

Vol. 38, No. 35 » May 7, 2004**Congratulations graduates!****USI Commencement May 9**

Three USI employees will be among the 1,500 University of Southern Indiana students receiving associate, baccalaureate, and master's degrees at Commencement Sunday, May 9.

Matthew Andrzejewski, area coordinator in Residence Life, will receive a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies; Debbie Kinney, R.N., grant project coordinator in the School of Nursing and Health Professions, an M.S. in nursing as a Family Nurse Practitioner; and Renee L. Schofield, Undergraduate Nursing administrative assistant, an M.B.A.

Three spouses of University employees also will be participating in Commencement: Marvin Alvarez, husband of Michelle Alvarez, assistant professor and director of Social Work, will receive a B.A. in Spanish; Carol Pancner, wife of Dr. Gary Stiler, assistant professor in teacher education, a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Computer Information Systems; and Jennifer Weigand, wife of Zach Weigand, graphic artist in Printing Services, a B.A. in art.

Eight children of USI employees will be receiving degrees from the University as well: Charlene Baldwin, daughter of Gale Hoehn, instructor in nursing, an A.S. in nursing; Erin Rose Bent, daughter of Cyndi J. Bent, fee waiver clerk in the Office of Student Financial Assistance, a B.S. in theatre; Lenore Bernard, daughter of Mary Ann Bernard, administrative assistant in Human Resources, a B.S. in history; Gregory Byard, step-son of Donald Broshears, Custodial Services Supervisor in the Physical Plant, a B.S. in art; Darlene Dippel, daughter of Donna Dippel, custodial worker in the Physical Plant, a B.S. in exercise science; Carrie Kern, daughter of Carol Evans, senior administrative assistant in Foundation, a B.S.W.; Jeremy Mann, son of Carol Mann, senior accounting supervisor in the Business Office, a B.S. in biology; and Valerie Neaveill, daughter of Theresa Johnson, custodial worker in the Physical Plant, a B.S. in business administration

Mary Lindsey, coordinator of Student Activities and Grant Management in the School of Nursing and Health Professions, received an M.A. in curriculum and instruction at University of Indianapolis in December 2003. Three children of USI employees will receive degrees from other universities in May: Jessica Herrmann, daughter of Michelle Herrmann, senior purchasing assistant in Procurement and Distribution Services, an associate degree in physical therapy assisting from University of Evansville; Alisha Hopson, daughter of Pamela Hopson, director of the Multicultural Center, a B.S. in finance and a B.A. in German from Butler University; and John Moore, son of Donna Moore, administrative assistant in the Pott School of Science and Engineering, will graduate with a double major in criminal justice and history from Indiana University.

USI's Commencement will begin at 3 p.m. at Roberts Municipal Stadium. All degree candidates should report to the Marshaling area on the lower level of the stadium no later than 1:45 p.m.

Additional information about Commencement is available on the Web: www.usi.edu/commencement/.

(Editor's Note: Information about graduating members of the University community was provided by individuals responding to requests published in *University Notes* and campus e-mail.)

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Judge delivering Commencement address

Judge Melissa S. May of the Indiana Court of Appeals will be USI's 2004 Commencement speaker. She and John M. Dunn, president and CEO of Dunn Hospitality Group, also will receive honorary degrees. The late Ruth Gray Yates, a respected and inspirational educator and benefactor, will be awarded an honorary doctorate posthumously.

A former Evansville attorney, May is one of three judges representing the Fourth District, which includes Vanderburgh County. She also is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and the Indiana Bar Foundation, and a Master Fellow of the Indianapolis Bar Foundation. She earned the Juris Doctor degree from Indiana University School of Law Indianapolis, where she is a member of the adjunct faculty. May's honorary degree, Doctor of Civil Law, recognizes her distinguished career in the law and judiciary.

She serves on the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Attorney Specialization and is chair of the Specialization Committee for the Continuing Legal Education Commission. She also is a member of the Indiana Bar Association, the Evansville Bar Association, the Indianapolis Bar Association, the National Association of Women Judges, the Indiana Judges Association, and the American Judicature Society.

