



Campus to grow with students

'Master Plan' outlines campus expansion possibilities

By LIAM POLITZ
Special to The Shield

Parking garages, a pedestrian bridge and additional entrances could be in the near future for the USI campus.

The latest details of the USI master plan were discussed during the Master Plan Committee meeting Wednesday, Oct. 5 at the University Center.

The plan, presented and designed by Jim Christman and Dick Rigerink of The Campus Studio, also includes a major road re-alignment project for the loop around campus.

The Campus Studio has designed the master plan to ensure that the campus and facilities grow along with the increasing number of students.

Under the plan, USI could accommodate a maximum of about 20,100 students.

"The master plan doesn't say we have to build in these areas," said Rigerink. "But if the need is there, it outlines a reasonable way for USI to expand."

The natural features of the campus will be further emphasized under the plan. Christman said the plan emphasizes open spaces, such as courtyards or malls, near each building.

Another goal of the plan is for USI to become more of a residential campus, instead of a commuter campus. To achieve this, the current major pedestrian corridors through campus will be expanded.

Traffic flow around the campus will also be altered to aid this process. The loop around the west end of campus will be widened to allow two-

way traffic.

The south end of University Boulevard will become a pedestrian thoroughfare, with an expanded loop road taking traffic around the east side of campus.

The loop road project is about to go into the planning and design stage, said Steve Helfrich, director of Facilities, Operations and Planning for USI.

The budget for the project is about \$3.5 million, with \$2 million coming from the state and \$1.5 million in federal funding, he added.

The north end of University Boulevard will provide limited access to campus.

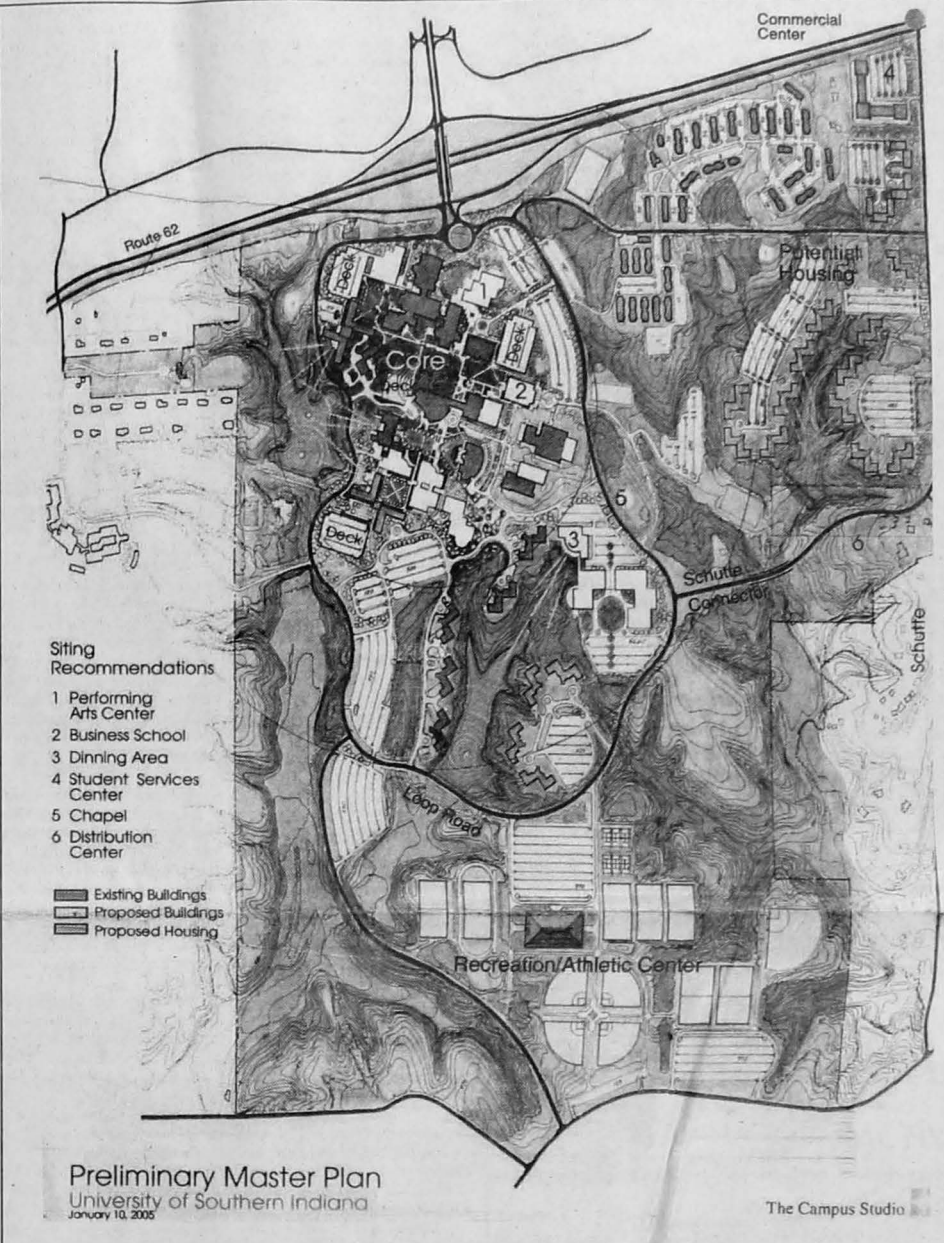
Southbound traffic on the boulevard will dead-end in a cul-de-sac turn around in front of the Orr Center, Richter said.

Another key feature of the plan will be at the campus entrance. A one-way roundabout, or circular interchange, will be located at the intersection of University Boulevard and Clark Lane.

