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USI staging madcap farce

Loot, a dark comedy by late British playwright Joe Orton, opens Wednesday, February 18, at USI's Theatre on Igleheart Avenue.

Brilliant and totally irreverent, the play is filled with a hilarious blend of one-liners, agile plot twists, and audacious assaults upon the sanctity of church and state.

As Mrs. McLeavy's freshly embalmed body lies in a coffin in the sitting room, her bank-robbing son Hal and his friend Dennis search for a place to stash their loot. With the police hot on their trail, the boys decide to hide the stolen cash in the last place anyone would ever look... the coffin. A gold-digging nurse, cunning inspector, and others also join the fray.

Performing under the direction of Elliot Wasserman, associate professor of theatre, the cast features senior Aaron Bonds as Dennis, junior Melissa Hardin as Nurse Fay, senior Leo Kempf as McLeavy, senior Stephen Risinger as Meadows, sophomore Greg Schafer as Hal, and sophomore Jim Turpen as Inspector Truscott. Senior Tara Kannall is the stage manager.

The artistic team includes scenic designer Doug Hubbell, associate professor of theatre; lighting designer Richard Kuykendall, assistant professor of theatre; and costume designer Shan Jensen, associate professor of theatre.

USI Theatre's production of *Loot* will run February 18-21 and 25-29. Performance times will be at 7 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and at 2 p.m. Sunday, February 29.

Ticket prices are \$9 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors age 60 and older, and \$3 for USI students. For tickets, call the USI Theatre Box Office, 812/422-3970. Tickets also may be purchased at the door.

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International Week February 16-20

USI will celebrate International Week with a variety of activities and special events February 16-20.

The International Food Expo, a highlight of the festivities, will be presented from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. February 20 in the University Center's Carter Hall.

Featuring entertainment and exhibits in addition to numerous culinary delicacies, the expo showcases the diverse cultures represented by international students at USI.

A few items on this year's menu include shrimp shau mai from China, curry rice from Japan, bangers and mash from England, and chocolate mousse from France.

Other countries represented at the buffet-style meal will include Greece, Moldova, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Hungary, Columbia, Korea, Russia, India, Peru, Albania, Iran, Zambia, and the United States. Pizza also will be available for less adventurous appetites.

In addition to Latin dancing performed by students from Peru and Venezuela, the entertainment program will include a kimono demonstration with audience participation; a vocal performance by a student from Taiwan; a Japanese tea ceremony; Irish instrumental and vocal music by Daniel Craig, USI assistant professor of music; and clogging by an American student.

Advance tickets will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. February 16-17 in the University Center. Adult admission is \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door. Admission for children ages 7-12 is \$3. Children 6 and younger are free. Door prizes also will be available. For more information, call International Programs and Services, 812/465-1248.

International Week schedule of events

- » February 16 – International Week Kick-off Reception, 3:30 to 5 p.m., University Center, Carter Hall. Entertainment and refreshments. Free and open to the public.
- » February 16-17 – Advance ticket sales for the International Food Expo, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., University Center.
- » February 17 – Global Community's Black History Month Celebration, 7:30 p.m., Governors Hall. The Global Community and Black Student Union celebrate and learn about black history, play games, and win prizes. Free and open to the public.
- » February 18 – International Career Day, 3 p.m., University Center, Carter Hall. Featuring experts in international diplomacy, business, education, and the Peace Corps, and information about internships, volunteering, and working abroad. Keynote speaker: Ambassador Ronald Godard. Free and open to the public.
- » February 20 – International Food Expo, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., University Center, Carter Hall. International food and entertainment. Public invited.
- » Ongoing – Where in the World? Trivia Contest, open to the University community, February 16-19, University Center, first floor. Identify photos of exotic locations with a few clues; \$50 gift certificate awarded to the winner each day.
- » Ongoing – Around the World International Photo Contest, February 16-20. Winning entries will be on display in Carter Hall during the International Week Kick-off Reception and International Food Expo, and in the University Center throughout International Week.

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Student job-search advice available

Employers and alumni will offer USI students job-seeking tips at "Career Roundtables" Wednesday, February 11, in Carter Hall.

The event will feature three panels presented concurrently in three sessions beginning at 4, 4:40, and 5:20 p.m. The panel topics follow:

- » "What Employers Seek in a Resume and Cover Letter,"

hosted by an employer panel

» "What Employers Look for in an Interview and Best Practices for Job Searching," hosted by an employer panel

» "I Wish I had Known: What to Expect the First Year on the Job/Job Searching," hosted by an alumni panel

Participating employers include Fifth Third Bank, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, Ferro Corp., FedEx Ground, and Old National Bank.

