



# University Notes

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## USI Theatre presents courtroom drama, "Twelve Angry Jurors"

USI Theatre presents *Twelve Angry Jurors* February 14–24 at the Mallette Studio Theatre. Based on Reginald Rose's teleplay 12 *Angry Men*, Sherman L. Sergel's adaptation allows for a cast that includes men and women.

The play begins as a murder trial ends. A young black man stands accused of stabbing his father to death. As the jury starts deliberations, the ultimate verdict seems clear. Tensions run high when one woman expresses doubt that the accused man is guilty. The jurors struggle with each other and confront their own preconceptions about race and class before arriving at a verdict.

The USI Theatre production of *Twelve Angry Jurors* is directed by Elliot Wasserman, chair of the Department of Performing Arts, and performed by USI students Jeremy Brailsford, Brandon Eck, Louis Gilliam, Gabriel Grady, Kristian Holmes, Anna Kysar, Joshua Lenn, Monica Muller, Sybil Robinson, Susan Ryan, Paige Scott, Josh Smith, and Rachel Ziegler. The design team for *Twelve Angry Jurors* includes USI faculty members Doug Hubbell as scenic designer, Shan Jensen as costume designer, and Craig A. Young as lighting designer. USI theatre student Dustin Williams serves as sound designer.

Twelve Angry Jurors runs February 14–17 and February 20-24 in the Mallette Studio Theatre on the lower level of the Liberal Arts Center. Performance times are Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for non-USI students and for seniors 60 and over, and \$4 for USI students. Tickets may be purchased by calling the USI Theatre box office at 812/422-3970. Tickets also may be purchased at the door; the box office will open one hour before each performance.

For more information about USI Theatre, go to www.usi.edu/libarts/Arts/theatre/usitheatre/.

### Fifth Third human resources officer Donna Harris is alumni in residence

An award-winning College of Business graduate with 15 years of experience in human resources management in three states will speak to students and faculty February 18 as the College of Business alumni in residence.

Donna Harris '93 M.B.A. '01 is vice president and senior human resources business partner for Fifth Third Bank Southern Indiana. She joined Fifth Third in 2004. She has responsibility for all human resources functions within Fifth Third Southern Indiana, including Evansville, Southwestern Indiana, St. Louis, Western Kentucky, and four sites in Illinois.

Previously she was human resources director at Methodist Hospital in Henderson, Kentucky, for eight years and human sources director at Wabash General Hospital in Mt. Carmel, Illinois, for three years.

The Alumni-in-Residence program includes a full day of large- and small-group presentations. Harris will speak on the topic "Your Future: It's All About Choices." She will focus on the choices students

have in college and beyond and how those choices affect opportunities and work/life satisfaction in their futures.

Harris was recognized as Indiana State Human Resources Professional of the Year in 2002. She is a past member of the Indiana State Council of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) and past president of the Evansville-Area Human Resource Association. During her tenure as a human resources manager, her current and past employers earned six Family Friendly and Diversity Awards, sponsored by the Evansville-Area Human Resource Association and the Chamber of Commerce of Southwest Indiana to honor and recognize companies that are leaders in developing a work-place that embraces diversity and family-friendly practices.

The USI College of Business chapter of SHRM received a Superior Chapter Award in 1993-94 when Harris was vice president. She has continued her interest and involvement with the student chapter by serving as a liaison between the chapter and the Evansville-Area Human Resource Association.

Harris is a graduate and member of the board of directors of Leadership Evansville. She is active in a number of other community activities.

## Senior Seminar Exhibitions open at New Harmony Gallery

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art proudly presents "USI Senior Seminar Exhibitions I and II," the annual pair of art exhibitions featuring the best work from USI seniors in studio and graphic arts.

Exhibition I runs February 16-26 and Exhibition II runs March 1-11. The reception for the artists in Exhibition I will be held on Saturday, February 16, from 4 to 6 p.m. and the reception for the artists in Exhibition II will be held Saturday, March 1, from 4 to 6 p.m. Both are free and open to the public.

"USI Senior Seminar Exhibitions I and II" consists of four classes of graduating seniors from the University's art department. These exhibitions promise to be lively and diverse mixes of artistic approaches and philosophies. Exhibition I will highlight studio art while Exhibition II will showcase graphic art. Each senior has contributed at least one piece of art in their area of concentration. All media will be represented. All works in these exhibitions were created by the senior seminar students while enrolled in the art program at USI.

