

University Notes

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USI's Ropewalk Writers Retreat offers public events

Ropewalk Writers Retreat begins Sunday, June 6, in New Harmony. The week-long event offers the public several free readings by visiting writers. All public readings and receptions will be held at the Atheneum.

7:30 p.m., Sunday, June 6 - Liam Rector and Lucie Brock-Broido will read poetry as part of the pre-conference celebration. Their reading is followed by a public reception.

Rector directs the Bennington Writing Seminars in Bennington, Vermont, where he also teaches poetry at Bennington College. His books include *American Prodigal* and *The Sorrow of Architecture* (poetry); *The Day I Was Older*; *On the Poetry of Donald Hall* and *Fastening the Voice to the Page: On the Poetry of Frank Bidart* (editor). His poems have appeared in *The Paris Review*, *Partisan Review*, *The New Republic*, *American Poetry Review*, *Ploughshares*, and *Antioch Review*, among others.

Brock-Broido, professor of writing at Columbia University School of Arts, was director of the creative writing program at Harvard University. She is the recipient of poetry fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), and the Hoyns at the University of Virginia. She was the 1996 winner of the Witter-Bynner Prize for Poetry, won the Harvard University Phi Beta Kappa Teaching Award, and the Harvard-Danforth Award for Distinction in Teaching. Her books include *A Hunger* and *The Master Letters*.

7 p.m., Monday, June 7 - Lucie Brock-Broido and Sigrid Nunez will read samples of their writing followed by a reception.

Nunez is the author of three works of fiction: *A Feather on the Breath of God*, *Naked Sleeper*, and *Mitz: the Marmoset of Bloomsbury*. She is on the faculty at the School of the Arts, Columbia University. Her work has been widely anthologized and she is the recipient of several literary prizes, including a Whiting Writer's Award.

7 p.m., Tuesday, June 8 - Lynn Emmanuel and Rodney Jones will read from their work.

Emmanuel is the author of two books of poetry, *Hotel Fiesta* and *The Dig*. She is the recipient of two NEA Fellowships, the National Poetry Series Award, and three Pushcart Prizes. Her work has been published in *Parnassus*, *Poetry*, *The Hudson Review*, *Ploughshares*, and in the 1995 and 1998 editions of *The Best American Poetry*. Emmanuel directs the writing program at the University of Pittsburgh.

Jones is the author of *The Story They Told Us of Light*, *The Unborn*, *Transparent Gestures* (winner of the 1989 National Book Critics Circle Award for Poetry), *Apocalyptic Narrative*, *Things That Happen Once*, and *Elegy for the Southern Drawl*. He received fellowships from both the National Endowment for the Arts and the Guggenheim Foundation. Jones is the winner of the Kenyon Review Award for Literary Excellence in Poetry, the Frederick Bock Prize and the George Kent Prize from Poetry, among others. He is professor of English at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

USI Chemistry Department receives ACS approval

The Chemistry Department in USI's Pott School of Science and Engineering has received American Chemical Society (ACS) approval for its undergraduate program.

Dr. Marie Hankins, chair of the department, said the endorsement is important for students who are enrolled in the program and for those considering enrolling. She said, "An ACS approval means the program was reviewed by experienced educators and scientists. Such approval will assure students of a quality program at USI. The evaluation process extended over a two-year period and included an application process, a presentation to the national ACS professional training committee, and a site visit," Dr. Hankins explained.

Chemistry is an important component of many disciplines. The ACS recommends that the chemistry program do more than just train professional chemists. The USI chemistry curriculum includes courses designed for science students, for students seeking a liberal arts education, and for students pursuing a degree in a variety of allied health fields. Chemistry courses are offered as options in the University Core Curriculum, the general education program required of all graduates.

The Chemistry Department is one of the original academic programs of the University with a current seven-member faculty and more than one hundred alumni. Generally, five to ten chemistry majors graduate each year. The ACS Student Affiliate chapter at USI has been selected as an outstanding or commendable chapter nearly every year for the past decade. Students in the department present at local, state, regional, and national meetings. They compete in regional and national competitions and organize chemistry demonstrations for middle school students to encourage interest in the field. Many graduates continue at graduate schools throughout the country.

The American Chemical Society, established in 1876, is the world's largest scientific society. It encourages the broadest and most liberal manner of the advancement of chemistry. The ACS enriches professionals in academic and private industry through development programs, peer interaction, and continuing education courses. It promotes scientific interest and inquiry fostering public education and welfare.

