

USI Theatre presents

The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940

USI Theatre will present *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, a comedy thriller by John Bishop opening on April 22 and continuing April 23, 24, 29, 30, and May 1 at 8 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. on April 25, and May 2. All performances will be held at USI Theatre, 3001 Igleheart.

In the play, director Ken De La Maize (Mikey Wiseman), composer Roger Hopewell (Tiercell Schwartz), and lyricsist Bernice Roth (Melissa Panzarello) reunite to gain financial backing for their new Broadway show at the Westchester estate of wealthy theatre patron Elsa Von Grossenknueten (Kathy Dooley). As they prepare for the performance, the sidesplitting romp unfolds as bodies start to drop and masked figures drag their victims behind swiveling bookcases, while a blizzard hinders any chance of escape. Only Elsa and Michael Kelly (Christopher Passage) know the real reason for the gathering - to trap the killer of a dancer murdered during a previous production. Jeff Starkey, Meghann Hall, Jennifer Ankenbrand, Kevin Lottes, and Jondi Schmitt complete the student cast.

Mr. Scott LaFever, the play's director, said, "This will be an entertaining way to end the '98 - '99 USI Theatre season. Educationally, the students need this kind of stylish material to assist in their training and make them more marketable in the profession. Theatrically, *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940* will be a wonderful harkening back to the classic murder-mystery movies of the '30s and '40s, but with lots of laughs and great fun for the audience."

Mr. Kerry Cripe, instructor in theatre, will serve as scenic designer and technical director. This is Cripe's first scene design assignment for USI Theatre.

Tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$5 for students and senior citizens (60+). For tickets, call 422-3970.

Repairs on Highway 62 expected to last several months

The State Highway Department has let a contract for repair and maintenance work on the Lloyd Expressway/Highway 62 between Wabash Avenue (west side of Pigeon Creek bridge) and County Line Road (to the west of USI). This work is expected to last until at least Thanksgiving and will cause intermittent one-lane traffic in both east- and west-bound lanes.

In addition to deep cutting and concrete repair, the scope of work will include improvements to the intersections at Boehne Camp Road and Red Bank Road. Some actual repaving also will be included in the project. At Wabash Avenue, the work will be coordinated with the completion of the Pigeon Creek bridge, now projected for mid-summer opening.

Employees and students are cautioned to keep speeds low while this work is being completed. Traffic may back up unexpectedly and worsen conditions which lead to multi-vehicle collisions.

Three faculty will be honored at reception

A combined total of 70 years of services to USI by three retiring faculty will be celebrated at 3:05 p.m. on April 21, in the dining room of the University Center. The three faculty are Dr. Howard Dunn, professor of chemistry; Ms. Eula Megli, instructor of chemistry; and Dr. Dan Scavone, professor of history.

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Public launch of concrete canoe set for Saturday

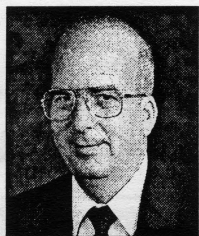
A 10-member civil engineering technology student team has scheduled a 2 p.m. Saturday, April 17, public launch of a concrete canoe they designed and constructed for regional competition later this month. The launch will take place off the dam of Reflection Lake. This is the first year USI is sponsoring a team in the competition, sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Mr. Trent Lamb of Evansville, chair of the team, and other team members designed the canoe that measures 16 1/2' long, 2' wide, and seats two. During the public launch, Lamb and other team members will conduct a sink test on the canoe, part of the rules of the competition. They plan to compete in Madison, Wisconsin, the weekend of April 29-May 1. Finalists in the regional competition can qualify for national competition in June.

Race day events include sprint races and timed long-distance races. An all-male team, an all-female team, and a co-ed team will compete for USI. Each racing team will include two students. In addition to the race, entries are judged on an oral presentation, a technical paper, and a visual display.

