

USI Board of Trustees approves 2001-2003 capital improvement budget request, schematic plans and cost estimates for science/education classroom building

At the regular meeting of USI Board of Trustees held on campus July 13, the board approved the capital improvement budget request for the 2001-03 biennium amounting to over \$37.7 million in capital improvements.

The request includes the proposal to complete funding of a science/education classroom building, expand the David L. Rice Library, and make improvements to campus roadways.

The University's number one capital priority is funding for completion of the science/education classroom building. The 1999 General Assembly approved \$12.6 million of bonding authority for Phase I of the project. USI seeks Phase II support in the amount of \$10.5 million to complete construction of the facility that is to provide general and specialized classrooms, computer, multi-media, and teaching research laboratories for the Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology and the Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services, plus academic instructional support areas for University Division Advising and Academic Skills.

Expansion of Rice Library is the number two capital priority. The funding request of \$23.2 million will provide additional library space, general-purpose classrooms, programming and office space for Academic Affairs, and additional space for Central Stores and Distribution Services. Rice Library opened in 1971 to serve a maximum of 5,000 students; the University has outgrown the facility by almost 4,000 students. Expansion will allow the library to increase service and integrate additional technology into the facility.

The third priority is for special repair and rehabilitation funds for Phase I of the campus entrance/roadway relocation

project. This safety-related project will improve the intersection and flow of traffic at the University's main entrance and primary roadway. Estimated cost is \$4 million.

In other business, architects from the firms of Edmund L. Hafer and Associates and Hastings and Chivetta presented plans and cost estimates for the Science/Education Classroom Building.

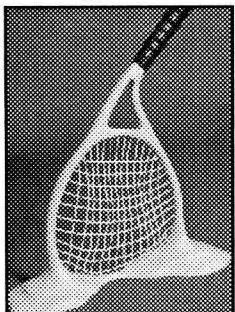
The architects set initial cost estimates at \$22.3 million for the classroom, but said further work is being done to cut that cost to match the proposed bonding request of \$21.6 million.

In other business, the board reviewed the preliminary figures for the biennial operating budget appropriation request of approximately \$33.5 million in 2001-02 and \$36.5 million in 2002-03. The request will carry quality improvement initiatives to develop new degree programs and strengthen the undergraduate experience through instructional support services, student retention initiatives, and expansion of faculty resources.

The request also will include a four percent increase for personal services and benefits, a three percent increase for supplies and expenses, plant expansion, and a three percent base adjustment for prior enrollments.

The board approved honorary doctorate degrees for Donald R. Hazeltine, a long-time member of the Board of Directors and Advisory Council of the USI Foundation, and his wife Allene, who assisted in the development of student life programs in the early years of the campus. The degrees will be awarded on August 24 during the President's Associates Dinner on campus.

USI graduate's sculpture wins bronze medal



"Frustration"
 by Megan Russell

A sculpture by USI graduate and Indiana artist Megan Russell, the only entry from the United States selected in international competition, will be one of 16 sculptures to be presented in the Cultural Program during the XXVII Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, in September. Ms. Russell's sculpture competed with 68 pieces from 54 countries after winning a bronze medal in the U.S. Olympic Committee's Sport Art Competition.

The only entry from the United States selected in international competition, the sculpture, entitled "Frustration," is a tennis racket carved from ash with a handle of a dark wood called wenge and strings of wood filament.

Ms. Russell submitted the sculpture to the USOC Sport Art Competition 2000 and was notified in March that she was a bronze medallist in the sculpture division. The sculpture was submitted in the next level of competition at the International Olympic Committee Museum in Lausanne, Switzerland, and was named one of 16 winners.

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Names in the News

Dr. Jeanne Barnett, associate professor of biology, has been appointed to the grants review committee of the Indiana Academy of Science. The committee is responsible for evaluating proposals and granting funding for proposals to the Academy. Her term will start with the October/November grant cycle.

Two members of the English Department presented papers in April at the 13th Rhetoric and Composition Colloquium at Murray State University. **Dr. Nancy McNeely**, instructor in English, presented "Process and Product: Grading Creativity in the Composition Classroom" and **Dr. Althea Rhodes**, instructor in English, presented "Revision and Grade Inflation."

Ms. Lori Suter, developmental educator in Academic Skills, won the 9-hole division of the *Evansville Courier and Press* Ladies City Golf Tournament. The tournament was held July 11 at Fendrich Golf Course and on July 12 at Rolling Hills Country Club. Her score for 18 holes over two days was 95.

In gratitude:

Barbara and I really appreciated the outpouring of thoughts and prayers from the University community concerning my mother's death. We feel closely attached to the University community and the friendships we developed while there. Thanks again for your support - **Howard Dunn**

Welcome:



Ms. Laurel Barrow has accepted the position of medical research technician in the IU School of Medicine, Evansville Center. She was a lab technician at Alcoa Industries. Ms. Barrow received a B.S. from Kentucky Wesleyan University. She resides in Owensboro with husband Michael.