Dunn will receive a Doctor of Laws degree in recognition of his civic and University leadership. He is a former chair of the USI Foundation Board of Directors and was active as a major gifts chair in the Boards Division of Campaign USI, the first capital campaign conducted at the University.

He is chairman of the Board of Directors for Tri-State Youth for Christ and sits on the corporate boards for Old National Community Bank, Vectren, and South Central Communications. He also serves on the boards of the Boys and Girls Club of Evansville, Evansville Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, St. Mary's Health Systems, Welborn Foundation, Welborn Baptist Foundation, WNIN-TV/FM88, and the YMCA. He is a member of the advisory council for Indiana University Medical School and an honors graduate of Oakland City University, where he received an honorary Doctor of Humanities in 1977.

Beginning in 1999 and continuing until her death, Yates was a close friend of the University. She was a member of *Reflections*, the Planned Giving Society of USI Foundation, an annual underwriter of The New Harmony Theatre, and founder of the Ruth Gray Yates Endowed Presidential Scholarship as well as a four-year named Presidential Scholarship. Yates' honorary degree, a Doctor of Laws, recognizes her lifelong commitment to educa-

tion, dedicated community involvement, and interest in USI students.

Yates, whose teaching career spanned 35 years, was a graduate of University of Evansville. She married fellow educator Davis Yates in 1938 and together they gave 80 years of service to the youth of Vanderburgh County. The couple moved to Perry County in 1964 and to Tell City in 1979. Mrs. Yates was active in the community until her death January 26.

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Miller wins USI's 2004 President's Medal

Senior Rachel Miller will receive the President's Medal at USI's Commencement ceremony Sunday, May 9. The President's Medal is the highest honor given to a student at graduation.

Miller, who is from Delphi, Ind., was recognized for her commitment to academic excellence and service to the University and the community.

She will graduate summa cum laude with majors in mathematics, math teaching, and French.

Her career goals include teaching secondary mathematics and pursuing master's and doctoral degrees in mathematics in preparation for a professorship teaching math methods courses and all levels of calculus in addition to a variety of other topics.

"Rachel is very strong academically. She accepts responsibility for her own learning. She has the natural ability and the self-discipline to be very successful in life," said Dr. Kathy Rodgers, chair of the USI Mathematics Department. "She approaches each new task with the energy and dedication to be successful."

The recipient of the USI Trustees Distinguished Merit Award and Liberal Arts Mirabella Award, Miller also won the Student Academic Excellence Award for Calculus, the Academic Excellence Award for French, the USI History Club Award, and the Ford Motor Co./Golden Key International Undergraduate Scholarship during her tenure at the University. A Presidential Scholar, she was named the Ambassador of the Year and to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* as well as the USI 2002 Homecoming Court.

She also was selected to win a Fulbright Award for a French Government Teaching Assistantship but declined in order to pursue her passion for teaching mathematics in England, where her fiancé resides.

An active student leader, she is a member of Mu Gamma Pi, the Math Club, which she served as president, vice president, and secretary; the French Club, which she served as vice president; the Honors Program, which she served as historian; and the Student Ambassador Organization, which she served as Southern Hospitality Day coordinator.

Miller also is a member of the Student Education Association, the Mathematical Association of America, Golden Key Honor Society, and Sigma Zeta Math and Science Honorary.

In addition to grading papers in the Mathematics Department and working in the Office of Admission, Miller has served as a residence hall mentor and a math tutor for Evansville and Newburgh students. In 2003, she studied abroad in Sunderland, England, and she has participated in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, the Foreign Language Winter Celebration, the AMIGOS, and in intramural softball, bowling, and caving.

She is the daughter of Mark and Ruth Miller of Delphi, Ind.

Other finalists for the President's Medal were Emily Campbell, Mary Loraine "Lorie" Syester, Andrew Aldenderfer, and Erin Ward.

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University mourning death of instructors

The University community is mourning the deaths of Dr. Hubert B. "Hub" Drone Jr., adjunct instructor in sociology, and James Frederick Goodridge, adjunct instructor in art.