The engineering challenge lies in finding lighter, stronger concrete to be used in efficient design which meets serviceability and safety needs of people. Team members gain practical knowledge in design, concrete mix development, time management, and team-work.

Other USI team members are Mr. Steve Applegate, Mr. Matt Kelly, Mr. Hans Schneider, Mr. Keith Maasberg, Mr. Shelby Hoffman, Ms. Ann Nelson, Ms. Amy Whitworth, Mr. Mark Mauer, and Mr. Luke Franklin. Mr. Jack Naghdi, assistant professor of civil engineering, is advisor for the project.



Dr. Howard Dunn received a Ph.D. from University of Illinois. While a student, he worked for Argonne National Laboratory and Eli Lilly Company as a student research chemist and later was employed as a research chemist by Phillips Petroleum Company. Dr. Dunn joined the faculty at USI in 1969 as an assistant professor of chemistry.

During his career, Dr. Dunn conducted research on numerous projects. He was the first person to obtain a U.S. patent on work initiated and completed at USI. This project culminated in a patent covering the removal of volatile toxic organic chemicals from drinking water supplies. He currently holds 16 other U.S. patents including a series of sophisticated air pollution modeling programs that will compute the downwind concentrations from instantaneous releases of toxic gases, from continuous sources of air pollution, and from liquid chemical spills. Several counties in this area use this program for emergency planning purposes.

In the past three years, Dr. Dunn and students in his classes discovered over 40 new chemical substances. Some of the new compounds hold potential as stabilizers for outdoor carpets, others may be plant growth stimulants.

In 1985, Dr. Dunn became the third individual to receive the Distinguished Professor Award. In 1998, he received the Alumni Association's Faculty Member of the Year Award. "To obtain recognition from both your peers and from the alumni is the ultimate compliment," said Dr. Dunn. He also has received the Outstanding Advisor of Student Organization Award and the Spirit of the Eagle Award.

Dr. Dunn conceived and implemented the Honors Symposium, started the American Chemical Society Student Affiliate Chapter, the USI Amateur Radio Club, and is a founding member of the Athletics Board of Directors. He also organized ChemQuery, a group of Evansville area scientists committed to informing the public on technical matters that concern the environment of southern Indiana.

Dr. Dunn's publications include articles in *Journal of Chemical Education*, *Engineering Design Graphics Journal*, *Computers in Physics*, and *Journal of Organic Chemistry*.

Although Dr. Dunn and his wife Barbara anticipate a full retirement with travel, reading, and playing bridge, he said, "I will miss you all. I cannot imagine any possible way that I could have had a more enjoyable and rewarding career."

Dr. Marie Hankins, chair of the Chemistry Department, said, "Dr. Dunn's creative talents and support for maintaining academic standards at the University will be missed. Chemistry faculty think that he will have trouble turning off those 'creative juices' and hope that he will continue to work with faculty and students on research projects."

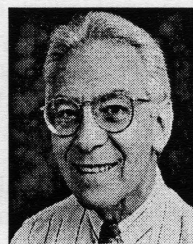
Ms. Eula Megli, instructor of chemistry, was hired in August 1988 as University Division advisor and instructor of chemistry. She received a master's degree from Pennsylvania State University. Ms. Megli taught chemistry at University of Evansville from 1962 to 1984.



Since 1987, she has tutored high school students in math and chemistry through the Education Enrichment Center of Evansville and said she will continue. Ms. Megli is a WNIN Radio Reading Service volunteer reading the *Evansville Courier and Press* daily over the radio to low-sight and blind subscribers. She is a member of the Methodist Temple choir, has been a member of the Evansville Philharmonic Chorus for 12 years, and recently became a volunteer usher at the Victory Theatre.

