business administration instructor at Ivy Tech State College.

**Kristi Phelps Delaney '96**, business administration, is the assistant coordinator of the Option II MBA program with the University of Texas at Austin.

**Paula J. Hight '96**, elementary education, is a fourth grade teacher at Highland Elementary School in Evansville.

**Marlene Haase Hocking '96**, elementary education, is the science and computer teacher at St. James Catholic School in Haubstadt, Indiana.

**Shelley Llamas '96**, accounting, is an internal banking auditor with Harding, Shymanski & Company in Evansville.

**Sharon R. Mondino '96**, accounting, has been promoted to senior in the management consulting services division with Riney Hancock & Company in Evansville.

**Cindy Dougan Motz '96**, elementary education, is a social studies and language arts teacher with Owensville Middle School in Owensville, Indiana.

**Lori Newman '96**, Master of Business Administration, is the advertising director at Old National Bank in Evansville.

**Tim Prather '96**, social science-teaching, is a career counselor and instructor at Southeastern Illinois College in Harrisburg, Illinois.

**Nancy L. Alexander '97**, business, is a material scheduler for Whirlpool Corporation in Evansville.

## The Gavel Travels



*Eric Williams '89 and Suzann Baehl '86 pass the gavel at the Annual Alumni Picnic on campus in June. Williams served as Alumni Council president in 1995-96, and Baehl succeeded him in 1996-97.*

# ALUMNI TODAY

**Teresa A. Bass '97**, accounting, is a staff accountant with Casino Aztar in Evansville.

**Michele Schwartz Blankenship '97**, occupational therapy, is an occupational therapist at Welborn Hospital in Evansville.

**Jason M. Burkhart '97**, business administration, is a sales representative for Storage Solutions, Inc., in Evansville.

**Alisha Clark '97**, accounting, is an accountant with BFI of Indiana, Inc., in Evansville.

**Brian Comstock '97**, elementary education, is a sixth grade teacher at New Harmony School in New Harmony, Indiana.

**Tisha Holcomb Cullison '97**, elementary education, is an admissions counselor at USI.

**Julie M. Hall '97**, elementary education, is the director of Gabriel's Garden Preschool in Evansville.

**Jason R. Hume '97**, economics/math, is working toward a doctorate in economics at Purdue University.

**Nicole Cable Hume '97**, chemistry, is working toward a doctorate in chemical education at Purdue University.

**Joseph M. Kiefer '97**, Master of Liberal Studies, has been selected as a member of the Leadership Evansville Class of 1998.

**Shannon R. Lengacher '97**, English, is a teacher at Plaza Park Middle School in Evansville.

**Shannon Martin '97**, elementary education, is the assistant director of Central Child Care in Evansville.

**Jennifer Masterson '97**, communications, is a graduate student in communications at Indiana State University in Terre Haute.

**Jennifer L. Riggs '97**, communications, is the marketing coordinator for the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Foundation.

**Aaron Schapker '97**, business administration, is a sales trainee with Faultless Castor in Evansville.

**Catheryn Voelker '97**, elementary education, teaches fifth grade at Holy Rosary School in Evansville.

**Jennifer Whitmer '97**, occupational therapy, is an occupational therapist with Innovative Therapy Services in Greenwood, Indiana.

**Amy Jochim Wright '97**, occupational therapy, is an occupational therapist with Wendell Foster Center in Owensboro, Kentucky.