Senior graphic design major **Shawn Riley** won the annual poster competition to promote the seminar exhibitions. His design was selected by his fellow senior art majors. Riley, a Harrison High School graduate from Evansville, chose an image of the Mona Lisa incorporating the names of all the seniors in the studio and graphic art courses. The end result utilizes a famous painting that people recognize immediately formed with typography and graphic design.

They are: Andrew Ahaus, Keala Alldredge, Cam Baechle, Larry Bailey, Jr., Thomas Bernardin, Lisa Booe, Ashleigh Brown, Katherine Chandler, Dana Clewlow-Bray, Deain Dilger, Angel Dockham, Katherine Elpers, Megan Fallon, Nicholas Folz, Jessica Graves, Aireal Hall, Jeff Hamilton, Adam Higdon, Nicole Higdon, Beth Johnson, Dawn Johnson, Katie Katterhenry, Rachel Kern, Patti Kiegel, Brian Martin, Nicholas Mason, Robin McCarty,

Meghan McReynolds, Daniel McVay, Amy Moore, David Rigdon, Thomas Riley, Laura Ross, Philip Schaber, Scott, Scheller, Kali Schetzsle, Kyle Schimmell, Rochelle Serra, Brittany Small, Matthew Smurthwaite, Amy Stenftenagel, Jayme Stephens, Deanna Strossner, Elizabeth Summey, Natalie Victor, Jenna Walton, Jonathan Whitman, and Amber Wynn.

Riley, a student graphic designer employed by USI Publishing Services, said he has been an illustrator for as long as he can remember. "I have a strong sense of natural medium with graphite, inks, and things of that nature, but illustration is moving toward digital now," he said. "I became interested in what you can do with the computer programs to drawings you had already made by hand. I will draw a picture and scan it into the computer at a high resolution and I can make changes with the computer program you just can't do by hand."

Riley will have two pieces in Exhibition II. He said, "You can submit up to three pieces for each seminar, and you have to submit three for the course you are in. The professors pick which ones they think best represent your abilities."

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is located at 506 Main Street in New Harmony, Indiana, and is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 812/682-3156 or go to www.nhgallery.com.

## USI youth fitness and nutrition program emerges from Connect with Southern Indiana

A project that emerged from USI's Connect with Southern Indiana 2007 class has evolved into an after school program that could become a model in the effort to prevent childhood obesity.

Connect with Southern Indiana provides participants the opportunity to meet business and civic leaders and others from the region, identify areas for collaborative problem-solving, and develop critical thinking skills, culminating in group projects beneficial to the region. One such project produced by the 2007 class was the SMART Youth Fitness and Nutrition DVD led by **Dr. Glenna Bower,** assistant professor of physical education.

Bower wanted to focus her project on childhood obesity. "Childhood obesity is an epidemic," she said. "Thirty-three percent of our children are obese, and that's doubled since 1980. The primary contributors are decreased activity and increased high fat, high calorie, and non-nutrient dense food. It's extremely important we start educating our younger children and youth today of how to be physically active and how to eat appropriately. If not, we're going to continue to have the adult obesity epidemic."

She was joined in the project by class members Vic Chamness, supervisor of Science, Health, and Physical Education for the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation, Debbie Grace, owner of Happy House Daycare Center, and Vicki Nelson, development director of the Lampion Center.

The four decided to tackle childhood obesity with an intervention program based on physical activity and nutrition, but had to choose a project that would be feasible to complete in the allotted time. "We decided we could do a DVD in a six-month period," Bower said.

The SMART Youth Fitness and Nutrition DVD includes sample components of aerobic fitness, flexibility, muscular strength/endurance, and nutrition. Twenty-five USI students in a Principles and Application of Fitness Training course helped develop the fitness portion of the DVD with exercises using common household items instead of expensive fitness equipment. A Gatorade bottle becomes a pair of hand weights. Pantyhose are used instead of exercise tubing or bands. A pillow replaces an exercise mat.

The DVD project inspired the Smart Youth Fitness and Nutrition Program, a 12-week after school program for middle school students. The program, which began February 4 and continues through April 30, meets twice a week at Glenwood Middle School. Twenty

Glenwood students are participating. Fifteen of them participated in an after school tennis and academics program at USI in summer 2007.

The Glenwood students will make five field trips to USI for hiking, yoga, swimming, basketball, and a cook-out, but the majority of the program will take place at Glenwood.

The fitness portion of the program was developed by USI students majoring in exercise science, general physical education, and physical education teaching. Students in a health and safety education course led by **Dr. Stephanie Bennett,** assistant professor in physical education, developed lesson plans for the nutrition component of the program.

