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# University Notes

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## Student Affairs welcomes administrators

A new face is joining two familiar ones in Student Affairs as three administrators assume key leadership posts.

Dr. Robert Parrent, whose appointment was announced earlier this year, is set to assume the role of vice president for Student Affairs July 1.

With 21 years experience as a college administrator, Parrent, formerly of Cape Girardeau, Mo., has worked in enrollment services, student services, and financial assistance.

He served as associate vice president for Enrollment Management at Southeast Missouri State University, as vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment Services at Midway College in Kentucky, and in the admission offices at University of Louisville, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, and Western Kentucky University.

In 2000, Parrent moved to corporate management, becoming chief operations officer for Sheldon Management and Consulting in Kentucky. His affiliation with USI marks a return to academe.

"I'm coming back to higher education because of my passion for serving students, my love and joy of the higher education environment, and the impact one can have toward making students successful," he said.

Parrent holds an Ed.D. in higher education administration from Indiana University. His undergraduate work and master's degree were completed at Western Kentucky University.

He is filling the position vacated by Dr. John Byrd, who began serving as University of Evansville's executive vice president in November. John Deem, associate vice president for Student Affairs, served as acting vice president in the interim.

"Acting" no longer precedes titles held by Sandy Farmer, who took on the responsibilities of acting registrar and acting director for Veterans' Affairs while Deem carried out vice presidential duties. Farmer now has been appointed to those roles, and Deem is continuing his service to the University as associate vice president for Student Affairs.

"USI has made such a difference in so many lives, and I am thrilled to be a part of such a wonderful university," Farmer said. "We have numerous opportunities ahead, and I look forward to working with the many great people who have made USI what it is today."

Farmer joined USI in 1988 as a student worker in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs. She later worked as an administrative secretary in the Office of the Registrar, as assistant to the registrar, and as assistant registrar before assuming the roles of acting registrar and acting director for Veterans' Affairs.

The Evansville resident earned a B.S. in accounting and finance in 1990 from USI, where she also earned an M.B.A. in 1996. She is a member of the Leadership Evansville spring class of 2002.

Jennifer Kellams, associate director of Career Services and Placement, has been appointed director of that office, filling the position vacated by Marilyn Schmidt, who retired this month.

"I look forward to building upon the current strengths of USI Career Services, while we grow and expand the programs and services we offer to students, alumni, employers, and University personnel," Kellams said.

She joined the University as assistant director of Career Services and Placement in 1997. Before coming to USI, she worked in the Career Center at Indiana State University, as a graduate assistant in ISU's Office of Alumni Affairs, and as a human resources recruiter for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

The Evansville resident holds a B.A. in human services management from Eckerd College and an M.S. in college student personnel work from ISU. She is active in a variety of professional associations and has served as vice president for Career Development Professionals of Indiana and as secretary/treasurer for the Indiana Association for Employment in Education.

"They're two very qualified young professionals who are taking lead roles now in director positions," said Deem, associate vice president for Student Affairs. "We anticipate that they'll continue to move their respective areas forward in providing services to our students."



## NHT staging *Anna Christie*

*Anna Christie*, Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama, will begin a three-week run at The New Harmony Theatre Friday, July 5. One of O'Neill's best-known works, the romantic "play of the sea" depicts a young woman searching for redemption from her dark past while struggling to deserve the love she desperately needs.

"*Anna Christie* has proven itself to be O'Neill's most popular offering. The play has been produced frequently over the past 30 years or so, notably in many regional and Broadway productions featuring Liv Ullman, Natasha Richardson, Liam Neeson, and Rip Torn," said Scott LaFeber, artistic director.

The New Harmony cast includes Jen Thompson, George C. Hosmer, Jeremy Holm, and Manny Sieving. Thompson, who is making her NHT debut, has performed on Broadway in award-winning productions of *Ah, Wilderness!* and *Annie*. She also has appeared on television in *Harper Valley PTA* and *3-2-1-Contact*.

Hosmer's Broadway credits include *I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It On The Road* with Betty Buckley and *The Play's the Thing*. He also has performed on television in *Matlock*, *The Equalizer*, and *Law and Order*.

Holm, who made his first NHT appearance as Elyot Chase in this season's *Private Lives*, has a resume that includes work at the Shanghai Theatre Center and Siglo de Oro Festival. Returning for a second season at New Harmony, Sieving performed in the

2001 production of *Twelfth Night* and has appeared on regional stages in *Tecumseh!* and *Endgame*.

Several local actors help round out the cast. Steve Small is returning for an 11th NHT season, while recent USI graduate Jason McCord and Evansville Civic Theatre veteran Rick Kersting make their first appearances on the New Harmony stage.