## Marriages

**Terri Weinzapfel '81**, accounting, and Dan Barnes

**Theodore P. Klipsch '88**, communications, and Elizabeth Horn

**Gretchen L. Wallace '88**, communications, and Jim Brennan

**Gregory S. Black '89**, business administration, and Julie A. Tyler

**Kelly Carlton '89**, psychology, and Kevin Stone

**Amy C. Hilgeman '89**, art, and Dan Kinser

**Karen Altstadt '91**, business administration, and Jeff Sumner

**Angela J. Creech '91**, dental assisting, and Jon D. Shoptaugh

**Vicki Frank '91**, business administration, and **Alan Wittmer '93**, physical education

**Scott Norman '92**, mechanical engineering technology, and Angela Heicken

**Rachelle Becker '93**, elementary education, and Chris Ellington

**Angela J. Catt '93**, accounting, and Scott A. Brawdy '94, accounting

**Marcus Gresham '93**, communications, and Connie Castaldi

**Lisa R. Loechte '93**, business administration, and Keith M. Witte

**Taunya Nicely '93**, elementary education, and John Kirsch

**Neil Rapp '93**, chemistry, and Amy Dimsdale

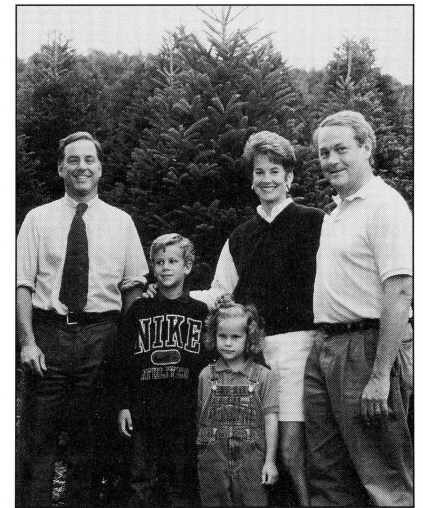
**Kerry Ankenbrand '94**, political science, and **Anna Buchhorn '96**, communications

**Angela Heavrin '94**, elementary education, and Jason Willem

**Lisa Jerger '94**, nursing, and **Scott Ferguson '94**, radiologic technology

**Holly Peppiatt '94**, business education, and Bryan Arnold

**Sheri Burnes '95**, psychology, and Edward Vogel, Jr.



*Vermont Governor Howard Dean (left) visited Mt. Anthony Farms to tag trees for his office and home. The Horsts—Fritz, Jessica, Julie, and Jim—are pictured with him.*

## Growing trees in Vermont

Julie Simpkins Horst '74 and her husband James say holiday traditions begin at Mt. Anthony Farms in Bennington, Vermont, where visitors can ride a wagon out to the hillside to select the perfect tree.

Last year a white pine and a Fraser fir from their farm took first-place prizes in statewide competition, earning them the privilege of providing the tree for the executive office building in Montpelier. The farm also gained eminence last year when CNN (Cable News Network) featured it in a 10-day series on Christmas in Vermont.

Besides trees, the Horsts sell wreaths (plain or decorated), kissing balls, centerpieces, crescents, and potted greens.

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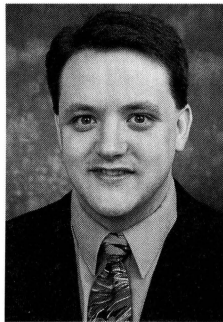
## Video network links USI to area schools

The University of Southern Indiana is providing content for a new distance education program in cooperation with the Corporation for Educational Communications (CEC), a non-profit organization based in Indianapolis. Dana Willett '95 has been named distance education coordinator for USI.

Through a Vision Athena grant for distance education, South Spencer Middle and High Schools in Rockport and Tell City High School will be linked to USI through an interactive video network allowing students at the schools to interact with each other and with USI faculty and staff. Primary funding for CEC comes from Ameritech.

Dr. Karen Bonnell, manager of distance education programming for USI, said programs originating from USI might include demonstrations in economics, chemistry, biology, and discussions on college or work preparedness.

Purpose of the network for K-12 schools is to promote connected learning experiences and expand educational opportunities for students around the state. In addition to colleges and universities, content providers include such institutions as the Indianapolis Zoo, the Children's Museum of Indianapolis, and various hospitals.



