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USI trustees approve capital request

The USI Board of Trustees approved a Capital Improvement Budget Request of more than \$51 million for 2005-07 at its meeting July 8.

The request outlines projects including construction of a new School of Business/General Classroom Building and Phase II Expansion of the Recreation and Fitness Center as well as construction of a student residence building and parking facilities.

USI's rapidly growing enrollment and increasing population of full-time and resident students have created a need for additional classroom, laboratory, office, and recreational space.

The new School of Business/General Classroom Building is the No. 1 capital priority for the biennium, and the board is seeking bonding authority for \$33.8 million in state funding.

As proposed, the new facility will accommodate increased student enrollment, incorporate advanced technology, and provide needed general and specialized classroom and laboratory space. The project also includes expansion of the University's Physical Plant and completion of the lower level of the Education Center.

Phase II expansion of the Recreation and Fitness Center is the University's second capital priority, and the board is seeking project and bonding authority for \$7.25 million to be paid with student fees.

The board also is requesting nearly \$2 million in state funds for general repair and rehabilitation projects.

The University's Capital Improvement Budget Request is subject to review by the Indiana General Assembly, Commission for Higher Education, and State Budget Agency.

During the trustees' annual meeting, the board also voted to retain its officers: David Huber of Cannelton, board chair; Pat Hoehn of Floyds Knobs, vice chair for finance and audit; Bruce Baker of Newburgh, vice chair for long-range planning; and Louise Bruce of Tell City, secretary.

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Take the virtual campus tour

By Ed Scharf

USI Web developer

A comprehensive virtual tour of campus is available at www.usi.edu/virtualtour. The tour highlights the academic campus and Residence Life, incorporating dozens of photos and student perspectives in a user-friendly interface that insures accessibility for all. Now prospective students, their parents, alumni, or anyone interested in the University can get a taste of the USI experience from the comfort of home or office.

As the Internet continues to play an increasingly important role in higher education, it has become essential to capture a university's distinguishing characteristics and translate them to the World Wide Web. Recent reports indicate prospective students'

first encounters with a university often come via visits to school Web sites. Virtual campus tours, meanwhile, rate second only to actual campus visits in helping students decide on a college.

With these facts in mind, we set out to create an experience that reflects the atmosphere of growth and progress that has become the University's hallmark. At www.usi.edu/virtualtour we have set up two campus map options. The first is the familiar online campus map enhanced with a drop-down menu and localized maps designed primarily for users looking for a specific meeting room, building, or other campus location. The second map is an aerial view of campus that invites users on a tour for a more in-depth look at the campus and campus life. Some of the tour's features include:

- » Interactive campus map with a suggested tour route and quick-look guide to essential campus-wide services
- » Tour stops at each academic building complete with building highlights and photographs
- » Sixteen different "Student Perspectives" featuring audio recordings of students discussing their experiences in relation to various campus buildings
- » "Explore More" pages that provide additional views of campus and campus life
- » Extensive links that provide quick access to in-depth information relevant to particular tour pages
- » "Mini" Residence Life tour showcasing the University's diverse housing opportunities complete with additional maps, photos, floor plans, and links to Residence Life's main page

As the campus continues to grow, we now have the ability to reflect changes in a timely manner so people who aren't fortunate enough to experience the University first-hand can at least get a "virtual" idea of what college life at USI is all about.

We would like to thank the staff, faculty, and students who participated in this project and helped bring USI's sense of community to the Web. Take some time to "stroll" through campus at www.usi.edu/virtualtour, and let us know what you think!

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USI providing principal's licensure

Educators in Southern Indiana can complete requirements for licensure as school principals through a new program in the Department of Teacher Education.

The curriculum will prepare individuals for a K-12 building administrator license. It was developed in consultation with an advisory panel of area educators. Applications for the fall semester are now being accepted. The Indiana Professional Standards Board approved the program this year.

Survey results indicate a shortage of qualified administrators in Southwest Indiana. Nationally, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that there will be a 13-percent increase in job openings for education administrators between now and 2010.

Students in the program will take eight courses for a total of 24 hours. Three of the courses will include field experiences with a principal mentor. The final course is an internship experience that will provide practical experience in the day-to-day activities of a principal.

Experienced administrators from the Southern Indiana region will teach the classes in the program. Dr. John Gray, former principal of North Elementary School in Washington, Ind., will teach and coordinate the internship and program assessment.

Teachers who are interested in preparing to become principals can apply to the new program. To be admitted to the program, individuals must have a teaching license, teaching experience, and hold the master's degree or be currently enrolled in a master's program.

Cohort groups will begin the program in the fall semester of each academic year. Additional information about the program is available from the Department of Teacher Education, 812/465-1290.

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A lion's lesson at Lincoln Amphitheatre

The timeless message of Lincoln Amphitheatre's *Androcles and the Lion* is accompanied by plenty of humor, action, and enchanting music as the production reveals the infinite power of a single act of kindness.

