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ICHE approves engineering program

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education has approved a revised engineering program to begin fall 2002. The existing engineering technology programs will be converted into a single program that will lead to a Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

The ICHE also approved a 2+2 program calling for USI to work with Purdue University to offer a bachelor's degree, either jointly or by one or both of the institutions. The two universities will develop a curriculum that will allow students to take two years at USI and then transfer to Purdue or University of Evansville for specialized engineering courses.

University President Dr. H. Ray Hoops called the move the most important action for this region since USI was created.

"The University of Southern Indiana believes that the provision of additional engineering education is essential to the continuing economic development of the southern region of the state," he said. "We are committed to providing that service."



McGuire set to lead IMA

Dr. Brian McGuire, C.M.A., C.P.A., associate professor of accounting, has been nominated president-elect of the Institute of Management Accountants, the world's largest organization of management accountants and financial managers with roughly 65,000 members.

McGuire is unopposed in the election that will be held at IMA's Annual Conference in June, which means he will serve as president-elect in 2002-03, president in 2003-04, and chair in 2004-05.

The organization develops and administers the Certified Management Accountant exam and the Certified in Financial Management exam, provides education in management accounting and financial management, and promotes ethics awareness programs.

"Brian is a committed person. He's committed to his students, his University, and his profession, and he's good at everything he does," said Dr. Philip Fisher, dean of the School of Business. "I'm glad to see him getting this recognition from his profession. He deserves the honor, and he's up to the considerable responsibility which it requires."

In addition to teaching at USI, McGuire serves as a consultant on Vision 2000's High Technology Task Force and Evansville's Community Development Financial Institution Task Force.

He joined University of Southern Indiana in 1995 and holds a Ph.D. from University of Central Florida, where he worked in the Intelligent Multimedia Applications Laboratory, a project funded by NASA that integrated artificial intelligence with multimedia applications.

With professional experience in public and corporate accounting, he has served as an administrator of a medical center,

a consultant in the healthcare field, and as director of corporate operations of a hospital holding company.

Since joining IMA in 1982, he has served as president of the Mobile Chapter, president of the Lincoln Trail and GulfSouth Regional councils, a member of the IMA National Board, an academic mentor, a judge of the IMA Faculty Enhancement Program Grant Proposals, chair of four IMA committees, and as a member of numerous other national committees and teams.

At present, he is a member of the Evansville Chapter's Board of Directors, an Evansville delegate to the Lincoln Trail Regional Council, chair of the Ad-hoc Committee on Governance, program chair of the 2002 Annual Conference, a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, an appointed director, and a member of the IMA National Board of Directors.

IMA has had 83 presidents, with most being business executives in public accounting or industry. The organization's 2001-02 president is CEO of Hickory Brands Inc., a merchandising company based in North Carolina. The previous president is a former CFO of AT&T, and his predecessor is a former CFO of ITT Automotive.



SGA presents annual awards

The Student Government Association honored members of the University community at the annual Student Leadership Awards and Recognition Ceremony in April.

SGA's Faculty, Staff, and Administrator of the Year awards are presented to individuals who show compassion to students, exhibit general concern and commitment to the University, and make outstanding contributions to USI.

Dr. Sid Hall, assistant professor of psychology, earned the distinction of 2002 Faculty Member of the Year. An academic advisor and faculty advisor to Psi Chi, he was honored for his understanding and for his thought-provoking classes.

"He doesn't do anything without sound reason," commented a student in Hall's nomination.

Linda Harmon, senior administrative assistant in the Office of the Dean of Students, was named Staff Member of the Year.

According to her nomination, she never fails to give assistance to students. Harmon was recognized for helping behind the scenes to make *The Shield*, the Dance Team, the Cheer Team, the Pep band, and the SGA successful groups.

Dr. Robert Ruble, vice president for Business Affairs, captured the title of Administrator of the Year as he was honored for having an extraordinary impact on USI and its students.

"Whether he is working to extend hours for the shuttle system, improving the quality of phone service in campus housing, advising Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, or singing as the only non-student member of the USI Gospel Choir, this year's recipient is always happy to serve and socialize with USI students," said Rick Hudson, outgoing SGA president.

The Spirit of the Eagle Award is presented to individuals and groups in recognition of service at state, regional, and national levels. This year's awards honored an alumnus, an organization, a pair of employees, and two students.

Alumnus Dan Brumett, California, was honored for remembering USI with the gift of an Emmy Award. Brumett, who began his broadcasting career in Jasper, worked for the past 23 years as the editor and associate director of the CBS daytime drama, *The Young and the Restless*. His contributions to television have earned him a total of 12 Emmy Awards.