Ms. Megli expressed her pride in being associated with USI. "The past 10 years have been an exciting time to see the University grow. It was nice to be here while that was happening," said Ms. Megli. "When I started working here, the Orr Center and Health Professions Center were not yet built." Employed in two departments, she moved to seven different offices, often sharing a desk with other instructors. She laughingly said, "I felt fortunate to be here. The growth of the University was just so rapid that offices and personnel changed at least every year!"

Dr. Hankins said, "Ms. Megli's contributions to our program were appreciated by everyone and her chocolate chip cookies were appreciated by our students! We still call and ask for her help and, as always, she is supportive."



Dr. Daniel Scavone received a Ph.D. from Loyola University in Chicago and taught at Rosary College in River Forest, Illinois; Niles College of Loyola University in Niles, Illinois; and Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Illinois before joining USI in 1970. "Each day when I arrived on campus, I was thankful that I could perform my life's work in such a beautiful and positive environment with colleagues I admired and tried to emulate and who showed an appreciation for my work," said Dr. Scavone.

Dr. Scavone's academic research has focused largely on the Shroud of Turin, and he has published articles and books on the subject including the chapter "Hugh of St. Ghislain, the Nine Copper Doors, and the Turin Shroud" in *The Shroud of Turin: A Case Study in Document Authentication* and "British King Lucius and the Shroud" in *Australian Shroud News*. His book *Turning Points of History: The Early Middle Ages* will be published this year. In 1998, Marian Tamatis published a book on Dr. Scavone's work, *La Sindone de Torino el il Santo Graal, dalle teorie de N. Curren-Briggs alle ultime scoperte di D. C. Scavone*.

He appeared in and served as technical advisor of the CBS television special "Mysteries of the Ancient World" and has presented papers throughout the U.S. and in Mexico, France, and Italy on such topics as ancient Troy, Joseph of Arimathea, and Roman historian Zosimus. "I have been fortunate to have discovered an area of study that I have love as one loves a

hobby—and to have been able to pursue a profession that permitted me to share my knowledge and interests with intelligent young people,” said Dr. Scavone.

“Dan was always the first member of the department to congratulate a colleague on an achievement. His faith-based scholarship in recent years, like his broad interests in history from the ancients to the modern era, set him apart from the prevailing winds of historiography. He has been an enthusiast for history,” said Dr. Darrel Bigham, professor of history and director of the Historic Southern Indiana project.

Dr. Scavone received the Distinguished Professor Award for 1994 and was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Southwest Indiana Historical Society in 1995. He received a Mellon Fellowship in Renaissance at Vanderbilt University and a Mellon Fellowship in Post-Modern Studies at Vanderbilt University. Dr. Scavone is an honorary member of the Academy of Sciences in Mexico.

Dr. Scavone served as faculty advisor for the USI History Club for 25 years. He was faculty founder of the USI Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, International Honor Society for History, and served as faculty advisor for 20 years. Dr. Scavone also was faculty founder of the USI Chapter of the Golden Key National Honor Society and served as advisor for five years.

“I have always been proud that I was present at USI’s first graduation in 1970 and that I have been a part of USI’s prodigious growth in size and in excellence. I will always feel honored to identify myself as a member of USI’s history faculty and I hope that my professional work in retirement will continue to reflect the best qualities of the fine scholars and my beloved university,” he said.

Dr. Donald Pitzer, professor of history and director of the Center for Communal Studies, described Dr. Scavone as “the History Department’s indispensable, ancient Renaissance Man.” He added, “we will sorely miss him.”

Donor Recognition Wall unveiling

President **H. Ray Hoops** and **Robert Griffin**, USI Foundation chair, will unveil the Campaign USI Donor Recognition Wall on Sunday, April 18, during a 12:30 p.m. ceremony in the University Center. The wall will recognize the generous friends and alumni who supported the University’s capital campaign with gifts of \$10,000 or more. One hundred and eighty-nine individual stars, each bearing a donor name, will be spread across a UC wall that leads to Carter Hall.

