



# University Notes

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## Local dentist, doctor to discuss time served in Iraq

Lt. Col. **Ralph Matacale, DDS**, assistant professor of dental programs, and Lt. Col. **David Carlson, MD**, a general surgeon with Evansville Surgical Associates, will present "Military Medicine: A Multicultural Experience in providing Health and Dental Care in Iraq" from 8 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, in Mitchell Auditorium in the Health Professions Center.

Both men served in Operation Iraqi Freedom for three months in 2004. Matacale, who is with the Kentucky Air National Guard, was the only Air Force dentist stationed in central Iraq from March to June 2004, but his familiarity with sterile technique meant he was called upon in times of crisis. During his tour, he treated casualties in addition to performing routine dental procedures.

"For me it was a once in a lifetime opportunity," he said. "It's not often a Guard dentist needs to do that. I was the right dentist with the right training when the need arose."

Matacale was stationed with the 447th Air Expeditionary Group/Expeditionary Medical Squadron, and was one of 30 people serving in EMEDS at Baghdad International Airport. "With only 30 people to tend seven, eight, nine, and 10 critically injured, even a dentist pitches in," he said.

Carlson, who is with the Army Reserves, was stationed in Iraq from July to October 2004. He served in Kirkuk with the 874th Forward Surgical Team (FST) and in Mosul with the 67th Combat Support Hospital (CSH). He kept a web log of his deployment in Iraq, including in it details about the heat, boredom, and troops and Iraqis he treated. The web log may be viewed at [djccutter.blogspot.com/](http://djccutter.blogspot.com/).

Injured soldiers are rapidly transported to the FSTs or the CSHs, usually by Blackhawk medevac helicopters. The surgical team at the FST further stabilizes the injured soldiers and transports them to the next higher level of care at one of the CSHs in Mosul, Tikrit, or Baghdad.

"The spectrum of war trauma is much different than we encounter in the civilian world," Carlson said. "Virtually all the patients we treated suffered devastating penetrating or explosive injuries, whereas we see primarily blunt trauma in our local practice."

"It was an honor to serve with our troops in Iraq, but I am certainly happy to be back home. The experience and knowledge I gained in Iraq was invaluable and should benefit me as a trauma surgeon in Evansville."

The program is sponsored by the School of Nursing and Health Professions and the Omicron Psi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International. Nursing and dental hygiene students, Sigma Theta Tau members, and local hospital personnel have been invited. For more information, contact **Gale Hoehn**, instructor in nursing, at 812/465-1284 or e-mail at [GHoehn@usi.edu](mailto:GHoehn@usi.edu).



## WSWI launches local music hour

WSWI, the University's alternative music radio station, will broadcast a weekly show focusing exclusively on local music at 3 p.m. each Wednesday.

"We've been trying to find a way to set ourselves apart from other stations around here, and one thing none of them features is local music," said **John Morris**, radio and television instructor and WSWI general manager.

Program Director **Chad Connor**, a junior, chose 15 bands, who were featured in the first hour-long program on February 23. Flyers and on-air promotions have brought calls from bands interested in being featured, as well as from students eager to tune in to the show.

Connor, a radio and television major who has been station manager of WSWI since November 2004, said the show was his idea. "I used to play in a band and there were never enough places to get my own original music out. This is a great way for bands to get heard, and a great way to get some listeners for the station and offer something else that no one else really can."

He and freshman **Brad Bruner**, who co-hosts the show, are looking at the possibility of broadening its scope. "We're looking to expand once it is successful," Morris said. "As we get going, we're looking to get local bands to come in for some interviews, and possibly some in-studio performances."

The show will run at 3 p.m. every Wednesday, on 820 AM, WSWI. For more information, go to [www.usi.edu/wswi/](http://www.usi.edu/wswi/) or contact Connor at 812/465-1665.



## Hoops receives Rotary Club Civic Award

**President H. Ray Hoops** received the 2004 Rotary Club Civic Award, one of the city's most prestigious recognitions of public service, on February 22.