"Everyone in the department is involved," Bower said. "It's a great learning experience for all of us in the department but it wouldn't have been possible without the CSI program and that initial DVD."

Bower and Charmaine McDowell, manager of marketing and business development in Extended Services, appeared in front of the National Association for Kinesiology, Physical Education in Higher Education (NAKPEHE) conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico in January to discuss the SMART Youth Fitness and Nutrition DVD.

The program has received grants from the Indiana Association of Health and Fitness and the Bower-Suhrheinrich College of Education and Human Services.

#### USI is a sponsor of One World Film Series

Sponsored by USI, University of Evansville, Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library, and the Committee to Promote Respect in Schools (CYPRESS), the One World Film Series uses the power of film to illuminate diversity issues and create discussion. Each film will be shown on a Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday at three different locations: USI, UE and Central Library.

"Enemies of Happiness," the winner of the international premiere award, is a powerful, remarkable, and inspiring film. From its stuning opening emerges a gripping story of opposition and women s rights in today's Afghanistan as the country tries to reconstruct life after the Taliban. At its heart, it's a portrait of Malalai Joya on the campaign trail in the first democratic elections in Afghanistan in 30 years.

"Enemies of Happiness" will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, February 17, in the Group Study Room at Central Library' 7 p.m. Monday, February 18, in Smythe Lecture Hall in The Schroeder Family School of Business Administration at UE; and at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 19, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center at USI.

"The Devil Came on Horseback" tells the story of genocide in Darfur through the eyes of Brian Steidle, a former U.S. Marine. Stark footage of decimated villages and smoldering remains make "The Devil Came on Horseback" a harrowing film to watch. Steidle's reactions to the genocide are compressed into a compelling, beautifully photographed film that captures Sudan's natural beauty as well as its turmoil.

"The Devil Came on Horseback" will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 16, in Central Library's Group Study Room; 7 p.m. Monday, March 17, in Smythe Lecture Hall in The Schroeder Family School of Business Administration at UE; and at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 18, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center at USI.

"The Power of Good" is a documentary film that tells the story of one of the greatest humanitarians of our time. Nicholas Winton, together with his team (his mother, a secretary, and other concerned individuals) managed to save 669 endangered children, most of them Jewish, from almost certain death at the hands of the Nazis and  $N_{\rm f}$  collaborators.

"The Power of Good" will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 20 in the Group Study Room at Central Library; 7 p.m. Monday, April 21, in Smythe Lecture Hall in The Schroeder Family School of Business Administration at UE; and at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, in Kleymeyer

Hall in the Liberal Arts Center at USI.

All films are free and open to the public. A group discussion led by a facilitator will follow each film.

Heidi Gregori-Gahan, director of International Programs and Services, is the University representative for CYPRESS, an organization which strives to promote respect through diversity. For more information, contact International Programs and Services at 812/465-1248.

#### International Food Expo is February 22

The popular International Club Food Expo will fill Carter Hall with sights, scents, and tastes from around the world on Friday, February 22. The culmination of USI's annual International Week, the Food Expo will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. with food and entertainment from more than 20 countries.

Tickets are \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door. Children 6 and under are free. Purchase tickets at the International Programs and Services Office or from International Club members. Other International Week events:

#### Monday, February 18

Study Abroad Information Session, 11 a.m., University Center Room 215.

Bunraku Bay Puppet Troupe, 6 p.m., Carter Hall, University Center. A reception to kick off international week will be held after the performance by Japanese puppetry troupe. Free, open to the public.

#### Tuesday, February 19

One World Film Series: "Enemies of Happiness," 7 p.m., Kleymeyer Hall, Liberal Arts Center.

#### Wednesday, February 20

Global Community Mardi Gras Celebration, 7:30 p.m., Ruston Hall Multipurpose Room.

For more information, contact International Programs and Services at 812/465-7183.

#### Names in the news

#### **Passings**

Helen Franks, mother of Patricia Flake, supplemental instruction specialist in academic skills, died January 29. Services were held February 2 at Pierre Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Sacred Heart Catholic Church or VNA Charlier Hospice Center.

Sharon Lewis, mother of Jim Stanley, telecommunications technician in telephone services, died February 2. Private services were held.

Robert Poole, father of Debbie Kerns, financial aid counselor in student financial assistance, died January 30. Services were held February 2 at Pierre Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Barker Avenue Primitive Baptist Church, 50 South Barker Avenue, Evansville, IN 47712.

#### Welcome

Frances Ball has accepted a position as administrative assistant in the College of Nursing and Health Professions. She holds a Bachelor f Arts degree in political science from USI.

