



University Notes

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University honoring support staff

The University will honor 34 support staff members Wednesday, June 19, at the annual Employee Recognition Dinner and Program.

Hosted by Human Resources, the event honors support employees with five, 10, 15, 20, or 25 years of service as well as employees who retired during the past fiscal year. The by-invitation-only dinner and program will begin at 6 p.m. in Carter Hall.

"This year's recognition dinner is an opportunity to celebrate the milestones of service achieved by 34 support employees, three of whom also are being recognized as retirees," said Darlene Fisher, director of Human Resources.

"As each year passes, we enjoy the opportunity to celebrate with the distinguished group of employees who have played an integral role in the continued success of the University."

The following employees will be honored:

5 years

- Donald Andrews, grounds maintenance worker, Physical Plant
- Rebecca Ball, administrative associate, School of Nursing and Health Professions
- James Bowlds, maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant
- Rebecca Deeg, senior program assistant, Extended Services
- Shirley Eaves, administrative associate, Office of Admission
- Linda Edwards, document imaging technician, Document Imaging
- James Flewallen, lead maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant
- Darlene Goedde, custodial worker, Physical Plant
- Jo Ann LaMar, administrative associate, School of Liberal Arts
- Monna Maley, administrative clerk, Residence Life
- Marilyn Maroni, lead custodial worker, Physical Plant
- Elna Mattingly, administrative assistant, School of Liberal Arts
- Elizabeth McConnell, medical research technician I, Medical Education
- Christy Nolan, administrative assistant, School of Business
- Dave Patton, HVAC operator, Physical Plant
- Mary Beth Rush, bookstore clerk, Bookstore
- Lucy Schenk, administrative assistant, Career Counseling
- Sheila Smith, administrative assistant, Telephone Services
- David Wade, custodial worker, Physical Plant
- Rodney Wasson, maintenance/custodial worker, Physical Plant (New Harmony)

10 years

- David Barton, security sergeant, Security
- Sylvia Dillworth, administrative assistant, Office of Admission
- Jeffrey Flener, senior grounds maintenance worker, Physical Plant
- Bonnie Gwaltney, administrative associate, Business Affairs
- Gigie Hyneman, ITS Resource Support Assistant, Instructional Technology Services
- Deborah Schmuck, senior administrative assistant, Alumni and Volunteer Services
- David Whitmore, lead maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant (New Harmony)

15 years

- Linda Harmon, senior administrative assistant, Student Life

20 years

- Pamela Wade, senior accounting assistant, Business Affairs

25 years

- Courtney Klingelhoefer, administrative associate, Pott School of Science and Engineering
- Carol Mann, accounting supervisor, Business Office

Retirees

- James "Champ" Douglas, custodial worker, Physical Plant, 31 years
- Virginia Hall, senior administrative assistant, Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research, 22 years
- Ronald Harvey, senior maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant, 25 years

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Young Abe opening June 21

History comes to life on America's most beautiful outdoor stage as Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *Young Abe Lincoln* beginning Friday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. This family musical tells the story of the 16th president's formative years in Southern Indiana. As he grows from age 7 to 21, Lincoln learns the values that will make him one of the nation's greatest leaders.

Lincoln Trails Elementary students Branden Burke and Seth Schulz are making their debuts as Boy Abe, while Jeff Stanfield is portraying Young Abe for the first time. Returning amphitheatre veterans include Kenneth Halcom as musical director and Teen Abe, Aimee Eckhardt as Sarah Lincoln, Curtis Mittong as Tom Lincoln, and Dean Dorrell as the president. *Young Abe Lincoln* is directed by Elliot Wasserman, associate professor of theatre.

On opening night, bring a canned food item for the Tri-State Food Bank and receive \$5 off the adult ticket price. On June 28, help Lincoln Amphitheatre and WITZ support the Hadi Shriners Transportation Fund by donating Lincoln pennies. Bring pennies to the 7:30 p.m. show and drop them off with amphitheatre staff.

Additional performances of *Young Abe Lincoln* are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. June 22, 23, 27, 29, 30, July 7, 11, 13, 19, 21, 25, 27, and August 2, 4, and 8. A special Kids Day performance will be presented at 1 p.m. July 10, and a senior citizens' matinee will be performed at 1:30 p.m. July 18.

Tickets are \$15, adult; \$13, senior (60+); and \$8, children (under 18). Family night is every Sunday, when tickets are \$8 per person. On Kids Day, the special ticket price is \$6 per person. A season pass is \$40. See both *Young Abe Lincoln* and *The Sound of Music*, which opens at the amphitheatre July 6, for \$22. USI employees will receive a \$3 discount on adult tickets by presenting a valid Eagle Access Card. Corporate and group rates also are available. Call 1-800/264-4223 for tickets or more information.

