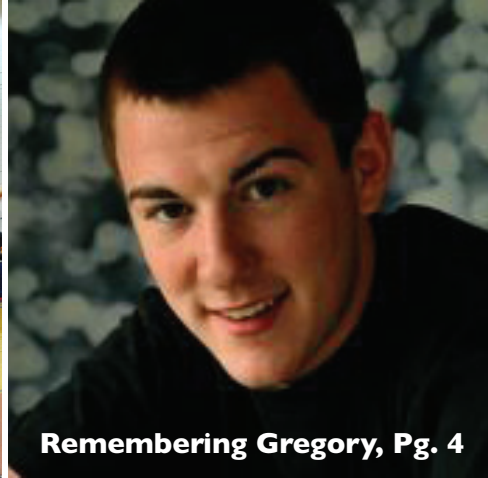


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## Third community health center opens

By **BOBBY SHIPMAN**  
Staff writer

The College of Nursing and Health Professions opened its third community health center at Lodge Community School Jan. 9.

Like its predecessors at Glenwood and Cedar Hall, the Lodge health center provides affordable treatments and exams for the community, but it is the first with an Interpreter, Jessica Hernandez, and Trilingual Nurse Practitioner, Karen Brossman, on hand.

Through a partnership with HOLA - a non-profit organization dedicated to cultural diversity and the successful inclusion of Latino's in the community - the Lodge Community Health Center looks to target the Hispanic community.

Vice President of the Board at HOLA Daniela Vidal said it

is a place where they can come on a regular basis with bilingual providers - something not previously available.

"It's going to help because, traditionally, the Latino community would just go to the Emergency Room because they don't have any other option," Vidal said. "So now having this will dramatically reduce the cost of medicine."

Vidal said the center also provides a means of preventative care, which helps to avoid pricey emergency room bills.

The health center allows patients to pay on a sliding scale fee based on income.

Outreach and Operations Manager for the Lodge Community Health Center Karen Pruitt said the center welcomes the entire community and hopes the center will help kids in school.

"If they (the kids) are in class and they are sick, you know



Nurse Karen Brossman greets Dr. Maria Bello, board member of HOLA during soft opening at Lodge Community School.

Photo By **BOBBY SHIPMAN**/The Shield

they are not learning if they are not comfortable," Pruitt said. "Hopefully, it will be a quick fix for them."

Jan. 9's soft opening allowed the public to get a preview of the facility before it is up and running.

The center began seeing patients, with the grand opening at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Pruitt said she hopes the

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## USI falls short on LGBT support

By **ROBERTO CAMPOS**  
Staff writer

Alex Kessler sat in his residence hall bathroom for 45 minutes contemplating whether or not he would go through with a procedure which would require him to self-inject body altering hormones that would gradually transition him from female to male.

With doubt on his mind, it wasn't a fear of needles that gave Kessler hesitation, it was the idea that once he injected himself, there was no going back. The question, "Do I really want to do this?" plagued his mind until he reached the decision to proceed with the intramuscular injection and "stick" himself with a needle that would change his life.

After 45 minutes, Kessler made a decision and began his journey of becoming the person he always thought he was.

Kessler's first intramuscular hormone injection was two years

ago, and it's now something he does regularly once a week.

"When it came to going through with the injection, it was something where you hold yourself back," said Kessler, fall 2013 graduate. "I had built a great support team that I knew would support me no matter what, but you just have to finally come to terms with the decision. You have to come to terms with it yourself. I had to accept myself before anyone else could accept me."

Kessler is a member of USI's LGBT community and has had a positive experience throughout the duration of his time at USI. He attributes his positive experience to the people he has met at the university and organizations, which have empowered him.

### Campus Pride Index

Smaller public Indiana universities that are around USI's size, such as Indiana State University and Indiana University Purdue University Fort Wayne,

rank lower on the Campus Pride Index's scale.

After analyzing a campus through eight LGBT-friendly factors, the Campus Pride Index gives universities star ratings based on its findings. Factors that are taken into consideration include academic life, campus safety and policies and practices.

To acquire the data, each of the eight factors makes up 50 questions, which are used to determine what services or support outlets universities provide for the LGBT issues. Some of the information gathered on USI was outdated.

Of the 10 Indiana universities ranked, Indiana University ranks the highest with five stars.

"I think that USI has definitely started taking baby steps with LGBT issues," Kessler said. "I think there is so much more that they can do. No campus is perfect, but we do have things like Safe Zone and the student organization S.A.F.E. for the LGBT

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## Are we prepared for crisis?

*Natural disasters pose concerns, too*

By **JAMES VAUGHN**  
News editor

*What if a student were to come face-to-face with a gunman? What if a tornado set its sights on the university? What if the campus began shaking traumatically?*

The above scenarios are ones Associate Professor of Geology James Durbin and Public Safety Assistant Director Stephen Bequette think students and faculty should be asking themselves.

Last week, *The Shield* took a look at potential man-made disasters. This week, the focus is on potential natural disasters.

USI lies on unnamed, inactive fault lines but sits just 145 miles northeast of the New Madrid Seismic Zone, and 20 miles east of the Wabash Valley Seismic Zone (WVSZ), which are both active, said James Durbin, associate professor of geology.

In fact, scientists have been studying the New Madrid for 200 years. A series of large, destructive earthquakes occurred along a fault in 1811 and 1812.

In 2008, a magnitude 5.2 quake and dozens of aftershocks occurred along a fault that is part of the WVSZ.

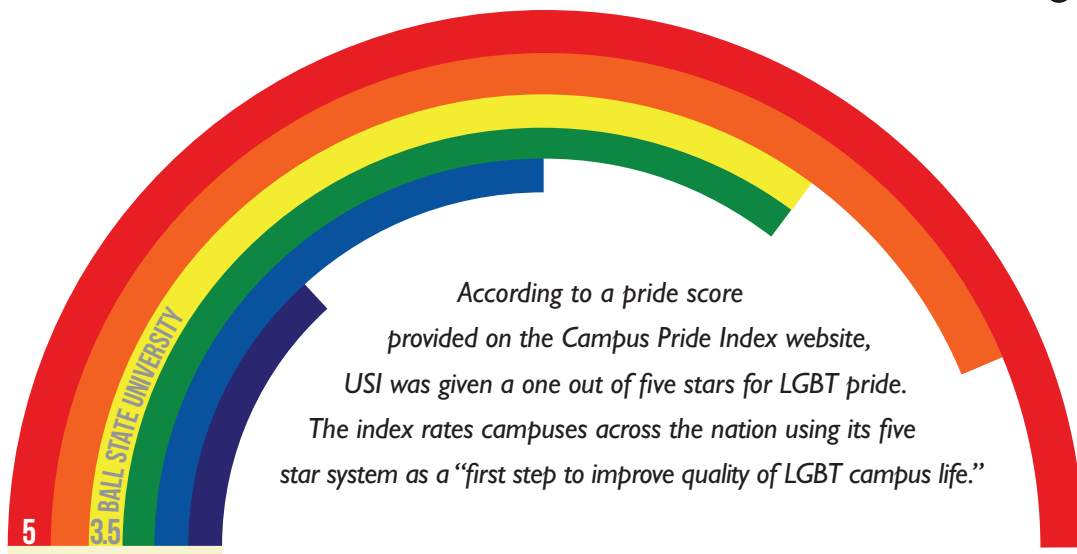
"There's a pretty long record of large earthquakes that goes back thousands of years," Durbin said. "It's pretty significant that the New Madrid is quite capable of generating big quakes and has a history of doing so."

