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Federal money provides one-way road

Of the \$9 million Congress approved for economic development and job creation in the Evansville community, included is \$1.5 million to construct a perimeter roadway on the USI campus. The federal money coupled with \$2 million in state money received with construction dollars for Rice Library will allow the University to re-route most of the vehicular traffic from a four-lane boulevard which bisects the campus to a new one-way road around the perimeter of the campus.

The existing University Boulevard, with classroom buildings to the west and parking and student housing to the east, forces students, faculty, staff, and visitors to walk across four lanes of traffic to reach their campus destination. The funding will close the busy and sometimes dangerous boulevard and will move traffic to the perimeter of the campus. The perimeter loop road will provide access to parking areas and service roads and would become the primary route for the campus shuttle bus service. Construction of the western portion of the road has already been completed with University and state funds. Construction is contingent upon the master plan report.

An additional \$75,000 of federal money was received to fund the Center for Applied Research and Economic Development at JSI. The center will enable the University to contribute more actively to the general economic well being of southwestern Indiana and the State to help grow jobs. The center will assist business, industry, governmental agencies, and entrepreneurial groups in a variety of applied research, technical assistance, development, and educational and training activities. The University's expertise in a variety of high-tech areas such as engineering, computer science and information systems, radiologic and imaging sciences, life sciences, physical sciences, earth sciences, communications, and e-commerce will be made available to existing and prospective businesses. The center will be housed in Extended Services.

President H. Ray Hoops expressed gratitude to U. S. Senator Richard G. Lugar, U.S. Senator Evan Bayh, and U.S. Representative John Hostettler for their work in securing the funding.

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Marie Hankins: A flexible schedule and family activities make for good chemistry in retirement

(This article is one of a series on faculty members who will retire this year.)

Marie G. Hankins will begin her sabbatical next semester just in time to be of help to her daughter, Corinda, who is expecting her first child in January.

And that suits Hankins just fine. She will pack her bags for Hood River, Oregon, where Corinda Elliott is a pediatrician. Even pediatricians want a mother's assistance with the arrival of a new family member.

After years of adhering to the academic calendar, the flexibility to travel and make other plans on her own schedule is one of the chief attractions of retirement for Hankins, professor of chemistry and chair of the Department of Chemistry. "When you teach, you don't get to decide when you're going to take off," she said.

Hankins and her husband Warren are the parents of four children. In addition to Corinda, they have a daughter, Kimberly Short, a plastic surgeon in Indianapolis; a son, Tracy Hankins, a plastic surgeon in Lake Havasu City, Arizona; and a daughter, Launa Hankins, who is associated with Mentor, a medical device company, in Indianapolis.

Warren Hankins has been retired almost six years as vice president for physician services at Deaconess Hospital. In preparation for retirement, the couple bought a home some time ago on Grandview Lake in Columbus, Indiana. This spring it will become their primary residence. They chose Columbus for its strategic location only 45 minutes from the airport in Indianapolis.

But this summer a road trip is on the agenda as Hankins and her husband roll out their plan to help provide enrichment activities for their grandchildren. Not counting the baby due in January, they have seven grandchildren, ranging in age from 2 to 12. The older ones will make a trip through the country's West with their grandparents this summer.

"If they're studying a particular subject, then we could put them all in an RV or a van and take them to see things — like Gettysburg, Vicksburg, the Grand Canyon, or Old Faithful — that would make their study come alive," she said.

Hankins has been making chemistry come alive for USI students and younger students in the community for a number of years. Chair of the Department of Chemistry since 1987, she joined USI full time in 1985 but was already familiar with the University as a visiting assistant professor in 1983-84 and as an adjunct since 1976. She also has taught in Evansville at Mater Dei High School, Evansville Day School, and Memorial High School.