Campaign USI concluded in December 1998 with current gifts and pledges of more than \$18 million and an additional \$6 million in deferred gifts, well over the campaign’s challenge goal of \$16 million in current gifts and \$3 million in deferred gifts.



Names in the news

Ms. Jane Below, writer in News and Information Services, has been elected chair of Media Relations on the Board of Directors for the West Side Improvement Association.

Dr. Paul K. Doss, chair of the Geology Department, and **Dr. Eric McCloud**, assistant professor of biology, joined 15 student members of USI’s Science and Ecology Club and Geology Club in eradicating exotic plant species at Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve in March. Their 70 hours of labor aided the preserve’s efforts in controlling several species which threaten the preserve’s ecosystem.

Mr. Robert W. Jeffers, instructor in communications, presented “Internet Issues” to the West Side Optimist Club on Thursday, April 8.

Dr. Nancy L. Rhoden, assistant professor of history, co-edited *The Human Tradition in Colonial America* (Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, March 1999), a volume of 16 biographical essays and contributed the article “George Whitefield: Transatlantic Revivalist.” Dr. Rhoden’s monograph, “Revolutionary Anglicanism: The Colonial Church of England Clergy During the American Revolution” is scheduled for release in May. It is published by Macmillan (U.K.) and New York University Press.

Dr. J. Wayne Rinks, associate professor of communications, presented “Higher Education and Radio 1920-1934” at the twenty-ninth Popular Culture Association Annual Conference on April 2, in San Diego, California.

In gratitude:

Thursday, April 15, was my last day as president of the Student Government Association (SGA) and I want to thank everyone who helped me during my term. It has been truly rewarding serving my fellow students in this way. The great year I had and the success of the organization as a whole would not have been possible without the overwhelming support of the entire University community. As president of the student body, I encountered student concerns and issues that required I work with numerous University administrators and personnel. The hospitality I was shown made my job much easier. I never had a University employee refuse to work with me. In fact, the opposite is true in every case! Offices were opened to me, information was provided to me, and situations resolved in a timely manner - this openness between students, faculty, and staff is what sets USI apart from other universities. Again, thanks for supporting me and the Student Government Association. - **Patrick West**



National Volunteer Recognition Week

The Points of Light Foundation will sponsor National Volunteer Recognition Week Sunday, April 18, to Friday, April 23. The theme, “Volunteers Light the Way,” reflects the immeasurable services that USI volunteers perform. Please thank the volunteers that assist you and your staff.

National Volunteer Recognition Week began in 1974, when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order establishing the week as an annual celebration of volunteerism. Every American President since then has supported the event by signing a Presidential Proclamation. For more information about National Volunteer Recognition Week or recognition ideas, please call **Ms. Trisha Kennedy**, coordinator of Volunteer Services, at 465-1215.

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University Core Curriculum:

The University Core Council has received a petition to add NUTR 376: Principles and Applications of Nutrition to categories B3: Health and Fitness and C3: Science. Faculty wishing to examine or respond to the petition should contact **Dr. John Gottcent**, University Core coordinator. The council will not act on the petition until at least 10 working days have elapsed.

University family graduates:

If you or a family member are graduating on May 8, please call the Office of Advancement at 464-1755 or e-mail pjoeth with the name of the graduate and degree received.

Ropewalk Writers Retreat book fair:

The Rope Walk Writers Retreat, a seven-day writing workshop sponsored by USI, will receive a percentage of all purchases made at Evansville's Barnes and Noble Booksellers between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 17. Purchases must include a RopeWalk voucher, available at a hospitality table in the store. Gift certificates are exempt from the book fair proceeds.

Historic New Harmony Heritage Week:

Historic New Harmony will celebrate the fourteenth annual Heritage Week from Monday, April 19 through Saturday, April 24, in Historic New Harmony. Visitors may walk along the street and observe costumed demonstrators making toys, shoes, fish nets, and more 19th century crafts. Native American seeds and plants will be available for purchase and food will be served from an open hearth. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$6 for children ages 6 - 17, or \$20 for a family pass.