In the citation for the award from the Rotary Club of Evansville, Hoops was praised for having "led a decade of dramatic growth in enrollment, in new degree programs, and in new classroom buildings and student housing."

"Under Dr. Hoops' leadership, the University of Southern Indiana has been transformed into a nationally recognized institution of higher learning that has made significant academic, as well as economic, impacts in Southern Indiana and the region."

The *Evansville Courier and Press* reported that in accepting the award, Hoops said, "This is an award for the entire University. I will treasure it all my life. It's a reflection of the way the community has taken the institution to its heart."

The citation notes that during Hoops' 10-year tenure the University:

- Has grown to more than 10,000 in enrollment.
- Has expanded into a University offering 90 undergraduate majors and 10 master's programs.

- Has become one of the region's largest employers and added more than \$150 million in investments in the region.

Today, the citation notes, nearly three of four Evansville area high school graduates enroll in post-graduate education. Twenty years ago, only one in three did.

The citation added that Hoops "has shepherded the growth of academic programs that have not only made the University of Southern Indiana the envy of most educational institutions, but has addressed the work force and professional needs of Evansville and Southwestern Indiana.

"But this is best exemplified by his success in overcoming formidable obstacles to establish the new baccalaureate degree in engineering program. This engineering program serves not only the needs of the University but also the employment demands of our region."

The citation also noted Hoops' community involvement. "Currently, he is chairman of public radio and television stations, WNIN, and is on the boards of Deaconess Hospital, Integra Bank, the Metropolitan Evansville Chamber of Commerce, the I-69 Advisory Committee and American Association of Colleges and Universities, to name just a few of his leadership and volunteer roles in the community."

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## USI Theatre 2005-2006 season runs gamut

USI Theatre's 2005-2006 season, announced last week, is book-ended by two plays that are worlds apart. It opens with Harold Pinter's *The Birthday Party*, a dark psychological drama, and ends with *Seussical: The Musical*, inspired by the fanciful world of Dr. Seuss.

**Elliot Wasserman**, director of USI Theatre, will direct *The Birthday Party*, in which a musician escapes to a dilapidated boarding house and becomes the victim of a ritual murder. It runs October 5-16 at USI Theatre on Igleheart Avenue.

Mary Zimmerman's *Metamorphoses*, an interpretation of *The Metamorphoses of Ovid*, played around the country and Off-Broadway before moving to Broadway's Circle in the Square Theatre in March 2002. Zimmerman won the Tony award for direction that year. USI Theatre's version will be directed by **John Berst**, instructor in theatre, and will run November 9-20 in the Mallette Studio Theatre in the Liberal Arts Center.

Wasserman will direct the third play of the season, Jessica Blank and Erik Jensen's *The Exonerated*, a play based on the true stories of six innocent people who were wrongly incarcerated and emerged from years on death row to reclaim what was left of their lives. It will run February 15-26 in the Mallette Studio Theatre.

*Seussical: The Musical*, directed by Berst, will run April 19-30 at USI Theatre. It is the third musical written by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, who collaborated on the Broadway shows *Once on This Island*, *My Favorite Year*, and *Ragtime*. The songs include elements of Latin, swing, gospel, R & B, funk, vaudeville, and synthesizer pop, with lyrics inspired by or borrowed directly from Seuss's classic stories.

For ticket information, call 812/422-3970 or visit [www.usi.edu/libarts/Arts/Theatre/USItheatre/tickets.htm](http://www.usi.edu/libarts/Arts/Theatre/USItheatre/tickets.htm).

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## New student trustee sought

A search is underway for a new student trustee to serve as the student representative on the USI Board of Trustees. **Sam Tucker**, the current student trustee, will end his two-year term on July 1, 2005. The student trustee serves as a full voting mem-

ber of the Board of Trustees, the governing body of the University, and is expected to bring the interests and perspective of students to Board discussions.

To be selected, a student must:

- Be a full-time student in Good Standing;
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5;
- Be able to commit to a two-year term on the Board;
- Be a United States citizen and resident of Indiana;
- Have completed two semesters at USI by the time of appointment (July 1, 2005).