He said the university has adopted stringent building codes. "We get to tour buildings as they're putting them up," he said. "They're designed to be damaged by large earthquakes but to withstand that damage long enough to allow people inside to escape."

Even if the building doesn't collapse, lights and ceiling tiles could fall.

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## State Universities LGBT Pride Ranking



## Bill could prohibit universities from banning firearms

By **JESSIE HELLMANN**  
Staff writer

Guns on university campuses and other state-owned properties, like courthouses and government buildings, could soon be a reality if a bill sitting in the Indiana House of Representatives passes.

House Bill 1018, authored by Rep. Jim Lucas (R-69), would prohibit state agencies, including state-supported colleges and universities, from banning firearms on land or buildings owned or leased by the state.

"I just basically wanted to try

to get the state back in the position where it respects peoples' natural right to defend themselves, and I want to decriminalize self-defense," Lucas said. "We can have all the laws on books (banning firearms), but bad people will do bad things."

If passed, the law would void any policies a state agency has regarding firearms on its property as of July 1.

USI's firearms policy bans the transfer, sale, use of and possession of guns on campus, with possible disciplinary action held to those who break the policy.

Lucas said the law wouldn't

make campuses unsafe but would actually make them safer.

He used the Virginia Tech Massacre as an example - an event that left 33 dead at the hands of one gunman.

"It was a tragic shooting on a campus, and all were unarmed, and all were unable to defend themselves," Lucas said. "I've spoken with far too many people, particularly educators, who are left defenseless in positions like this."

He said his constituents show support for HB 1018.

"People are waking up to the fact that they're the ones follow-

ing laws, and what we keep hearing are gun-free zones are target rich environments for people," he said. "The state constitution even says that the people should have a right to bear arms for defense of self and state. It's already in the laws, it's just throughout the years, that right has been infringed upon."

The bill currently awaits action in the public policy committee.

A similar bill failed to pass through the senate the past two legislative sessions.

Indiana Senate Bill (SB) 0181 in 2012 and SB 0097 in 2013,

both authored by Sen. Jim Banks (R-17), aimed to allow those with the valid license to carry firearms on state properties.

Both bills died in committee.

Brian Anslinger, a senior business administration and marketing and finance major, said he believes those who possess a license to carry should be allowed to do so on college campuses.

"How often have you heard of a shooter stopping at the edge of a college campus instead of proceeding on their shooting spree because they weren't allowed to have guns on campus?" he said. "Criminals don't care about the

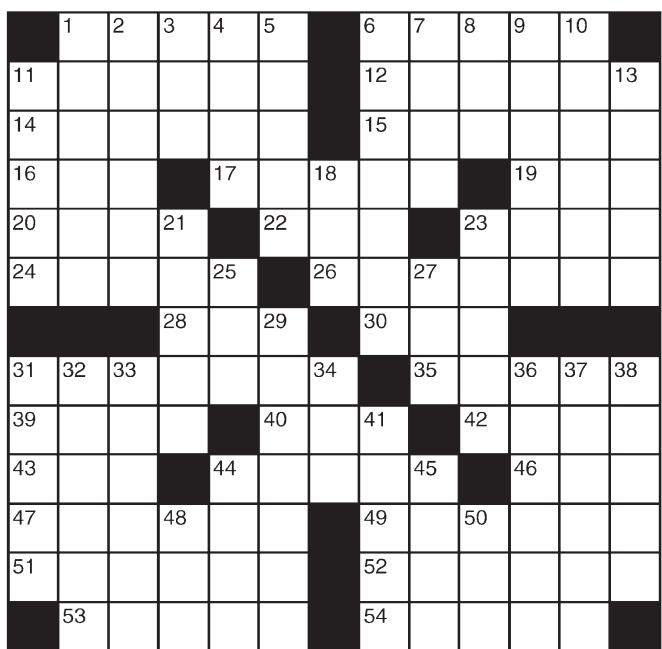
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## PUZZLES

### King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Thick slices
- 6 Modeling materials
- 11 John le Carre spy
- 12 Excursion
- 14 Impede
- 15 RV
- 16 Scepter topper
- 17 Cleavage-hiding scarf
- 19 Shell game need
- 20 "So be it"
- 22 "You've got mail" co.
- 23 Bacterium
- 24 Suitable for singing
- 26 Nobility member
- 28 Enjoyment
- 30 Hearty quaff
- 31 Parlor pieces
- 35 Phi Beta —
- 39 Quarry
- 40 30-Across provider
- 42 Mountain lake
- 43 Anger
- 44 Wheat bundle
- 46 Central
- 47 Monkey (with)
- 49 Put a — on (deaden)



- 51 Sound system
- 52 Lubricate
- 53 Decorate
- 54 Dadaist Max
- DOWN**
- 1 Sleazy
- 2 Lithe
- 3 Jungfrau, for one
- 4 Complaint
- 5 Middle East nation
- 6 Coiled part of the inner ear
- 7 Waikiki
- wingding
- 8 \$ dispenser
- 9 "Hooray!"
- 10 Villainous looks
- 11 Sandbar
- 13 Metric measures
- 18 Officer of the law
- 21 Swell
- 23 Terrific
- 25 Prompt
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- 31 Skewers
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- 48 Expert
- 50 Chaps

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### GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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**DIFFICULTY: ★★**

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

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### TOP TEN MOVIES

1. Frozen (PG) animated
2. Paranormal Activity: The Marked Ones (R) Andrew Jacobs, Jorge Diaz
3. The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (PG-13) Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman
4. The Wolf of Wall Street (R) Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill
5. American Hustle (R) Christian Bale, Amy Adams
6. Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues (PG-13) Will Ferrell, Christina Applegate
7. Saving Mr. Banks (PG-13) Emma Thompson, Tom Hanks
8. The Secret Life of Walter Mitty (PG) Ben Stiller, Kristen Wiig
9. The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (PG-13) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson
10. Grudge Match (PG-13) Robert De Niro, Sylvester Stallone

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#### Top 10 Pop Singles

- This Week Last Week
1. Eminem feat. Rihanna No. 1 "The Monster"
  2. Pitbull feat. Ke\$ha No. 2 "Timber"
  3. One Republic No. 3 "Counting Stars"
  4. Lorde No. 5 "Royals"
  5. A Great Big World & Christina Aguilera No. 4 "Say Something"
  6. Imagine Dragons No. 6 "Demons"
  7. Passenger No. 9 "Let Her Go"
  8. Katy Perry No. 11 "Roar"
  9. One Direction No. 10 "Story of My Life"
  10. Avicii No. 8 "Wake Me Up!"