Drone, 62, Ridgway, Ill., died March 19. He joined the University in 2002 and in his career also taught at Fontbonne College, Washington University, Forest Park Community College, and IVY Tech. A graduate of University of Evansville, he earned a master's and doctorate at St. Louis University.

Survivors include his wife, Vonda K. Drone; two daughters, Trina Spillman and Rachel Gehm; his father, Hubert B. Drone Sr.; and four grandchildren.

A memorial mass was held March 27. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hubert B. Drone/Ridgway Museum Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 220, Ridgeway, IL 62979.

Goodridge, 59, Evansville, died April 26. He joined the University in 1999, was an accomplished artist and a graduate of University of Evansville, where he was an adjunct professor. He also taught for more than 30 years in the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corp.

Survivors include two daughters, Dianna Reeves and Sarah Jayne Goodridge; two sons, James Frederick Goodridge II and John Andrew Goodridge; his mother, Mary Jeannette Goodridge; a sister, Barbara Keerl; grandchildren; and nephews.

Services were held April 29 at Alexander East Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Evansville Art Department.

(Editor's note: Members of the University community who learn of the death of an employee are encouraged to immediately notify the Human Resources Office so timely notice can be given to all employees. Those aware of the death of a student are asked to notify the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.)

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Department gains ACEJMC accreditation

The Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, the agency responsible for the evaluation of professional journalism and mass communications programs in colleges and universities, granted accreditation to USI's Department of Communications in April.

"We are the third program in Indiana to receive this accreditation," said Dr. Dal Herring, chair of the Communications Department. The other two are the School of Communications at Indiana University-Bloomington and the Department of Journalism at Ball State University.

"The department had to meet ACEJMC standards of excellence," Herring said. "The faculty and students have worked as a team to bring this together."

The ACEJMC fosters and encourages excellence and high standards in professional education in journalism and mass communications. Majors in journalism, public relations and advertising, and radio and television received the accreditation.

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Concrete canoe: two seconds, fourth overall

Two teams of USI engineering students placed second in con-

crete canoe-racing competition, a part of the American Society of Civil Engineers Regional Concrete Canoe competition for colleges hosted April 30-May 1 by Milwaukee School of Engineering.

The USI team of Eric Effinger, Brent Johnson, Megan Mahrenholtz, and Amanda Adams placed second in the co-ed sprint race, coming in six seconds behind the winning canoe from University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Rowing for USI, Amanda Adams and Lisa Loftus also took second in the women's endurance competition. The canoe races test the canoes as well as the physical stamina of the students.

Actual racing is 30 percent of the competition. Other factors include the design paper and the craft's final appearance and durability.

USI placed fourth in the overall competition, coming in behind University of Wisconsin-Madison, the host school MSOE, and University of Evansville. USI's overall scores came in above those of University of Notre Dame, Purdue University, Marquette University, Bradley, and other schools that offer engineering programs.

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Names in the news

Achievements

Dr. Julia Galbus, associate professor of English, presented "Imagine Being Somebody Else: Margaret Atwood's Feminist Resistance" at the international Margaret Atwood Symposium April 24 at University of Ottawa, Canada.

The Communities of Solarbron are presenting the inaugural "Art of Our Decade Juried Invitational Art Show and Sale," which will continue through May 18. **Brandon Gardner**, lecturer in art, was awarded Honorable Mention and Purchase Prize for his mixed media, "Have You Seen This Girl?" **Eric Braysmith**, lecturer in art and English, is showing his acrylic painting, "The City of Evansville," and **Carolyn Roth**, special part-time instructor in art, has her mixed media acrylic painting, "Another Spring," included in the exhibition. The works are on display from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

John M. Morris, general manager of WSWI, instructor of radio/TV, and executive director of the Indiana Association of School Broadcasters, has received word that several USI students placed in the top three at the association's annual College/University Competition in April. Winners from USI include: **Eric Edwards**, **Chelsea Brown**, and **Falen Bonsett**, first place, radio spot production; **Jeremy Rakestraw**, third place, radio sports play-by-play; **Melissa Allen**, second place, television anchor, and third place, television news or feature package; **Elizabeth Richards**, first place, television music video; and **Lauren Green**, second place, television music video.