Students can pick up applications in the Student Government Office (Room 013 C-D, in the University Center); Dean of Students Office (Room 007, in the UC); Student Development Office (Room 15, in the UC); from the University Center Information Desk; or from the dean of each academic school. Completed applications are due by 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 18, in the Dean of Students Office, Room 207 in the University Center, along with

- An essay addressing why the student is interested in the position and what s/he feels s/he can contribute to the Board of Trustees (300 words);

- Three letters of recommendation: Two from members of the USI community (one written by a faculty member from which the student has taken a class); and a third written by a personal reference not connected to the University;

- An outline of activities

For information about the application process, call **Eric J. Sharp**, chair, Student Trustee Search Committee, in the Student Government Office at 812/464-1873 or e-mail [sga@usi.edu](mailto:sga@usi.edu).

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## International Food Expo raised money for tsunami victims

About 550 tickets were sold for the International Club's International Food Expo on February 18. In addition to feeding and entertaining a lot of hungry people, the club raised over \$2,000 for tsunami relief, which will be donated through the American Red Cross. In addition, \$700 was raised by Religious Life, which sold items from around the world at a table stationed outside of Carter Hall during the event.

**Julie Bordelon**, administrative assistant in International Programs and Services, said that in addition to International Club members, Global Community residents helped out by pouring drinks, carrying trays, and taking tickets. A student environmental group called Earth Voice collected cans for recycling.

Attendees voted for Best Booth at the Food Expo, and the winners were: Japan, first; India, second; and Hungary, third. International Club treasurer **Ahmet Karaagac** won the prize for most tickets sold.

In other International Week events, the "Where in the World?" trivia contest winners were students **Mari Alcantar**, **Brandie Frith**, **Lauren Breeze**, and **Rachel Levine**; Carnival/Mardi Gras King and Queen were **David Bordelon** and **Tabitha Gentry**; 70 or so students learned how to salsa and merengue during Latin American Dance Night in Carter Hall; and over 50 people attended the Ethiopian Lunch and Learn. "That went really well," Bordelon said. "It was standing room only."

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## Names in the news

### Welcome

**Nancy A. Davis** has accepted a custodial position with the Physical Plant. She was employed in the Mt. Vernon Junior High School cafeteria.

**Michael W. DePriest** has accepted a custodial position with the Physical Plant. He said he was formerly "a faithful housekeeper and devoted grass cutter."

**Amy Dillworth**, a former wedding consultant with David's Bridal, has accepted a position as administrative clerk in Financial Aid.

**Randy McClanahan** has accepted a custodial position with the Physical Plant. He was employed in the warehouse at Roundy's, Inc.

**Alice Murphy** has accepted a teaching position with the Children's Center.

**Megan W. Wiles**, a former strategic marketing assistant for Axiom Marketing and Advertising, has accepted a position as an admission counselor in the Office of Admission. She is a 2004 USI graduate, has an associate's degree from Frontier Community College, and is a member of the Advertising Club of Evansville.

**Christine Wiley** has accepted a teaching position with the Children's Center.

### Achievements

**Raymond Leung**, assistant professor of physical education; **Jane Davis-Brezette**, associate professor of physical education and chair of the Physical Education Department; **Glenna Bower**, assistant professor of physical education; **Dave Enzler**, director of Recreation, Fitness, and Wellness; **Guoyuan Huang**, assistant professor of physical education; **Jim Kamla**, instructor in physical education; **Karl Larson**, assistant professor of physical education; and **Patty Marcum**, instructor in physical education, have jointly published a paper entitled, "Fitness Assessment of Physical Education and Exercise Science Students: The University of Southern Indiana Experience," in the *Indiana Journal for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance* (34, pp. 12-15, 2005). The background of the fitness assessment is based upon the Physical Education Department's mission of valuing healthy living and active lifestyle. The assessment data provide information and insights to drive the evolution and development of the department's academic programs and courses.