For more than a decade, Hankins has organized chemical demonstrations and hands-on activities for school-aged children during National Chemistry Week to promote careers in chemistry as well as an appreciation for the significance of chemistry in everyday life. In 1998, she secured a grant from the Alcoa Foundation to fund Kids and Chemistry, an outreach program delivered to 86 elementary schools in southwestern Indiana.

In retirement, Hankins hopes to return to campus from time to time to help with classes and demonstrations. She also would like to continue community involvement in the Evansville area. She has worked over the years on projects with Victor Chamness '87, M '90, science and math supervisor for the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation.

"I'm excited about all the things I'll have time to do but also sad that I'll miss a lot of things. I'll miss teaching, the students, and the faculty. I have a great department. I love my faculty and all the things I do with the community. I'll miss my job," she said.

Hankins was Integra Bank's 2002 Distinguished Professor at USI.



Examining Health Care topic of USI forum

The University of Southern Indiana Honors Program will present its seventh annual public policy forum, "Examining Health Care: What's the Public's Prescription?" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 7, in Mitchell Auditorium in the Health Professions Center.

Students in HONS 101: Issues for the 21st Century will lead deliberation on the topic during the forum. Examining Health Care and the public's prescription have been the focus of the class during the fall semester.

The forum will be a moderated discussion in which the participants will work toward making choices involving public policy issues. The costs and consequences of various options and what the participants are or not willing to do in addressing this issue also will be addressed by the participants.

All 55 students in the HONS 101 class will participate, and other students in the Honors program will attend.

The forum is free and open to the public. Members of the community are invited to attend and will be allowed to speak.

"This is a very important issue for everyone given the health care cost increase," said **Dr. Dane Partridge**, associate professor of management and director of the University Honors Program. "Medicare and Medicaid cost are increasing. This issue will not take care of itself so we need to come together to find a solution."



Boostrom to serve as interim department chair

Dr. Robert Boostrom, associate professor of education, will serve as interim chair of the Teacher Education Department beginning in January. **Dr. Charles Price**, chair of the department since 1995, will be on sabbatical leave spring semester and will return to his faculty position as professor of science education in the summer.

Dr. Boostrom joined the faculty in 1993. He teaches in the area of historical and philosophical foundations of education and is co-author of *The Moral Life of Schools* (1993), a major work on the moral significance of schools and schooling in America. Dr. Boostrom is active in the American Educational Research Association and also serves as the American editor of the *Journal of Curriculum Studies*, a leading international journal in the field of curriculum and teaching.

The University will conduct a national search for a new chair of the Teacher Education Department. The following faculty members are serving on the search committee: Sherry Boyd, Marlaine Chase, Joyce Hamon, Betty Hart, Ruben Schwieger, Jeff Thomas, and David Cousert, chair. Ms. Cathlin Gray '85, assistant superintendent for federal projects and school community council in the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation, is the community representative on the committee.



Bassmaster University coming to USI in February

America's premier fishing education program will be held in Evansville February 19 and 20, 2005 at the University of Southern Indiana. The two-day program, sponsored by

Bassmaster University, offers six of America's top bass pros as instructors. For the bass anglers on your Christmas list, gift certificates to the course will offer gifts of knowledge that will satisfy your fishermen's desire for more successful days on the water.

Woo Daves, the 2000 Bassmaster Classic Champion, is an instructor along with Shaw Grigsby, 2003 Great Outdoor Games gold medalist; Ken Cook, 1991 Bassmaster Classic Champ; Zell Rowland, twelve-time Bassmaster Classic finalist; Greg Hawk, Bassmaster Classic finalist; and Rich Tauber, U.S. Open champ and nationally known finesse expert.

This accelerated course features 12 different one-hour workshops over the two days. Each instructor teaches his specialty, and discussion will cover topics from moderate to advanced. Bassmaster University covers mainstream techniques such as plastic worms, crankbaits, topwater, flipping and pitching, and spinnerbaits. It also covers lesser-known techniques such as fishing the flating worm, finesse fishing, and electronics as well as advanced techniques for catching bass from mid-lake structure and when they suspend. The sessions run from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day.