Artist **Stephen Pace**, who received an honorary doctoral degree from USI in 2002, will be presented the \$5,000 Jimmy Ernst Award in Art from the American Academy of Arts and Letters at the academy's annual Ceremonial in May. Established by Dallas Ernst in memory of her husband, the award is given to a "painter or sculptor whose lifetime contribution to his or her vision has been both consistent and dedicated." Works by Pace and this year's other winning artists will be on display May 20-June 20 at the academy's galleries in New York. One of Pace's paintings hangs in the University Center and another in the Liberal Arts Center.

Dr. William Stegemoller, associate professor of math, and his wife **Rebecca Stegemoller** of McGary Middle School, presented the workshop, "What Do You Mean 'Similar,'" at the 82nd Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics April 21-24 in Philadelphia. The annual meeting is the largest gathering of math educators in the world.

Welcome

Amy Fisher '90 has accepted the position of staff accountant in the Business Office. The Haubstadt, Ind., resident previously worked at Harding Shymanski & Co. She holds a B.S. in accounting from USI.

Bonnie Simmons has accepted the position of audio-visual technician in Instructional Technology Services. The Mount Carmel, Ill., resident previously worked as an electronics technician at Orion America. She holds an associate degree in electronics from ITT Technical Institute.

Mary Spahn '76 has accepted the position of bookstore assistant in the USI Bookstore. The Poseyville, Ind., resident previously worked as an administrative assistant for the late William Leedy, a former USI professor who taught accounting and marketing, and as a lab technician at Straub Photography. She holds a B.S. in office management from USI.

Promotions and transfers

- » **Douglas Daniel**, from third-shift custodial worker to second-shift custodial worker in the Physical Plant.
- » **Heather Dragoo**, from senior administrative assistant to sponsored research specialist in Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research.

In appreciation

"I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during the illness and death of my mother Mary Lynn Herron on April 19. It is so wonderful to work with such a caring group of people."

- **Barb Yates**, administrative assistant,
School of Nursing and Health Professions

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Summer I

Open registration for summer I will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, May 10, in the office of the student's major. Summer I classes will begin Tuesday, May 11. For more information, call 812/464-1762.

Women's health

The Witness Project will offer low- or no-cost mammograms and pap smears from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at Osborne Funeral Home in collaboration with St. Mary's Breast Center, St. Mary's Mobile Outreach Clinic, St. Mary's Cancer Center, and the Indiana State Department of Health's Regional Breast and Cervical Cancer Program.

Appointments are recommended. To schedule an appointment, call the Hope Cancer Resource Center, 1-877/580-3883 or 812/485-5725. Participants should bring their insurance cards to

the screening. Walk-ins will be accepted if time permits. Free bone density screenings also will be available.

RopeWalk

May 15 is the registration and manuscript deadline for this year's RopeWalk Writers Retreat June 13-19 in New Harmony, Ind. The weeklong retreat, a program of University of Southern Indiana, gives participants an opportunity to attend workshops and confer privately with one of five prominent writers.

Limited space remains in the three poetry workshops that will be led by Andrew Hudgins, Rodney Jones, and Leslie Ullman; the fiction workshop led by Erin McGraw; and the nonfiction workshop led by Speer Morgan. For more information, visit www.usi.edu/RopeWalk/faculty.asp.

Library hours

The David L. Rice Library will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 7. It will be closed Saturday through Monday, May 8-10, after the conclusion of finals. For additional library information, visit www.usi.edu/library/library.asp.

Newsletter deadline

Friday, May 7, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of *University Notes*. Submissions received after the deadline will be published at the discretion of the editorial staff. Submissions may be made via e-mail to Libby L. Keeling, associate editor, or by calling 812/461-5259.

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Marketplace

For sale

Girl's bedroom furniture – yellow twin bed, dresser with mirror, night stand, armoire. \$200 for all or \$125 for armoire separately. Armoire is set up to hold a computer and has a pull-out keyboard shelf. Call Ext. 1611 or 475-8860 evenings.

Stock Wheels – from Dodge Dakota, 15X7 stock mag wheels, \$100. Call Neil Pace, 760-5416.