Designs similar to this have been successful at larger schools like Michigan State University.

"The roundabout is actually much safer than the current intersection," Christman said. "The one-way traffic greatly reduces the risk of head-on accidents."

Additional campus entrances are another important element of the plan. To handle the extra traffic that would result from a large increase in the student population, entrance points could be made for Schutte Road



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Haunted houses ready for season of scare

By JENNIFER MURPHY
Special to The Shield

As Halloween rapidly approaches, area haunted houses are gearing up for a busy season.

One haunted house has allegedly received criticism for its name, with claims it is offensive to mental health patients.

The Insane Asylum agreed to change its name next year.

The Insane Asylum, donating this name for the last time,

is located on the corner of the Lloyd Expressway and Fulton Avenue and charges \$10 for admission. The attraction is open Oct. 7-31 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday.

Other haunted houses in Evansville are hearing screams, but they're not screams of complaint.

The Old Courthouse Catacombs on Fourth and Court

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- Phil Wolter, creator and director
Old Courthouse Catacombs

streets is now open and charging \$10 per person to experience their new theme, Ghosts from the Bell Tower Part One.

Phil Wolter, creator and director of the Old Courthouse

Halloween night.

"We're just acting out stories we've heard actually happened," said Wolter.

Part Two of the same theme can be seen at the House of Lector located at 325 Main St., only two blocks away from the Old Courthouse Catacombs. The price is also \$10, same as the Catacombs.

According to Wolter, also the director of the House of Lector, if visiting both houses, a "combo ticket" is available allowing entrance to both as many times in one night as desired for \$17.

These two attractions have seen some upgrades in electrical work to improve safety and quality of the attraction. "With help from the local fire department, we got some major electrical work done on the Old Courthouse Catacombs and

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Fall Festival profits fund student groups



People at the Fall Festival wait in line to get TKE strombolis. Tau Kappa Epsilon is one of many USI organizations that raised money at Fall Festival.

By JULIA HUNTER
The Shield staff

"It's hot, it's buttery, it's delicious, it's nutritious, it's CORN." Shouts such as these by Art Club member Robin McCarty helped entice people to line up to buy their corn.

Dancing and playing air guitar with a giant foam corn didn't hurt either.

Student organizations like the USI Art Club have been staples for years at the West Side Nut Club Annual Fall Festival.

Each of the organizations participates to raise money for various reasons, such as to help a favored charity or to fund the organization's formal.

At the end of this month the Art Club will be using its profits to fund a trip to Chicago to see the Sculptured Objects and Functional Art exhibition.

Some groups, such as the USI Art club, stick to the same thing

year after year.

Other groups, such as Alpha Sigma Alpha, sometimes try new, and they hope, more popular items to help boost their profits.

The Alpha Sigma Alpha booth underwent a big change. The club offered pumpkin pie and chocolate covered strawberries and did away with the previous year's fried foods.

"The booth was so chaotic last year," said Alpha Sigma Alpha sister Bethany Border.

Alpha Sigma Alpha will be donating the money it made this year to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Riley Hospital for Children, and other charities it supports.

Tau Kappa Epsilon's booth, which traditionally sells strombolis, had a very good year, said Davis Bennett, vice president of the fraternity.

"I always come to the TKE booth for stroms. They are just different. I like the peppers," said Jeff

Whitaker of Evansville.

TKE's earnings will go toward house maintenance and Eagle Food Closet, as well as donating to its favored charities, said Bennett.

Lambda Chi Alpha tried something new this year by selling Philly cheese and steak omelets on Friday and Saturday morning of the festival.

The brothers working in the booth thought of this idea after the idea of selling combo meals didn't work, said Ryan Morpheus, a Lambda Chi Alpha brother. "We were losing money."

They also sold both Coke and Pepsi this year. "Now people can come to the booth and get whatever they want," said Morpheus.

Other organizations that participated in the festival included campus fraternities Kappa Alpha and Phi Delta Theta, campus sororities Delta Zeta and Gamma Phi and USI Varsity Club.

Photo by Julia Hunter

USI sets national example

By LEAH BARR
The Shield staff

USI became the first public university in Indiana, and third in the nation, to affirm the free speech of its student press last Thursday, Oct. 6.

President H. Ray Hoops signed the free-speech affirmation after receiving a unanimous recommendation by the student publications committee.

The affirmation states that The Shield and Access USI are designated public forums.

Student editors have the authority to make all content decisions without censorship or advance approval and consequently they bear the responsibility for the actions they make.

Mike Hiestand, attorney and legal consultant for the Student Press Law Center, said the quick

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- Mike Hiestand
SPLC legal consultant

action speaks very highly for the reputation of USI.

"We're delighted to hear the news," he said. "I hope this school is the first of many in Indiana to sign."

The Student Press Law Center launched its initiative to public colleges and universities in Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin after the June Hosty v. Carter decision by the U.S. 7th Circuit Appeals Court.

The court ruled that Governors State University administrators can exercise prior review of

the student newspaper, the Innovator.

The decision overturned an earlier victory for the student editors who filed suit against the university.

Hoops had said that signing the affirmation would just be a written representation of what USI has always done.

"It's unfortunate that we're in a position where we have to require this written representation, but that's where we are right now, and it's super that they saw fit to take this step," Hiestand said.

The student publications committee also discussed the possibility of signing on as a "friend of the court" in Governors State University's supreme court appeal.

The president of SGA, Scott Carr, was present at the meeting and said he was considering presenting the idea of signing the appeal to the SGA.

Although the SPLC initiative was only extended to Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin schools, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has also signed an affirmation, and California State University administrators are considering similar action.

"Every school that signs is good news to us," Hiestand said.