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7 p.m., Wednesday, June 9 - Michael Martone will present a sample reading of his work. His reading will be followed by a reception.

Martone is the author of five books of short fiction including *Seeing Eye, Pensee's: The Thoughts of Dan Quayle, Fort Wayne is Seventh on Hitler's List*, and *Alive and Dead in Indiana*. His stories have appeared in *Harper's, Story, Antaeus*, and *North American Review*, among others. Martone has held fellowships from the NEA and won awards in several competitions including those sponsored by *The Florida Review* and *Story*. He is professor of English and Creative Writing at the University of Alabama.

6 p.m., Friday, June 11 - Scott Sanders will read from his work.

Sanders is distinguished professor of English at Indiana University where he also directs the Wells Scholars Program. He has published 20 books, including novels, collections of stories and essays, and personal narratives. His work appears in such magazines as *Orion, Audubon*, and *The Georgia Review*, and has been reprinted in *Best American Essays, American Nature Writing, The Norton Reader*, and many other anthologies.

For more information, contact USI Extended Services at 464-1989, lcleek@usi.edu, or the online site www.usi.edu/libarts/english/ropewalk.htm

USI Alumni activities to be held in June

The 1999 Alumni Picnic will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 18, at the University Mall.

A petting zoo, clowns, face painting, and children's games will be available for children. Tours of the campus will feature new buildings and renovations. The picnic menu includes barbecue chicken, Italian sausage, hot dogs, and ice cream. Tables may be reserved for alumni of fraternities, sororities, and other student organizations.

Picnic admission is \$4 per person, children ages 12 and under are free. Reservations are required by June 14. Call USI Alumni and Volunteer Services at 464-1924 to reserve a table or to obtain more information.

The fourth annual Alumni Fun Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, June 19, at Quail Crossing Golf Course in Boonville. Tee-off time is 8 a.m. and a cookout will follow the scramble. Entry fees are \$65 per person and \$250 per foursome which includes green fee, cart, and cookout. Individuals may sponsor a hole for \$150 or attend only the cookout for \$7.50. The cost of hole sponsorship and a foursome is \$400 which includes the foursome's green fees, carts, cookout, and hole signage. Proceeds will benefit the USI Alumni Scholarship Endowment.

Ms. Nancy Johnson, director of Alumni and Volunteer Services, said the scramble grows in participants every year. Last year the event attracted 120 players. This year's goal is to fill the course with 144 players. Ms. Johnson said, "Along with the fun of playing, alumni compete and enjoy the company of each other, their friends, and spouses. After golf, the cookout will feature a pig roast which will last into the evening. The cookout is always filled with joking and lots of catching-up."

Call USI Alumni and Volunteer Services at 464-1924 for more information. Registration deadline is June 1.

USI to host 4MAT® Training and Re-Certification Seminar

USI will host Excel Corporation's Advanced 4MAT® Training and Re-certification seminar from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, through Saturday, June 5, in Carter Hall. The 4MAT® System provides a basis for understanding the core elements of learning, and provides guidance in how to use these elements to improve learning effectiveness. Eligible participants have completed beginning and intermediate 4MAT® training.

As a lesson-planning tool, 4MAT® gives teachers a systematic way to train all students to think and learn well. As a staff development tool, it offers a clear, sequential path for in-house training programs. As a system design, it provides an integrated system of training for instruction, staff development, curriculum, and assessment.

The 4MAT® model for lesson development entails the use of right- and left-brain strategies within four distinct phases of the learning cycle. The phases are experiencing, conceptualizing, applying, and creating.

Advanced 4MAT® Training enables educators to become proficient in 4MAT® teaching methodologies to implement in their own classrooms or on a system-wide basis in their school environment.

Participants successfully completing the seminar will become certified instructors to teach Beginning 4MAT®. In addition, instructors currently certified in 4MAT® may receive the 5-year renewal certificate at this seminar.

Excel, Inc. is a training, consulting, and publishing company that helps organizations improve the quality of their learning programs by teaching them to design more effective learning systems. They help schools, businesses, and professional organizations discover what it takes for people to learn well and offer turnkey instructional programs in key content areas that reflect sound educational theory and practice. Excel's goal is to make learning meaningful through helping organizations adapt their teaching, training, or instructional programs in ways that are compatible with how people really learn.

