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## Event exploring the Parthenon

The Parthenon Project, an international interdisciplinary colloquium featuring USI faculty, will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. September 24 in the University Center's Carter Hall.

Presented by USI's new programs in International Studies, Classical Studies, and Gender Studies, the project will explore the rich history and extensive influence of the Parthenon, eternal landmark of Athens, Greece, home of the 2004 Olympic Games.

"This project places us all at an intersection of cultures and disciplines," said Patty Aakhus, project director and director of International Studies. "It's a very exciting place to be!"

The Parthenon Project will include six lecture sessions. Each free 50-minute session will feature two 20-minute lectures and 10 minutes for questions.

Aakhus was inspired to pursue the project after delivering a paper at an interdisciplinary conference at Oxford University that included astronomers, physicists, historians, and literature specialists offering comments on the influence of observation of astronomical phenomena.

"I wanted to create an environment at USI where that kind of excitement would be triggered between faculty from different disciplines and where students could share the experience," she said.

The Parthenon Project lecture schedule follows:

### Session 1: 9 a.m.

- » Dr. Michael Dixon, director of Classical Studies and assistant professor of history - "Athenian Imperialism, Internal Politics, and the Parthenon"
- » Eric von Fuhrmann, associate professor of English - "Before the Parthenon: Early Mythology"

### Session 2: 10 a.m.

- » Virginia Poston, instructor in art history - "Fascination with the Frieze: Interpretations and Deviations"
- » Dr. Sherry Darrell, professor of English - "Athens and Aeschylus' Athene"

### Session 3: 11 a.m.

- » Josephina Kiteou, instructor in French - "The Odyssey of the Parthenon: A Multicultural Icon"
- » Dr. Donald Wolfe, professor of German - "Rilke's 'Archaischer Torso Apollon': We Must Change Our Lives"

### Reception: Noon

- » Refreshments will include baklava, spanakopita, fruit, and coffee.

### Session 4: 1 p.m.

- » Dr. Richard Mussard, associate professor of philosophy - "Ancient Philosophers in the Shadow of the Parthenon"
- » Dr. Christopher Bloom, assistant professor of psychology - "Perception and the Golden Section"

### Session 5: 2 p.m.

- » Dr. Steven Williams, director of Gender Studies and assistant professor of sociology - "The Battle for Amazon Mythology"
- » Dr. Thomas Wilhelmus, associate dean of the School of Liberal Arts and professor of English - "Robert Altman's *Nashville*: The Parthenon as Satirical Symbol of the American Dream"

### Session 6: 3 p.m.

- » Patty Aakhus, director of International Studies and instructor in English - "The Sound of Stone: a Meditation on the Elgin Marbles"
- » Dr. John Gibson, instructor in Latin - "The Parthenon: Politics, Plunder, and Poetry"

### Art Exhibit: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- » Paintings by Michael Aakhus, professor of art
- » Photographs by Patty Aakhus, director of International Studies and instructor in English

The University community and the public are invited to attend. Faculty are encouraged to notify Patty Aakhus, 812/465-7088, if they intend to attend with a class or would like additional information and handouts.

The Parthenon Project was made possible by a Teaching Enhancement Award Grant through the Center For Teaching and Learning Excellence with support from the School of Liberal Arts and the Society for Arts and Humanities.

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## Trustees approve operating budget

The USI Board of Trustees approved the operating budget request for 2005-07 at its meeting September 2 in New Harmony.

The University prioritized the needs it believes are required to maintain current programs, sustain the current pattern of enrollment and support increases in enrollment, and address critical state and regional needs.

The request supports the University's commitment to provide an affordable quality education, and it recognizes the needs of a growing and developing campus.

The total state appropriation request in the first year of the biennium is \$45.6 million and in the second year, \$47.9 million.

A new service program for regional workforce and economic development demands, an accelerated baccalaureate professional nursing education program, and a baccalaureate degree program in manufacturing technology are the quality improvement initiatives in the budget request.

A Center for Applied Research and Economic Development will coordinate University resources to assist business, industry, governmental agencies, and entrepreneurial groups in a variety of applied research, technical assistance, development, and educational and training activities.

The accelerated nursing degree will allow individuals with non-nursing bachelor's degrees to complete requirements for a second degree in nursing to help supply nurses to cover the nursing shortage that continues to be a major challenge for health care providers in Indiana.

The manufacturing technology degree will prepare students for employment as skilled technologists for advanced manufacturing. Other funding is needed for plant expansion for the David L. Rice Library scheduled for completion in 2006.