SPLC will be featuring USI in a story about the initiative that will appear on its Web site at www.splc.org.

Campus Roundup

National sex speaker to appear at USI

Jay Friedman, an internationally known sex educator who's being called "the Michael Moore of sex education," will soon be telling it all in your town.

Far from a doom and gloom presentation, Friedman's lecture, The J-Spot: A Sex Educator Tells All, will entertain while educating his audience about important and timely sexuality issues.

Unafraid to tackle even the toughest sexuality issues, Friedman addresses a whirlwind of topics with sensitivity and playful humor. Friedman's presentation is poignant, powerful, playful and provocative. Audiences can expect to learn:

- The three conditions to meet before you're ready to have sex
 - The truth about whether men really explode if they don't have sex
 - The mysteriously missing sexual organ
 - How to make condoms feel oh-so-much better
 - Cross-cultural comparisons between the U.S. and other countries on sexual matters
 - The state of sex education in the U.S.—including life as a sex educator
- Students are invited to see why Friedman has earned the acclaim and adoration of audiences throughout the country and the world. The J-Spot: A Sex Educator Tells All is a lecture performance guaranteed to inspire conversations that last long after the curtain closes.

Alpha Sigma women will host Halloween bash

Alpha Sigma Alpha is hosting "Monster Mash", a Halloween themed dance party on Friday, Oct. 21, from 8 p.m. until 12 a.m. in the PAC.

The money made at this event will benefit one of the organization's national philanthropies, S. June Smith Center in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

T-shirts will be sold Oct. 10-21, underneath the UC bridge. Wear your t-shirt to Monster Mash! Come out for a good time!

Contact any member of Alpha Sigma Alpha for details, or Kristina Pelly the Philanthropic Chair of ASA.

kpelly@usieagles.org

Woolf scholar to present Community of Scholars lecture

Dr. Louise DeSalvo will describe the differences between writing about the famous and the obscure in the Community of Scholars lecture, "Writing Obscure Lives: From Virginia Woolf to my Immigrant Ancestors," on Thursday, Oct. 7.

DeSalvo specialized in writing about Woolf during the early part of her career, publishing Virginia Woolf's First Voyage: A Novel in the Making and Melymbrosia, an edition of an early version of Woolf's first novel, The Voyage Out; and co-editing Vita Sackville-West's Letters to Virginia Woolf.

Her acclaimed and controversial biography Virginia Woolf: The Impact of Childhood Sexual Abuse on her Life and Work; was named one of the most important books of the 20th century by The Women's Review of Books.

After its publication in 1989, DeSalvo lectured extensively throughout the United States and abroad on the impact of sexual abuse and trauma, and made many television and radio appearances on the subject.

Her latest book, Crazy in the Kitchen: Food, Feuds, and Forgiveness in an Italian American Family, is a memoir in which DeSalvo relates her family history through its relationship with food.

DeSalvo graduated from Douglass College in 1963 and took her Ph.D. from New York University in 1977. From 1977 through 1982, she taught at Fairleigh Dickinson University, in the Master of Arts in Teaching program.

She joined the faculty of Hunter College in 1982, where she is currently the Jenny Hunter Endowed Scholar for Creative Writing and Literature.

Douglass College awarded her The Douglass Society Medal for Distinguished Achievement in 1990. She was Distinguished Visiting Writer in Residence at the University of South Carolina during spring 2001.

The lecture will begin at 7 p.m. in Carter Hall in the University Center.

The College of Liberal Arts engages a speaker for the Community of Scholars presentation each fall. The English Department hosts the 2005 program.

For more information, contact Galbus, associate professor of English, at 812/465-1225 or galbus@usi.edu.

WSWI to host benefit concert at 'Fall Fest'

USI radio station WSWI AM-820, The College Rock Alternative, is sponsoring a free concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, on campus.

Mock Orange, Lost Anthem and The Inheritance will perform. While the concert is free, the Evansville Humane Society will be accepting donations. The money collected will go to both the local animal shelter and to help animals still in need from hurricane Katrina.

Headliner Mock Orange, of Evansville, received national recognition when they made it to the finals of MTV2's battle of the bands. The performance at USI is the second stop on a fall concert tour.

Lost Anthem released its first album, "Other Side of Nowhere," last year. The band also was featured in the independent film "Novem," which has won awards at several regional independent film festivals.

The Inheritance is an up and coming band from Columbus, Ind.

"Their sound is sort of a mellow, progressive rock," said WSWI Program Director Ryan Nash.

"One of the unique things about The Inheritance is that their lead singer plays the hammer dulcimer. This gives this rock band somewhat of a 'folksy' feeling," he added.

The concert will be held between the PAC and the Recreation and Fitness Center. The concert is part of the weekend's Fall Fest. The evening starts with a volleyball game at 7 p.m. Friday when USI takes on Northern Kentucky University.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. and will end around 11 p.m., just before Midnight Madness begins in the PAC.

Midnight Madness celebrates the start of basketball season. The USI men's and women's basketball teams officially practice as teams starting at midnight.

Activities and food will be provided starting at 11 p.m.

Half marathon benefits YMCA

By ERIN HOBGOOD
The Shield staff

Saturday people lined up atop Reitz Hill to run in Evansville's Half Marathon to benefit the YMCA.

The Half Marathon is a 13.1 mile run organized by the YMCA. Last year was the first year for the marathon and according to the Web site, www.EvansvilleHalfMarathon.org, 1300 people participated from 21 different states.

USI freshman Chris Langen was among the runners this year. Langen, 19, played high school soccer and has been running in these events since his graduation.

He said he thought there were around 1500 people at the race.

Chris's grandfather 71-year-old Allan Langen, ran with him.