#### Top 10 Albums

1. Beyonce No. 1 "Beyonce"
2. One Direction No. 3 "Midnight Memories"
3. Eminem No. 6 "The Marshall Mathers LP 2"
4. Soundtrack No. 8 "Frozen"
5. Katy Perry No. 7 "Prism"
6. Garth Brooks No. 2 "Blame It All on My Roots: Five Decades of Influences"
7. Lorde No. 11 "Pure Heroine"
8. Miley Cyrus No. 17 "Bangerz"
9. Imagine Dragons No. 16 "Night Visions"
10. Kelly Clarkson No. 5 "Wrapped in Red"

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## News Briefs

### Update on Durham

Graduate Studies Director Wesley Durham appeared in court Jan. 9, on charges of domestic battery in the presence of a child under 16 - a Class D felony. The court entered a preliminary plea of not guilty on behalf of Durham, who was arrested Jan. 5, after an incident with his wife, a USI professor. Durham is due to appear in court again at 9 a.m. Feb. 20. He posted a \$500 bond and the court approved his request to travel to Kentucky to live with his parents. University officials said they are aware of the arrest and will "take the appropriate amount of time to review the matter."

### Board approves Conference Center

The Board of Trustees approved construction of a \$5.75 million Conference Center Jan. 9, during its regular meeting in Indianapolis. "We should be ready to start construction sometime in the summer of 2014," said Stephen Helfrich, director of facility operations and planning, in a recent article in *The Shield*. "It will probably take about 15 months to build and if started on time, we could be finished toward the end of the fall to winter of 2015." The Center will be built on the west side of Reflection Lake and offer sweeping views of campus.

## USI Security Incident Log

01/08/14-01/14/14

Property Damage - University	Ruston Hall
961 University Center	01/12/14 2:48 a.m.
01/08/14 11:36 a.m.	Closed
Closed	
Fire - False Alarm (Construction or	Injury Report
O'Bannon Hall	Ruston Hall
01/08/14 12:43 p.m.	01/12/14 2:48 a.m.
Closed	Closed
Fire - False Alarm (Construction or	Fire - Alarm - Cooking
981 Varsity Drive	Governors Hall
01/08/14 5:30 a.m.	01/12/14 3:43 a.m.
Closed	Closed
Property Damage - University	Suspicious Circumstances
Newman Hall	8135A O'Daniel Lane
01/08/14 9:54 a.m.	01/12/14 3:43 p.m.
Closed	Closed
Code of Conduct - Explosives/Fireworks	Illness Report
Parking Lot M	Technology Center
01/09/14 7:07 p.m.	01/14/14 11:41 a.m.
Closed	Closed
Property Damage - University	Fire - Faulty Alarm
O'Bannon Hall	O'Bannon Hall
01/10/14 11:27 a.m.	01/14/14 4:06 p.m.
Closed	Closed
Injury Report	Injury Report
Physical Activities Center	University Center (West)
01/11/14 1:40 p.m.	01/14/14 9:28 a.m.
Closed	Closed
Battery - Incident	

Information gathered from USI's Public Crime Log, provided by USI Safety and Security.

#### Crime Log Key

- Case suspended: No suspects listed, no leads. No follow up investigation unless new information arises.
- Case cleared: The incident is resolved, suspect was identified and will be adjudicated appropriately.
- Case pending: On hold, awaiting new information.
- Violation of University Policy: Violation of the Student's Rights and Responsibilities.
- Failure to comply with a university official: Any university official, from an area coordinator to a security officer.
- Residential entry: Someone walked into the residence. This is different than burglary because burglary is entering with intent to commit a felony.

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community, but there's so much more to be done like policies that need to be looked at and need to be rewritten or added."

Some students question whether or not USI has "LGBT inclusive counseling/support groups" and "trains campus polices on sexual orientation issues." But they are provided on campus. USI security officers go through Safe Zone training, and the counseling center provides LGBT counseling.

Safe Zone is an initiative founded by Assistant Professor of Psychology Amie McKibban that hosts three-hour training, provides basic terminology of sexual identity and sexual orientation, as well as a number of activities and group discussions for the Tri-State community.

The index's website highlights that the work it does has its limitations, stating that it "is not a replacement or substitute for campus pride research which examines more holistically campus attitudes/perceptions of LGBT and Ally campus life."

#### House Joint Resolution-3

USI's Faculty Senate passed a statement that opposed HJR-6 (now HJR-3) Dec. 13. The Senate joined IU, Butler University, the University of Evansville and other Indiana universities in opposing the proposed amendment to the Indiana Constitution.

Evansville Mayor Lloyd Winnecke and the Evansville City Council also oppose the resolution.

If passed, HJR-3 would permanently define marriage as between a man and a woman in the Indiana Constitution - same-sex laws that were put into place prior to the proposed amendment would be rendered ineffective.

HJR-3 is currently being discussed in the Indiana General Assembly.

Garret Merriam, assistant professor of philoso-

phy, brought HJR-6 to the attention of the Senate during its Nov. 8, meeting.

Merriam was one of eight senators who voted to pass a statement that opposed the resolution.

He made a statement in an effort to persuade senators to vote for the opposition of the bill.

"The job of the faculty, of course, is to educate students," Merriam said. "How can we possibly do that if we do not stand with them and do what we can to protect them from discrimination?"

Senators that were against approving a statement that opposed HJR-6 argued that it was not the Faculty Senate's duty to make such a statement.

#### USI and LGBT issues

The USI community has made strides in providing services and support systems for the LGBT community through efforts of students and faculty. But SGA's Executive Vice President Brian Anslinger doesn't think the university has moved as fast as they could have.

"I know when you've got a university our size - a medium size university - and you're trying to balance the wants and needs of all the different diverse groups, sometimes that can get hard. I think the university is trying to do something that won't be negative toward any one group and sometimes don't take action and it has the reverse effect."

Students Advocating for Equality (S.A.F.E.), formally known as Spectrum, is a student organization at USI created in 2000 as an effort to educate the USI community on LGBT issues and myths, as well as promote tolerance for members of the LGBT community and other minorities.

"I would say that the administration at USI does a really good job of addressing issues that students

are bringing up," said Rei Poynter, S.A.F.E. president. "In comparison to other universities of the same size or smaller private colleges, I think we're doing a really good job of addressing LGBT issues."

As of Jan. 1, 2010, USI began providing employees same-sex benefits, which include: medical benefits, paid sick leave and access to USI's Children's Learning Center.

Poynter is part of the Student Government Association's Social and Cultural Issues Committee, which looks at issues the student body are faced with from a diversity standpoint.

"There's always room for more education about different topics within the LGBT minorities," Poynter said. "Then of course the issues of who funds the university and the people who are involved with the final decision making process who might not agree with what we would like to see in the university."

The Counseling Center, along with Safe Zone, have hosted seminars to educate members of the community.

Safe Zone, while founded and maintained by USI professors, is an initiative that acts separately from USI. McKibban was told in an email from USI's Vice President of Business Affairs Mark Rozewski to add a statement to Safe Zone's website.