Jennifer Craig has accepted a position as Southwest Indiana County Area Health Education Center (SWINC-AHEC) program development specialist in the College of Nursing and Health Professions. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in health services from USI and is currently pursuing a Master of Public Health degree from East Tennessee State University. Craig was formerly employed at Deaconess Hospital.

#### Conferences

Ron Mitchell, instructor in English, presented on a panel, "Keeping Things Afloat: The Business of Literary Magazine Publishing" on January 31 at the Associated Writing Programs national conference in New York City. Mitchell, along with Matthew Graham, associate professor of English, Nicole Reid, assistant professor of English, and four USI creative writing students also worked a booth at the conference book fair promoting the Southern Indiana Review and the RopeWalk Writers Retreat.

#### **FYI**

#### Submit nominations for USI Alumni Trustee

The USI Alumni Association seeks applications for an alumni representative to the USI Board of Trustees to succeed Frank F. McDonald II '73, whose term will be complete June 30, 2008. The applicant must be an Indiana resident. To apply, send resume and cover letter by March 1 to Nancy Johnson, director of USI Alumni and Volunteer Services, at njohnson@usi.edu or mail to USI Alumni Association, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. If you would like to nominate someone, use the online form. For information, call 812/464-1924. An alumni screening committee will review applications, conduct interviews, and recommend three names to Governor Mitch Daniels for appointment.

#### www.usi.edu Home Page Gets a Makeover

Web Services has launched a new and improved USI home page. The new look emphasizes the beauty of campus and highlights recent improvements such as the new quad, labyrinth, and fountain.

The site has also been streamlined to help visitors to the site find the information they need as quickly as possible.

An extensive explanation of the redesign and its elements can be found at www.usi.edu/newlook.asp.

#### Tickets available for diversity lecture featuring Lisa Ling

The Office of Advancement has a limited number of tickets available for Evansville's Celebration of Diversity Distinguished Lecture Series, featuring journalist Lisa Ling at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 19, at the Victory Theatre.

Ling began her work on television at 16 as the host of a nationally syndicated teen magazine show before becoming one of the youngest reporters for the Channel One network, which was seen in schools across the country. She has covered conflicts and reported from more than a dozen countries. She was a member of the cast of the daytime talk show "The View," and in December 2002 became the first female host of National Geographic's "Explorer." She has covered the looting of antiquities in war-torn Iraq, investigated the increasingly deadly drug war in Colombia and traveled to the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean in search of treasure.

The University is a sponsor of the free event, but tickets are required for admission. No more tickets are available through the box office. For more information, go to the Office of Advancement in the Wright Administration Building. First come, first served.

Chemistry graduate Eric Adams to talk to students February 14

The president, CEO, and director of enGene Inc. will be the Alumni-in-Residence speaker for the Pott College of Science and Engineering at 3 p.m. on Thursday, February 14 in Mitchell

Auditorium in the Health Professions Center. Eric A. Adams, a 1986 USI graduate, has more than 19 years' management experience in international business development, marketing, mergers and acquisitions, and sales in pharmaceutical and related healthcare industries. His topic will be "What can't you do with your USI degree?"

A biotechnology company, enGene Inc. is developing an innovative therapeutic platform, which is targeted to induce normal cells in the intestinal tract to produce a wide range of proteins to treat such diseases as diabetes, obesity, GI disorders, and hemophilia. He is cofounder of a biopharmaceutical technology company, a founding member and director of Omnitech Capital Corporation, and a member of the Pott College Board of Advisors.

In addition to his USI degree, Adams holds a Master of International Business Studies degree from the University of South Carolina. He is a graduate of North Posey High School. He resides in Vancouver, British Columbia with his wife Aileen and sons Declan and Aidan.

#### "Snapshots of Southern Indiana" has USI all over it

"Snapshots of Southern Indiana," a program produced by **Dr. Karen H. Bonnell,** professor of communications, will air on WNIN-TV Channel 9 at 8 p.m. Monday, February 11. The program features historic sites including New Harmony, Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial, and O'Bannon Woods State Park, and interviews with **Leslie Townsend,** assistant director of Historic Southern Indiana, and **Connie Weinzapfel,** director of Historic New Harmony. The program will air again at 9:30 p.m. Monday, February 18. It also will be shown on WNIN's Cable Channel 12 at 8 p.m. Friday, February 22; 2:30 p.m. Saturday, February 23; and 1 p.m. Sunday, February 24.