According to legend, Androcles removes a thorn from the Lion's paw. Later, Androcles and his nagging wife are sold into the service of Caesar. Then Androcles falls into disfavor with the emperor, and he is literally thrown to the lions.

In the arena, he is reunited with his old friend, and the Lion is very happy to repay Androcles' kindness by not eating him.

The production is recommended for children in preschool through fifth grade. Performances will be at 2 p.m. Saturdays, July 17 and 24. Tickets are \$5.

An additional Kids Day performance will be presented at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Special Kids Day activities, beginning at 10:30 a.m., will include a scavenger hunt, a visit to an historic farm, theatre games, costumed photos, and lunch.

Kids Day tickets are \$12 for the activities, lunch, and performance; \$9 for the activities and performance only; \$8 for lunch and the performance only; and \$5 for the performance only.

Lunch must be reserved at least 48 hours in advance, and activity space is limited so early registration is recommended. For tickets or information, call 1-800-264-4ABE.

Lincoln Amphitheatre, Lincoln City, Ind., is produced by University of Southern Indiana in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and the Tourism Development Division, Indiana Department of Commerce.

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Gallery showcasing 'revised' standards

An installation of "revised" furniture created by Stephen Litchfield opened at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art earlier this month, and a free public reception for the artist will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 10.

The exhibit features pieces from Litchfield's series, *Revised Standard Versions*, which includes salvaged pieces of furniture that have been disassembled, altered, and reassembled to form revised versions of the originals. To accommodate the installation, Litchfield reconfigured the gallery space, creating an entirely new look.

An assistant professor of art at Kent State University, Litchfield resides in Ravenna, Ohio. He holds a Ph.D. from the School of Comparative Arts at Ohio University, an M.F.A. in sculpture from The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, and a B.S. in art from Illinois State University.

The exhibit will continue through August 15 at the gallery, 506 Main St. in New Harmony. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Additional information is available on the World Wide Web. www.nhgallery.com.

The exhibit was made possible through the generous support of USI and the Indiana Arts Commission.

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Names in the news

Achievements

Dr. Darrel Bigham, professor of history and director of Historic Southern Indiana, will join representatives of the Indiana Historic Pathways Committee Tuesday, July 13, in making a presentation to the State Scenic Byway Committee, the Indiana Department of Transportation commissioner, and other invited guests at the INDOT offices in Indianapolis. The presentation will seek formal designation as an Indiana State Byway for Indiana's Historic Pathways, two corridors generally following the routes of U.S. 50 and U.S. 150 from Lawrenceburg and New Albany to Vincennes.

Dr. Abbas Foroughi, professor of computer information systems, won the Rotary Club of Evansville's Rotarian of the Year Award June 29. The award honored his service as chairman of the club's Education Committee, which is responsible for creating programs to assist in the education of youth in the community.

Welcome

Nathan Grubb has accepted the position of HVAC operator in the Physical Plant. The Evansville resident previously worked as a boilermaker at Cici Engineering.

Rita J. Ricketts has accepted the position of administrative assistant in Human Resources. The Mount Vernon resident previously worked as an operations assistant at Wabash Valley Transportation.

Dennis A. Scherrer has accepted the position of maintenance mechanic in the Physical Plant. A resident of Shawneetown, Ill., Scherrer previously worked as a buyer at PPMI and as manager of the Plumbing Department at Builders Square. He earned an associate degree in business administration from ITT Technical Institute in 1970.

Ed Shelby has accepted the position of programmer/analyst in the Computer Center. The Evansville resident previously worked as a senior systems engineer at Bristol-Myers Squibb and as coordinator of academic computing at University of Evansville, where he earned a B.A. in education in 1976 and a B.S. in computer science in 1984.

In appreciation

"My family and I would like to thank my University family for all your support and prayers during the recent illness and death my dad **Jim Herron**."

- **Barb Yates**, administrative assistant,
Dental and Respiratory Therapy Programs

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Fire survivors

Fortunately, longtime employee Karen Anderson, lead custodial worker in the Physical Plant, and her family suffered only minor injuries July 5, when their home was essentially destroyed by fire. Although an official cause has not been determined, the fire is thought to be related to the storm that uprooted trees and owned power lines across the Evansville area.

Everything in the residence was either damaged or destroyed, and although the house was insured, the Andersons are in need of assistance. Clothing, bedding, and household items are being collected on campus.

Five adults and one child were living in the home, and the family is in need of clothing in the following sizes: toddler boy's 4T, 2X men's shirts, 44 x 28 men's pants, women's XL, women's XXL, women's 3X shirts, and women's 4X pants.

Donated items may be delivered to the office of Donald Broshears, Custodial Services supervisor. Cash contributions also may be made to the "Karen Anderson Fund" at Integra Bank.

Notes news

Libby Keeling, who has served as associate editor of *University Notes* for three years, has been named editor of the newsletter. Keeling assumed the editorial role previously held by Kathy Funke July 1. The shift in responsibilities will allow Funke, director of News and Information Services, to focus on other priorities, including the University's Internet presence.