The statement reads: "This is not an official website of the University of Southern Indiana, and the views expressed herein are not the official views of, nor are they endorsed by, the University of Southern Indiana."

Rozewski was unable to be reached for a comment in regards to the statement.

"I felt fear, and I was hurt after receiving that email," McKibban said. "The fear was because Safe Zone covers sensi-

tive issues - hurt because this program has meant the world to me. It is not only professional, but personal, and we have made an impact and a difference."

Alex Kessler is someone McKibban has affected directly through her work with Safe Zone and the LGBT community, which inspired him to go through Safe Zone training and work to empower others in the community like she did for him.

McKibban was the first person Kessler came out to about becoming transgender.

Safe Zone and McKibban have won several awards for the progress the initiative has made. Most recently, McKibban and Safe Zone Co-Founder, Stephanie Young, received the Willie Effie Thomas Organizational Diversity Award from Mayor Winnecke in September.

Though Safe Zone has provided training to the Tri-State community and has won awards, McKibban said more work needs to be done. She cites being endorsed by the university as a way to help further the progress made by the initiative, as well as university courses incorporating LGBT elements of learning.

"I think all the (LGBT issues) are challenging - these are not black and white decisions that are made - they are very complex because they involve people's lives," Rochon said. "The more opportunities to sit down and speak with people about how they feel and what they've been through, the more things you can do to proactively support people, but it takes time and that's evident. Most effectively, those things happen because people are engaged in conversations and are learning more about the human condition of other communities through that engagement."

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center will host events similar to those held at Glenwood and Cedar Hall.

"We do try to hold different health fairs throughout these clinics," Pruitt said. "They are women's and men's health days. For instance, on the women's health days, we provide free pap

smears and then we will have St. Mary's come and set up their portable mammogram unit and they get free mammograms as well."

"Our primary mission is we are open to anyone. Whether they have insurance or not, we'll see them," Pruitt said. "No one is turned away."

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"USI hasn't taken it lightly from the construction standpoint," Durbin said. "But I have to say, from other standpoints, in my humble opinion, it's not doing a very good job."

He said he has experienced two campus-wide drills in the past two years.

When it comes to earthquakes, Durbin said he asks his students, "What are you going to do?"

He estimated 95 percent or higher of those students have no idea.

"Most of them, even if they do know, are going to be so shocked they won't know what to do when it actually happens," he said.

Durbin said no one has

been given clear guidance on where they're supposed to go.

"There was an instance a year or two ago - there was a fire up in the greenhouse," he said. "We had to evacuate the science building, and we were standing outside in this kind of weather (cold). We didn't know whether it was a drill or not. We had no communication. All we knew is that we couldn't go back into our building. The fire trucks came and left, and we were standing out there like, 'When is it going to be OK for us to go back in?' We stood outside for almost an hour until somebody finally said it was OK."

### FIREARMS continued from Pg. 1

laws."

Anslinger said he is licensed to carry but has to leave his handgun at home when he comes to campus.

"Carrying a gun doesn't make you irresponsible or dangerous," he said. "I

He said tornadoes are another concern because they can happen at any time.

Southern Indiana is notorious for November tornadoes.

Durbin, who has taught at the university for 13 years, said he has never experienced a severe weather drill.

"I know where to go, but almost nobody else does," Durbin said. "Nobody guides us as to where we're going to go."

He said there are few guidelines on the web.

"They're there," said Kindra Strupp, assistant vice president for marketing and communications, in reference to the Emer-

gency Action Plan and the Emergency Procedures Guide. "I think it's one of those things you can always improve upon, no matter how good you think you are or not."

The Emergency Procedures Guide is available on the university's website at <http://www.usi.edu/Risk-MGT/PDF/Emergency-Procedures.pdf>. It details, step-by-step, emergency-by-emergency, what to do during crisis situations.

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UP NEXT: The final puzzle piece will be put into place as The Shield tackles the university's plan of action. Find out who really knows what to do in next week's issue.

I don't want to see," McGrath said. "Most, if not all, schools have campus security. Licensed and lawful gun owners or not, we don't need guns on campus."

Senior accounting major Donald McGrath said he thinks allowing guns on campus would be dangerous. "It's a great thought, but we would see an increase in accidental shootings on campus - that's something



## Community runs in annual Snowflake Derby

Photos by Shannon Hall/The Shield

Runners take off at the starting line on Saturday.

By **SHANNON HALL**  
Staff writer

Genevieve Perry started running at 71 and a half years old.

"My cousin wanted me to sign up," she said. "So, we started doing 5Ks. Then, he wanted to do 10Ks."

Perry, now 77, was one of the hundred participants in the 36th annual Snowflake Derby.

Dressed in a pink visor and a pink jacket, Perry finished the 4K with a time

of 29:09.

"I didn't even mean to do this race," Perry said. "It was last minute."

This year was the fourth time she ran the Snowflake Derby.

"The first time, I fell down three times," Perry said. "The second time, I fell down four times! Last year, the people in front of me walked down the hill, and I did it too, and I didn't fall."

Saturday was high of 57, but got cold once the clouds came out and cov-

ered the sun.

But Perry said she prefers that weather than the summer.

"I get too hot in the summer," she said.

Nicki Willis also fancies running in the colder weather.

"This is the best weather to run in," she said. "It's a little colder than last year, but that's OK."

Willis, who is a USI alumnae, began running after she had her children.

"I wanted to try running and get into shape," she

said. "Now I love races and I do full marathons."

Evansville resident Bill Noll started attending the Snowflake Derby in 1984, and he has the running cap with a fluffy ball to prove it.

"It's not really the best for aerodynamics," the 65-year-old said.

Running has become second nature to Noll.

"It's a way of life," he said. "You just kind of do it."



Genevieve Perry, 77, ran her fourth Snowflake Derby race Saturday.

## Family reflects on death of freshman

By **BOBBY SHIPMAN**  
Staff writer

USI freshmen Gregory W. Dillman, 18, died of injuries sustained in a car accident early Jan. 7.

Born and raised in the small town of Carmi, Ill. - just 45 minutes outside Evansville, Ind. - Dillman spent his free time getting his hands dirty fishing, hunting or playing sports- especially teeing off on the golf course.

As a kid, he often quoted "Jurassic Park" and "Jaws," his favorite movies.

He attended Carmi-White County High



Dillman

School where he played quarterback and defensive end for the varsity football team and his region's all-conference team as a senior.

"He was never one to just be sitting around the house," said Jaclun

Klintoe, Dillman's oldest sister. "He was always doing something outdoors."

Klintoe said Dillman impacted his community.

"We are from a really small community and this has hit everyone really hard," she said. "There were over 1,000 people at his visitation. He lived in a pretty small town and a lot of people know our family and have known (Dillman) his whole life."

Dillman has another older sister, Kelsey Dillman, and many friends in Carmi.

"He was a good friend," Klintoe said. "At the visitation, a group of 10 boys

that he had known forever all got up and said he was their best friend."

She said their words were a testament to who he always was.

