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## Reminder

Don't forget that Summer and Fall early registration is right around the corner. Sign up with your advisor today for an appointment.

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## AC act criticized

by nate smith  
staff writer

A housing official may have been drinking before he enforced the university's "dry" housing policy at an apartment on campus Jan. 14.

On Jan. 14, during the three-day weekend for Martin Luther King Day, Area Coordinator Jason Thompson reportedly went into 822A Bowen after someone complained about noise at the apartment and found alcohol.

Thompson did not respond to repeated phone messages left at his home and office. Housing officials refused to say whether Thompson is being investigated.

Jaime Patrick, vice president of the Student Housing

Association and a junior who lives in Golden Tower, made the allegations in a letter to *The Shield* editor. Patrick was cited on Jan. 14 for violating visitation hours in an apartment adjacent to the Bowen apartment where Thompson was enforcing housing policy about noise.

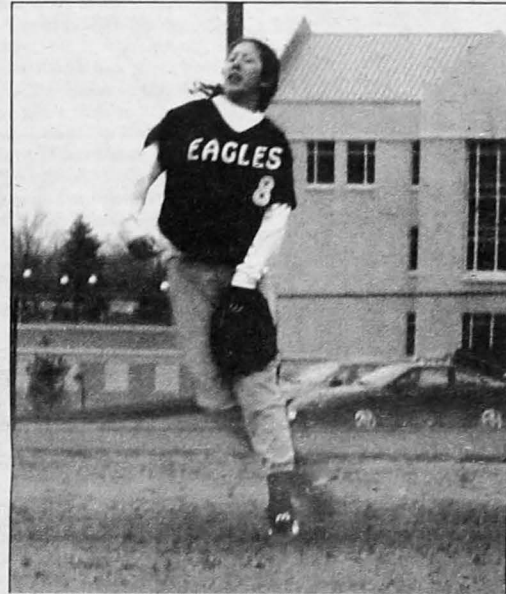
"I've talked to [Interim Housing Director Julie] Payne and Dr. [Robert] Byrd (vice president of Student Affairs)," Patrick said in an interview.

"I tried to find out how that investigation went, and they would not tell me."

Payne declined to discuss the allegations with *The Shield* on Monday.

Patrick alleges that, when he met with Thompson and

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Junior pitcher Danielle Garnett strikes out one of her eight during the 9-1 victory over Kentucky Wesleyan in game 2 on Tuesday. (Photo by Jason Isaacs)

## SGA campaigning in progress

ethan badertscher  
staff writer

Candidates for this year's SGA election began campaigning this week to present to the student body their opinions and goals.

Senior Rick A. Hudson, who is seeking re-election to the SGA presidency, is a mathematics teaching major. He has been involved with SGA for three years. Hudson said, "I have enjoyed serving the students and feel that I can continue to add my support and dedication to make USI a great place to live and learn."

He said the top issue on campus is being able to adapt from being a commuter campus to being a residential campus.

"This change took place so

quickly that the university has not been able to offer all services that most residential campuses have established," he said.

Adding the on-campus fitness center is one step, he said, and extending food service hours is another. Hudson's goals include working with others "to achieve solutions. I want to increase the amount of support that student organizations receive, so they will be able to play a role in the creation of new traditions at USI. "SGA has been promised \$20,000 next year to use at its discretion, and I think that a good portion of those funds should be used to assist student organizations in their development of quality and fun activities for USI students."

Junior Nicholas Crowley, a finance and economics

major, was organizational delegate for Phi Delta Theta during the 1999-2000 term and is running against Hudson for SGA president.

Crowley said, "In talking to fellow students I have heard many concerns about everything from core curriculum, to the registrars office, administration, security, housing etc. Safety and Security is certainly one of the top issues.

"Many students don't feel safe walking around the university at night. Cars are not safe from theft and vandalism anywhere on this campus.

"Other issues I think are important are housing, streamlining core curriculum and making it adaptable to different educational backgrounds, strengthening campus organizations, increasing diversity and providing more social outlets on campus."

Junior Christian L. Lindy, a mathematics education major, has been involved with SGA for two years and is administrative vice president of university affairs. Lindy is running for the executive vice president office in 2001.

Lindy said, "I think the most important issues are a split between safety and security and student life outside the classroom.

"I am pleased with the university's dedication towards the extracurricular aspects of college (in building the Fitness Center and expanding intramurals), and, with any luck, the proposed student activities fee will greatly improve the student social life on campus."

Lindy said students are concerned about their safety on

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# Campus News

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## Online registration open for sophomores

by kendra dancy  
shield correspondent

Registration may get a little easier this semester for sophomores.

Students who have 32 or more credit hours will now be able to register online, but will advisors play a part in this new way to register?