Langen said his grandfather is in great shape and runs in marathons for fun.

There were people in the race older than his grandfather and they were passing him up, Langen said.

Chris finished 322 overall with a time 1:15, and 11 in his division. He bested his time from the Indianapolis Mini Marathon in May.

The marathon used a ChampionChip system to time runners. ChampionChip is a device that attaches to the runner's shoe and reacts with sensors at the start, finish, and various other locations throughout the course.

At the end of the race, the ChampionChip must be returned, or the runner would have to pay a \$30 replacement fee.

Langen said he enjoyed the Evansville Mini Marathon and it was more enjoyable than the Indy run.

"It was easier than the race in May because the weather was so much nicer," he said.

Darice Marcoccia, 23, has been competing in mini-marathons since she was 16 years

old. She has run 5K's and 10K's since she was in middle school.

She agreed with Langen about the weather for the Evansville Mini-Marathon.

However, she did say that the larger Indy race seeded people so better runners could get better starting positions.

Seeding allows the serious race competitors to get in front of children and those just in it for the physical enjoyment they get from walking or running in these races.

If a runner can show proof of race times, they get placed at the starting in accordance to the shown time. Marcoccia finished fifth in her division with a time of 1:42 and 162 overall.

The race path ran from Reitz Football field through the Greenway, Garvin Park and Bosse Field, Main Street and then the Walkway over to end at Casino Aztar.

According to the Evansville Mini Marathon's Web site, there were medic booths set up along the race path. Langen said the medic booths had white flags and were set up approximately every mile or two.

For those interested in running, or walking, in this event next year, online registration is accepted at www.EvansvilleHalfMarathon.org. Flyers are also available at the YMCA.

The cost is \$35 to run and all participants receive a t-shirt, bib number and a goodie bag.

Langen said that goodie bag contained a little water bottle, a plastic football, pencils and brochures about other runs and charities.

The race always coincides with the Sunday after Fall Festival.

For more information about the half marathon, visit www.EvansvilleHalfMarathon.org

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Steroids are least of concerns

By **JASON GOODWIN**
Opinion editor



Baseball and steroids is not a new concept but obviously new to the Senate docket.

I fully agree that something should be done to keep steroids out of the game.

The problem I have is that the Senate should be focusing on more important matters.

Let Bud Selig worry about his own company, instead of our government.

Granted, our government does get involved with improper business practices, but this technically is not one.

This is no Enron. Every business has the right to penalize their employees in their own way for drug use.

The current system is a bit

weak and just a slap on the wrist, but let the businessmen take care of their business.

The only reason why the Senate is dealing with issue is because of their fear of tainting the "national pastime."

Newsflash: it is already tainted.

It's becoming even more tainted, since the Senate decided to bring up the subject again in the midst of the MLB playoffs.

Way to go elected officials. Let's make the playoffs more about who is juiced, instead of who is playing the best.

Plus, it is already going downhill in the ratings.

America actually tunes into NFL games more often than MLB.

It is a natural progression because baseball can not serve up the violence necessary to satisfy our primal, violent urges.

Why do you think the Romans enjoyed gladiatorial events so much?

One word: Violence.

I do applaud senators who are willing to take such a noble stand, but do it for something of greater national importance, instead of protecting the game you used to pitch in, Jim Bunning.

Why not worry about supplying our soldiers with the necessary equipment to stabilize the Middle East?

Why not concern ourselves with the recent terrorism scare in New York involving the subway system?

What about the survivors of the hurricanes?

We have a potential bird flu pandemic that senators could start to worry about.

How about fixing Social Security so I have the opportunity to get back what I paid for?

There is also the next Supreme Court justice vacancy that should be on the minds of all Americans.

There are far more important tasks at hand than a game we all

experienced at some point in our lives.

Basically, write your senators so that they stay on task, instead of having agenda ADD.

Let baseball solve its own problems, instead of the government.

Unless our national government starts making money off the venture, let it be.

If baseball cannot save itself, let it sink.

We don't rally around our favorite Mom and Pop stores and have Congress keep them afloat, so why care about a sport.

I love baseball as much as the next guy, but that doesn't mean that John McCain can decide how a business should enforce its own drug policy.

If the usage is such a problem, make it illegal to use these drugs in all sports via legislation.

Put your priorities in the proper perspective. Congress should legislate, not dictate.

Young native tells all

By **JENNIFER MURPHY**
Special to The Shield

Running Mouth was a young native who was looked down upon by his elders.

They didn't care for his long journeys into the wilderness, but they partially funded his expeditions to keep him out of their wigwams.

Running Mouth always came home with stories of great thunderstorms, large ice balls falling from the sky or trembling grounds.

The elders always attributed Running Mouth's stories to the spirits, but he was beginning to think differently.

During his latest journey, Running Mouth came across a wall in the sky that produced damaging winds, immense rain and new lakes.

He stayed around long enough to realize where it was heading.

He raced back to warn his people, but they just smiled and hit their peace pipe.

The elders' comment was, "We've lived here since our fathers' fathers established our land. We will not leave."

Running Mouth eventually surrendered. He knew from experience the elders would not listen.

Running Mouth did the only thing he could. He saved his own family.

They went far north to escape the great wall of clouds.

There was heavy rain, but they were not thrown by the high winds.

Once the sun reappeared, Running Mouth went back to his village only to find dismay.

Their crops were wiped out, and most were killed.

The remaining elders blamed the disaster on him and shunned Running Mouth.