Chest freezer - free with pick up. Perfect for a garage or basement. Works great. Call 423-6640 or Ext. 1918.

INDY 500 tickets - two excellent tickets to the May 30 race. Will sell for face value: \$80 each. For details, call Bob Ruble, 490-0770.

Plant sale – through May 8. From USI, take Eickhoff north to stop sign, turn left on Hogue Road, take next right to 545 Roesner Road, second house on right. Plants include Hosta, Bee Balm, Coreopsis, Gaillardia, Liriodendron, Salvia, Fever Few, Iris, Yarrow, Lambs Ear, Black Eye Susan, Chameleon, Evening Primrose, Hardy Geranium, Obedient, Coral Bell, and more. Call 464-1987 for more information.

Perennial plant sale - through month of May. Take Highway 65 north to Armstrong Recreation Center, turn left on Baseline Road, turn right on County Line Road. Sale on right. Many varieties. Call 464-1987 for more information.

Craftsman home - in excellent condition, near University of Evansville, 15 minutes from USI via the Expressway. Three bedrooms, two full baths - downstairs bath remodeled last year. Sunroom with seven windows and tile floor, den, living room with new gas fireplace and built-in bookcases, dining room, kitchen, full basement, two-car garage, professional landscaping

with lots of perennials, privacy fenced backyard, yard lights in front. New roof and gutters, new concrete driveway, new high energy-efficient furnace and central air-conditioning, newly refinished hardwood floors. Great neighbors on both sides. Street T's in next block, minimal through traffic, quiet neighborhood. \$129,900. Call Nancy, Ext. 1244 or at home, 477-4375.

2000 Dodge Avenger - ES, red, gray leather interior, loaded 55K miles. \$8,900. Call 464-1959.

1994 Buick Century – 60,000 miles, new tires, new front brakes and rotors, CD player, excellent condition. \$3,500 firm. Call 491-8798.

1995 Ford Windstar GL van – 155,000 miles, new transmission, new head gaskets, new tires, CD player, \$3000. Call 491-8798.

For rent

Prospective student tenants - newly remodeled four-bedroom, two-bath, two living room home, five minutes from USI, computer ready. All appliances, including washer and dryer, two-car garage, water included. \$1,300/month plus deposit; one-year lease, parental permission required. Available for fall semester 2004. Call 867-3069 or 499-7044.

Large downtown apartment - available for rent May 22, one-half block from Penny Lane. Two bedrooms, one bath with double sinks, lots of windows, huge master bedroom, brand new carpet, washer/dryer included. \$560/month; \$250 deposit. Contact Ronda Priest, 465-1092 office.

One bedroom, unfurnished, apartment - 131-153 S. Barker, one block south of the Lloyd Expressway. Water, sewage, trash pick-up provided. One-year lease, no pets, non-smoking. Rent \$350/month, \$200 deposit. Call 476-3411.

Community

Free drinks for USI faculty and staff – to show appreciation for USI staff and professors, Penny Lane, 600 S.E. Second St., is offering a free small coffee or tea with the purchase of any soup, salad, or sandwich. Hours: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. A valid Eagle Access Card will serve as identification.

Kids Meal toys - Are Kids Meal toys taking up entirely too much space in your child's room? Don't throw them away, put them to good use. Crossroads Christian Church is sending a mission team with International Orphanage Relief to conduct Vacation Bible School for more than 100 orphans in Jamaica. The church will need the toys by May 12. Contact Barbara, Ext. 7130, for more information.

Turn trash to treasures - Three Lakes Girl Scout Camp is in dire need of clear 20-ounce soda pop bottles and plastic 1 gallon milk jugs to use in crafts like only a Girl Scout can do. Make some mother happy with a fabulous plastic treasure to be proudly displayed for years to come created by her little Girl Scout daughter. Call Barbara, Ext. 7130. Pick up available.

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Marketplace," a free service available to University employees and retirees, publishes information of a non-commercial nature that may include items for sale or rent, desired items or services, available services, free items, and fundraisers. The editorial staff reserves the right to decline any submission and to enforce the column deadline.

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