The University community welcomes **Ms. Doris Beckerle** as administrative assistant in the School of Nursing and Health Professions. She was a customer service representative for Civitas Bank. Ms. Beckerle resides in Wadesville with husband Michael and children Christopher, Scott, Keith, and Eric.



Ms. Sue Bunning has accepted the position of assistant director of annual giving in the USI Foundation. She was development director for the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra. Ms. Bunning received a B.A. from Valparaiso University and an M.P.A. from Indiana University. She resides in Evansville with husband Jim and son Jason.

The University community welcomes **Mr. Mark Chaszar** as area coordinator for Residence Life. He was a graduate hall director at Texas A&M University. Mr. Chaszar received a B.A. and an M.S. from Texas A&M. He resides in Evansville.



Mr. Joseph Gratz has accepted the position of assistant intramural sports director in the Office of Intramural and Recreational Sports. He was assistant director of the Sports Department for the City of Evansville. Mr. Gratz is a graduate of North Carolina State University's School of Sports Management and received a B.A. from University of Vermont and an M.A. from University of Louisville. He resides in Evansville with wife Gina.

The University community welcomes **Ms. Jina Hawkins** as an account clerk in the Accounts Payable office at USI. She resides in Evansville.



Ms. Andrea Mobley has accepted the position of administrative assistant in Intramural and Recreational Sports. She was an administrative assistant in Athletics. Ms. Mobley resides in Evansville.

The University community welcomes **Ms. Jennifer Smith** as area coordinator for Residence Life. She was a resident assistant at USI. Ms. Smith received a B.S. from USI in 2000. She resides in Evansville.



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Racing for a cure

Evansville's Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure will be held Saturday, September 23, at Eastland Mall.

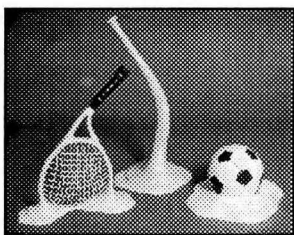
The largest series of 5K runs/fitness walks in the world, this year's races will be held in 107 U.S. cities and two foreign countries with over one million participants expected. Proceeds from the Komen Race for the Cure help fund breast cancer research and breast health initiatives on a local level. Seventy-five percent of the proceeds remain in the local community where the race is held, helping to support breast health education and breast cancer screening and treatment programs for the medically underserved.

To join the USI team, application forms are available in the Office of Advancement, or by calling Ms. Sherrienne Standley, vice president of Advancement, at 464-1755.

FYI

Blue Cross/Blue Shield:
Ms. Cheryl McKissic, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield account representative, will respond to questions or problems to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance plan from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, August 1 in room FA 170 of the Wright Administration Building. Call extension 1781 to arrange an appointment.

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"Hot Competition"
by Megan Russell

Ms. Russell entered the racket along with sculptures of a soccer ball and baseball bat as a collection she called "Hot Competition." The three pieces appear to be melting. She said her inspiration was the idea that the Olympics are, indeed, hot competitions. She focused her interpretation on the summer heat and the idea of the heated battle in the Summer Olympics.

The Cultural Commission of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) launched the Olympic Art and Sport Contest as part of the celebration the IOC is organizing for the new millennium. National Olympic Committees in 54 countries accepted the invitation to participate and the U.S. contest was open to American citizens of all ages. The participants had to be art students or athletes affiliated with an Olympic sport.

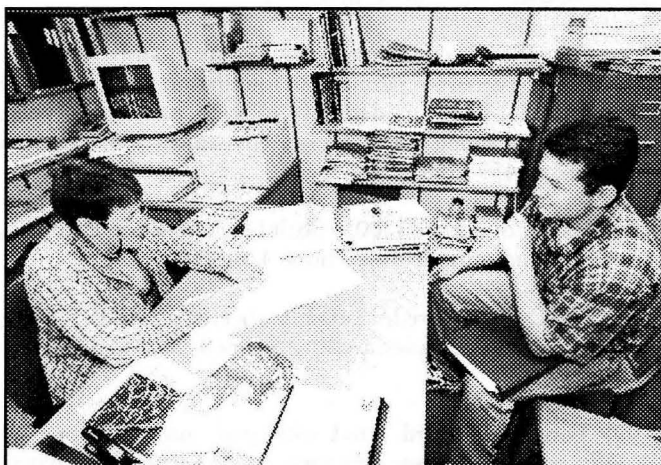
Two weeks at a glance

Tuesday, July 25

Clerical/Support Staff Luncheon - noon - 1:30 p.m., Carter Hall.

Friday, July 28 - August 13

Always, Patsy Cline opens at The New Harmony Theatre and continues through August 13. Call 682-3115 for schedule and ticket information.



Dr. Jeanne Barnett, associate professor of biology, advises freshman Nicholas Clark Connections I orientation. The Connections II Welcome Weekend will be held Friday, August 25, through Sunday, August 27.

Russell concluded her intercollegiate athletic career at USI as a 1998 women's soccer National Soccer Coaches Association of America second team All-American, a three-time All-Region player, and a three-time All-Great Lakes Valley Conference performer. A team captain each of her four years, Russell helped lead USI to the NCAA Division II Tournament quarterfinal in 1998. She graduated with a baccalaureate degree in art in May 2000.