**Maurice Hamington**, assistant professor of philosophy, has had an encyclopedia entry he wrote on Rosa Parks included in *The Fifties in America*, edited by John C. Super (Salem Press, 2005).

The Indiana Historical Society Press has just purchased *Back Home Again: Essays and Memoirs from Indiana*, an anthology of nonfiction edited by **Jim McGarrah**, assistant professor of English, and Tom Watson. The book features essays from Indiana writers that revolve around the theme of the Midwest as the literal and figurative heart of America. Besides McGarrah, **Matthew Graham**, associate professor of English; **Tom Wilhelmus**, professor of English; **Patricia Aakhus**, instructor in English; and **Leisa Belleau**, instructor in English, contributed essays to the book, which includes writings from such nationally prominent authors as Kurt Vonnegut, Michael Martone, Susan Neville, and Scott Russell Sanders. Publication is scheduled for August 2006.

### In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to **Jan Kahle**,

education coordinator for Historic New Harmony, whose brother, **Allen E. Day, Sr.**, died Wednesday, February 16. Services were held February 19 at Alexander East Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children.



## FYI

### Topping out

A "topping out" ceremony for the new David L. Rice Library will take place at 12:45 p.m. Thursday, March 3. Topping out celebrations are a tradition in construction projects. When the uppermost steel beam is put into place and the construction has reached its highest point, a topping out ceremony marks the event.

Staff of Rice Library, members of Student Government Association, architects and contractors, and members of the USI Board of Trustees will have an opportunity to sign the top beam starting at 12:30 p.m. before it is hoisted in place. Persons wishing to sign the 12' beam should gather west of the construction site on the sidewalk from the University Center to the Technology Center. Pens will be provided.

Construction of the new library started in June 2004. The four-story building will be twice the size of the current library. The \$27.5 million building is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy by fall 2006.

### Banner Help Line

Do you still have questions about how the new Banner software works? There is now an email address in addition to the Banner help line phone number. You can still call 812/465-7179 if you have questions, or you can send an email to [finance@usiea-gles.org](mailto:finance@usiea-gles.org).

### "Getting to the Core" workshop deadline

Applications for the "Getting to the Core" faculty workshop are due Tuesday, March 15. The workshop features three Teaching Leaders (**Joseph Palladino**, professor of psychology and chair of the Psychology Department; **Barbara Kalvelage**, instructor in biology; and **John Gottcent**, professor of English and University Core director) who will demonstrate pedagogies for teaching non-majors in Core courses and who will show participants the kinds of things covered in typical Core courses such as Psychology 201, Biology 105, and Humanities 211. Any faculty, from full professor to adjunct, may apply, though preference will be given to those who regularly teach Core courses. The workshop runs from May 11-13, and participants will receive stipends of \$300, plus lunch each day. Further information and application materials are available from Gottcent: 812/464-1750 or e-mail at [Gottcent@usi.edu](mailto:Gottcent@usi.edu).

### Cooper Award nomination deadline

Nominations for the H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award are due Friday, March 18 to the office of **John Gottcent**, University Core director. The award, focusing exclusively on teaching, honors a faculty member whose work in University Core courses has been especially creative and successful in furthering UCC goals. It is presented by the University Core Council and long-time USI supporter H. Lee Cooper. Any Core teaching faculty, from full professor to adjunct, is eligible for the honor. Faculty are urged to take this opportunity to recognize the teaching efforts of their colleagues through the medium of this prestigious and generous award. Further information and application materials are available from Gottcent: 812/464-1750.

### **Southwestern Indiana chapter of League of Women Voters forming**

The president of the League of Women Voters of Indiana, **Edith Dallinger**, will be in Evansville for a planning meeting for a local chapter of the group at 7 p.m. Monday, March 21, at Central Library. The public is invited. One of the first issues the local group will address will be problems with the last election, including long lines and poorly trained poll workers.

### **USI Theatre presentation of CAPAC's *The Gospel at Colonus* postponed**

Due to problems securing the production rights, USI Theatre's presentation of the Creative and Performing Arts Center's production of *The Gospel at Colonus* will be postponed until further notice. The production was scheduled for March 18-20.