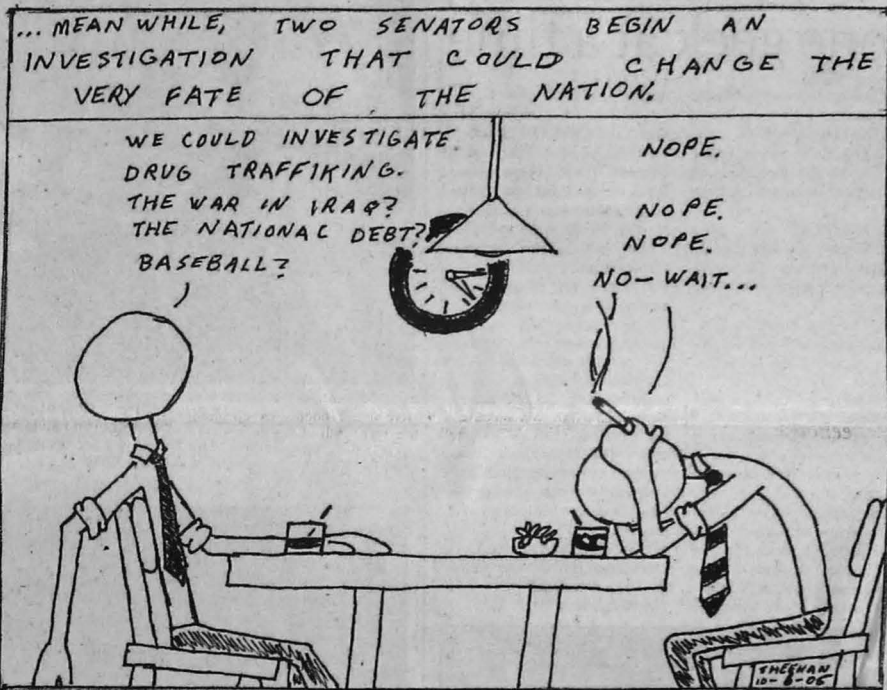
He and his family created a village on high ground and lived out their long lives.

Only three seasons passed before his old village was completely wiped out by another wall.

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Class Act

By Rob Sheehan



Congress needs to step in

By **KATIE BUSCHING**
Sports editor



Steroids have been a major issue in baseball in the past couple of years, ever since Ken Caminiti admitted to using them in 1996, the year he was named Most Valuable Player.

He accused 85 percent of Major League Baseball players of using steroids in the June 2002 issue of Sports Illustrated.

Caminiti saw nothing wrong with using the performance-enhancers and said he would use them again if he were still playing.

Earlier this year, Ken Caminiti died from complications from substance abuse at the age of 41.

That story brought to light the dangerous health effects that steroids can have.

It made people realize that

performance-enhancing drugs were everywhere and it wasn't difficult to get access to them.

Will this important health information resonate with young athletes?

Or will the competition to be the best make athletes forget about the harmful effects of steroids?

Will young athletes think that it won't happen to them, that they are indestructible?

Steroids are more dangerous for younger athletes, but they are the ones that want a fast track to the major leagues.

They want to be on a baseball card and steroids are a quick fix.

But how long will the fix last?

The minor league baseball association has an extensive drug-testing policy.

So why doesn't its parent association take a hint and adopt the same policy?

Congress doesn't usually tell corporations how to run their drug-testing policy, but with base-

ball, it's different.

Drugs don't usually factor into the way that employees perform their jobs.

With steroids and baseball, it does.

No matter what anybody says, anabolic steroids help gain muscle mass, and they make a good hitter more dangerous.

The record books should not be plagued with asterisks.

Professional sports should be clean for future generations to enjoy.

Athletes should not have to risk their health or lives to play a game for a living.

Congress has stepped in because it is a domestic issue.

People in the United States are risking their lives to measure up to their sports' heroes.

Sports should be about working hard and having fun, not popping pills and injecting foreign substances into your body.

The drug-testing policy that was agreed upon by the MLB and

the Players' Association is a joke.

If a player is caught using performance-enhancing drugs, they are only suspended for 10 games.

In my eyes, that is a light sentence.

Using steroids is a form of cheating, period.

Bud Selig speaks for the Commissioner's Office when he says that a stronger drug policy is needed.

But, without the labor union's full agreement, his hands are tied.

Congress has declared a war on drugs.

Steroids are dangerous drugs that need to be dealt with.

Steroids are dangerous and should be banned unless prescribed by a doctor.

If the MLB commissioner's hands are tied on the issue of steroids, then someone needs to step in and be the middle man.

Unfortunately, that middle man has to be Congress.

LST should help tourism industry

The issue: LST is docked along Evansville's riverfront.

Our opinion: Let's hope it's for good and will help revitalize downtown.

A LST has docked in Evansville, and hopefully for good.

Evansville was a hub for manufacturing World War II equipment used by the Allied forces, one of which was LST 325.

The LST could hold 20 Sherman tanks and 28 dual

wheel trucks.

This LST was launched on Oct. 27, 1942 and made over 43 trips across the Atlantic Ocean.

It was actually used in the D-Day invasion of 1944 as well.

This is exactly what Evansville needed.

It adds to the cultural heritage of the area and helps see the connection of the city to the rest of America.

Residents should feel proud of their new jewel.

If they aren't proud of the impressive record of the ship, at least proud about the fact that we beat out other cities.

People of the community have been waiting for attractions to help revitalize the downtown area.

The timing of the ship could not have been better in the midst of the fallout of the minor league baseball stadium proposal from a few years back.

The LST will serve as a

museum along the riverfront and add to that list of things to do in Evansville.

The LST will help increase the tourism in this area that is often overshadowed by New Harmony's historic past.

That being said, increased revenue, dedication to downtown attractions and reaching out to the cultural past will help bring in new attractions to keep the city growing and booming for years to come.

This LST is the first step in the right direction.