The Olympic Museum in Lausanne, Switzerland, plans to purchase the sculpture and will make it a permanent part of its world-famous collection.

Ms. Russell thanked **Dr. Hilary Braysmith**, the assistant professor of art who told her about the Olympic Art and Sport Contest and **Mr. John McNaughton**, the art professor who supported and encouraged her entry.

The U.S. competition was hosted by The American Sport Art Museum and Archives (ASAMA) of the United States Sports Academy. Results of the competition including the Russell sculpture are displayed in the visual gallery at www.museum.olympic.org.

Marketplace

For sale

Condo in Polo Run - east side, loft style, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, landscaped backyard, new ceramic tile in kitchen. Call 454-8766.

West side - 1,400 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, laundry room, partial basement, screened front porch, beautiful wood-work, 1-car garage, large lot, \$78,900. Call 429-0228.

Eastside - close to UE, 2-bedroom, full basement, fireplace, lots of updates, \$79,900. Call 477-4496.

West side - 9118 Wild Cherry Lane, well maintained 1,360 sq. ft. modular home on permanent foundation near USI, 3-4 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, deck off 16 x 24 master bedroom, wood-burning sauna, shed/garage, city water, \$86,900. Call 985-7842 or 459-3748.

1988 Harley Sportster 1200 - cobalt blue and silver, chromed, excellent condition, \$6,500. Phone 426-1090

1992 GMC Jimmy - red, loaded, 4-wheel drive, leather seats, towing pkg, 98,000 miles, well maintained. \$7,000. Call 428-7059.

1991 Pontiac Firebird - red with gray interior, t-top; V6 w/auto overdrive; power windows, locks, mirrors, and hatch; tilt, cruise, CD player, good tires, clean, runs well. \$4,800 o.b.o. Call Bill, 421-1301 or ext. 1076.

'86 VW Cabriolet convertible - red with white top, 4-cylinder, standard transmission, power steering, air, new CD player, engine in excellent condition. \$3,500 obo. Call 434-0314 or 423-6453.

'88 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series -101,000 miles; runs and drives perfectly; 5.0 liter, V-8 engine; tan/beige; \$3,500. Call Steve Selby, ext.1659.

'78 Volvo - 2-door, 4-speed plus overdrive, regularly serviced, red-brown, 152,000 miles, \$2,000 o.b.o. Call Carolyn Roth, 985-3325.

'95 Nissan Maxima - 81,000 miles, 4-door, automatic, champagne with black leather, loaded, Bose stereo/CD, sunroof, good gas mileage, excellent condition, \$12,000 obo. Call Chris, ext. 1298, or 473-5397 after 5 pm.

'96 Dodge Laramie SLT - extended cab, 54,000 miles, black with black bed cover, power steering, brakes, power windows, mirrors, 1 owner, \$14,500. Call Jeff, 963-3023.

Home Entertainment Center - oak grain finish, holds up to 27" television, 10 adjustable shelves, light fixture behind etched-glass doors, videotape storage. Call 421-3739.

Free 7 year-old golden retriever - Retired couple travel often and seek a loving family for "Truman". AKA registered, great with children, in excellent health. Call 682-4672

Two 48" w x 64" l white vinyl mini-blinds - never used, still in boxes, \$10 each. **Magic Aire II electric food dehydrator** - 11 trays plus 2 sprout trays, barely used, \$100. Contact jbelow@usi.edu.

Air conditioner and push mower - 5,000 btu Sears window unit air conditioner, \$75; Sears push mower, \$75; call 428-0213.

For rent

Ten minutes west of USI - Little Nation Estates. Share house with owner. Two bedrooms and two baths. Owner may use one bedroom and bath on weekends; renter would have master bedroom and bath and private entrance. House has large library; completely furnished including linens, kitchen, laundry, and utilities, \$400. Call Pat at 682-3750.

1 bedroom furnished efficiency apartment - minutes from USI and west side stores. Utilities include water and electric, shared backyard, private entrance, best suited for single occupancy, no pets, \$275/month. Prefer 1-year lease, but will negotiate; 1-month security deposit required. Call 421-1149 after 6 p.m., or leave message.

3 bedroom, 2 bath home - University Heights subdivision, 1.2 miles from USI. Large kitchen, dishwasher, disposal, gas heat, central air, 2-1/2 car garage, paved driveway, patio, family room with fireplace lower level, available July 17. Call 421-9171.

Serene, 1 bedroom apartment in historic area - simple, quiet spot with hardwood floors, veranda, large tree-filled yard, wonderful neighbors, \$350/month. References and deposit. Call 423-8859, 465-1221, or 425-7191.

Near north side - Melody Hills, 4-5 bedrooms, 2 baths, in-ground pool, 21 x 21 deck, storage barn, wood-burning stove, air-conditioned, dishwasher, 3 ceiling fans. 20 minutes from USI. \$800 per month; 1-month deposit required. Call 479-0892.

For current job listings, visit the USI Human Resources web site at www.usi.edu/hr/