Dillman graduated high school in spring 2013 and completed one semester at USI as an undecided major.

"We had just talked at Christmas about trying to find a path and what he thought he'd like. He was talking about maybe geology," Klintoe said. "I think, you know, he was just like a lot of 18 years olds trying to figure out what he wanted to do."

She said he also spoke

fondly of a post civil war history class.

"It was a new thing. I mean you don't really take a post-civil war history class in high school," she said. "It was one of the classes that he was acting like he was enjoying on campus."

Looking forward to college life, Dillman hoped to make new friends at USI.

"He was just starting to meet new people (at USI)," she said. "I think he was excited. You know everybody is. It's a new adventure."

Although he enjoyed life on campus, spending five days a week at the

Physical Activities Center working out and hanging with friends, Klintoe said Dillman returned home frequently to hang with old friends, visit family and spend quality time with his girlfriend who was finishing up high school.

"He came home a lot because of her," Klintoe said.

The Dillman family expressed tremendous gratitude to USI for their overwhelming support.

"The Dean of Students called us. We got flowers from faculty and the president," Klintoe said. "We are also grateful for USI being so supportive."

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## Community supports student battling cancer

By **SHANNON HALL**  
Staff writer

Corey Cain met Zach Harris on the first day of kindergarten.

"I was nervous about my first day of school, and you need that one friend," Cain said. "And you start to click."

Up until high school, the two always watched wrestling on Monday nights.

"We don't see each other every day, but we make time to see each other," Cain said. "If we can't see each other, we'll have full conversations through texting."

On Monday and Tuesday, Cain sat with Harris at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center where Harris is undergoing chemotherapy.

USI student Zach Harris was admitted to Deaconess Hospital last weekend where, after some testing, he found out he had leukemia. He was transferred to Vanderbilt because of his declining health.

According to the Facebook page, "Stay Strong Zach Strong," Harris has had problems with clothing, which lead to internal bleeding in his head and torso.



Harris

"He's been in and out of confusion (because of his brain swelling)," Cain said.

Despite his condition, Harris remains optimistic, Cain said.

"He's been through a lot medically. Not much gets to him," Cain said.

Harris was diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy (CP) when he was a child.

"He doesn't let it affect him," Cain said. "He can do everything that you and I do - except with his legs. He still plays games. It may not be the best reaction - as you and me - but he still does it."

Despite being unable to use his legs, Harris does so much.

"You could write a book about him with all the things he's done," Cain said.

None of the doctors know how his CP will affect him and his treatment, Cain said.

"He will probably just see this as another obstacle he can overcome. He's a fighter," he said.

Harris, who is a sophomore radio and television major, announces for several of the sports activities.

The Edge radio crew found out in between the men's and women's game about Harris's condition.

"We were all so pumped for the game, but then we got the news," said Michael Roberston, one of the basketball broadcasters for The Edge. "We all realized it's just a game. There are bigger things out there besides a game."

Roberston said Harris is the type of person who is always there.

"If you weren't excited for a game, (Harris) made you excited," Roberston said. "He is so motivational."

Harris cares for a lot of people.

"If there's a cause that needs help, he's there," said Olivia Scott, one of Harris's friends since middle school.

Scott created the Facebook page for Zach around

5 p.m. Monday - 24 hours later, that page has more than 2,500 "likes."

"I'm the kind of person who has to stay busy," she said. "I just can't think about it. I'm so torn up about it."

Scott is also organizing a fundraiser at Hacienda Restaurant. Hacienda will give 20 percent of the sales to Harris and his family.

"It's very expensive for the family," Scott said. "They have gas, meals and eventually medical bills to pay."

Harris's dad and his caregiver want to stay at the hospital house, but the waiting list is two weeks, Scott said.

"Hotels are so expensive there - it's like \$130 a night," she said. "His dad and his caregiver have taken turns sleeping on the floor and the bed."

"He's got a very long, hard battle for this ugly thing," Scott said.

Scott plans to visit Vanderbilt every other weekend starting with this weekend, and if anyone wants to send Harris notes or cards, she can take them to him. The best way to reach her is through the Facebook group for Harris, she said.

## Top beauty trends for 2014

By **ALEXA PHILLIPS**  
via U.Wire

As promised, I have a beauty post for you guys today! What better way to kick off my new blogging schedule (and 2014) with the top beauty trends for 2014? Some of these are trends among the celebrity crowd, while others were seen on the runways in the fall. Take these for what you will, but expect to see buzz about them in the industry all year long.

### 1. Orange

As seen on the runways in New York and Milan, orange on the lips and nails are the way to go for the spring. As much as I love to follow to the trends, orange is not the color for me. Feel the same way? Not to worry, expect to see plenty of orchid, as it is the Pantone color of the year.

### 2. Designer hair tools

I have a love/hate relationship with this trend. Don't get me wrong, I have bought the concept that "designer is better" in the past, but I'm sure the \$30 flat iron from Remington can do the job just as well as the CHI or GHD.

### 3. "The Juice Generation"

tion"

This has created major buzz in celebrity-ridden places such as L.A. Now, juicing is easy and accessible for anyone to do (they sell kits on Amazon). Apparently they contain all necessary vitamins and minerals in a single cup.

### 4. Dance

Not only is it an amazing stress reliever, Dance is also a great workout (Zumba anyone?). It provides a full body workout that can tone and strengthen just as well as yoga or pilates.

### 5. VitaGlow

Maybe not for the younger readers, but there is a new anti-aging technique where instead of being a topical that reaches only the surface, it penetrates deep into the skin. VitaGlow is a series of injectable vitamins that act as a nourishing multi-vitamin for the skin. Nutrients are delivered instantly and the glow lasts for up to six months.

### 6. Chops

In 2013, many notable celebrities chopped their long locks in favor for shorter hair. In 2014, this trend will continue. If

you are daring enough, go ahead, make the cut. If a pixie is not for you, maybe a shorter style will be more in your favor. New year, new hair!

### 7. Subdued nails

Nail art was the biggest craze in 2013, but now a more subdued manicure adds a level of sophistication to any look. Just look at the runway shows from 3.1 Phillip Lim or Nina Ricci.

### 8. New Faces

Many new models and celebrities have been made the faces of some pretty iconic brands. Gaga was brought to Versace, Lively for L'Oreal Paris, and model Cara Delevingne for YSL.

### 9. Vegans Rule the World

In addition to the gluten free food trend, many celebrities such as Jay Z and Beyonce are going vegan to prove that it is no longer for the extreme, but rather for the moderate.

### 10. The It Hair Color

What's a year without having an "it" hair color? This year, it just happens to be bleached out tips with dark roots.

### 11. Roses Return

Many perfumes are

returning to roses as the main floral scent for the year. Chloe's Roses de Chloe is one of many perfumes embracing this timeless flower.

### 12. Body Transformations

This trend is to keep the old young. From exfoliation to collagen-boosting lights, these trends are now becoming mainstream as more can do them from the home rather than visiting a professional. Proof? Just look at the VS Angels.