"We want students to see an adviser," said Tim Mahoney, economics professor. Mahoney, who is an adviser, said he believes that online registration is a good idea. He said students may be able to go in early to talk to advisers and work out what classes they need to take and then choose, on their own, when they can take those classes.

Online registration began with graduate students and gradually worked its way down to the sophomores, said Sandy Farmer, assistant registrar. She said online registration will probably never be offered to freshmen. Mahoney agreed, saying,

"(Freshmen) need structure and the guidance of advisers." Advisers help freshmen with the "sequencing of courses," he said.

Online registration will be offered beginning March 29 for graduate students and seniors with 94 or more hours. The dates for early registration are listed in the fall schedule.

Students can access the system from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on weeknights. The system will shut down from midnight to 7:30 a.m. on weeknights for backups and maintenance, but it will be available all weekend.

Farmer said convenience is the No. 1 benefit to online registration, but Mahoney said advising should still be a main focus.

## drunk

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Jennifer Smith, both area coordinators and advisers to the Student Housing Association, he confronted Thompson about the visitation violation. Thompson said he saw Patrick when Thompson was in Bowen.

Patrick said Smith asked Thompson why he had worked that case if he had been drinking. Patrick was reported to Judicial Affairs on Jan. 17.

According to Housing policy, an official can report another official while working on the original incident. Smith would not comment on this story despite repeated attempts to contact her.

Bowen Resident Assistant Manda Clevinger said, "He (Thompson) told me that he had been out drinking off campus. He also told me that he was not in the right state of mind to be there."

Although Payne would not say whether Thompson was formally investigated, she did ask both Patrick and Clevinger about it.

"What I can tell you about this is any disciplinary action is confidential," said Payne. "Any claim is investigated."

Thompson graduated from the university in 1999. He first worked in Admissions before transferring to Housing this year.

The residents of 822 A Bowen said they did not notice anything unusual in Thompson's manner and speech while he investigated the noise violation at their apartment.

"I did not notice anything in particular," said Tara Johnson. "I was not close to him."

Both Johnson and roommate Tara Thomas said there was alcohol in the apartment in an adjacent room. Housing policy states that any alcohol found must be disposed of.

Thompson, according to Patrick's letter, said he answered the early-morning noise-complaint call because he did not want to wake anyone else up.

While Thompson was not the housing staff member on duty, he was to be on duty the next day, Jan. 15.

Payne said her office has a policy for investigating complaints about Housing officials.

"Based on information,

there would be a variety of actions that could happen," said Payne. "All this would happen with direct communication with my supervisor [Dr. Byrd] and the director of Human Resources.

"If something like this were to happen, we absolutely would investigate," said Payne. "Do we condone this type of action? No, we do not."

Patrick said, as vice president of SHA, he believed he should report the incident.

"I am an elected student representative of Housing, and when this type of thing gets swept under the rug, I think the residents deserve to know."

Patrick, after failing to win an appeal of his housing points through Residence Life, has appealed to the Student Government Association.

The Student Housing Association had no official comment on the matter.

The president of the body is Stacy Reynolds.

## Leadership Conference to be held in April

by jason michl  
shield correspondent

Would you like to expand your knowledge of leadership and gain an insight on how a local company views leadership? If so, you should look into the sixth annual Corporate Leadership Conference.

The Corporate Leadership Conference allows students to develop leadership skills and understand what skills local companies want.

The host of this year's conference, which will be held April 6 and 7, is *The Evansville Courier and Press*. The keynote speaker is Vince Vawter, president and publisher of the *Courier and Press*. Jim Michels, News Media Director of the *Courier and Press*, will lead the workshops the conference has planned.

Michels' topic for the workshops is "Leadership when there is no road map."

The conference is open to any student wishing to improve or develop leadership abilities.

Lisa McGuire, Program Advisor for Student Development Programs said, "Leaders need skills to move higher in an organization and it always helps leaders to refresh their existing skills."

The April 6 conference will be held at USI and will include a skills and team building project. On April 7, the conference moves to *The Courier and Press* in downtown Evansville for the keynote speaker and the workshops.

The conference is free to any student wishing to participate, but is limited to the first 60 applicants [www.usi.edu/leadership/corporate.asp](http://www.usi.edu/leadership/corporate.asp) or email Lisa McGuire at [LmcGuire@usi.edu](mailto:LmcGuire@usi.edu).

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## Fellowship visits nursing home

by linnea haseker  
shield correspondent

Last Saturday, ten students and a clown went to play bingo and serve punch and cake to the residents.

The Student Christian Fellowship outreach team spent their St. Patrick's Day at North Park Nursing Home bringing smiles to the residents.

The main goal of this event was to get college students excited about getting involved with the community. The other purpose was to reach the community through Christ by living out their beliefs instead of just telling people about them.

"I am excited to watch people who love the Lord extend love to other people," junior and leader of the group Michelle Persinger said.