USI and Henderson

Community College cooperative:

Henderson Community College and University of Southern Indiana are sponsoring a joint Information Open House from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21 in the Student Center on the HCC campus. USI admission staff and faculty from education, social work, and nursing and health professions will be available to explain the transfer programs to Kentucky students. After earning an associate degree at Henderson Community College, students who want to continue education toward a four-year degree can enter USI with junior status through a special articulation agreement developed by both institutions. USI admission staff will be available for individual appointments with students in Henderson on April 21. Reservations for individual appointments can be made by calling USI at 800/467-1965. Prior to the HCC Information Open House, nursing and health professions faculty will be at Methodist Hospital in Henderson from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on April 21, to talk with individuals interested in academic programs in the School of Nursing and Health Professions. **Ms. Ann White**, program coordinator of undergraduate nursing will meet with prospective students in conference room 5.

Lawyer, environmentalist, and subject of bestseller and major motion picture to lecture:

Jan Schlichtmann, lawyer and environmentalist whose legal career is chronicled in the national bestseller, *A Civil Action*, will speak at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20, in Mitchell Auditorium. The book was made into a major motion picture by the same name starring John Travolta as Schlichtmann.

Schlichtmann's appearance is in conjunction with USI's Earth Day observance. His comments will center on environmental ethics and awareness. The lecture is open to the public.

Brunch-4-Lunch:

The Mid-America Singers and Band will entertain during lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, in Carter Hall. Sponsored by Sodexo Marriot and the Food Service Committee, a brunch bar will be served including waffles, omelettes, fruits, and meats. Cost is \$4.95 with unlimited re-fills and drinks included.

Financial support for graduate students:

An online guide to graduate fellowships and assistantships is available from AASCU. Faculty advisors who get requests from students about financial assistance for graduate school should contact **Dr. Peggy Harrel**, director of Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research, WA 104-H, 465-7015 for access information.

Teen camp openings:

A teen camp for ages 12 to 14 years will be offered from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in June and July. Participants will meet in L100 of Rice Library. Daily activities will vary including swimming at the Physical Activities Center and field trips on Fridays. Cost is \$45 per week which includes lunch on Monday. For more information, or to register your child, call **Ms. Ginger Ramsden**, manager of Family, School, and Children's Programs, at extension 1989.

USI Spring Film Series:

Pulp Fiction (1994, 154 min.); directed by Quentin Tarantino; starring John Travolta, Uma Thurman, Samuel L. Jackson, Harvey Keitel, and Bruce Willis, a combination of three tales, each focusing on the seamier side of Los Angeles, involving two hit men, a mobster's girlfriend with a drug habit, and a boxer on the take; 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20, in Forum I and at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 23, in Forum I. USI films are free and open to the public. **Mr. Eric Braysmith**, lecturer in English, will lead a discussion immediately following the film.

Women's golf:

Sunday, April 18 - Monday, April 19 - Lewis Invitation in New Lenox, Illinois.

Men's golf:

Sunday, April 18 - Monday, April 19 - NCAA District 4 Tournament in Auburn, Indiana.

Men's tennis:

Friday, April 16 - Thursday, April 17 - GLVC Tournament in Indianapolis.

Softball:

Saturday, April 17 - USI at IUPUI-Ft. Wayne, noon.
Sunday, April 18 - USI at St. Joseph's, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, April 20 - Brescia at USI, 4 p.m.

Baseball:

Saturday, April 17 - Kentucky Wesleyan at USI, noon.
Sunday, April 18 - USI at Kentucky Wesleyan, 1 p.m.
Monday, April 19 - USI at Missouri-St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, April 20 - Oakland City at USI, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 21 - USI at McKendree College, 1 p.m.