The operating budget request includes appropriations for Historic New Harmony and Lincoln Amphitheatre, two University outreach programs. The request for Lincoln Amphitheatre is for increased funding to enhance the production of *Young Abe Lincoln* and to renovate the amphitheatre.

The budget request was prepared under the instructions of the State Budget Agency and the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.

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## New chair, director in School of Business

Two faculty members in the School of Business have taken on additional responsibilities in the Department of Accounting and Business Law.

Dr. Brian McGuire, associate professor of accounting, has assumed the role of chair of the department. He is a certified public accountant, certified management accountant, and certified business manager. He also has professional experience in both public and corporate accounting.

McGuire's research interests are in the areas of cost accounting, health care, and accounting information systems. He is active at the national level in the Institute of Management Accountants, serving as a member of the group's executive committee and chairing the committee on academic relations. He earned a doctorate at University of Central Florida and joined USI in 1995.

Dr. Craig R. Ehlen, professor of accounting, has been named director of the Master of Science in Accountancy program. A specialist in auditing, financial accounting, and fraud auditing and forensic accounting, he has 20 years of experience in public accounting and senior financial management with both large and small public companies.

He was recognized in 2001 by the Indiana CPA Society (INCPAS) as Outstanding Accounting Educator, an honor acknowledging excellence in teaching and motivating students as well as service to the profession.

A certified public accountant and a certified fraud examiner, he is president of the Indiana CPA Educational Foundation and serves on several INCPAS statewide committees as well as on the national research committee and editorial review board of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Ehlen holds a doctorate in business administration from Southern Illinois University. He joined the USI faculty in 1989.

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## Film series underway September 7

USI's fall 2004 free Film Series, presented in conjunction with ENG 285: Intro to Film, will begin September 7. Screenings of all films, shown in their original widescreen formats, will be held Tuesdays at 1:30 and 6 p.m. in Forum I, unless otherwise noted. The schedule follows:

»September 7 - *Matchstick Men*

»September 14 - *Down With Love*

»September 21 - *Malibu's Most Wanted*

»September 28 - *Lyrical Nitrates* (silent, 35mm with track)

»October 5 - *The Blot* (silent, shown on DVD)

»October 12 - *Footlight Parade*

»October 19 - *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*

»October 26 - *Kiss Me Stupid*

»November 2 (no film)

»November 9 (no film)

»November 16 - *Annie Hall* (6 p.m. only)

»November 23 - *Frida* (6 p.m. only)

»November 30 - *Tommy*

»December 7 - *Real Women Have Curves*

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## Lecture, open house examine archaeology

Prehistoric violence will be the focus of this year's Indiana Archaeology Month public lecture September 19 on campus.

Dr. Michael Strezewski, visiting assistant professor of anthropology at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, will present "Native American Warfare in the Late Prehistoric Midwest" at 2 p.m. in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center.

"We know extraordinary amounts of violence occurred during the Historic period, following the arrival of Europeans on the North American continent. However, there has been little research into the nature and frequency of violent behavior in pre-history," Strezewski said.

"My research suggests war and raiding were relatively common among native peoples of the Midwest, and that conflict could sometimes have significant effects on the community. Though warfare was mostly restricted to small-scale raiding, violence could occasionally erupt into larger-scale conflicts that resulted in a significant number of deaths."

In addition to studying warfare, his research also centers on using archaeological data to infer aspects of Native American religion and worldview.

Strezewski holds a Ph.D. from Indiana University Bloomington and an M.A. from Southern Illinois University. For the past eight years he has worked in Indiana, focusing on the Late Prehistoric farming peoples of central Indiana.

The celebration of Archaeology Month also will include an Excavation Open House September 25-26 at the Hovey Lake archaeological site in Posey County.

The open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, rain or shine. Marjorie Jones, USI instructor in anthropology, and her students will be working in a field laboratory during the event and will demonstrate the work archaeologists do with excavated artifacts.

The Hovey Lake site is a large village of the late Mississippian Caborn-Welborn culture and dates to about A.D. 1400-1700. The Caborn-Welborn culture represents the last Native American occupation of southern Indiana prior to population disruptions caused by Euro-American contact.

Archaeologist Cheryl Ann Munson, research scientist in Indiana University's Department of Anthropology, has received a grant for continued research and public education programs the site.

The project involves geophysical surveys and test excavations to identify houses, storage pits, and other village features. An added focus this year is determining the function of a deep wall

trench discovered in 2003.

Students and faculty from IU, USI, and University of Evansville are assisting with the research.

Those attending the open house should park at the Hovey Lake Visitors' Center, State Highway 69, and ride the shuttle van to the site.

These Archaeology Month events also are a part of USI's THREADS Diversity Celebration Month.