"Career Roundtables" also will include networking opportunities, refreshments, and door prizes. Dress is business casual.

Due to space limitations, students should pre-register by calling 812/464-1865. Career Services and Placement and CareersINsite are sponsoring the event.

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Pro fishermen sharing strategies

Famous bass fishing pros will be teaching fishing techniques when Bassmaster University offers a two-day course February 21-22 at USI.

"The course can be the remedy for cabin fever, that malady or restlessness that grows inside us near the end of winter," said Dr. Robert Parrent, vice president for Student Services. "This course will help you combine the right skills at the right time to catch your limit when you go on the water in the spring and summer."

The accelerated course in bass fishing strategy will bring five top pros to Evansville as instructors, including 1998 BASS Master Classic Champion Denny Brauer. Brauer also won the 1987 B.A.S.S. Angler of the Year title and is bass fishing's all-time leading money winner, having won more than \$1.5 million fishing for bass.

The 1993 Bassmaster Classic Champion and 1994 Angler of the Year, David Fritts, and three-time classic qualifier Mark Menendez will be among the instructors. Tony Bean, one of America's premier smallmouth anglers, and Danny Joe Humphrey, Bassmaster Classic finalist, are the other instructors.

Classroom instruction will begin at 8 a.m. both days, and participants will attend 12 different workshop sessions during the two-day event. Saturday instructors include Fritts, Bean, and Humphrey. Brauer, Menendez, and Humphrey will teach the sessions Sunday. Activities recess at 3 p.m. both days, but participants are invited to attend a "Think Tank" question-and-answer session with instructors until 3:30.

Bassmaster University covers mainstream techniques such as plastic worms, crankbaits, topwater, flipping and pitching, and spinnerbaits. It also covers lesser-known techniques such as fishing the floating worm, finesse fishing, and electronics as well as advanced techniques for catching bass from mid-lake structure and when they suspend.

The enrollment fee for the two-day event is \$99. Spouses and children under 16 can attend for \$50 with a full-paying adult. To reserve a seat or register a friend, call 812/464-1989.

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Breast, cervical cancer program topic

The Witness Project will present "Breast and Cervical Cancer Awareness for African American Women" Thursday, February 12, as part of USI's celebration of Black History Month.

The free Lunch and Learn program will begin at noon in Rooms 201-202 of the University Center. Although the event targets African American women, all are welcome to bring a lunch and attend.

Community volunteers will lead the program, including cancer survivors who will share their stories and feelings from diagnosis, through treatment, to survival.

Lay health advisors will discuss cancer statistics, risk factors, screenings, and available resources as well as the proper method for conducting a breast self-exam. The program also will include a video.

"Typically, in the African American community, health is very hush-hush. It's not something they have openly discussed, particularly if it has to do with breast or cervical cancer," said Debbie Kinney, Witness Project coordinator. "A lot of times people don't know what their family history is."

The Witness Project focuses on African American women because their breast cancer death rate is twice that of Caucasian women, and their cervical cancer death rate is three times higher.

Administered by the USI School of Nursing and Health Professions, the Witness Project is supported by grants from the Welborn Foundation and Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Reservations are not required. For additional information, call 812/465-1168.

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USI offering free tax help

University of Southern Indiana accounting students will prepare basic income tax returns free of charge as part of the Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

Taxpayers of low to moderate income, individuals with disabilities, senior citizens, and members of the University community are eligible to receive the free assistance.

Roughly 30 student volunteers are undergoing the VITA training and will be ready to begin providing services February 14. The free tax preparation will be offered from noon to 3 p.m. Saturdays on the University of Southern Indiana campus.

Tax assistance will be available February 14, 21, 28; March 20, 27; and April 3 and 10. Electronic filing also will be available.

The USI School of Business will begin accepting appointments for tax preparation assistance Monday, February 9. To make an appointment or request additional information, call 812/464-1718.

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Names in the news

Welcome

Brent J. McDaniel has accepted the position of medical research laboratory technician in the Indiana University School of Medicine, Evansville Center for Medical Education. The Sebree, Ky., resident previously worked as a phlebotomist for Owensboro Mercy Health System. He earned a bachelor's in biology from Kentucky Wesleyan College in 2003.

Promotions/transfers

» **David Beyerstedt**, from distribution services clerk to senior distribution services clerk in Procurement and Distribution Services.

In sympathy

The University Community extends sympathy to the family of **Suzanne Nicholson**, USI Foundation president and director of University Development, whose husband **Horace S. "Nick"**

Nicholson Jr., Evansville, died February 2. Services were held February 5 at First Presbyterian Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Horace S. and Suzanne A. Nicholson Scholarship through USI Foundation.