Submissions to and inquiries about *University Notes* may be directed to Keeling, 812/461-5259 or lkeeling@usi.edu. Call 812/465-1192 to submit 'Marketplace' items to Brandi Schwartz, editorial associate.

University Notes is publishing on its every-other-week summer schedule. The deadline for submitting information for the next online issue is Friday, July 16. Submissions received after the deadline will be published at the discretion of the editorial staff.

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Marketplace

For sale

House only 10 minutes from USI - Quality-built three-bedroom three-bath brick ranch, 10 years old, three-car side-load garage on over 3/4 acre in country setting. Living room with cathedral ceiling and wood-burning fireplace; huge family room with bay window, mini-kitchen, and private bath; large kitchen with Amish-built custom oak cabinets, pantry, breakfast bar, and planning desk with a large storage room/office adjacent; dining room with bay window; generous-sized bedrooms with large closets; custom hardwood doors and trim throughout; abundant storage; 2,885 sq. ft. Asking \$237,900. Immediate occupancy. Contact realtor Carolyn Egan, 812/425-1515 or carolyn.egan@gte.net. To view the home, visit the Web: <http://realtor.com/Prop/1037355180&nnv=on>.

Bunk beds - very sturdy, light-colored wood: \$75 OBO. Call 490-6644 after 6 p.m. or Ext. 1111.

97 Olds 88 - 48K miles, white, excellent condition, estate sale. Book value: \$6,800. Quick sale: \$4,995. Call 853-6285.

Moving sale - Saturday, July 10, 8 a.m.-noon, 7411 ellemeade, lots of furniture and household goods. Evansville directions: Take the Lloyd eastbound to Burkhardt, go right on Burkhardt to the stoplight (Lincoln Avenue), turn left, follow Lincoln until you get to Plaza Middle School, take the first right after Plaza (Martins Lane), and turn left on Bellemeade (third

street). The first house on the right is 7411.

Compaq Presario 5000 - 256MB, 20GB Hard drive, CD-RW, keyboard, monitor, and printer included. Purchased in November 2001 but has been in storage since September 2003: \$300. E-mail bridgetellenhat@hotmail.com.

Dining room set - modern-style solid glass table, large lighted china cabinet, six upholstered chairs. Excellent condition. Purchased new in 1990. Wood detailing and cabinetry is natural pecan: \$1,000. Pool table and equipment - \$20. Call Larry Goss, 963-0918 or 589-1482.

Friendly, easy-to-care-for 1.5 story patio home - in Newburgh on quiet cul-de-sac; 2,352 sq. ft.; built in 1999; three bedrooms, an office/fourth bedroom loft; two-and-a-half bathrooms. First floor features a large living/dining area with a tray ceiling. Spacious eat-in kitchen has center island, large eating area with skylight and cathedral ceiling, and pantry closet. First-floor master bedroom has a large walk-in closet, separate shower and large tub. Upstairs features two large bedrooms with walk-in closets, and a loft overlooking the dining area that could be a fourth bedroom or office. Large walk-in closet off loft area opens to attic storage. Pretty backyard is fenced and has lovely landscaping. Two-car attached garage. Located at 8111 Covington Court in Castle School District. Selling price: \$145,500. Call Lori Saxby, 465-1011 or 842-2449.

Stackable electric washer and dryer - \$300. Call 424-8547 after 5 p.m. or Ext. 1840.

Two Pinnacle spinning rods - medium action, 6-foot, graphite with Fuji guides, \$15 each. Two Quantum spinning reels - four ball bearing, \$25 each. Two Pinnacle casting rods - medium action, 6-foot, graphite with Fuji guides, \$15 each. Call 465-1058 (office) or 476-2314 (home).

Couch and loveseat - neutral colors. Must sell, \$400 OBO. Call Ext. 1601 or 838-0870 after 5 p.m.

32-gallon aquarium - with a new cherry wood stand, filter, two hoods, and lighting, \$200. Call 867-2167 after 6 p.m.

House for sale in Evansville - nice brick ranch with newer windows. Neutral colors throughout. Two bedrooms, one full bath. Both bedrooms have solid oak floors, ceiling fans, and large closets. 900+ square feet. Nice yard with covered carport. Call 922-5180 to schedule an appointment.

For rent

One-bedroom apartment - central air, neutral carpet, drapes, and water furnished. No pets, non-smoking. One-year lease. Rent \$350/mo. Deposit \$150. Call 476-3411 to make an appointment.

Wanted

Daughter looking for work: Monika Kearns is looking for summer work prior to her move to Bloomington. She's willing to baby-sit, clean, do yard work, etc. As an English major and experienced writing tutor, she can also work in that capacity, and her native fluency in German might also be of use. You can reach her at our house, 402-7636.

Donated refrigerator - Lincoln Amphitheatre is in need of a refrigerator that would be considered an in-kind donation. Call Ext. 7110.

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Marketplace," a free service available to University employees and retirees, publishes information of a non-commercial nature that may include items for sale or rent, desired items or services, available services, free items, and fund raisers. The editorial staff reserves the right to decline any submission and to enforce the column deadline.

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