NHT productions are staged at Murphy Auditorium in New Harmony, Ind. *Anna Christie* opens at 8 p.m. July 5. Additional performances will be presented at 8 p.m. July 6, 12, 13, 19, and 20; 7:30 p.m. July 11 and 18; and 2 p.m. July 7, 14, and 21.

Tickets are \$18 adult and \$16 student/senior (60+). USI employees receive a \$3 discount by presenting a valid Eagle Access Card. Group rates are available. A Family Experience is offered for any Sunday matinee: \$5 for any child 6 to 18 accompanying an adult; one child per adult.

For tickets or additional information, call 812/682-3115 or toll-free 1-877/648-7469. Information also is available on the Web: [www.newharmonytheatre.com](http://www.newharmonytheatre.com).

The New Harmony Theatre is a non-profit, professional theatre produced by USI with support from the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana, the Indiana Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts.



## Sound of Music opening at amphitheatre

Celebrate the nation's birth this holiday weekend by following the von Trapp family's journey to freedom. Opening at Lincoln Amphitheatre Saturday, July 6, *The Sound of Music* tells the true story of a family overcoming great odds to live in freedom and its redemption by the love of a remarkable young woman.

The timeless Rodgers and Hammerstein score includes "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Edelweiss," and many other family favorites.

The amphitheatre's 2002 production features actors, singers, and dancers from across the country in addition to several from this area. Returning favorites include Jennifer Hampson as Maria, Kim Saltarelli as Sister Berthe, Aimee Eckhardt as Liesl, and Robert Payne as Max Detweiler.

Youngsters from Southern Indiana will portray most of the von Trapp children, including Jenna James, Newburgh, and Carynn Koch, Mount Vernon, as Brigitta; Julia James, Newburgh, and Aden Parsons, Evansville, as Gretl; Lexi Sosh, Evansville, and Sierra Parsons, Evansville, as Marta; Jordan Bradfield, Heritage Hills, as Friedrich; and Joseph Wilkins, Evansville, as Kurt.

Bring a canned food item to the opening night performance at 7:30 p.m. July 6 and receive \$5 off the regular ticket price. Food items will benefit Christian Resource Center Food Bank.

*The Sound of Music* will run in repertoire with *Young Abe Lincoln* through August 10. Additional performances of *The Sound of Music* will be at 7:30 p.m. July 12, 14, 18, 20, 26, and 28; and August 1, 3, 9, and 10. A Kids Day performance will be at 1 p.m. July 24 and will feature a shortened version of the show preceded by special activities beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Passes, good for every night of the season, are \$40. Individual tickets are \$15, adults; \$13, seniors (60+); and \$8, children (under 18). Sunday is Family Night at Lincoln Amphitheatre, when tickets are \$8 per person (no other discounts). Kids Day tickets are \$6 per person. Corporate and group rates are available. USI employees receive \$3 off the adult ticket price by presenting a valid Eagle Access Card.

For tickets or additional information, call 800/264-4ABE. Information also is available on the Web: [www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com](http://www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com).

Lincoln Amphitheatre, a non-profit theatre in Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind., is produced by USI with support from the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana, the Indiana Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts.



## Golf tournament benefiting USI Athletics

One of the country's top 100 new golf courses has chosen USI as the beneficiary of its 2002 Memorial Endowment Tournament. Victoria National Golf Club in Newburgh will host the event July 14 and 15. Proceeds will benefit the USI Athletic Scholarship Endowment.

The tournament offers golfers an opportunity to play one of America's finest venues. In addition, a portion of the contribution is tax deductible.

Sponsorships are available at several levels. Gold (\$10,000) and Silver (\$5,000) sponsors will have teams of four players who may play their own ball July 14 and in a scramble July 15. Bronze (\$3,000) sponsors will have a foursome playing July 15 only. Sponsors also will receive signage recognition at the event.

Individual players may sign up for \$750 each. All players and their spouses are invited to the Endowment Gala, which will be held in the evening July 14 at USI and to the Awards Reception July 15 at Victoria National.

Dr. Ed Brundick, longtime team physician for USI Athletics and a member of the Victoria National Club, is chairing the benefit tournament.

Interested persons may call USI Foundation, extension 1918, for additional information.



## Artists' reception June 28

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art will host a free public artists' reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 28, in conjunction with the opening of "Two Takes," an exhibit of photographs by Gary Cawood and Tom Stio that will be on display Saturday, June 29, through August 3.