FYI

Furniture refinishing

Antiques consultant Jim Sanders will teach Furniture Refinishing from 6 to 9 p.m. seven Mondays, February 9-March 22, in the Technology Center. Students will refinish a piece of their own. Articles in need of cabinet restoration must be small enough to be hand carried and should be brought to the first class session.

The registration fee is \$120. Enrollment is limited. To register, call USI Extended Services, 800/467-8600 or 812/464-1989.

Post-9/11

James P. Muldoon Jr., senior fellow with the Center for Global Change and Governance of Rutgers University-Newark, will present "Order and Governance in the Age of Terrorism – The Role of International Organizations in the Post-9/11 World" at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 12, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center.

Muldoon is the author of *The Architecture of Global Governance: An Introduction to the Study of International Organizations*. His free presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer period and book signing. The School of Liberal Arts and International Studies is sponsoring the event.

Klan-Destine program

Daryl Davis, author and race relations expert, will present "Klan-Destine Relationships" as part of USI's celebration of Black History Month at 8 p.m. February 25 in Carter Hall. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Multicultural Center, 812/465-7188.

Great cities

A 12-day EF Educational Tours trip to London, Paris, Rome, and Pompeii is being formed by Sharon Morrow, semi-retired instructor in English. The group, which will travel June 2-13, is open to the University community. Students may enroll for undergraduate or graduate credit associated with the trip. For detailed information, call 812/423-7407 by February 23.

Newsletter deadline

Friday, February 6, 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.

Spring trip

Dr. Sherry Darrell, professor of English, will lead a trip, "Rome to Athens," June 20-July 2. Sites will include Rome, Pompeii, Olympia, Delphi, Mycenae, Epidauros, Athens, Crete, Rhodes, Santorini, and Kusadasai.

The cost for students is \$2,170 or \$2,720 (with cruise); adults, \$2,495 or \$3,325 (with cruise). Students may enroll for under-

graduate or graduate credit associated with the journey. For more information, visit Darrell in Room 3033 of the Liberal Arts Center.

Eagles/Aces

The USI baseball team will play University of Evansville at 6 p.m. March 18 at Braun Stadium. From 4 to 5:30 p.m., a hospitality area will provide hot dogs and drinks to USI and UE students who present valid student identification.

Tickets, \$5 each, may be purchased in the USI Ticket Office, the USI Baseball Office, or from any USI baseball player. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Tri-State Hot Stove League that supports youth sports and organizations in the Tri-State area.



Marketplace

For sale

Custom upholstered apartment-size sofa - contemporary style, cream-on-beige stripe fabric, 76 inches long, \$400. Companion swivel chair - round base, beige French writing on cream fabric, \$150. Matching French language pillow - large, (22" x 22"), \$25. All items rarely used in smoke-free, pet-free environment. Photos available. Call 402-8448.

Elliptical trainer - ProForm 700 series, hardly used, \$250 OBO. Contact 401-3385, 464-1838 (1:30 to 10 p.m.), or dwp@usi.edu.

House - brick, three bedroom, one-and-one-half bath, one-car garage, family room with gas fireplace, all kitchen appliances, beautiful drapes, immaculate home being sold to settle estate in Hebron, Plaza, Harrison school district, \$110,000. 2002 Buick LaSabre - 27,000 miles, burgundy, being sold to settle estate, \$15,500. Call Lindy or Dennis, 812/479-0684.

1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo - black with leather interior, AM/FM CD changer, new tires and battery, cast aluminum wheels, V-8, automatic, cruise, four-wheel drive, 76K miles. Good condition, \$9,950. Contact Gary May, 812/465-1694 or gmay@usi.edu.

1996 Chevy S-10 LS edition pickup - 4 cylinder, regular cab, hunter green color, bedliner and bedcover, 78,000 miles, runs and looks great, \$4,000. Power Macintosh Performa 6400/180 - software including Macromedia Graphics Studio 7, Microsoft Office, Norton Utilities, AfterDark 4.0, 100 MB SCSI Zip Drive, 56K external modem, ViewSonic 15" monitor, Okidata OL610e/PS PostScript laser printer, 600 dpi, \$100 OBO. Nintendo Super NES system - with seven or eight action/sports games included, \$60 OBO. Contact, Ext. 5218, 812/423-3364, or jmreidfo@usi.edu.

Round dining room table - with four swivel vinyl chairs, \$50. E-mail dhopf@usi.edu.

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