Commended by its national organization for a consistently high scholastic record, Gamma Phi Beta sorority also was honored with a Spirit of the Eagle Award. The group has been recognized in its national chapter's magazine, *The Crescent*, and has participated in several philanthropies benefiting Camp Riley, an Indiana camp for children with disabilities.

Mary Beth Weber, staff counselor in the Counseling Center, and her husband Jack, lecturer in social work, were honored for their work with Red Cross volunteers serving as crisis counselors in New York in the aftermath of September 11.

Amanda Miller, one of two students to receive a Spirit of the Eagle Award, was recognized for service locally and nationally as a member of the National Education Association and president of USI's Student Education Association.

The second student winner, Walter Jermakowicz, is a Goldwater Scholar and Trustee's Distinguished Merit Award winner. He was honored for his service to USI in various organizations and on the Board of Trustees, and was recognized for his academic presentations at numerous conferences.

During the ceremony, Dr. Charles Harrington, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs, also received special recognition. He was named the Office of Student Development's Advisor of the Year for his dedication as advisor and coach for the USI Ice Eagles Hockey Team.

"More than a great advisor and coach, this individual is always there to listen and help in any way he can," a nominator wrote. "Quite frankly, he is USI Hockey!"



Williams steps back in time

Known to the University community as the library computer systems technician, in other circles Liz Williams is a recognized time traveler.

For nearly 17 years, she and husband Gary have turned back the clock as historical re-enactors. For the last 10, they have been accompanied by daughter Kyra, and May 25 and 26 they will be joined by hundreds at the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, one of the Midwest's premier Revolutionary War reenactments.

The annual 18th century historical gathering attracts an estimated 35,000 visitors and includes arts and crafts demonstrations, colonial entertainment, the sales of period merchandise and food, and the recreation of Revolutionary War battles and camps.

Williams, a George Rogers Clark National Historic Park volunteer, will be on hand to coordinate the volunteer camp and present cooking demonstrations. Her husband will help with security and children's programming, and Kyra will register re-enactors and work with the free children's merit badge program.

"It's a terrific amount of work, but it's also a lot of fun," Williams said. "The people you meet are quite lovely, and my husband and I have a great love of history."

Sharing that love of history with children is what keeps her creating and wearing period clothes, crocheting rag rugs, knitting

stockings and caps, and tending a medicinal herb garden.

"The look in the kids' eyes when suddenly it becomes real for them – that makes it all worthwhile," she said. "Everything clicks in place for them. It's a wonderful feeling."

The Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous is held on the grounds of George Rogers Clark National Historic Park and adjacent land in Vincennes, Ind. Weekend buttons, \$4 in advance, \$6 at the gate, are available. An adult one-day pass is \$5. A one-day pass for children 12 and younger is \$1. Parking costs \$1 per vehicle.



USI represented in spring *SIR*

The spring 2002 issue of *Southern Indiana Review* – University of Southern Indiana's national literary magazine – is now available at Barnes & Noble Booksellers and the USI Bookstore in Evansville and Golden Raintree Books in New Harmony.

Featuring poetry, fiction, non-fiction, reviews, art, and photography, *SIR* showcases the talents of emerging and established writers and artists from across the Midwest and the country.

Published authors, teachers, professors, a former Air Force pilot, and an academic economist are among the contributors, who also include four members of the USI faculty and staff:

■ Eric Braysmith, lecturer in English and art – Photographs:

"Four Freedoms Monument, Evansville, Indiana" and
"Strassenfest, Jasper, Indiana"

■ Janet Lindholm, lecturer in art and music – Color print:
"Rose #1"

■ Carolyn Roth, special part-time instructor in art and art education – Linocut prints: "Dreamer," "Niche," and "Reprieve"

■ Mary Jane Schenk, manager of Donor Relations – Review:
"The Charm of Imperfection"

USI's School of Liberal Arts sponsors the *SIR*, which receives support from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The ninth volume of *SIR* is the first of two issues to be published this year. The fall issue is released in October.

The magazine, \$10 per copy, is available at select bookstores and by mail. Send a mailing address and check to *Southern Indiana Review*, Liberal Arts Center, USI, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. Yearly subscriptions are \$16 and may be made online on the *Southern Indiana Review* Web site: www.usi.edu/sir/.



Names in the news

Achievements

■ Tom Bodkin, lecturer in health services, has been inducted as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, an invitation-only organization that includes less than 1 percent of the nation's attorneys. The group represents the best trial attorneys in the United States, Canada, and Great Britain. A prospective fellow must be nominated by two fellows, considered by his peers to be one of the most competent trial attorneys in his region, and have a clean ethical record. Bodkin is a partner at Bamberger, Foreman, Oswald, and Hahn, and is the Newburgh town attorney.

■ Dr. Julie McCullough, assistant professor of nutrition, and Carol Hermes, instructor in health services, have been nominated for and will be cited in the seventh edition of *Who's Who Among American Teachers*.