#### Philosophy Club to present The Vagina Monologues

The USI Philosophy Club will present Eve Ensler's *The Vagina Monologues* at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 14 in Carter Hall in the University Center. Those attending are asked to contribute \$3 each. Ninety percent of the proceeds will benefit Albion Fellows Bacon Center. In keeping with V-day's 2008 theme, "Women of New Orleans," 10 percent of proceeds go to women victims of Hurricane Katrina. *The Vagina Monologues* is co-sponsored by Gender Studies. For more information, contact faculty advisor Dr. Mary Lynn Stoll at 812/461-5244.

#### Center for Communal Studies Lecture focuses on Civil War

Dr. Philip E. Webber, professor of German at Central College in Pella, Iowa, will present "Conscientious Objectors or Conscientious Participators? The Plight of the Communal Society of Zoar in the Civil War," an illustrated public lecture, at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 14, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center at USI. A question and answer session will follow and refreshments will be served. Webber's program is sponsored by the Center for Communal Studies Lecture Series. For more information, contact Dr. Tamara L. Hunt, chair of the Department of History, at 812/465-1202.

#### Skoglund to lead tour to Spain and Morocco

Margaret Skoglund, associate professor of art, is again organizing a two-week trip to Spain and Morocco, May 22-June 4, during Summer I. Places to be visited include Madrid, Toledo, Jaen, Antequera, Sevillle, Granada, Cordoba and Cadiz in Spain, and Tangier, Casablanca, Marrakech, and Rabat in Morocco. The tour, limited to 25 people, may or may not be taken for University credit and is open to members of the community as well as university students, faculty and staff. For more information, contact Skoglund at 812/465-1023.

#### Clothesline Project on display at USI February 14

Everyone is encouraged to come and support the Clothesline Project @ USI to End the Silence, Thursday, February 14 under the University Center Bridge. The Clothesline Project's aim is to raise awareness about the different types of violence committed against women through the hanging display of decorated, multi-colored T-shirts. The Clothesline will be on display from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The display is hosted by Maggie Felton's Psychology of Gender classe. The Clothesline Project @ USI is sponsored by Delta Zeta sorority. For more information about the Clothesline Project, go to www.clotheslineproject.org or contact Felton at 812/465-1132 or mfelton@usi.edu.

#### Faculty Senate to hold forum on Presidential Search

The Faculty Senate will host a forum on the presidential search process at 3 p.m. Friday, February 29, Education Center Room 0139. The forum is designed to gather insights about leadership qualities desired in the next president of USI. Faculty also will be asked to provide perspectives on the short and long term planning needs of the major university divisions. The forum will update faculty on the process for selection of faculty representatives on the Presidential Search and Screen Committee, and share the timetable for the search process. Faculty members who are unable to attend the forum may email comments and feedback to **Dr. C. Christy Baker**, Faculty Senate chair.

#### Open Enrollment for USI Summer Camps

USI offers full-time summer child care to USI and community families, starting Tuesday, May 27 through Friday, August 1. Children entering kindergarten or first grade are eligible to enroll in the Kindergarten Camp, housed at the USI Children's Center. Children entering second through fifth are eligible to enroll in the Summer Enrichment Camp, housed at Messiah Lutheran Church on Midc Mt. Vernon Road, just a mile from campus. To learn more about the camps or to view photos, visit the Web site for Kindergarten Camp at www.usi.edu/extserv/personal/kindergartencamp.asp or Summer Enrichment Camp at www.usi.edu/extserv/personal /summercamp.asp. To receive an enrollment packet or for more information, contact Jaclyn Dumond, program coordinator, Family, School, and Children's Programs, at 812/465-1274.

#### University of Southern Indiana Fact Book is online

The USI Fact Book is a comprehensive reference about the institution. The Fact Book provides 10 years of statistical information regarding USI at the university, college, and academic department levels, as well as information on various other departments on campus. The Fact Book can be the source for information about USI that is frequently requested by students, faculty, staff, alumni, and others. The reference was compiled by staff in Institutional Research. The first edition is available in electronic form at www.usi.edu/ir/fact\_book.asp, and it provides a convenient source of information on many aspects of the University. Plans are to update the material yearly.

#### CareerLINK is for all students

The spring CareerLINK Internship/Co-op, Full-Time, and Graduate School Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 27, in Carter Hall in the University Center. CareerLINK connects seniors and graduates with employers and graduate school and undergraduates with employers seeking summer and fall interships and co-ops. For a list of recruiters that will be on campus, go to http://www.usi.edu/careersv. For more information, contact Rene Koressel, recruiting supervisor in Career Services, at 812/464-1865.