**Christopher Boyer**, managing director of USI Theatre, worked with CAPAC to obtain production rights. "*The Gospel at Colonus* is beginning a national tour, and that caused some unavoidable delays," Boyer said. "We enjoyed presenting the CAPAC production of *For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow Is Enuf* in 2004, and we look forward to presenting *The Gospel at Colonus* and other CAPAC productions in the future."

Refunds have been issued to those who purchased advance tickets for *The Gospel at Colonus*. For more information, call USI Theatre at 812/422-3970.

### **Complete survey to win \$50 gift card**

The chance to win a \$50 Wal-Mart gift card is the prize being offered to faculty, staff, and students who complete an online survey about campus technologies. One winner will be named in the faculty/staff category and one winner in the student category. Only currently enrolled students are eligible to complete the survey and register for the prize.

The survey takes 10 minutes or less to complete and will be available online through March 20, 2005.

Faculty/staff can find the questionnaire at:

[www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=28579876517](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=28579876517)

Students can find the questionnaire at:

[www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=82571875280](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=82571875280)

The winning student will be notified via his/her usleagles.org e-mail account and faculty or staff will be notified via Outlook e-mail.

Results of the surveys will be made available later in the spring semester. Results for last year's survey are posted here. <http://instructech.usi.edu> The technology survey is a collaborative effort of Academic Affairs, Instructional Technology Services, Institutional Research, the Computer Center, Rice Library, and the USI technology committee.

### **Celebrated classical guitarist to perform at UE**

The Classical Guitar Society of Evansville will host classical guitarist Ana Vidovic at its third concert of the 2004/2005 season, at 8 p.m. Friday, March 4, at Wheeler Concert Hall at the University of Evansville.

Vidovic, 23, is considered among the elite guitarists of the world. She has won an impressive number of prizes and international competitions all over the world, including include first prizes in the Albert Augustine International Competition in Bath, England; the Fernando Sor competition in Rome, Italy; and

the Francisco Tarrega competition in Benicasim, Spain. Other top prizes include the Eurovision Competition for Young Artists, the Mauro Giuliani competition in Italy, the Printemps de la Guitare in Belgium and the Young Concert Artists International Auditions in New York.

"This is a once in a lifetime chance to see one of world's greatest classical guitarists of our time," said **Tom Brown '99**, a CGSE board member, Suzuki instructor, and middle school teacher at Resurrection School.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information about the concert and the Classical Guitar Society, or visit [www.cgse.org/](http://www.cgse.org/).

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## **Marketplace**

**1995 Jayco 5th Wheel** - 28' with 14' electric motor-driven slideout, new rubber roof, two-year-old tires, like new. Extremely nice condition, very well maintained, cross country road ready. \$8,500. E-mail for photos. Call 812/985-7435 or e-mail [cgriswol@usi.edu](mailto:cgriswol@usi.edu).

**Aquarium** - 30 gallon aquarium, light, stand, gravel, filter, with or without fish. \$100. Call 812/464-1992 or e-mail [raleigh@usi.edu](mailto:raleigh@usi.edu).

**Beaded bridal gown** - White, matte satin A-line. Size twelve, scoop-neck halter, straps criss-cross in back. Beading and appliques around bottom of dress and continuing onto cathedral train. Brand new never worn. Bought for \$669, asking \$450. Call 812/464-1701 or e-mail [smschmitt@usi.edu](mailto:smschmitt@usi.edu).

**Couch** - Cream colored with light blue. Well made, in good shape and very comfortable. Asking \$125 but negotiable. Call 812/423-9788 or e-mail [dhopf@usi.edu](mailto:dhopf@usi.edu).

**Couch and chair** - Early American couch and chair. Blue and rust floral with off-white background. Dated style, but in good shape. Free, as long as you pick them up. Call 812/985-2065.

Friday, February 25, is the deadline for submitting information for the next "Marketplace." Submissions may be made by calling 812/465-1192.

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