Evansville is one of only two sites in Indiana to offer the Bassmaster University in the 2005 season; the other site is at Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis.

Enrollment fee for the event is \$109 or \$60 for spouses and children under 16 when attending with a full-paying adult. Call 464-1989 to register or purchase a gift certificate.



USI Women's Choir to Perform Annual Holiday Concert

The University of Southern Indiana Women's Choir, under the direction of **Daniel R. Craig**, will perform its sixth annual Holiday Concert at 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 12, at Old North United Methodist Church.

The concert entitled "From Ancient to Modern" will include music and texts from the ninth century to the present and will feature composers from Brazil, Canada, England and the United States.

Included in the concert are the following pieces. "O Frondens Virga," by Hildegard von Bingen; "Ring the Bells," by Libby Larsen; "Salmo 150," by Ernani Aguiar; "A Joyful Alleluia," by Linda Spevacek; "Magnificat," by Donald Kendrick; "Elizabeth's" "Ave," by Lana Walter; "Tomorrow shall be my Dancing Day," by John Rutter; "There is No Rose," by Elenor Daley; "Go Where I Send Thee," arr by Paul Caldwell; and "A Christmas Theme" and "Variation," by Ann Kapp Anderson.

The USI Women's Choir consists of students from a wide variety of musical disciplines who perform an eclectic repertory of music written especially for women's voices.



Expert on regenerative biology to lecture December 7

A biologist who has done research and taught in the fields of regenerative biology will be on campus at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 7 as featured speaker in the Community of Scholars series.

Dr. David L. Stocum, dean emeritus of the School of Science and professor of biology at Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis, will talk about his work on regeneration, particularly for studies on how undifferentiated cells self-organize to reproduce a new limb after amputation in salamanders. He is the author of nearly 100 publications and has given numerous

national and international lectures on cell and developmental biology and regenerative biology. His lecture will be in Rm. 1101 in the Education Center.

Dr. Stocum said, "Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin Shelly, in her first novel *Frankenstein*, made the name Frankenstein, the surgeon obsessed with the idea of creating life by reanimating a corpse cobbled together from body parts procured from 'the unhallowed damps of the grave', synonymous with the distrust and fear of biological knowledge that appears to violate religious, ethical, and cultural norms.

He added, "The history of medicine shows that as benefits of such knowledge are demonstrated, it changes from being perceived as evil to being perceived as good. In the lecture, I trace the medical legacy of Frankenstein from the 19th century to today, from the assembly of body parts into a monster, to cloning and the regeneration of new tissues and organs."

Dr. Stocum is a graduate of Susquehanna University and earned the Ph.D. degree in biology from the University of Pennsylvania. From 1968 to 1990, Dr. Stocum was on the faculty of the School of Life Sciences at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, before moving to IUPUI.

His lecture is free and open to the public.



Names in the news

In memoriam

Sandi Lawrence, who served USI for 16 years in the Student Health Center and Student Wellness program, died Tuesday, November 23. Services were held Saturday, November 27, at Christian Fellowship Church.

Lawrence received the first Volunteer Inspiration Award in August 2004.

She was honored for founding the Aunt Sophie's Chicken Noodle Soup Special Event in 1998. The February tradition, named for Lawrence's favorite aunt, provides a healthy meal to a different USI athletic team each year.

In appreciation

"I would like to thank my USI family for the cards, calls, visits, floral arrangements, food, kindness and prayers during the recent death of my father, **Harold D. Mundy**. I will forever remember your thoughtfulness."

- **Pamela F. Hopson**, director of the Multicultural Center

Accomplishments

Dr. Abbas Foroughi, professor of computer information services, received a grant from the SBC Foundation. The funded project will provide training on eBusiness and mBusiness for faculty in the School of Business.

Matthew Graham, director of creative writing, and **Jim McGarrah**, assistant professor of creative writing/composition, conducted the annual High School Creative Writing Day on November 20 at USI. Students from Signature School writing classes attended and had their short stories and poems critiqued by Graham and McGarrah.