### 13. Even Out

Innovative products that can be used in the evening are giving Botox a run for it's money. Brands such as Shiseido are reaching for naturals such as pearl extracts and super yeast to even out those wrinkles.

### 14. Beauty and Fashion Brands Unite

Designers that typically produce clothes are now dipping into the beauty industry, offering a cosmetics line under their name. Just look at Marc Jacobs who produced a successful makeup line for Sephora.

Hope this was helpful in guiding your beauty for the next year. So much to try, so little time!

## REVIEWS

MUSIC, MOVIES, MORE...

### "Saving Mr. Banks"

I liked "Saving Mr. Banks."

I found it serves as a rather beautiful and insightful character study into the life of early twentieth-century British author P. L. Travers, the woman responsible for bringing us the beloved "Mary Poppins."

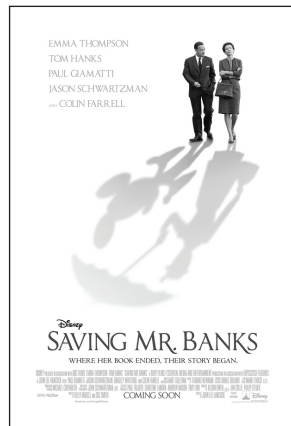
British actress Emma Thompson brings Pamela Travers to life with the help of a fine supporting cast of actors, including Tom Hanks as Walt Disney, Colin Farrell, Jason Schwartzman, B. J. Novak and Paul Giamatti.

The charm of the movie exists much in the way that the charm of the movie "Finding Neverland" does. Being able to see reality juxtaposed with fantasy seems to be a formula for success.

My critique of "Saving Mr. Banks" is more or less my critique of Disney. I feel that the events and characters in this movie, though at first seemingly authentic, could have been skewed in Disney's favor.

Rating 3.5/5 ★★★★★

By **JAKE TAPLEY**, Staff writer



According to numerous sources, P. L. Travers was, to say the least, dissatisfied with the Disney movie adaptation of "Mary Poppins" and refused to collaborate with Disney again.

This far exceeds the disapproval conveyed in the movie and begs to question the accuracy of certain details.

But regardless of the discrepancies, there is certainly more to be gained from watching "Saving Mr. Banks" than not.

And it is one of the better family movies that I've seen as of late.

### "The Wolf on Wall Street"

Blending dark humor with social relativism, Martin Scorsese's latest blockbuster takes an infectiously irreverent look into the shark-filled waters of late 1980s stock-broking.

The movie follows aspiring stock-broker, Jordan Belfort (Leonardo DiCaprio) as he founds his own brokerage firm, Stratton Oakmont. Belfort's speedy success catapults him into affluence and notoriety, earning him the title "The Wolf of Wall Street."

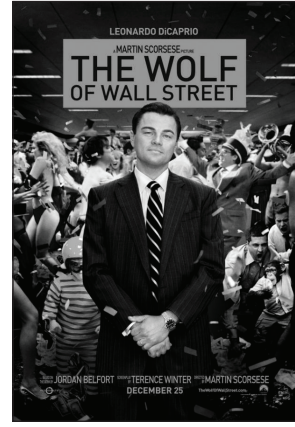
The age-old story of power and corruption forefronts Scorsese's coarse cinematic endeavor as Belfort shirks his all-American lifestyle for one of sex, drugs and mucho dinero.

Belfort's tenacious loyalty (not so much to his spouses as to Stratton Oakmont) and ambition make him a god among his employees and instills respect among moviegoers. An admiration which decays as audiences watch Belfort succumb to the curse of money as he becomes an abusive drug addict with the moral conviction of a crooked politician.

"The Wolf of Wall Street" introduces a tide

Rating 5/5 ★★★★★

By **BOBBY SHIPMAN**, Staff writer



of vain, brash characters whose distastefully egocentric personas are sweetened solely by their ability to wind audiences with laughter. DiCaprio's pitch-perfect portrayal of power-hungry Belfort strips away any preconceived notions I had of his predictably consistent roles (as well as all of his clothes).

His ability to make a disgusting human being not only likeable but inspiring, creates a polarizing and memorable character sure to be the topic of many moral debates. Easily one of the best movies of 2013, this Scorsese/DiCaprio combo platter makes for a delectably raunchy film sprinkled with cautionary tales of success, power, hookers, gay orgies, cocaine and Quaaludes.

## Actress Jasmine Guy to speak at MLK Luncheon

By **SHANNON HALL**  
Staff writer

Actress Jasmine Guy will be the keynote speaker at USI's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Luncheon.

The luncheon will start at 11 a.m. Monday in Carter Hall.

Chelsea Brown grew up watching Guy play Whitley Gilbert in "A Different World."

Brown, 2013 fall graduate and part-time worker at the Multicultural Center, has gone to several of the MLK Luncheons.

"You get to see that these people are real people," she said. "It gives

you insight to them." Guy is most commonly known for her role as

### Fast Facts

**MLK Luncheon**  
11 a.m. Monday  
Carter Hall  
Tickets cost \$15 and are available in the Multicultural Center in UC East

Whitley Gilbert on the "The Cosby Show" spinoff, "A Different World." She won six consecutive NAACP awards for that role.

Brown plans on going to the luncheon again.

"Students should see it as motivation that a regular person can do anything they want," she said. "I'm going to see a different take on this person's life."

The MLK Luncheon allows students to see a glimpse of their past, said Pamela Hopson, Multicultural Center director.

"Even though it hasn't been so long ago, young people are so far removed from that time," she said.

Martin Luther King Jr. stood up for what he believed in, Hopson said.

"We're talking about equality. Student(s) can't grasp that concept," Hop-

son said. "It's important to keep in our minds. We want to pass the torch. It's our responsibility to help them understand their history."

A book signing with Guy will be at 12:30 p.m. Her books are available at the USI Campus Store.

Hopson suggests buying them beforehand because it lets students get in line faster, she said.

From 1:15 to 2:15 p.m., Guy will be available for a short, personal meeting where students can ask her questions.

MLK Luncheon tickets cost \$15, and they will be available in the Multicultural Center in UC East.