Grants

- Black Student Union, \$1,000 from Wal-Mart in April.
- Campus Free Tobacco Environment Initiative, \$17,500 from Smokefree Indiana in February. Coordinators: David Enzler, director of Recreation, Fitness, and Wellness, and Glenna Bower, assistant director of Recreation, Fitness, and Wellness.



FYI

Celebrate America

The Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra will open the 2002 Lincoln Amphitheatre season with "Celebrate America," a concert at 7:30 p.m. May 26.

Tickets - \$10, \$15, \$25 for adults and \$5 for children - are available at the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra Ticket Office, 812/425-5050. Tickets also will be available at the door, but reservations are recommended.

Parking is free, but there is a \$4 per vehicle charge to enter Lincoln State Park in Lincoln City, Ind. More information about Lincoln Amphitheatre is available online: www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com.

NHT tickets

The New Harmony Theatre summer season offers comedy, drama, and musical entertainment. Noel Coward's sharp and witty comedy *Private Lives* opens in June. Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama *Anna Christie* will be on stage in July, and the season will end with the down-home fun of the musical, *Pump Boys and Dinettes*, in July and August.

Season subscribers receive a 10-percent savings over single-ticket prices and enjoy the same reserved seats for each production. Subscription prices are \$50 for adults; \$45 for seniors/students; and \$41 for groups of 20 or more. USI employees qualify for the group rate. Call extension 1668 or 812/682-3115 for tickets.

Theatre volunteers

Volunteers are needed to usher at The New Harmony Theatre this summer. If interested, call Joyce Babillis, administrative associate in the School of Business, at extension 1681 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or 812/838-4925 after 5 p.m. to arrange a time that is convenient. Volunteering is an opportunity to assist the community's theatre and enjoy the summer plays at New Harmony.

Memorial Day

The University will be closed May 27 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Newsletter deadline

Friday, May 24, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of *University Notes*, Friday, May 31. 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. Submissions for the "Marketplace" column should be sent to Karen Altstadt, online editor.



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Marketplace

For sale

- Home for sale - 1814 S. Green River Road. Three-bedroom, one-and-one-half baths, 1,750 square feet, new kitchen, baths, carpet, and fresh paint everywhere, vinyl siding, new furnace. Large corner lot, partially fenced, with three-car garage, \$97,500. Call 475-9520
- Two minutes from USI - 1201 McDowell Road; beautifully-decorated, three-bedroom, two-bath brick ranch; completely remodeled with hardwood floors and ceramic tile; new cabinets throughout; 1,700 sq. feet, with full partially-finished basement; alarm system, all appliances; two-car carport, yard barn, invisible fence; park-like setting on 1.3 acres: \$155,000. Call 985-5564.
- 1991 GMC Sonoma - V-6, five-speed, a/c, cover, liner, new tires, excellent mechanical condition, 127K, \$1,000. Call Ext. 1075 or 425-2494.
- Pontoon boats - several to choose from, westside location. Contact Robert Hamby, 491-9876.
- Fisher-Price kitchen set - with accessories, \$20; 20" Huffly Dancin' Barbie girl's bicycle - \$10; 26" Huffly 10-speed girl's bicycles - two, \$30/each; 26" balloon-tire girl's bicycle - \$20. Call 422-4278.
- Peavey T-Max bass amplifier - can switch between tube and solid state, 500 watts, seven-band equalizer, Peavey cabinet, two 15" speakers, \$600. Contact Nick, 424-0478 or knaldt@lycos.com.
- Help Spring Fest 2002 - two cases of delicious, pre-cooked Johnsonville bratwurst are all that remain from the 1,000 ordered by the Eagle Leaders food booth, \$30/case (50 brats/case). All profits go to Easter Seals. Frozen brats are stored at Diamond Foods and can be delivered to campus. Call 465-1136.
- Farm-fresh asparagus - \$1.50/lb. Contact Mark Krahling, 464-1712 or mkrhlin@usi.edu.
- Professional-mix potting soil - 50 bags, 4 cubic yards of potting soil each, \$25/bag. Contact Dan, Ext. 1876, 618/265-3225, or earthart@midwest.net.
- Eight-piece Broyhill matching oak bedroom suite - includes full/queen-size bed frame with headboard, full-size mattress, two bookcases with three drawers each, four-drawer desk with matching chair, dresser with three drawers, corner piece with three drawers, gold handles on all pieces, \$650. Call 423-2001.

Pet

- Beautiful white Maltese dog - available to an affectionate family, 3 1/2 years old, loves people. Contact Laura Hendricks, Ext. 1269 or 985-9163 (evenings).

Sam's pass

- Free one-day guest passes to Sam's Club - available in the Human Resources Office, Room 166 in the Forum Wing.

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