This is the first time the newly-developed group has gone out into the community. Persinger hopes that some one-on-one relationships will develop and that

the students will go back on their own instead of just with the group. She believes that college students can relate to the residents well when it comes to loneliness because many of us deal with homesickness and feeling totally alone even when we are surrounded by people everyday.

"It is a true blessing to be able to bring joy and laughter to a group of people who are sometimes very sad, lonely and hurting," freshman Jennifer Dick said.

Dick dressed up as a clown and handed out balloons to residents. She visited a lot of residents that were not physically able to leave their rooms. She enjoys having the privilege of making people smile whenever she enters a room.

Future plans include reaching out to children in the community, possibly at Hillcrest.

There will be more events planned over the summer to be carried out in the fall semester.

## Art students spend unique spring break in Mexico

by tanna carman  
shield correspondent

Spring break. For most, it was a time to take a vacation or go home to visit family. But for some students, faculty and staff, it was an experience they'll never forget.

This spring break the art department sponsored a weeklong trip to Chiapas, Mexico for its students, faculty and staff.

The group learned to see the differences between the cultures and through first-hand experience, appreciate what they had learned in class.

"The impact of actually seeing the sights made the Mayan culture seem more real to [the students]," Cary Williams-Schultz, administrative assistant said. "It's one thing to see things in a book, it's another to see a stone slab that is several feet squared."

The most amazing part of the trip, according to Williams-Schultz, was not the man-made works, but the natural beauty. She said the hike through the rainforest "was

the most memorable and impressive." She said it was great for the students to be able to see this natural beauty, because "their children will never be able to have that experience."

"Needless to say, when we got back, we were all exhausted," Williams-Schultz said. "It was a very physically demanding trip, but I wouldn't have missed it for the world."

Despite physical exhaustion, four members of the group stayed in Mexico another week to try to set up programs between one of the main colleges in Mexico City and USI.

The programs would be set up so that students could interact with and learn from

each other by discussing similarities and differences in art-work, art technique, history and culture.

"There was one house in Chamula (village) that had a TV. It was a politician/leader of the village," Williams-Schultz said. "It was a one-room cinder block house with a dirt floor. They did not have cable."

Williams-Schultz said that the programs would help the Mexicans to understand that "what they see on TV is not really America." While sitting at a restaurant near the Agua Azul, Williams-Schultz said she noticed a small television in the corner of the room with "Walker, Texas Ranger" on.

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■ For each nominee, please attach your reason why the nominee should receive the award.

Deadline: All nomination forms must be turned in to the UC front desk no later than **Wednesday, April 3**. Recipients will receive the award at the Students Affairs Awards Banquet. If you have any questions contact Chris or Rick in the SGA office at 464-1873

## FSA nominations Instructions

The Student Government Association is accepting nominations for the Faculty, Staff and Administrator of the Year Awards. Students may submit their nominations by completing the application form and attaching his or her reasons why the nominee deserves the award

Criteria:

■ **The Faculty Member of the Year:** full time or adjunct faculty member for accomplishments as an educator, community involvement, general concern for students, student advising, and willingness to put forth extra effort to help students.

■ **Staff Member of the Year:** support staff worker or the commitment to help-

ing students, by their friendliness, and shows genuine caring in helping with student problems. (Ex. of staff members include secretaries, custodians, food service, and physical plant, but are not limited to these examples.)

■ **The Administrator of the Year:** confronts student problems, exhibits a willingness to help students and maintains a friendly and personal rapport with students.

Any questions concerning which category an individual is eligible for will be left to the discretion of the FSA committee. The SGA will vote on the nominees at the last General meeting before the 2001-2002 term begins.

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campus. "For whatever reason, it seems that the collective student body is very concerned with the well-being of themselves and their property when on campus. ...

"If the student body is concerned (for whatever reason), it is the responsibility of campus security to take a serious look at these concerns and at least consider them with some weight.

"It is time that our security department took a little focus away from parking tickets and started concentrating more on reports of car break-ins, apartment break-ins and general vandalism and violence," said Lindy.

"I think it is very important to continue the work that the Student Government has been working on for nearly four years now. The SGA has been very effective in recent years at building a great rapport with the administration on this campus. As vice president, I will continue building that strong relationship and working toward the collective goals of the students," he said.

Junior Justine K. Baxter, a nursing and pre-med major with a minor in psychology, is administrative vice president of external relations. This will be her second year in SGA. Baxter is running for executive vice president.

Baxter said, "I find unity to be the biggest issue our university faces. We need to work more to unify the student body and gain interest in student life.

"Our academic programs are growing by leaps and bounds, but we need some help to unify our student body in all organizations and gain a sense of a well-rounded college life by a variety of activities with heavy student support.

"We need to promote an activity-oriented campus rather than one specific organization."