A coupon for a \$2 discount on the adult ticket price at the amphitheatre or The New Harmony Theatre is available online: web.myinky.com/marketplace/nhtheatre/. Additional information about the amphitheatre also is available on the Web: www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com.

Lincoln Amphitheatre, located in Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind., is produced by USI.

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Usher training planned

Lincoln Amphitheatre is in need of volunteer ushers for the 2002 season. This is a perfect opportunity to see the shows and help USI.

Training sessions will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, June 18 and 19, at the amphitheatre. Volunteer ushers are asked to work at least five shows during the summer. For more information, call Stacy Brown, coordinator of theatre public relations and marketing, at extension 7110.

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Balkan poet receives RopeWalk scholarship

USI's RopeWalk Writers Retreat awarded its first international scholarship to Lidija Dimkovska this year. A poet, essayist, literary theoretician, and translator, Dimkovska is a native of Skopje, the capital of the Republic of Macedonia.

"We chose her because she is considered one of the finest young poets in the Balkans," said James McGarrah, a member of the RopeWalk Committee and managing editor of *Southern Indiana Review*, USI's national literary magazine.

"We haven't been disappointed. She's stirred a lot of interest not only among the students but among the faculty as well."

A graduate of University of Skopje, Dimkovska also holds a Ph.D. in Romanian literature from University of Bucharest, where she has worked as a lecturer in Macedonian language and literature.

A member of the Macedonian Writers' Association, she is the author of five books of poetry: *Meta-hanging on Meta-lime*, *Nobel vs. Nobel*, *Bitten Nails*, *The Fire of Letters*, and *The Offspring of the East*.

Her work also has been included in several anthologies of Macedonian poetry and has been translated in English, Romanian, Slovakian, Serbian, Slovenian, Spanish, Albanian, and Russian.

She is an editor of the poetry section of *Blesok*, an electronic periodical of art and culture located online at

www.blesok.com.mk, and has received the Struska lira Prize for the best young poet at the Struga Poetry Festival and the Studentski zbor Prize for best debut book.

As a scholarship winner, she is among the participants at this year's RopeWalk Writers Retreat, an annual gathering that brings writers to New Harmony to attend workshops in poetry, fiction, and nonfiction, to write, critique the work of others, and to confer privately with prominent authors.

"We thought exposure to the way we teach creative writing and maintain a community of writers in America might be a good experience for her since many of the writers in her country have to work alone," McGarrah said. "We also thought it would be a good experience for the other participants at RopeWalk."

Dimkovska's RopeWalk scholarship provided tuition, lodging, and meals. Her travel was underwritten by the Macedonian university system, and USI's Office of International Programs and Services played a vital role in obtaining her visa.

The 14th annual RopeWalk began June 9 and will continue through Saturday, June 15. The retreat's final free public event, a reading by author Michael Martone, will take place at 6 p.m. Friday, June 14, at The Atheneum.

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State port expert speaking June 20

Scott Sigman, chief planning and business development officer for Ports of Indiana, will discuss the state's port facilities and explain the transport and logistics chains for international freight at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, June 20, in Carter Hall.

Indiana's public port system operates three ports through two waterways. The International Port on Lake Michigan near Portage is a deepwater port. Goods shipped through the International Port travel the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Seaway. Southwind Maritime Centre at Mount Vernon and Clark Maritime Centre at Jeffersonville, both on the Ohio River, are links to the nation's waterway system.

During his presentation, Sigman will review operations at the Southwind Maritime Centre and at the ports in Jeffersonville and Portage. He also will offer his perspective on what improving commercial efficiencies in international trade means to area manufacturers and service companies.

The program, sponsored by the Tri-State World Trade Council, includes lunch. The cost to council members is \$10 through Monday, June 17, or \$15 at the door. The cost to non-members is \$15 by June 17 or \$20 at the door.

Register by calling extension 1864, faxing 7061, or e-mailing extserv@usi.edu. Fifth Third Bank, Mead Johnson Nutritionals, and Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana are corporate sponsors for Sigman's program.

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Names in the news

Welcome

■ A temporary administrative assistant in Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research has accepted the position of senior administrative assistant in that office. M. Heather Drago, Grandview, Ind., holds a B.A. from Ball State University.

■ Stacy Johnston-Thompson has accepted the position of administrative assistant in the Office of Admission. The Mount Vernon resident is enrolled at USI.

Grant

- Dr. Betty Hart, acting chair of the English Department, \$1,000 for "The Poetry of Our Lives" from the Indiana Humanities Council.

In sympathy

- The University community extends sympathy to Dr. Jane Davis-Brezette, chair of the Physical Education Department, whose mother Margaret Smith Davis, Decker, Ind., died May 31. Services were held June 3 at St. Thomas Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Thomas Catholic Church.