Beth Ann Katz, a candidate for the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS), has been invited to present at the 75th annual convention of the Southern States Communication Association (SSCA) in Baton Rouge, La., March 31 to April 3. The title of her panel presentation is "Telecommuting: The Future is Here." Beth Ann has worked closely with the chair of her MALS cap-

stone project committee, **Dr. Karen Bonnell**, director of instructional technology services and professor of communications.

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Coach Rick Herdes Show

"Screaming Eagles Basketball with Coach Rick Herdes" is now being taped by Access USI. The 30-minute show highlights the men's basketball games, covers recent games, uses game footage, and holds an interview with a player. The show runs locally on Insight Communication's ESPN 2 every Saturday at 10:30 a.m. The show is produced by students on campus at the Scripps Howard Center for Media Studies.

Employee Retirement Reception

A reception to honor retiring employees will be held on Wednesday, December 9, at 3 p.m. in Carter Hall. Those retiring are **Dr. Walter Everett**, professor of English; **Ms. Marjorie Jones**, professor of archeology; **Mr. John McNaughton**, professor of art; **Dr. Marie Hankins**, professor of chemistry and chair of the chemistry department; **Mrs. Carolyn "Lucy" Shuck**, medical research technician I; and **Mr. Jim Werner**, courier distribution services clerk.

Christmas in New Harmony

The town of Historic New Harmony will welcome the holiday season December 3-5, during the 20th annual Christmas in New Harmony Festival.

The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, December 3, with the New Harmony Inn candle lighting on the back lawn of the Red Geranium Restaurant.

Other activities include breakfast and photos with Santa, children's crafts, puppeteers, horse drawn carriage rides, holiday art market, children's carnival, and a Christmas parade.

The Christmas festival is sponsored by the New Harmo

Audio conference

A free audio conference titled "Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities," will be held in the Science Center, Room 1212, on Tuesday, December 14, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Elizabeth Davis, Director of Emergency Preparedness Initiative for the National Organization on Disability (NOD) will discuss the progress made toward this initiative as well as provide some valuable information and resources that can be utilized by individuals, state and local governments, employers, and others to incorporate the needs of people with disabilities in their emergency planning process.

This audio conference can be of interest to local government officials, employers, people with disabilities and other community members.

Getting to the core

Through the support of a grant from the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, the University Core Council will offer a summer workshop entitled "Getting to the Core: Teaching and Learning Enhancement in the University Core Curriculum," May 11-13.

Twelve faculty members will come together with three Teaching Leaders to learn about best practices for teaching non-majors in Core courses and to observe first hand what goes on in other commonly taken Core courses, thus allowing for sounder

advising and teaching connections among courses. Participants will be paid \$300 each (plus lunch each day), and will be asked to produce written responses to each day's sessions plus a short report on how the workshop impacted their teaching of at least one course during 2005-06.

Teaching Leaders, each of whom will demonstrate three hours of class presentations from their Core course, are: **Joseph Palladino**, professor of psychology, **Barbara Kalvelage**, instructor of biology, and **John Gottcent**, professor of English.

Applications will be solicited starting January 1, with a deadline of March 15. Although preference will be given to those who will teach at least one Core course during 2005-06, any faculty member (including adjunct faculty) may apply. Watch for further information in the near future, and contact John Gottcent, project director and University Core Director, with questions.

Graduate Scholarship Program nominations

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is now accepting nominations for its Graduate Scholarship Program, one of the largest and most competitive scholarship programs in the country. College seniors at more than 2,000 accredited institutions in America, including the University of Southern Indiana, and alumni who have graduated from those institutions since May 2000, may compete for the scholarships which can total as much as \$50,000 per year for up to six years.