# 'Greek Week' to hit USI soon

brenna garnett  
shield correspondent

Every spring, the USI Greek organizations come together for a week of fun and games added with some healthy competition that is known as "Greek Week."

Throughout the year, sororities and fraternities are usually within their own cliques and socialize within their organization. Greek

Week is designed to unify the Greeks on campus as a whole, and not separate parts. Panhellenic, a representative group of all sororities on campus, and IFC, the inter-fraternity council, have planned this year's Greek Week festivities to incorporate unity and spirit as one group.

This year's Greek Week activities include the annual Greek Olympics. The Olympics consist of games and competitions including

the Egg Drop, the ever-famous Lug of War, and this year's newly added Chariot Race.

Each team will be required to build a make shift chariot with two wheels bearing the team's Greek letters that can be pulled by two people while one is riding in it.

There are many other activities planned for the week as well. There is an all Greek cookout, a volleyball game, and a comedian just to


name a few.

A large part of being Greek is community and philanthropic work.

During Greek Week, the campus sororities and fraternities will come together for a Campus Clean-Up Day.

"Greek Week is going to be fun," says Jamie Sheriff, a campus Greek. "I'm excited about competing with other sororities and fraternities instead of against them."

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## A humor columnist can be a great job



**joe grace**  
sports editor  
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columnist

I envy Dave Barry. He gets to write humor columns for a living.

In fact, he gets paid quite well for his humor columns.

I believe I get paid five dollars a column.

That's enough to buy that

cardboard box I've been looking at.

I can't think of a better job than that of the humor columnist.

Interviewer: What do you do for a living?

Humor columnist: I lay out on the beach all day except for the thirty minutes I need to write my column, which takes no research, or interviews because I make it all up.

Dave Barry is also in a band with Stephen King.

You know you have it made when you're in a band with Stephen King.

Hell, I'd settle for R.L. Stine.

Actually, horror writers have it even easier than humor columnists.

Stephen King: For my next book, a giant trashcan monster attacks the sleepy city of Chicago.

There will also be talking giraffes, but scary talking giraffes. Yea, that's it.

Humor columnist: I am

so in awe of you.

Stephen King: Wait till you see how much they pay me for that load of shit.

I'd like to be a humor columnist when I grow up. If I grow up, that is. I haven't decided quite yet. Growing up is a pretty big step.

So is marriage. I have friends my age who have gotten married or are about to. That scares me.

This is supposed to be

our irresponsible youth still, and people are taking on the responsibility of marriage.

Marriage isn't supposed to happen until you're like 40 or desperate. The age of 19 is way too young to bondage yourself to a life of kids, mini-vans, and vasectomies.

The age of 19 is also way too young to become a cynical bastard like I am.

Oh well.

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## VP of Student Housing Association alleges Residence Life mishandled situation

To the Editor,

It has come to my attention that an area coordinator for the Department of Residence Life has handled at least one incident while under the influence of alcohol.

I absolutely hate rumors and I wouldn't put my name on this unless I was absolutely sure that these allegations were true. That being said, I personally heard one of these individuals fellow area coordinators discussing his drinking habits with him.

As the Vice-President of Student Housing Association and the co-chair of a statewide conference, I was present at a meeting in which this took place. She asked him why he'd handled an incident "after he'd been out drinking all night." His response was simply that he'd been called at home and he didn't want to wake anyone else up.

I learned later in the week that this individual discussed what had occurred with one his Resident Assistants. His RA stated that during their discussion the AC said that he probably shouldn't have been out handling anything that

night and that he would have handled it differently thinking back on it.

I have no idea how much alcohol this individual drank on that night. He may or may not have been intoxicated. But I don't think that matters. He consumed alcohol and then chose to go to work. I don't know what's worse, the hypocrisy of Residence Life documenting individuals for alcohol while their own staff members drink on the job or the fact that this individual's impaired thinking could put someone's well-being in jeopardy.

I don't know of any job in the world in which you can get drunk and then go to work, let alone a job in which the very decisions that you make can have a grave effect upon those around you. This AC not only jeopardized the students that he encountered on that night, but he also took something from every student living in USI housing. He took our trust. Every day between now and the day I graduate, I'll wonder whether or not each professional staff member I encounter has the same morals of this individual.

Everything you've read, I wrote the week that it occurred. The reason that I chose not to publish this article was that I filed a formal complaint with the Department of Residence Life in hopes that this issue would be dealt with appropriately.

As you can probably guess, the department investigation has concluded and no action has been taken against this individual. I want to make it clear that I don't enjoy bashing Residence Life. I work with these people every day, and as a result of this article, I'm sure that those relationships will be strained.

However, as an elected representative of students in housing, I felt that it as my obligation to inform those students of this incident and this is the best way I know how. I implore everyone who reads this to hold Residence Life accountable for the actions of its employees.