Cost for the seminar is \$250. There is a \$50 discount for the Tech Prep Consortium in Davis, Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Martin, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick counties.

For more information about 4MAT®, contact Dr. Larry Arp, chair of the Information Systems and Business Education Department, at 465-7030. For information about the seminar or to register, contact Ms. Linda Cleek, associate director of Extended Services, at 464-1863 or lcleek@usi.edu.

**The University will be closed
Monday, May 31
in observance of Memorial Day**



Names in the news

The National Collegiate Athletic Association NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council have re-appointed **Dr. Charles Bertram**, professor of education and mathematics, to the Division II Nominating Committee for a four-year term. The committee recommends nominations on all Division II-specific committees and for positions on committees functioning in association-wide capacities. Dr. Bertram has served as USI Faculty Athletics Representative to the NCAA and Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) for many years. He is president of the GLVC.

Dr. Jane Meyer, associate professor of education, was elected president of the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children, the state affiliate of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

The play *Outlaws* by **Mr. Elliot H. Wasserman**, associate professor of theatre, is now playing at the Moving Arts Theatre in Los Angeles through June 5. Initial reviews are good, according to the playwright.

Retiring:

Ms. Doris Hollis, administrative secretary in Human Resources, will retire on Friday, June 4, after 13 years of service to the University. The University community is invited to a reception in her honor in the Human Resources Office from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, June 4.

Welcome:



Ms. Kay Myrick has accepted the position of administrative clerk in Extended Services. She received a B. A. in business administration from University of Evansville. Ms. Myrick resides in Evansville with husband Mark and children Jennifer, Jillian, and Emily.

The University community welcomes **Ms. Linda Tribble** as administrative assistant in the School of Science and Engineering Technology. She received a B.S. in medical technology from University of Evansville. Ms. Tribble was supervisor of Deaconess Hospital's blood bank. She resides in Mt. Vernon with husband Michael and children Megan and Scott.



Members of the USI family who graduated from other universities:

Ms. Glenna G. Bower, Student Fitness Center coordinator, M.A. physical education, emphasis on adult fitness, Indiana State University.

First place winners:

On Sunday and Monday, May 16 - 17, USI employees and student workers participated in the YMCA Corporate Challenge coed volleyball tournament. Participants played in five volleyball games and achieved first place. The following players deserve congratulations: **Anthony Bacon, Shawn Chamberlain, Quinn Daniels, Julie Daugherty, David Dunn, Julie Evey, Vincent Frazier, Jamie James, Debra Jochim, Scott Keefer, Quincy Martin, Gene Milburn, Phyllis Oeth, Tai Richardson, Micah Stevens, and Sally Townsend.**

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Blue Cross/Blue Shield:

Ms. Janas Knox, account representative with Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, will be in room FA 170 from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, June 1, to respond to questions or problems relating to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance plan. Call 464-1781 to arrange an appointment.

Employee picnic:

The USI Employee Picnic Beach Party will be held 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, at the UC Mall. Tickets are free, but required, and may be obtained from **Christina Jines, Debbie Clark, Marsha Salee, Kim Reddington, Ginny Hall, Terry Martin, Elizabeth Savage, and Donna Moore** until June 2. Come dressed for the beach! A drawing for door prizes will be held at 12:45 p.m.

Report from the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs

The following undergraduate petition has been approved:

Undergraduate Minor Modification

MUS 219 Preparatory Choral Ensemble Activity - 1 hr., a maximum of 12 hours of credit may be earned in choral ensembles, fall 1999 implementation.

THTR 499 Special Topics in Theatre Arts - 3 hrs., repeatable with change in topic, fall 1999 implementation.

Graduate Experimental Course

IM 544X Diversity in Business Organizations - 3 hrs, summer 1999 implementation.

Freshman registration programs begin in June

The Office of Student Development Programs will hold Connections I: Freshman Registration, the first part of a two-part orientation program, during six two-day sessions from June 21 to July 16. Dates for the two-day sessions follow. New students need attend one of the sessions.

June 21 - 22
June 25 - 26
June 28 - 29

July 9 - 10
July 12 - 13
July 15 - 16

At Connections I, students will meet with faculty, staff, and student leaders, plan their academic schedule, and register for fall semester classes. In addition, both parents and students will learn about the campus community, tour campus, and meet current students and other members of the Class of 2003. In addition, a social event for the students is planned on the evening of the first day. Sand volleyball, music, and snacks will provide an opportunity for students to mingle.