- The University community extends sympathy to Steve Baker, telecommunications technician in Telephone Services, whose mother Jeanne Phelps, Newburgh, died May 27. Services were held May 30 at Alexander East Chapel. Donations may be made to American Lung Association-Research.

- The University community extends sympathy to Judith Wells, instructor in mathematics, and her husband Earl, whose mother Frances Wells, Staten Island, N.Y., died June 7. Services were held June 12 in New York.

In appreciation

- "I wish to thank the Computer Center, President Hoops, and friends at USI for their thoughtfulness, kind words of sympathy, and flowers during the recent loss of my mother Jeanne Phelps." – Steve Baker, telecommunications technician in Telephone Services.

- Gary May, associate professor of social work, would like to convey his thanks to the University community for the expressions of support following the death of his father Charles W. May.

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Thunder volunteers

The Evansville Board of Public Works is recruiting volunteer security officers for Thunder on the Ohio. Volunteers are needed June 28, 29, and 30. All volunteers must be 18 or older and be able to work one four-hour block of time between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Security volunteers will be assigned to the Thunder pit and crew area.

Each volunteer must purchase a \$5 Thunder Button, but volunteers will receive a free security t-shirt as well as food and drinks while on duty. For more information, contact Trisha Kennedy, assistant director of Alumni and Volunteer Services, at extension 1215.

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Marketplace

For sale

- 5201 Daniel Ave. – Quiet westside neighborhood near USI; 6-year-old ranch with many wonderful features on two acres of land. Three bedrooms, two-and-one-half baths, 2,700 sq. ft., excellent condition, \$229,000. View the home at <http://www.hfsbo.com/>. Call 402-3031.
- Mount Vernon home - 919 Lower New Harmony Road. Two bedrooms, one bath, extra-large rooms, more than 1,200 sq.

ft., fenced yard. Newer furnace/ac/roof. Completely updated and remodeled. Call Teresa, 838-4479, for an appointment.

- 3601 Rodenberg Ave. - 2,200 sq. ft. renovated 12-room farmhouse built in 1896. Three/four bedrooms, two baths, study, summer kitchen. Ten-minute drive to USI, near Mater Dei and Reitz. Nearly two acres - half woods, one-fourth prairie, remainder devoid of "lawn." Landscaped using 26 tons of sandstone boulders, 98-percent native plants, and mulch. Naturalized fountain. All new appliances and bathroom fixtures. Woodwork is unique in design and function. Bedrooms feature new carpeting; other floors are original refinished wood or tile: \$183,000. Call Mike, 423-6453, for an appointment.
- 1995 Camaro – 49K miles, V-6, automatic, Bose system with sub, t-tops, z-wheels, less than 10K miles on tires, like-new inside and out, \$8,500 OBO. Call Ryan, 422-1529, for details.
- 1995 Ford Escort LX - white, good condition, automatic, a/c, 87K, CD, tinted windows, \$3,300. Call 464-7098 or 491-6651.
- 1992 Hyundai Excel - blue, 87,000 miles, stick shift, great around-town vehicle, excellent gas mileage. Needs some work: \$1,800. Call 424-3381, leave message.
- 1988 Volkswagen Cabriolet - in top condition, automatic, a/c, gray, 42,000 miles, \$4,300. Call 464-1817 or 985-5467.
- Pontoon boats - several to choose from, westside location. Contact Robert Hamby, 491-9876.
- Well-Trol diaphragm pressure tank - 40 gal, \$40; oak youth bed frame with trundle and brass fixtures - \$40; like-new single bed mattress, inner spring, frame - \$100; queen size oak waterbed - with liner, mattress, and storage space in headboard, \$75. Call Ext. 1709 or 479-3409.
- One-half carat marquise-cut diamond ring - 14 K, very thick, solid 14 K mounting. Center diamond is marquise cut with channel-set round diamonds on each side. Appraised at \$1,400, will take \$800. Call Ext. 1831.
- 20" Huffy Dancin' Barbie girl's bicycle - \$10; 26" Huffy 10-speed girl's bicycles - two at \$30/each; 26" balloon-tire girl's bicycle - \$20. Call 422-4278.
- 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.
- Farmhouse table with hunter green legs and four matching chairs - \$150 for set. Call 867-1638 or 465-7024.

Pet

- Siberian Husky – 2 1/2-year-old spayed female. Wonderful pet. Call Ray Walker, 401-2464.

Sam's Club

- Sam's Club will host a USI Employee Shopping Weekend from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. July 12, 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. July 13, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 14. Interested persons may obtain a shopping pass at the Sam's Service Desk by presenting proof of employment.

Friday, June 21, is the deadline for submitting information for the next "Marketplace." Submissions may be made via e-mail to kaltstad@usi.edu.