If they're not held accountable this time, then next time will only be that much worse.

**Jaime Patrick**  
Vice President  
Student Housing Association

## New Movies opening up

### The Brothers

Starring Morris Chestnut, D.L. Hughley, Bill Bellamy, Shemar Moore, and Gabrielle Union.

### Say It Isn't So

Starring Heather Graham, Chris Klein, Orlando Jones, Richard Jenkins and Sally Field.

### HeartBreakers

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## Where to go this weekend

Fast Eddy's  
Friday & Saturday  
10 p.m.  
Lesser People

The Funny Bone  
Friday & Saturday  
8 & 10:15 p.m.  
Pure Insanity

Marina Pointe  
Friday and Saturday  
10 p.m.  
Never Been Caught

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Friday & Saturday  
10 p.m.  
Nobody's Cousin

Breaker's Billiards  
Friday & Saturday  
10 p.m.  
3 O'Clock Charlie

Ginny's Place  
Friday & Saturday  
10 p.m.  
The Crowd

Harpole's  
Friday & Saturday  
10 p.m.  
Well Hello

# Seagal and DMX look for the Exit



ryan  
jackson  
Editor-in-Chief

What happened to the good Steven Seagal movies? Remember *Above the Law*? Or *Marked for Death*? Or *Out for Justice*, where he wraps that cue ball in a dish towel and smashes a goons teeth out. I used to love those movies as a kid, and that's probably why you won't catch me whole-heartedly defend them now seeing as how I haven't seen one of them in at least five years.

It's that feeling where you don't want to ruin something that you deemed excellent in your childhood by reviewing it as an adult and finding out you were wrong.

But that's the bliss of

childhood, inexperience and naiveness; I didn't care about the story, I wanted to see somebody get kicked, or have their arm broke in one of Seagal's notorious bend back the elbow techniques.

But no matter how bad Seagal's movies get, someone out there will still be willing to make another one with him in it. (He actually made a good movie, *Under Siege*, back in 1992.) When I say another one that's because most of his movies are the just-add-water type, same situations just different characters, similar alley different rats. And hopefully for the man who made pony-tails fashionable again, people will show up to see it again. At least I did.

This time around the film is called *Exit Wounds* and its catch, besides the fact that the

studio made Seagal lose the ponytail, is that it co-stars hip-hop rebel DMX. Not only that, but its directed by Andrzej Bartkowiak who is fresh off the success of the hip-hop martial arts film *Romeo Must Die*.

My theory is producer Joel Silver, who also produced *Romeo*, saw a hot ticket and ran with it; Seagal was probably just more of an ingredient.

So yes, Seagal plays a cop who is reprimanded after saving the Vice-President's life, go figure, but there must be the sympathy element or else who would root for a cop who was full of himself.

His punishment is being sent to the 15th precinct, which you can already guess is in one of the worst parts of town and has a very high crime rate. Now here's the plot point, this area has way too much police corruption. The story from there practical-

ly tells itself; Seagal begins to piece together evidence about possible crooked cops working in the 15th and at the same time is forced to take anger management classes.

Tom Arnold, who's almost always funny, does have a small but funny role as one of Seagal's anger group members who can't seem to keep his mouth shut. Also, stick around for the credits, Arnold and another actor do some improv while hosting his characters TV show.

As for DMX, he's involved as a billionaire who is out to prove that his brother is innocent and has been set up by the same cops Seagal is trying to take down. Formulated movie making, only the soundtrack is pretty good and the cast isn't bad. It has Michael Jai White who played *Spawn*, Bill Duke and Isaiah Washington.

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5. *15 Minutes* \$4.3
6. *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* \$4.1
7. *Down to Earth* \$4.0
8. *Hannibal* \$3.7
9. *Traffic* \$3.409
10. *Chocolat* \$3.4

## Zodiac by charlene chambeau

**Aquarius** (Jan. 21- Feb. 19)  
New days will bring new challenges. Never think that life is boring. The moment you do, things will get exciting and there will be sadness in your heart.

**Pisces** (Feb. 20- March 20)  
Fish travel in schools and this is the time to take stock of your friends and relationships. Someone close to you will not be honest this week. Be forewarned of the danger.

**Aries** (March 21-April 20)  
This is the time to try again no matter how tired you think that you are. Never give up and you will be rewarded.

**Taurus** (April 21- May 20)  
Please remember that you have all that you need to be happy in every circumstances. You may feel like you need something else to be happy, but you do not. Be you.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)  
You may have an evil twin who will manifest in or around you this week. Beware of the impulses that will not be in your best interest this week. Watch yourself closely.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)  
The people you love the most sometimes want the most from you. You have to be able to give even when you wish that you didn't have to. Give of yourself and be glad.