Student Art Exhibit awards:

Mr. Shawn Collins received the Best of Show Award for his untitled painting using acrylics and wallpaper at the 1999 Student Art Exhibit now on display in the University Conference Center. Rudy Pozzatti, Professor Emeritus of printmaking at Indiana University, served as juror for this year's exhibition. Purchase awards went to Ms. Sharon Ford for "Earth to Cosmos", a terracotta piece; Mr. Gregory Bryant for a black and white untitled photograph; and Ms. Holiday Sanders for "Paleontology Series", an oil and acrylic painting on particle board. The Purchase award pieces will become part of the University's permanent collection.

The Student Art Exhibition continues daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through April 18, in the University Conference Center. Prints, paintings, sculpture, jewelry, and woodworking are among the media represented at the show.

Café 221 menu - April 19 - 23

<i>Monday</i> -	braised beef with vegetables, chicken parmesan, broccoli cheddar quiche.
<i>Tuesday</i> -	marinated London broil, chicken broccoli supreme, seafood crepes with Newburg sauce.
<i>Wednesday</i> -	brunch buffet and entertainment in Carter Hall. Café 221 closed.
<i>Thursday</i> -	honey baked ham, fried chicken, vegetable Monterey casserole.
<i>Friday</i> -	country fried steak with country cream gravy, vegetable macaroni and cheese, seafood dejour.

M A R K E T P L A C E

For sale

509 S. Ruston (between Boeke and Vann and Lincoln and Walnut) - 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths with finished basement, fenced yard with playhouse, and 2-car garage, near UE and shopping, asking \$109,800. Call ext. 1157 or 473-3248.

3312 Edgewood Dr. (Reitz Hill area) - 3 bedroom ranch-style home; spacious closets; large screened porch; new roof, siding, windows in 1996; excellent condition and location; phone 422-3541.

1993 blue Mazda MX-3 - 5 speed, power windows, locks, and mirrors, alloy wheels, \$4500/negotiable. 812/461-0207.

Toshiba laptop computer - Satellite Pro 420CDS, 24 mb ram, 1 G hard drive, 100 mhz Pentium processor, 6x integrated CD-rom, floppy disk drive, 33.6 fax modem, lithium ion battery pack, carrying case, \$950. Call Jen at ext. 1616

Four start/finish line tickets to 1999 Indianapolis 500. Call ext 1654 for details.

Sears almond color Freezer - 16 cu. ft. upright, excellent condition, 8 years-old, \$275. Call Chuck at ext. 1939 or 425-5513.

Sewing enthusiasts - Serger, Huskylock model 560, rarely used, complete with instruction booklet and video, \$150. Call Chuck at ext. 1939 or 425-5513.

Hewlett-Packard OfficeJet 500 All-In-One (print, scan, fax, copy) - barely used, specs available from H-P online site, \$250. Call 464-1784.

V A C A N C I E S

The following is a list of vacant positions available as of April 12, 1999. Additional information regarding current vacancies is located on the bulletin board outside the Human Resources office in the Wright Administration Building, the bulletin board located in the front lobby of the Wright Administration Building and on the USI Job Line (812/465-7117) or visit our web site at www.usi.edu/hr. The University of Southern Indiana is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 11246 and is an Affirmative Action Employer. Interested individuals should contact the Human Resources office, Wright Administration Building, FWA 166, 812/464-1844. When applying for a position, please use the reference number.

CLERICAL/SUPPORT

Multi-Media Technician - B9019 - Media Services - open: 4/12/99 - deadline: 4/23/99 - CT3/\$9.33/hr.

FACULTY/ADMINISTRATIVE

Program Director, First Year Initiatives - A9004 - Student Development - open: 3/22/99 - deadline: 4/27/99

Assistant Director of Purchasing and Risk Management - A9005 - Business Office - open: 3/29/99 - deadline: 4/27/99

Assistant Professor of Marketing - F9007 - School of Business - open: 3/29/99 - deadline: 5/7/99