Letter to the editor

Two nationally ranked teams, five runner's of the week in the GLVC, an undefeated runner (Cooksey) and two top ten team places at a high caliber cross country meet over the past weekend.

These are just a few facts that are very obvious and not a single word about this accomplishment in the student newspaper!

Over the years I have been a very avid reader of the Shield, but I also understood the limits of articles with a small staff.

The men and women's cross country teams are in full swing and they have had one article written about their success.

As well as the soccer, tennis, golf and volleyball teams.

Last fall the D-II National Championships were hosted by USI.

This should have been an eye opener for the writers to see that the coaches, runners and university are serious.

I am asking the writers to at least check the USI athletic website.

The media relations staff does a very good job of posting results on the USI athletics Web page.

Even the Courier Press has at least has a small blurb about the race. I live in IL near St. Louis and the St. Louis Post mentioned the meet!

As an alumni and very strong supporter of the Screaming Eagles, I would like to see more written about all of the athletic teams.

The USI athletes work very hard to perform well in the classroom and in their respective sports.

Please make a better effort to show support for our teams and athletes.

They work hard to show pride for the university, why doesn't the Shield see that?

Brian Kendall
USI alumus

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Seekers, tripodder.com, local bands come together for hurricane survivors

Concerts to benefit hurricane victims

By SHANE TODD
Et cetera editor

Sometimes it feels good to lend a helping hand to people in need. And sometimes it feels good to rock.

Tom Fischer has both those things covered, and yeah, he's feeling pretty good.

Fischer is a native of Evansville. He graduated from the University of Evansville, spent some time in jolly old England, and is currently a DJ at WIKY.

Now Fischer has put together his experiences to make history as creator of the Tri-State's first and only podcasting Web site, tripodder.com.

For those who don't know, podcasting is basically a fun way to describe a new way to disseminate information over the Internet.

Audio files can be stored on a site, such as tripodder.com, and made available for streaming or download at the listener's convenience.

It's kind of like TiVo, or that ancient technology we used to know as the VCR.

It's a way to store newscasts, music and other files for a world that can't always sit down and catch something live.

In the beginning, tripodder.com was a non-profit Web site for the Tri-State, providing local and regional music for

free, and legal, downloading, as well as podcasts from around the area by Fischer himself.

"It's a place where people, issues and music come together for the Tri-State," said Fischer.

And now tripodder.com and some local bands are coming together for people in need. Tripodder.com is host to a 16 track CD, all done by local acts and available for download on the site.

"I wanna make a little money for some people," Fischer remembers thinking when he first formulated the idea.

Those people would be relocated hurricane survivors in the Tri-State area.

"I just don't feel comfortable sending money to people thousands of miles away," Fischer said.

He'd rather give the money to people now residing in the Tri-

'When people give, it makes them feel good.'

-Mark Stout
Owner of Seekers

State, people still in need, but also people that he can see and meet and get to know as real people.

So tripodder.com got together with some local bands who wanted to help as well, and they recorded the 16 track CD now available on the site.

The download requires a minimum \$9 donation to tripodder.com's own Hurricane Relief fund.

Bands such as Lost Anthem, The Shivvvers and even the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra & Chorus provided tracks for the CD.

To promote their cause, Fis-

cher needed somewhere to shoot a podcast for his site.

He found a place in Seeker's, where owner Mark Stout was kind enough to let them do an early morning shoot with perc15.

From there, the idea for an on-going concert series was born, and now many of the bands that contributed to the CD are playing at Seeker's, over on Burkhardt Road.

"It's a good opportunity to help out the community, and those that can't right now do it for themselves," Stout said.

"Seeker's was brought into town to benefit the community,"

he said. "That's what we're all about."

While other restaurants and community businesses may have been interested in helping, few of them would have had the space to.

"We actually had a venue that could be offered," Stout said.

After all, that's part of what Seekers was created for. So that's what they did.

The next show, Oct. 15, will feature Shane Devon, perc15 and The Adam Miller Band. There's also a show on Oct. 22.

"We've been giving the Tri-State some really fantastic entertainment," Fischer said of the shows.

Donations will be taken at the door, and any donation will net you a free ticket to the final Oct. 23 show at Kramer's Lake, with feature band Sonicflood.

'World of Warcraft': Killing social lives one geek at a time

By MITCH HARDEN
Gadget geek

So you may have noticed (yeah, right) that my column was missing last week.

I had intended to write a video game review for "World of Warcraft" (WoW) a Massively Multi-player Online Role-Playing Game (MMORPG).

What I failed to realize is that this game is very similar to black tar heroin. Once I started, I couldn't stop.

But during some unexpected Internet downtime I have managed to type up my reactions to the game.

First let me say that I hate MMORPGs, or more correctly, I hate how much I love them.

Every time I get started on

one I get so hopelessly addicted that I become even more like a geek than I already am.

I play these games to the exclusion of all other activities; work, school, sleep and even eating.

MMORPGs take place entirely online in a virtual world populated by the tens of thousands of players that pay a monthly fee to play.

So as you might imagine, these games are very profitable for the companies that design them.

WoW, made by Blizzard studios, in particular has stunningly good graphics, but because of this, the minimum requirements to run the game are a little high.

If your computer is more than a couple of years old, it might be chugging along if you try to play.

The game takes place in the virtual world of Azeroth, the same world Blizzard designed for their Warcraft real-time strategy games, and is made up of two vast conti-

nents for players to explore.

Players enter Azeroth as a member of one of two factions.

The Alliance, made up of Humans, Dwarfs, Gnomes and Elves are the good and civilized people of the world.

The Horde, made up of Orcs, Trolls, Undead and Taurans, are the violent and evil alternative.