**Leo** (July 22- Aug. 22)  
Noticing every detail is the way to know the people around you. Details tell tales and you are the one who needs to know. Keep your eyes open for happiness.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23- Sept. 22)  
If you know the answer to the question in your heart, do not second guess yourself and make yourself unhappy and discontented. If you have the intuition to know what to do, do it and see that intuition is usually right after all.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)  
Joy will come when you least expect it and from the people that usually give you grief. You will never know how many people love you until you listen to every voice.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24- Nov. 22)  
If you are planning a major purchase, you might want to put it off until a later time when the stars are more in your favor. A large outlay right now would not be in your favor.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 23- Dec. 21)  
You are the one that counts in your life this week. Take care that your goals and aspirations come first. There will be those who will compete for attention. Ignore them.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22- Jan. 20)  
The stars conjoin in a very puzzling way this week for you. Uncertain. Quiet. Calm waiting for the storm. Be careful in things that you say and plans that you make. Remember that the things that you agreed to are your first job.

# Spring, starting over with a will and purpose

by wade butler  
et cetera, editor

Spring is a state of mind. The rosebush has no idea how old it is when it blossoms in the rays of the vernal equinox. The bush only knows that the time to bloom has come again and she has the strength for another burst.

Spring is a state of mind. Some plants wallow in the sorrow of winter and die out. Others refuse to die and grab every grain of opportunity that passes in rain or soil.

Spring is a state of mind. Some people do not see the wonder in starting over. They see the challenge of beginning again as too much effort and too much work.

They try to make sense out of last season's mist and miss the chance to taste today. Some people plan for Fall and

never bask in springtime because they are worried about the weather later in life. By worrying about the weather today, they miss the opportunity for tomorrow.

The greatest chances bear the greatest rewards and pleasures. Take no chances and there is no reward except the reward of the timid and the fearful. It is better to be unsafe than unbending in the sunshine of Spring.

The blooms in the Summer are buds in the warm Spring sun. The bud risks its life on the tips of branches. Too much wind, not enough sun, too much water or an inconsiderate squirrel and life could end for the aspiring blossom. Spring is the chance that all creatures take if they ever hope to fulfill destiny.

Spring is filled with thunderstorms and threats of ill

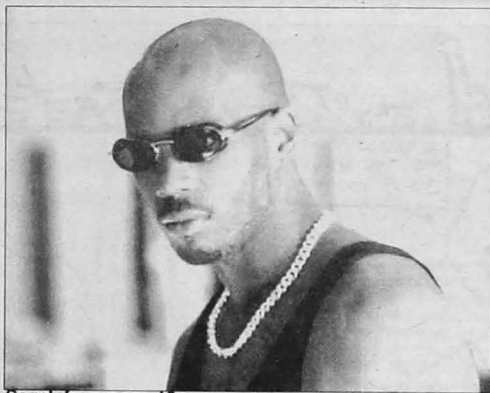
weather. Spring is bursting with the possibility of failure and the beginning of many flops and falls.

But, Spring is the only time of beginning in warming dirt and the refashioning in the fields of life.

Spring is the proof that nature loves good starts and rewards those who take the chances that lead to color, flavor and scent.

There is no chance to terrible, no effort too much, no budding too costly to keep anyone from starting again with the dew of Spring on their minds and the taste of sun on their tongue.

The day that spring is too much effort is the day that the path of death has been chosen and the entrance made into the twilight smokes of fall hovering over the stiff ice of winter.



Seagal, from page 10

All in all it makes for a good action movie, with ridiculous stunts and senseless violence, but Seagal's whipping three 300-pound bouncers at his age!

I mean enough is enough. Give him a cue ball and a bartender's towel and

I might have to reconsider. Another good aspect of the movie is that Seagal doesn't really have much dialogue. I

mean he's the lead and he's on the screen, but everyone else is doing the talking. It was actually more enjoyable like that.

I certainly don't think anyone goes to one of his movies anticipating good acting and the filmmakers must have realized that.

So, less talking and more action, but I only wish they didn't use slow motion cam-

eras sequences when Seagal fights.

It reminds me of watching David Carradine on the old Kung Fu series and thinking I bet this guy couldn't whip a cripple in real life.

So make 'em while you can Mr. Seagal, pretty soon even slow motion fighting sequences won't be able to help you.



## Matchbox 20 and Everclear rock Conseco

by eric leucking  
staff writer

Over Spring Break Matchbox 20, Everclear, and Lifehouse were in concert at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. Matchbox 20 and Everclear gave some good performances.

I couldn't see Lifehouse because I was able to get some backstage passes during the early part of the concert (which was during their set).

Everclear came on second. They played several songs from their new album, Songs From An American Movie - Volume 2: Good Time For A Bad Attitude, while mixing their set up

with some of their greatest hits including "Santa Monica," "AM Radio," "Father of Mine," and "Everything to Everyone." Their stint on stage lasted about one hour.