Since Connections I is a two-day program, students may stay overnight in campus apartments. Parents and guardians from outside the area will be advised of local lodging.

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Ms. Tamara Kelso, director of Student Development Programs, stressed the importance of this program for students and their parents or guardians. She said, "Connections I provides specific information about the University of Southern Indiana that is important to new students and their families. Welcomed and assisted by orientation leaders who are current students at USI, participants learn about the procedures, policies, and services that are unique to USI."

The fee for the program is included in the fall tuition bill. It covers the cost of Connections I: Freshman Registration, Connections II: Welcome Weekend, and events throughout the academic year which ease the transition to college life.

For more information or a brochure, contact Tamara Kelso at 465-7167 or tkelso@usi.edu. Classes for the fall semester begin August 30.

M A R K E T P L A C E

703 N. Sonntag - west side, two bedrooms, one bath, dining room, lg. living room, central air, new roof and furnace, patio, 20 x 22 garage, 2 car ports, fenced back yard, yard barn, 75 x 145 lot, \$54,900. Call 423-5328.

1989 Ford Escort - 69,000 miles, 4-speed, \$1,150. Call 476-5070.

Clearing out for Alaska! **Kenmore Super Capacity Plus washer** - paid \$479, asking \$300 (1 year-old, six months in storage). **Kenmore Super Capacity Plus dryer** - \$250 (1 year-old, six months in storage). **Thomasville Cherrywood entertainment center** - holds 35" television, video drawer, paid \$1,088, asking \$500. **Child's chifferobe** - white, \$50. **Ergonomic computer chair** - gray, \$40. **Pro Forma treadmill** - longest running surface, electronic workout programs, calorie counter, and cardiac monitor, \$200. **Pink Barbie Jeep** - never ridden outside, paid \$130, asking \$100. **Duosport bike buggy/stroller** - seats two children up to 40 lbs. Each, paid \$150, asking \$100. Call ext. 1986 and ask for Rebecca or call 475-9734 after 5 pm.

Natural-color wicker rocking chair, like new, \$50. Call Pat at ext. 1831.

Upright Sears freezer - 16 cu. ft., excellent condition, \$225. Call Chuck at ext. 1939 or 425-5513.

V A C A N C I E S

The following is a list of vacant positions available as of May 24, 1999. Additional information regarding current vacancies is located on the bulletin board outside the Human Resources office in the Wright Administration Building, the bulletin board located in the front lobby of the Wright Administration Building and on the USI Job Line (812/465-7117) or visit our web site at www.usi.edu/hr. The University of Southern Indiana is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 11246 and is an Affirmative Action Employer. Interested individuals should contact the Human Resources office, Wright Administration Building, FWA 166, 812/464-1844. When applying for a position, please use the reference number.

CLERICAL/SUPPORT

Administrative Assistant - B9025 - Social Work - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/4/99 - OP2/\$7.33/hr.

Administrative Assistant - B9026 - Student Financial Assistance - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/4/99 - OP2/\$7.33/hr.

Senior Administrative Assistant - B9027 - Human Resources - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/4/99 - OP3/\$8.21/hr.

FACULTY/ADMINISTRATIVE

Developmental Educator in Reading/Study Skills - A9009 - Academic Skills - open: 5/17/99 - AD: 6/15/99

Assistant/Associate Director of Residence Life - A9010 - Residence Life - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/22/99.

Assistant Professor of Theatre - F9009 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 5/4/99 - deadline: 6/2/99.

Assistant Professor of Advertising - F9012 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 5/17/99 - deadline: 7/1/99.

Assistant Professor of Art Education - F9013 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 5/17/99 - deadline: 6/21/99.

Special Part-Time Instructor in Mathematics - F9014 - School of Science and Engineering Technology - open: 5/17/99 - deadline: 6/15/99.

Assistant Professor of German - F9015 - School of Liberal Arts - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/22/99

Assistant Professor of Physical Education - F9016 - School of Education and Human Services - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/22/99.

Instructor in Engineering Technology/Chemistry - F9017 - School of Science and Engineering Technology - open: 5/24/99 - deadline: 6/22/99.