## Make reservations now for Steak Fry

Don't miss the 11th annual Steak Fry 'n Auction 'n Dance September 24. The event, benefiting USI student athletes, features hand-cut USDA sirloins, silent and live auctions, and dancing until midnight.

This year's auctions will include La-Z-boy Reclina-Rest chairs, a variety of golf outings, private vacation condos, a Marx Barbecue Pig Roast, jewelry, autographed items, and much more.

The event also will include a theme basket raffle, island-themed costume contest, and cash bar. Pat Holl of CDS Communications will provide the musical entertainment.

The Varsity Club's Steak Fry 'n Auction 'n Dance will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Discovery Lodge at Burdette Park. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$250 for corporate tables hosted by USI coaches. Amounts exceeding \$15 per person are tax deductible.

Reservations are required by Friday, September 10. For information or reservations, call the Varsity Club Office, 812/464-1973.



## Names in the news

### Achievements

**Nicole Reid**, assistant professor of English/creative writing, gave a fiction reading and craft lecture at the Tennessee Young Writers' Workshop July 26 at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.

**Dr. Tamara Wandel**, assistant professor and assistant chair of the Department of Communications, earned the designation, Accredited in Public Relations after successfully completing a readiness review conducted by professionals from the Indianapolis area and a computer-based examination covering theories, research, law, and ethics in the discipline. The A.P.R. designation is a national mark of distinction for public relations professionals who demonstrate commitment to the profession and its ethical practice, and who are selected based on broad knowledge, strategic perspective, and sound professional judgment.

### Welcome

**Tammy Sue Aborn** has accepted the position of cashier II in the Business Office. The Mount Vernon resident previously worked as a financial services consultant at Heritage Federal Credit Union and assistant manager at Kuester's Hardware.

**Jessica A. Fehribach** has accepted the position of dispatcher in Security, where she previously served as a student officer. The Chandler, Ind., resident is a senior studying elementary education at USI.

**Dr. Randall Garratt** has accepted the position of assistant professor/teacher-in-residence in the Department of Teacher Education. The Bloomington, Ind., resident previously worked as education coordinator for childcare and director of childcare at Monroe County United Ministries Inc. and as an associate instructor at Indiana State University, where he earned a Ph.D. and M.Ed. He also holds a B.A. from Indiana University and is past president of the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children, secretary of the Midwest Council for the Midwest Association for the Education of Young Children, and serves on the Governor's Step Ahead Commission.

**Cathy O'Nan** has accepted the position of instructor in nursing. The Henderson resident previously worked as a clinical nurse specialist and as a staff nurse at Methodist Hospital. She earned an M.S. in nursing at University of Evansville in 1993 and a B.S. in nursing at Murray State University in 1983. She also is a member of the American Academy of Wound Management.

**Gayle L. Shoulders** has accepted the position of senior administrative assistant in Development. The Evansville resident previously worked as an inventory/accounts payable clerk at Kight Home Center, loan operations supervisor at Integra Bank, executive secretary at Robinson Engineering, and executive secretary at Buttes Resources.

**Shari F. Simpson**, Evansville, has accepted the position of custodial worker in the Physical Plant.

### Promotions and transfers

- » **Cynthia Bent**, from administrative assistant to financial assistance counselor/new student coordinator in Student Financial Assistance.
- » **Karen Hobgood Dupont**, from senior administrative assistant to administrative associate in the Office of the Registrar.

### In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to the family of **Ingrid Lindy**, manager of Human Resources Information Systems, whose mother-in-law **Etoile E. "Billie" Lindy**, 85, Haubstadt, Ind., died August 26. Services were held August 31 at Colvin Funeral Home in Princeton, Ind.

### In appreciation

"We would like to express our appreciation for all the cards and kind words of comfort sent to us by the University community during this difficult time. Our thanks also go to those who sent all the beautiful flowers and plants that help remind us the spirit of our loved one will continue to grow and flourish in our thoughts and memories."

- **The Fishers: Darlene**, director of Human Resources, and **Steven**, HVAC operator in the Physical Plant, whose father **Donald L. Fisher** died August 26.



## FYI

### Labor Day

The University will be closed Monday, September 6, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Classes will not be in session, and offices will be closed. For more information, call 812/464-1762.

## Blood drive

The USI Dance Team will sponsor a Community Blood Drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, September 7-8, in front of the Orr Center. For more information, call 812/464-1862.

## Greece/Italy

A study tour to Greece and Italy is being offered during the first summer session (May 20-June 4) by Dr. Margaret Skoglund, associate professor of art and specialist in Italian Renaissance and Baroque art and architecture, and Dr. Michael Dixon, assistant professor of history and historian of ancient Greece and Rome.