Matchbox 20 came on the stage about 30 minutes later. A lot of their set was from their new album, Mad Season.

They played their big hits including "Push," "3 AM," and "Back 2 Good" (from their 1st album) and "If You're Gone," "Bent," and the new single "Mad Season" (from the new album) as well as many other songs from each of their albums.

My favorite song of the evening was "You Won't Be

Mine" (the last track from the new album).

The piano part that Rob Thomas played was almost haunting.

During a brief part of their set, they brought out a brass section to play through a couple of songs.

That helped to bring a more lush sound to some of their songs.

The concert was not absolutely mind blowing, but nonetheless it was a well-put together show.

Everclear and Matchbox 20 both showed that they could rock the place.

If you get a chance to see them perform in the future, I recommend checking them out.

## Evansville is place to golf

by Travis Neff  
shield correspondent

Over the past several years, the game of golf has become a very popular activity for Evansville-area residents, even among USI students. Student's don't have to look any farther than Evansville to find affordable and fun golf courses.

Built in 1923, one of the oldest and most popular courses in the area is Helfrich Hills Golf Course.

Located at 1550 Mesker Park Drive, Helfrich presents a good This course has good playability and is well maintained.

The cost is only \$12 for 18 holes. And if you are looking for a good way to kill a couple of hours in between classes, you can play nine holes for only \$7.

The John H. Fendrich Golf Course is another nearby

course. Fendrich is at 1900 Diamond Ave., and costs \$13 for the greens fee.

McDonald Golf Course is another good choice. It only costs \$12 to play.

Several of these public courses can be pretty busy on the weekends and on fair weather days, so if time is a factor, there are some fun par-three courses.

Wesselman Par 3 Golf Course is at 2905 E. Morgan Ave. and only costs \$6 for a par 54 holes. Another good, quick course is the Tee Time Golf Complex, found at 7900 E. Morgan Ave.

It costs \$10 to walk nine, and offers two par four's, so you at least get a couple of chances to bang your driver on a short field.

So if you are interested in playing a little golf this spring, Evansville offers many courses that are fun to play and are easily affordable.





March 22, 2001

## What time is it anyway?

by terri beckman  
indianapolis correspondent

What time is it when the time in Indiana's capitol is noon?

The question the world wants to know. Only thing is, it's really not that difficult to answer.

This session, there has been an increased focus on the issue of time in Indiana. Should we observe Daylight Saving Time? If so, should Indiana go to Central Standard Time or Eastern Standard Time? Once we choose a time zone, should the 15 counties currently observing Daylight Saving Time be forced to change?

Let's examine the situation. Seventy-seven Indiana counties are in Eastern Time zone but do not change to Daylight Saving Time in April; instead they remain on Standard Time all year long. This puts the majority of Hoosiers on "New York time" in the winter and "Chicago

time" in the summer. Ten counties, five near Chicago and five near Evansville, are in the Central Time Zone and use both Central Standard and Central Daylight Saving Time. Five other counties near the Ohio and Kentucky borders are in Eastern Time Zone but use both Eastern Standard and Eastern Day Light Saving Time.

So here we are back at the beginning of the problem. There are several different ideas on how to make time in Indiana less complicated, with several more reasons behind why a certain solution should be chosen.

We have the ever-evolving technology industry telling us that if we want to take part in the "new economy" we must move time zones lines and make the entire state observe Eastern Standard Time. Farmers want the entire state to observe Central time.

Television and radio stations have gotten in on the argument because of program-

ming issues.

Religious fanatics argue that they don't want longer days because of strict religious practices, some involving not eating, that last the entire time the sun shines. Even parents have voiced their opposition to changing their children's sleeping habits.

Then there are people, like myself, who feel they can afford the 30 seconds needed to figure out just what time it is in Indiana—any part of Indiana.

While it's the ultimate decision of the U.S. Department of Transportation as to whether or not to move current time zone lines, Indiana legislators have decided to put this issue in a summer study committee. During the summer study committee the questions asked above, will hopefully be answered.

As for now, all you have to know is that when it is noon in Indiana's capitol, it is 11:00 a.m. in Evansville.

## Healing Touch

by ben jecker  
shield correspondent

According to the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, the number of Americans using one form of alternative therapy has increased from 33 percent to 42 percent from 1990 to 1997.

This is one reason why the University of Southern Indiana has been providing several methods of alternative medicine in the Holistic Healing Education Center on the lower level of the Health Professions Center.

According to Peggy Graul, coordinator of continuing education for nursing and health professions, the School of Nursing and Health Professions provides "reflexology, healing touch, music therapy, and massage as required for the certificate program in the concept of healing touch."