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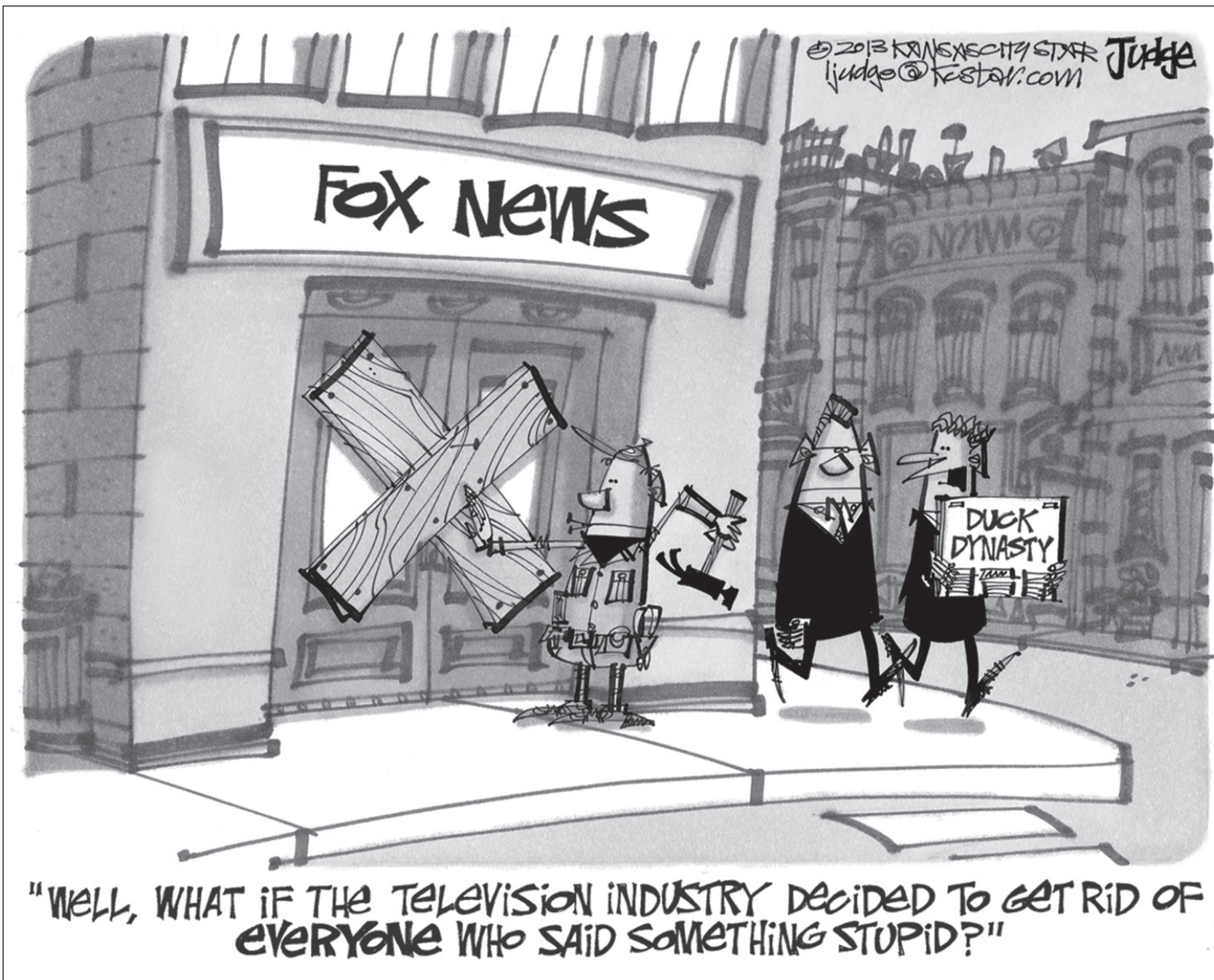
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## Reading provides opportunity to expand yourself

By **SHANNON HALL**  
Editor-in-Chief

I'm attempting to read 100 books in a year. That's approximately two books a week.

But I'll get back to that.

When I was in elementary school, my teacher didn't like Hooked on Phonics, so he didn't use that to teach us. That was the year to learn phonics, and I missed out.

It has resulted in my absolutely horrible pronunciation of words. I hate reading out loud in classes because I get nervous and mispronounce simple words I know.

See, I'm perfectly fine at speaking - I hear words, and I know the meanings. Spelling them or seeing a word I use can be difficult at times, though.

I credit my vocabulary completely to reading. The Harry Potter series made me want to read.

I've noticed that my Facebook posts consist of "That's awesome," or "This is super cool," or "Amazing."

Fail whale for me be-

cause I'm also a creative writing major.

I know I haven't read as many books the past few years because I'm reading articles for the paper or articles for research papers or novels for my class.

But I'm going to do my very best to read 100 this year.

Not only have I noticed that my Facebook posts are boring, but I've seen more and more errors on Facebook. I'm as guilty as anyone.

Some of these "errors" are not errors - I think people really don't realize they made a mistake.

The most common word I've seen misused was "aloud," as in "I'm not aloud to go outside today."

Sure, I gave people the benefit of a doubt. Hey, they were in a rush and it just didn't hit them.

But then it happened to the same person at least three times.

I really do understand that people make mistakes on social media, but three times using "aloud" as "allowed"?

I've heard so many col-

lege graduates say they never want to open a book again. I get it - school work/books are not fun.

But if we don't continue to read, I don't think our generation will expand themselves much more.

We are in college, and we are here to get educated and get degrees. I don't know about you, but I don't want to look dumb because I stopped reading.

I know not everyone loves to read like I do, but try reading something other than BuzzFeed (60 percent of what I do online nowadays...).

Read the newspaper. Read the book that's about to become a movie. Buy a book of poems and read one a day.

So while I take this challenge, I dare you to read more than you usually do. It doesn't have to be much. But just know, I will judge you if you spell "aloud" instead of "allowed" more than once.

Also - if anyone has some incredible books for me to read - send me an email with the book/author.

## Show some support to the athletes

By **BRENNA WU**  
Staff writer

It has come to my attention that most of USI's school spirit is put into extra-curricular activities, which is great for the university, but what about the athletic teams around campus?

Coming into my first year at USI, I expected basketball games to be packed with a student section cheering different chants and different types of themes at each game. My high school was greatly known for their insane school spirit at athletic events. We even had a particular club that organized people going to all the athletic events and cheering for the team.

But, college has shown me differently.

On a retreat this weekend, one of my mentors told me that she was chastised for cheering for the players at a basketball game. I was immediately shocked at how little USI supports the athletic teams around the campus.

To become a well-rounded campus, USI needs to look at expanding the spirit for athletics.

I know, on campus,

there is RedZone, which is basically a cheer zone for sporting events. But, I rarely see that particular group at certain sporting events. I think I have seen them once during the fall at a soccer game with red-painted faces.

What about supporting the rugby team, the basketball team and the tennis team?

A great chunk of students who recently graduated high school are very involved in sporting events, but I fear once they come to USI, a good majority will be turned off at how little invested the student body is with their fellow athletes.

USI already gives students free admission, which is a bonus, but maybe the RedZone needs to look into advertising to get people to support the teams at USI. They might do things which could include having a student punch card and after so many punches, the students may get something free from the athletic side of USI.

USI definitely needs to look into our sporting teams and the great contribution they give to the name USI.

## RAVE serves as helpful resource to students

By **JAKE TAPLEY**  
Staff writer

Since we recently launched the safety series about how the university plans to react to various disasters, I figured it would be a good time to plug something that has been on my mind lately: USI Rave.

I'm not here to say that Rave is the be-all and end-all of campus safety.

But I do think that I, along with many other students, often take its ser-

vices for granted.

Think about it. Every time there are inclement weather conditions, you get a call or text informing you about it.

I have it set up to where I get both, which I typically find to be annoying.

Really though, what's annoying about being consistently helpful? I need a reality check.

A few days ago - I can't remember how many - I received both a phone call and text telling me that the

Office of Public Safety's phone line had been interrupted.