During the course of the game players can form groups to complete quests, kill a variety of monsters, and even choose to fight players of the other faction if they so desire.

The option to work cooperatively or fight competitively against other humans is what makes MMORPGs worth playing.

Not to mention, there are a variety of character types to play which leads to a fair amount of replayability.

So, if you like addiction, or if you want to give up what life you thought you had, then you need to buy this game.

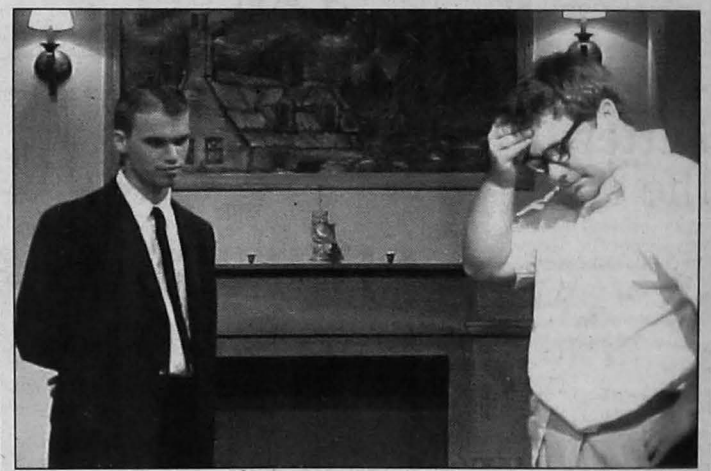


Photo courtesy of Blizzard Entertainment.



Above, Natalie Singer (Meg) laughing it up with an unamused Brent Bedhold (McCann), Greg Shafer (Stanley) and Gordon Gorsuch (Goldberg).
Below, Brent Bredhold and Greg Shafer during a tense moment in "The Birthday Party," USI's production of 'The Birthday Party' is still playing at the USI Theatre on Igelhart Road. For ticket information call 422-3970.

Photos by Julia Hunter



Halloween costumes made easy

Volume Two: How to make the Aqua Teen Hunger Force's Frylock

By LEAH BARR
The Shield staff

Costume inspiration can come from anywhere. Web sites, movies, television and most definitely cartoons.

This week's costume lesson can be summarized thus: Don't write off a character with potential just because said character is not humanoid in appearance.

Weirdly-shaped costumes can be more labor-intensive, but the results are well worth the effort.

Especially if said effort involves Aqua Teen Hunger Force.

There are many different possible approaches to an Aqua Teen character costume. I chose a fairly simple approach with Frylock.

First, some reasonably believable fake french fries of proper size must be found or constructed.

Five swim noodles, \$1.50 each at Kids R Us, proved a worthy investment.

Obviously, yellow noodles would be best, but spray paint can

make any noodle a yellow one.

As a bonus, the cardboard box displaying the noodles happens to be human-sized and reasonably Frylock-shaped. I quickly discovered that it's also free for the taking, if you ask nicely.

Get your treasures home, cut the noodles into smaller pieces (Not halves! Make sure that they are irregular in length, like real french fries) and start spray-painting.

With the 94 cents stuff from Wal-Mart, it took me two cans of yellow on the noodles and three cans of red to cover the printing on the box and get an even, bright color.

After everything's dry, cut out a rectangular eyehole near the bottom of the box.

Try it on first, so you can figure out where your eyes will be.

Two smaller eyeholes will work, but are more difficult to cut and provide a smaller field of vision.

Invert the box and attach the swim noodles to the bottom with a thick, strong glue.

I used Shoe Goo, which is



The fry man, Frylock and his laser eyes are number one in the hood.

closer to rubber cement than glue.

It's thick enough that you won't have to stand around holding the noodles upright while you wait for it to dry.

Next, cut out a triangular piece from some scrap cardboard for the beard.

Attach with duct tape, or liberal amounts of clear packaging tape.

This will get covered up, so use as much as it takes to hold the piece securely.

Image search until you've found a picture of Frylock with your desired facial expression.

Print this as a guide for draw-

ing the face on your costume.

Cut brown construction paper to shape Frylock's beard, and cut the shapes of his eyes out of white printer paper.

Attach with glue or paste. Be careful to avoid wrinkling or bubbling of the paper.

Now, with a fat black marker, completely outline the beard and eyes and add in all of the details: pupils, mouth and sarcastically arched eyebrows.

Congratulations, you are now the owner of your very own Frylock costume.

If you prefer another character or another method for making Frylock, check out the Op/Ed section at TeamTotallyAwesome.com.

In one article, there are some instructions and pictures from their own Aqua Teen costume party.

The quality of their costume results is, of course, totally awesome.

Many more inspirations are just a Web search away. Remember, your only limit is how far your imagination will go.



Jared Kincade, USI junior, in his Frylock Halloween costume.

Presenting the lukewarm song stylings of rockers Hot Hot Heat

By ASHLEE MCCANN
Mistress of music



Hot Hot Heat is a fun band, therefore their music is the same way.

I've never been a fan of this band, but after my second listen to this new album, "Elevator," I started to like their catchy indie pop rock music.

Things I heard about this Canadian band have all been mediocre, and nothing worth picking up previous CD's over.

But "Elevator" could be a different story.

The vocals are worth a listen, can actually be understood, and are fun to sing along to.

Those are three good reasons alone to take a listen to this new album.

This is a great band to listen to while driving, or while dancing at a party.

You can't help but sing along and enjoy what you're hearing. Hot Hot Heat definitely puts a listener in a good mood.

These hipsters have their work cut out for them because their last album had such a good response.

That in mind, "Elevator" just turns out to be good enough to keep them alive.

While "Elevator" is high in energy and very danceable, it still feels like it's something that we've heard before.