Peggy Graul and three other faculty members are involved in administering alternative care in anticipation of receiving a Healing Touch Certificate given by Healing Touch International, Inc. which is a nonprofit membership and education corporation.

"Once a individual asks for our help, we attempt to free these pains by locating and removing the energy blocks which is responsible for causing the pain," said Graul.

Whatever the reason, "these blocks can be removed through the process of healing touch, leaving you a more healthy, energetic, and knowledgeable individual," said Graul.

As the School of Nursing and Health Professions moves closer to obtaining their certificate, those involved with the program make plans for the hopeful future clinic.

"We hope that in the future, alternative healing will be considered just as much a part of medicine as already accepted forms and that U.S.I. will provide education of alternative care to inquiring students."

Sophomore nursing student Melissa Johnson, is excited at possibly participating in alternative care studies. "I enjoy the idea of studying a relatively new area of medicine while getting my nursing degree; I only hope that in the future, nurses will be needed."

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## USI men's tennis wins 31st straight GLVC match, 6-2

The USI men's tennis team raised its record 9-2 overall and 2-0 in the GLVC with a 6-2 win over Bellarmine University Sunday in Louisville.

The Screaming Eagles have won their last 31 GLVC regular matches, beginning back in 1998.

Overall against GLVC opponents (regular season and GLVC Tournament), USI has dominated winning 27 straight and 39 of the last 40 dual matches with league opponents since 1998.

Senior Jeremy Richie, posted two singles wins and one doubles victory together this weekend and has a GLVC record of 30-0 in singles and 14-3 in doubles.

### USI vs. Bellarmine results:

#### Singles:

Edgar Linares (USI) def. Brandon Campbell (BU) 6-1, 6-3

Andrew Majxner (USI) def. Kyle Olson (BU) 6-2, 6-2  
 Jeremy Richie (USI) def. Drew Fairhorst (BU) 6-1, 6-0  
 Ethan Davis (USI) vs. Josh Huff (BU) suspended  
 Chris Crawford (USI) def. Mark Gerard (BU) 6-1, 6-1  
 Weston Phillips (USI) def. Stuart Distler (BU) 6-2, 4-6, 6-0

#### Doubles:

Campbell/Olson (BU) def. Majxner/Linares (USI) 9-8  
 Fairhorst/Huff (BU) def. Crawford/Richie (BU) 8-5  
 Brent Nelwan/Davis (USI) def. Gerard/Distler (BU) 8-0



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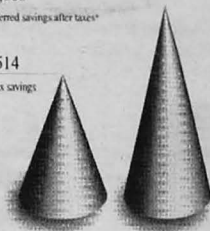
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## Good luck to the Lady Eagles in Minnesota!!!



Nattie Glaser leads a team huddle before getting on the road to Minnesota. The Lady Eagles haven't appeared at the Elite Eight since 1996-97. (Photo by Jen Wilmes)



Casey Hughes waves to USI fans as the team leaves the campus on Monday. Fans lined the boulevard to wish the Lady Eagles well at the Elite Eight. (Photo by Jen Wilmes)



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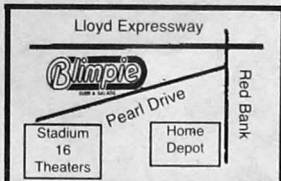
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## USI falls to CBU, Perkins ties record

The USI baseball team dropped a tough one to Christian Brothers University, 1-0, Sunday afternoon at the USI Baseball Field.

USI falls to 9-6 overall this season, while CBU goes to 8-12 overall.

The highlight of the afternoon for USI was sophomore shortstop Josh Perkins tying a USI record by hitting safely in his 17th straight game.

Perkins, who started his streak in the final two games of the 2000 campaign, tied former USI All-American Kevin Brown, who set the record by in 1993.

The problem for the Eagles was they could only manage two additional hits to the eighth inning single by Perkins.

CBU's senior left-hander Brian Volante held USI scoreless on three hits, while striking out five.

USI senior right-hander Jon Adams gave USI a strong outing in the losing cause, allowing only an unearned run in 7 2/3 innings on three hits and six walks while striking out eight.

USI will open the GLVC action on the road at Kentucky Wesleyan College, March 24-25, for a three-game series.

## Baseball field renovations almost complete

mandy bacica  
shield correspondent

Renovations to the USI baseball field that began five years ago are scheduled to be completed in early to mid-May.

Seating has been tripled from a capacity of 200 to elevated seating that will seat 600 fans. Seating will be elevated and seating for handicap is now included.

As for the field's renovation being completed, Coach Mike Geodde said, "There's always something. The fence needs to be upgraded, we need storage and a new tarp - we're never done."



Sophomore Rachel Bowling prepares for the hit during the 8-0 drubbing of KWC in game 1. Senior Katie Roberts picked up the victory for her fifth of the season. (Photo by Jason Isaacs)

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