A professor at University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Cawood holds an M.F.A. from East Tennessee State University. He has had numerous solo and group exhibitions since the mid-70s, and his work is part of many collections, including those at the Corcoran, Library of Congress, and Baltimore Museum of Art.

Stio, who operates Shadow and Light Studio in Bloomington, holds an M.A. in biology from Indiana University and is the founder of Jordan Scientific, a laboratory equipment manufacturing company that he sold in 1996, when he began a career in professional photography. In his studio, Stio specializes in distinctive fine art portraiture. He has been exhibiting in Bloomington-area galleries since 1999.

Hours at the gallery, located at 506 Main St. in New Harmony, are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For additional information, call 812/682-3156.



## Names in the news

### Achievements

Carolyn S. Smith, who retired as Academic Skills coordinator in 2000, received top honors in the Mainstream Fiction category at the Heartland Writers Guild Conference and "Great Beginnings Writing Competition." Her novel, *Hole in Her Heart*, took first place in the category, in which her manuscript, *Major*

Incident, also was a finalist. The conference was held in June in Sikeston, Mo. A biennial event, it offers workshops and provides access to literary agents, publishers, editors, and published authors. Smith pitched *Hole in Her Heart* to two agents at the conference, and both requested the manuscript.

Smith moved to Poplar Bluff, Mo., after her retirement from USI. She writes, travels, and works part-time at the Poplar Bluff Public Library, and her library column, "Open Book," is featured regularly in the local newspaper, the *Daily American Republic*.

### Welcome

Lin Jones has accepted the position of events services supervisor in Special Events. The Evansville resident previously worked as special events supervisor at the Show Me Center and sales and marketing manager at the Cape Girardeau Convention and Visitors Bureau. She holds a B.A. from Rowan University.

An Evansville resident has accepted the position of administrative assistant in the Business Office. Melissa Kettinger previously worked as a medical receptionist at Mission Health/Rheumatology Consultants and attended Ivy Tech State College.

April Vasher-Dean has accepted the position of director of the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art. The New Harmony resident previously worked as interim director of the Boyden Gallery and manager of the Teaching Collection of Art at St. Mary's College of Maryland and as assistant manager of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art Visual Resource Center. She holds a B.A. in art history from University of California, Los Angeles, and an M.A. in art history from California State University Northridge.

### Promotions and transfers

Daniel McDonnell, from Sports Information assistant to assistant director of Sports Information in News and Information Services.

### In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Dr. Charles F. Petranek, professor of sociology, whose wife Diana's mother Frances Frontczak, 94, Dowagiac, Mich., died June 13 after a long illness.



### FYI

#### Summer sessions

The second summer session will conclude July 12, and open registration for the third summer session will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 15 in the office of the student's major.

Classes in the third summer session will begin July 16, and late registration will continue until 4:30 p.m. July 17 in the Office of the Registrar. For more information, e-mail [kkdupont@usi.edu](mailto:kkdupont@usi.edu).

#### Connections I

Connections I, new student orientation, will be held on campus July 8 and 9, and 12 and 13. Transfer student orientation will take place July 10. For more information, e-mail [connect@usi.edu](mailto:connect@usi.edu).

#### Happy fourth

The University will be closed July 4 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

### Newsletter deadline

Friday, July 5, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of *University Notes*, Friday, July 12. 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.



### Marketplace

#### For sale

- 113 North Woods - Three bedrooms, one bath, carport, workshop. Mother-in-law's house in backyard. Roof, furnace, and water heater all less than five years old, \$69,000. Call Jack, 425-2032.
- 5201 Daniel Ave. - Quiet westside neighborhood near USI. Six-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, over 1,200 sq. ft., with fenced yard. Newer furnace/ac/roof. Completely updated and remodeled. Call Teresa, 838-4479, for 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 at 423-6453, for an appointment.
- 2000 Saturn SL2 - Reduced! 28K miles, sunroof, spoiler, custom stereo, remote keyless entry w/alarm system, \$9,950. Call Mandi, Ext. 1067.
- 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.
- Books - lots of Stephen King hardbacks in great shape, \$5 each or three for \$12. E-mail [cnorrick@usi.edu](mailto:cnorrick@usi.edu).
- Signet clarinet with case - just replaced pads and corks. Great for student: \$250. Call Caitlin, 464-1899 (8 a.m. to 1 p.m.) or 491-3688 (2 to 9 p.m.).
- Dinette - medium-color wood, oblong shape, two leaves, eight chairs, good condition, \$550. Call 422-7525.
- 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.