The tour will include visits to Athens, Sounion, Delphi, Corinth, Epidauros, Nauplion, Mycenae, and Olympia in Greece as well as Ravenna, Venice, Florence, Rome, Naples, and Pompeii in Italy.

Members of the University community are invited, and students may take the study tour for three hours of credit. For more information, contact Skoglund, 812/465-1023 or 812/465-7047, or Dixon, 812/465-1093.

## Bible study

University employees are invited to attend Bible study each Monday from noon to 1 p.m. beginning September 13. The group will meet in Room 214 of the University Center and will be studying the "Book of Hebrews" this fall. For more information, call Susie Kempf, senior computer operator in the Computer Center, 812/464-1793.

## Newsletter deadline

Friday, September 3, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of *University Notes*. Submissions received after the deadline will be published at the discretion of the editorial staff.

Submissions to "Marketplace" may be made via e-mail to Brandi Schwartz, editorial associate in News and Information Services, or by calling 812/465-1192. Other submissions to *University Notes* may be made by contacting Libby L. Keeling, editor, 812/461-5259.

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## Conflicts of interest

Under the Indiana "conflicts of interest" law, University employees are required to file disclosure statements stating any financial interest the individual may have in any University contract or purchase.

The responsibility for filing disclosure statements rests on the person with the potential conflict of interest. Copies of the "Conflicts of Interest: Compliance Disclosure Requirements" and the disclosure statements are available in the Office of the Vice President for Business Affairs and may be downloaded from MyUSI under Indiana "Conflicts of Interest" Law in the Personal Announcements Section.

If you have questions concerning conflicts of interest and the statutory requirements, contact Dr. Robert Ruble, vice president for Business Affairs, 812/464-1849.

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## Marketplace

### For sale

Power King garden tractor - model 1614 with 48-inch mowing deck, 14-horsepower Kohler engine, hydraulic lift, dual transmissions, three-point hitch. Excellent condition, \$2,000. Cub Cadet lawn tractor - model 1000 with 38-inch mowing deck, 10-horsepower Kohler engine, new seat, new battery, ready to move \$500. Contact Larry Goss, 963-0918 or 589-1482.

Small oak entertainment center - shelves in front and on the side, two storage areas and 20" GE color television set. Entertainment center like new, TV set is in excellent condition. \$100 for both OBO. Contact Pat, Ext. 1831 or 425-2487 after 5 p.m.

Bakers rack - wooden and green iron, 74"h, 36"w, 18"d, \$100. Call 838-6841.

14-ft John Boat with trailer - two seats, fish basket, and anchor included. \$250 OBO. Call Ext. 1661 or 473-1061 after 7:45 p.m., ask for Tony.

Schwinn Airdyne exercise bicycle - light beige color, chrome wheel enclosure, padded gel seat, excellent condition, very low use. Selling for \$275 OBO (\$700 new). Call Michael Harbison, Ext. 1616 or evenings at 476-4924.

Burgundy futon - 1 year old, seldom used, in excellent condition, \$150. Call Glenda, 598-9745.

Various items for sale - Serta king mattress and box springs with brass headboard and metal rails, only 5 years old, \$300. Two Best recliners with lifetime warranties, hunter green, only 3 years old, \$225 each. Comfort couch and loveseat only 5 years old, beige with neutral colors, \$400. Frigidaire Super Capacity washer and dryer, only 5 years old, \$275 for set. Mizerak Chatsworth 8-foot pool table, excellent condition, less than 1 year old, comes with two sets of pool balls, numerous sticks, pool ball racks, plus several other accessories, \$1,000 OBO. Call 1601 or 449-856 after 5.

10-gallon aquarium - includes all accessories, \$20. Call Ext. 1058 or 476-2314.

Two slalom water skis - Connelly Team 1 in perfect condition, \$35. Taperflex Concave Competition - needs some repair, \$15. Call Gina, 1896 or 479-9445 after 5 p.m.

Crate - for large dog, \$10. Call Jim, 464-1792.

Antique table - 54-inches round, includes three antique chairs, \$500. Oak swivel desk chair - \$60. Black lacquer rocker - \$45. Call 422-4999.

### For rent

Apartment for rent - Huge two-bedroom, one-bath apartment upstairs in downtown Victorian house. Hardwood floors, stained glass windows. \$600 including utilities. Call 437-4525.

### Wanted

Student housing - USI baseball player wanting to live off campus, looking for a roommate or any available room near the University. Call Coach Goedde, 464-1943.

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