The Foundation will award the graduate scholarships in early summer 2005 for use during the 2005-2006 academic year, and will renew each award in subsequent years based on performance. The Foundation last year awarded 39 of these scholarships. A panel of national experts will assist the Foundation in selecting scholars. Candidates for the scholarship must be nominated by the faculty representative at their undergraduate institution. **Dr. Dane M. Partridge**, associate professor of management, is the USI faculty representative. His office phone number is 465-7085 and e-mail is dpartrid@usi.edu.

The Foundation is a private, independent foundation established in 2000 by the estate of Jack Kent Cooke to help young people of exceptional promise reach their full potential through education. It focuses in particular on individuals with financial need. The Foundation began awarding graduate scholarships in 2001 and now funds 124 recipients with awards totaling more than \$4.2 million annually. The Foundation has received approximately 1,000 applications for these awards each year.

Important year end notice

Payroll preparation has already begun for 2004 W-2s. Please check and verify the name, address, and social security number that appear on your check information. Please notify the payroll department early in December of any changes or corrections that need to be made.

If your county of residence or principal county of primary employment has changed in 2004, a new state tax form must be filled out before the first pay of the New Year. Otherwise, the current county tax will continue to be withheld for the next year.

Any questions can be referred to the payroll office at ext. 7195 or ext. 1287, or employees can use "MyUSI" for certain personal changes.

Monthly, administrative and academic employees please note: Your next scheduled pay will be December 31, 2004 and if you are participating in direct deposit, your pay will be in your account on that date. Because the University will be closed on that date, checks will be mailed on Wednesday, December 29, 2004.

Student checks dated December 31, 2004 will not be mailed

but will be available at the Cashier's Office on Monday, January 3, 2005.

Marketplace

For sale

Great holiday gift - The CD of the EVSC high school concert choirs and orchestras, featuring holiday choral music, is now available for only \$10. You will be impressed with the exceptionally high quality. Call Ext. 1902. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Public Education Foundation.

Junior builders work table - includes bench and 31 piece toy tool set. New. Great Christmas gift. \$55. Call Helen at 812/985-3877.

Two file cabinets - four drawers, heavy-duty, metal, and fire-proof. Call 812/483-9720 or 812/464-1727.

Tudor home - Charming, pristine, two-story, brick Tudor home near University of Evansville. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, remodeled kitchen and bath. Convection oven, newly painted throughout, partially finished basement with fireplace. Screened in porch and spacious fenced yard. Built in 1930. Located at 756 South Rotherwood Avenue. \$129,900. Call Rolando Trentini at 812/479-0801 or 812/499-9234.

Pontiac Grand Am - 1990, silver, air conditioning, CD player, power windows, and power steering. New alternator, tires, heater core, battery, oil sending unit, brakes, and stereo. 95,000 miles. \$1,500 O.B.O. Call Pam Hurley, Ext. 1255.

Motor home RV Heritage - 1983, white and gray, Chevy van 30 RVC. 350 engine, 63,000 miles, one owner, loaded, great shape. \$4,000 O.B.O. Call Willie, 812/491-3144.

Bar - 95" wide x 42" high x 25" deep. Good condition. Digital photos available upon request. Must be able to transport on your own. \$100 O.B.O. Call Ed, 812/464-1999.

Saunders computer desk - includes hutch. Oak finish, go condition. \$95. Call Bonnie, 812/491-9369.

Lionel train sets - each has classic steam engine, tender, two freight cars, cabooses, track, transformer, plus extras. Great for kids, grandkids, or Christmas trees. \$95 each. Call John Gottcent, 812/464-1750 or 426-2989.

Chrome mag wheels - set of four, 15 inches. Call Pat, Ext. 1831 or 812/425-2487.

Ford E250 Econoline van - 1992, white, wheelchair lift, 6 cylinder, automatic, air conditioning. 175,000 miles, good condition. \$3,000. Contact Vince Frazier, 812/464-1839 or 812/985-7309

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Friday, December 3, is the deadline for submitting information for the next "Marketplace." Submissions may be made by calling 812/465-1192.

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