### **Pet**

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

### **For rent**

- Hillcrest Apartments - newly remodeled one-bedroom apartment in small complex at the corner of Hillcrest Terrace and Barker Ave. No pets, non-smoking. Walk-in closet, crystal chandelier, some new appliances. Water, sewage, and trash pick-up furnished. Cable-ready. One year lease, \$350/mo., \$150 security deposit. Call 476-3411.

### **Services**

- Energetic and conscientious high school student seeking housecleaning work for special occasions or on a regular basis. Hourly rate of \$7. Contact Johannah (Joey) Rivers at 423-7101.



## **July calendar**

### **Thursday, July 4**

- Independence Day - University closed.
- Traditional Fourth of July Celebration - beginning at 10 a.m., New Harmony. Includes patriotic speeches at Thrall's Opera House, community picnic at Maclure Park, food, and entertainment. Most activities are free.

### **Friday, July 5**

- New Harmony Theatre presents *Anna Christie* - 8 p.m., Murphy Auditorium, New Harmony. Additional performances: 8 p.m. July 6, 12, 13, 19, 20; 7:30 p.m. July 11, 18; 2 p.m. July 7, 14, 21. Tickets: \$18 adult; \$16 senior/student; \$15 group of 20 or more. Tickets/information: 812/682-3115.

### **Saturday, July 6**

- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *The Sound of Music* - 7:30 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Additional performances: 7:30 p.m. July 12, 14, 18, 20, 26, 28, August 1, 3, 9, 10; 1 p.m. Kids Day performance July 24. Tickets: \$15 adult; \$13 seniors 60+; \$8 children under 18; \$40 season pass; \$8 per person Sunday Family Night; \$22 for both *The Sound of Music* and *Young Abe Lincoln*; \$6 per person Kids Day special. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE.

### **Sunday, July 7**

- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *Young Abe Lincoln* - 7:30 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Additional performances: 7:30 p.m. July 11, 13, 19, 21, 25, 27, August 2, 4, 8; 1 p.m. Kids Day performance July 10; 1:30 p.m. senior citizens' matinee with special activities July 18. Tickets: \$15 adult; \$13 seniors 60+; \$8 children under 18; \$40 season pass; \$8 per person Sunday Family Night; \$22 for both *Young Abe Lincoln* and *The Sound of Music*; \$6 per person Kids Day special. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE.

### **Monday, July 8**

- Connections I - new student orientation, July 8 and 9, University Center. Information: connect@usi.edu.

### **Tuesday, July 9**

- Alumni Chapter Meeting - 7 p.m., Rick's Cafe Boatyard, Indianapolis. Information: njohnson@usi.edu.

### **Wednesday, July 10**

- Connections I - transfer and nontraditional student orientation, University Center. Information: connect@usi.edu.
- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *Young Abe Lincoln* Kids Day performance - 1 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Shortened version of the musical with special activities beginning at 10:30 a.m. Kids Day ticket price: \$6 per person. Additional fees charged for activities. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE or www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com.

### **Friday, July 12**

- Second summer session ends - Information: kkdupont@usi.edu.
- Connections I - new student orientation, July 12 and 13, University Center. Information: connect@usi.edu.

### **Sunday, July 14**

- Victoria National Memorial Endowment Tournament - July 14 and 15, Victoria National Golf Club, Newburgh, benefiting the USI Athletics Scholarship Endowment. Individual players: \$750 each. Sponsorships available. Information/reservations: Ext. 1918.

### **Monday, July 15**

- Open registration for the third summer session - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., office of the student's major.

### **Tuesday, July 16**

- Third summer session begins.

### **Thursday, July 18**

- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *Young Abe Lincoln* senior citizens' matinee - with special activities, 1:30 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Tickets: \$13 seniors 60+. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE.

### **Saturday, July 20**

- Little Pigeon Creek Playhouse presents *Rutherford Wolf* - a children's theatre production, 2 p.m., Lincoln Amphitheatre, Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Additional performance: 2 p.m. August 10. Tickets: \$1.99 at amphitheatre productions. Information: 800/264-4ABE.

### **Wednesday, July 24**

- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *The Sound of Music* Kids Day performance - 1 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Shortened version of the musical with special activities beginning at 10:30 a.m. Kids Day ticket price: \$6 per person. Additional fees charged for activities. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE or www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com.

### **Wednesday, July 31**

- Lincoln Amphitheatre presents *Lincoln Kaleidoscope* - 7:30 p.m., Lincoln State Park, Lincoln City, Ind. Additional performance: 7:30 p.m. August 7. Tickets: \$15 adult; \$13 seniors 60+; \$8 children under 18. Tickets/information: 800/264-4ABE or www.lincoln-amphitheatre.com.

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