Willett

**Brian Elpers '95**, elementary education, and Kim Schmitt

**Erica Greenwell '95**, early childhood education, and Ian Springer

**Tami Hershman '95**, communications, and Scott Lickteig

**Kyle McClain '95**, psychology, and Kristine Osborne

**Amy Malin '95**, nursing, and Gregory Barrett

**Jennifer L. Schiff '95**, elementary education, and Brian E. Elpers

**Aaron Utley '95**, physical education, and Dina Turpin

**William A. Centifanto '96**, English, and Elizabeth S. Dodson

**Melie Kissel '96**, electrical engineering technology, and J. Bryce Vincent

**Angelo Ruehmkorff '96**, business administration, and **Vanessa Fleming '97**, business administration

**Roger L. Storms II '96**, social science-teaching, and Belinda A. Kallbreier

**Holly A. Welte '96**, health services, and Trent A. Martin

**Julie Baresic '97**, elementary education, and Scott Zenthofer

**Alisha D. Barker '97**, psychology, and Rob A. Reid

**Stefani L. Barnett '97**, occupational therapy, and Timothy E. Doyle

**Nicole L. Cable '97**, chemistry, and Jason R. Hume '97, mathematics/economics

**Mary E. Hawkings '97**, nursing, and Jay Timberlake '97, occupational therapy

**Amy Jochim '97**, occupational therapy, and Robert Wright

**Michele Schwartz '97**, occupational therapy, and James Blankenship

**Kathryn S. Veasman '97**, elementary education, and Roland R. Harris

### Births

**Teresa Atkinson Tenhumberg '82**, dental hygiene, and husband, Tony, daughter, Abigail Nicole

**Michael M. Yon '84**, communications, and wife, **Mary Bauer Yon '86**, communications, son, Phillip

**Scott Watters '85**, accounting, and wife, Karen, daughter, Colleen Marie

**Kent Weigel '85**, accounting, and wife, **Suzanne Baker Weigel '87**, social science, son, Wesley Baker

**Kimberly Hankins Short '86**, biology, and husband, Jim, son, Jacob Patrick

**Maureen Mulherin O'Daniel '88**, marketing, and husband, Sean, son, Joseph

**Lisa Peters Waninger '88**, dental hygiene, and husband, Keith, son, Nicholas Allen

**Jane Tucker Foster '89**, elementary education, and husband, Karl, son, Karson William

**Amy Hilgeman Kisner '89**, art, and husband, Dan, son, Evan Daniel

**John Pfeffer '91**, communications, and wife, Melody, son, Nathan John

**Angela Montgomery Schwenk '91**, communications, and husband, Robert, son, Collin Alexander

**Kelly Gorman Buttrum '92**, elementary education, and husband, David, daughter, Mallory Ann

**Linda Haase Lucas '92**, nursing, and husband, Kenny, daughter, Megan Theresa

**Rick Stein '92**, business administration, and wife, **Kari Johnson Stein '94**, psychology, son, Alexander David

**Sabra Harp Stoner '94**, elementary education, and husband, Brian, daughter, Brooklyn Leigh

**Holly Baehl Vidmar '94**, health services, and husband **Joseph J. Vidmar '95** business, daughter, Olivia Marie.

**Eric LeBarron '95**, business administration, and wife, Kathy, son, Kyle Eric

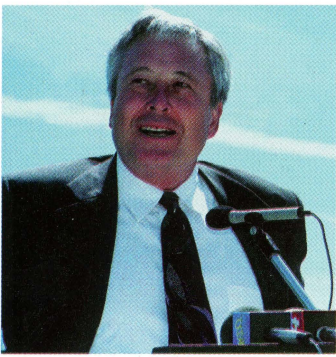
**Eric K. Faith '97**, communications, and wife, Shannon, son, Zachary Ronald

### In Memoriam

**Timothy K. Loehr '77**, history, died June 8, 1997, in Newburgh, Indiana. He is survived by wife, Nancy, and daughters, Emily and Kelsey.

**Katherine Schnapf Baumgart '86**, psychology, died August 22, 1997, in Mt. Vernon, Indiana. She is survived by husband, Gene, daughter, Theresa, and son, William.

**Denise Healy Heckman '87**, psychology, died July 16, 1997. She was an instructional assistant with the Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon, Indiana. She is survived by husband, James, and daughter, Maria.



Blevins

As dean of the School of Liberal Arts, James R. Blevins joined board members, faculty, student and community leaders, architects, and contractors to turn the first dirt in early September for the new Liberal Arts Center.

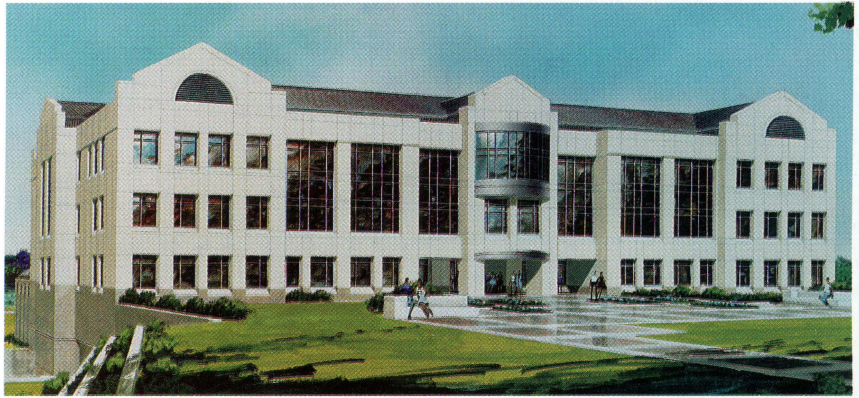
Longtime professors (photo at right), now scattered in offices and classrooms across campus, were jubilant about the prospects of teaching together once the \$15.2 million project is completed in fall 1999.

From left are John Gottcent, English; John McNaughton, art; Don Pitzer and Darrel Bigham, history; and Charles Petranek, sociology.

Participants donned souvenir protective gloves to handle the plow, also used to break ground for the University Center which opened in 1974. The farm implement is owned by Darwin Jackson, a retired Burch Plow engineer and the father-in-law of Jane Jackson '86, a member of the Alumni Council.

An additional \$1.5 million in private investment is needed to fund important instructional areas and provide cutting-edge technology for the new facility which will serve all students.

The building is under construction south of the University Center overlooking Reflection Lake.



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