Both messages provided me with an alternate number to call if I needed to reach the office for some reason.

Of course, when I first answered the phone call and received the text, I determined that it didn't really concern me at the time because I wasn't on campus.

So I dismissed it as unimportant.

It wasn't until I got the second call and text telling me that the phone line was functioning again that I realized how big of a deal this sequence of events really was.

Even if it didn't affect me directly, it still kept me in the loop and made me feel that I am in good hands when I'm on campus.

It's easy to forget the role that other people and organizations play in your life.

It's easy, even, to view yourself as the hero of your story: the character who all things are affected by. But it's never that simple.

There are always people working to make things easier for you - people who often go unthanked yet trudge on to perform their duty.

So take time to be thankful for those people. And next time you get a message from USI Rave, just remember that someone is looking out for you.

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## Player becomes 5th Eagle to win title

*Nelson named Bulletin National Player of the Month for DII*



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Aaron Nelson prepares to go up for a basket on Saturday against Drury University.

By **DENNIS MARSHALL**  
Staff writer

Aaron Nelson, a senior forward for the USI men's basketball team, was named Division II Bulletin National Player of the Month for December, which makes him the fifth Eagle in the program's history to win the award. "Yeah, it feels pretty good. Especially because my team is playing pretty good. We got some quality wins over some good teams," Nelson said. "It's

just about going out there (and) helping my team any way I can, rebounding, scoring, whatever."

Nelson, who averages 21.9 points and 14.3 rebounds per game, has had a double-double in all 12 of the Eagles's games this season - a USI record. On Dec. 7, Nelson had 31 points and 27 rebounds against Kentucky State.

Nelson originally went to Southwestern Illinois College (11.4 points and 6.1 rebounds) in Belleville, Ill., after he gradu-

ated from Bloom Township High School, where he was named honorable mention All-State after averaging 26 points and 12 rebounds in a season.

Nelson, a Chicago Heights native, said he chose USI because of the relationship he had with Coach Rodney Watson.

"I've known Coach Watson since high school, and he has always been around during my recruiting process," Nelson said.

Before transferring to USI, Nelson also played

one season for Highland Community College (10.2 points and 6.6 rebounds) in Freeport, Ill.

"We tried to recruit him out of high school but didn't get him," said Pete Norman, Highland's athletic director. "He had a very good year for us. He had some injury problems early but he finished up very strong."

Nelson was recovering from a torn anterior cruciate ligament and a torn medial collateral ligament in his left knee.

Norman said he developed a great relationship with Nelson because he was the one who recruited him to Highland.

Norman stepped down as basketball coach and became athletic director the same year that Nelson arrived at Highland.

"What I remember most is that (Nelson) has a great public personality, and he just always seemed to have a smile on his face," Norman said. "On the basketball court, besides being a force down low, what

stood out about Nelson is his soft touch around the basket and his consistency at the free throw line for a big man."

Other former players to win the award are Jamar Smith (December 2009), Chris Thompson (November 2005, January 2006), Randy Holbrook (January 2005) and Wayne Houston (December 1997).

## Women's team doesn't look back

By **SHANNON HALL**  
Staff writer

The women's basketball team lost to Drury University Saturday after going on a conference run.

"It was a little disheartening and hard to take, but we don't have time to wait around," said Rick Stein, head coach of the women's basketball team. "We play Thursday. We play Saturday, Monday, Thursday, Saturday. We're in the meat of it now," Stein said.

The Eagles and Drury were neck and neck all game Saturday, but a buzzer beater ended the game with Drury getting the win, 91-89.

"We don't have weeks to break it down," Stein said. "We're in the middle of conference plays. We (have) got to get our focus right."

USI got behind on its

rebounds, getting only 27 compared to the average 42 for the 2013-2014 season.

"The defensive plays (are) our definite focal points," Stein said. "We make sure those are done in every drill so they can bring them over to the game."

When USI plays Thursday and Saturday games, Stein said it's hard to look back over the game because they have another game to prepare for.

The next two games - St. Joseph College and University of Indianapolis - will be different.

"St. Joes's coach is competing at a high level compared to last year," Stein said. "UIndy - they are in the top 16 in the country, and they are playing like it."

He hopes students come out to the games this week,

he said.

"It's nice that the students are back," Stein said. "I think we get good crowds, but I think we could have great crowds. Once they come to the games, I think they would enjoy watching our teams and would come back."

If people do come out, the next two games are against other schools in Indiana.

"I know both teams are good, and they'll bring their A game," forward/center Anna Hackert said.

That's what she plans on doing again the next few weeks with the five games approaching, she said.

The Eagles face St. Joseph's at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the Physical Activities Center. They then tip off against University of Indianapolis at 1 p.m. Saturday.



Photo by SHANNON HALL /The Shield

Anna Hackert squeezes in for a shot against Drury on Saturday at the PAC. She had 28 points.

## Upcoming Events:

### Men's Basketball

Jan. 16 vs. Saint Joseph's College (7:30 p.m.)  
Jan. 18 vs. University of Indianapolis (3:15 p.m.)

### Women's Basketball

Jan. 16 vs. Saint Joseph's College (5:15 p.m.)  
Jan. 18 vs. University of Indianapolis (1 p.m.)

All games are free to students with student ID.

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## Men face first loss, look at positives for upcoming games



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Men's basketball team loses its first game on Jan. 11, against Drury.

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The No. 8 Screaming Eagles suffered their first loss of the season 64-56 on Jan. 11 to No. 3 Drury, the defending Division II national champions.

"They were at another pace than us — going faster and playing harder than us," Gavin Schumann, junior guard, said. "Then finally in the second half we matched it. I wish we would have played with the same energy in the first half. It's a bad thing we lost but it's also a good thing because now we know what it feels (like). We will get in the gym and work harder. We don't want to feel like this again."

Aaron Nelson, the only Eagle to score in double digits, ended with 29

points and 13 rebounds and extended his USI record to 12 straight games with a double-double.

"It's not really something I think about," Nelson said. "It's just a matter of going out there and helping my team get a win."

Rodney Watson said his team played much more competitively in the second half by adjusting their intensity level on defense, but every time they made a run, Drury had an answer.

"They just kept making those 50/50 plays," Watson said. "21 points in the first half is not enough. We dug ourselves a good hole, but we fought back. Our guys believed and they stayed together. I'm really proud of them. We talked about the toughness of (the) game, and I thought we did a nice job adjusting

to that."

Games like the one against Drury allow USI to experience a "really hard pace(d)" game, Watson said.

"That was a championship caliber game, and we're fortunate to play those," he said.

Those kinds of games help prepare USI for the games this week — St. Joseph College and University of Indianapolis.

"It's all what you learn from it," Watson said. "Playing those guys is nothing but helping us."

The Eagles play St. Joseph College (4-10, 1-3) at 7 p.m. today at the Physical Activities Center, then face Indianapolis (11-1, 3-1) at 3:15 p.m. Saturday. They then head to Bellarmine (12-0, 4-0) to face the Knights on Monday.



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