It sounds something like their previous album.

There are the differences, the sort of reaching above the fray to make something that is truly remarkable and spectacular.

On "You Owe Me an IOU," Hot Hot Heat disjoints its listeners' sense of organization by dallying in phrases like, "And the only



thing constant was the constant reminder he'd never change."

"Middle of Nowhere" mixes a tale of a recent heartbreak with a pretty piano line.

The end result is a breakup song that makes you want to mourn and dance simultaneously.

The song "Dirty Mouth," while technically not talking about anything dirty, is backed by pounding drums and chunky guitar licks that make you think it is.

Bottom line, this is a good album to have for your next dance party or get-together.

Other than that, it's not necessary to have in your record collection.

Selections from the Guru's closet Fall outfits for the ritzy and the thrifty

By BETSY GENTRY
Fashion guru



With cold weather moving swiftly in our direction, it's time to renovate our closets and get set for these chilly months.

Wrap sweaters and shrugs have been seen in tons of designer collections this season and have become a favorite fall classic.

Therefore, I'm going to show you a high end fashion outfit that you can buy online, and also compare it to a cheaper outfit you can find around town that may be more accommodating to your budget.



Top: Juicy Couture tie front cashmere sweater; color tea dye; \$210; www.saks.com
Juicy Couture chiffon jersey cotton tee; color tea dye; \$62; www.saks.com



Top: Energie lace-hem tank and shrug two piece set; color black or raspberry; on sale for \$14.40; Kohls stores in Evansville.



Pants: Seven for all Mankind "A" pocket boot cut jeans; color dark Havana; \$187; www.nordstrom.com



Pants: Old Navy low rise boot cut jeans; color midnight tint; on sale for \$24.50; Old Navy store in Evansville.



Shoes: BCBG 'Seppia' ankle boot; color chocolate; \$97.95; www.nordstrom.com



Shoes: Nine and Company ensure boots; color brown; on sale at \$47.99; Kohls stores in Evansville.

Betsy's best bets

Scent of the week: Dior Addict 2. This fragrance captures the energy of a free-spirited woman with its mix of fresh and warm scents.

Notes include bergamot, grapefruit, orange, freesia, pineapple, watermelon, sandalwood and white musk.

Dior Addict 2 can be found at department stores.

Spurge: Spend a little extra on a Cartier limited edition Roadster watch this month to help support the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

The watch features a pink dial, and an interchangeable steel bracelet and pink toile strap. Cartier plans to donate more than \$30,000 to the foundation.

Hurry, because Cartier only produced 800 of these lovely watches. www.cartier.com

Deal: Express is having one of their biggest sales of the year. Items are selling for up to 70 percent off. Save money on jeans, tanks, sweaters, polos, shirts and camisoles.

Hurry to the Evansville mall to take advantage of these great savings.

Guru Suggests:

1. Tiffany Aria pendant. These three round, brilliant diamonds clustered together is one of the more remarkable pieces at Tiffany's.

I tried this necklace on in Arizona when it first hit stores this summer, and I am still longing for it.

It's simply spectacular! Check it out at www.tiffany.com.

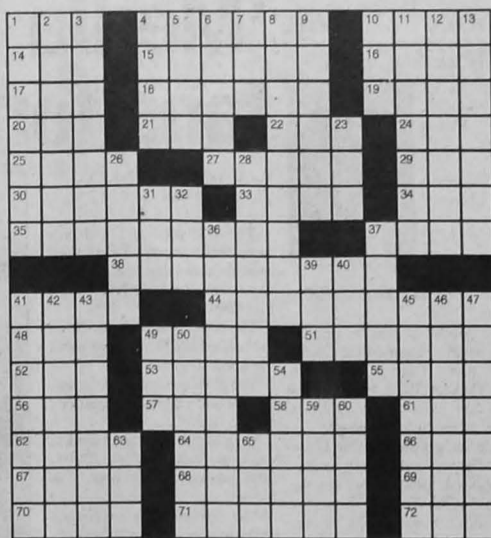
2. Rene Furterer's karite nourishing conditioning cream. If you have ever wondered how fashion icons like Donatella Versace keep their blonde hair so perfect it's because they use this conditioning cream.

Shea butter and quince seed are some of the ingredients that really make this product effective.

This cream will give your hair a total turn around! Check it out at www.sephora.com.

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Acknowledging salvation: The Gideons invade USI

Still carrying the small green book an old, congenial man gave you last week?

It's called a Bible, and the man is called a Gideon.

In his online exclusive, Jon Webb discusses both phenomena, and discusses his own spiritual life (or lack thereof).

ONLINE EXCLUSIVE

Don't forget that Jason Dodd's relationship column is also available as an online exclusive. Check it out at www.usishield.com.

Last week, Jason gave advice on handling a long distance relationship. If you have a question for Jason, you can send it to us at The Shield at shield@usi.edu, or to Jason himself at jdodd@usieagles.org.

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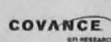
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Evansville is sport fan 'melting pot'

By ERIN HOBGOOD
The Shield staff



It seems that wherever you are in this town, you can see people sporting colors of their different teams.

All kinds of people can be seen wearing logos of the Cards, Cubs, Rams, Titans, Colts, White Sox, Yankees, Reds, Bengals and there are even a few Dolphin logos on the heads of people.

I do see people wearing logos for other teams that have recently gained popularity among those not-so die-hard fans, but I'm not focusing on them. Rather, what drives fans to cheer for some of these teams?

First, I'd like to start with the Colts.

They are the Indianapolis Colts; from Indiana and in Evansville we can see all of their games without having a satellite. Because they are so close, you can purchase merchandise for Manning, Harrison and James at almost any sporting goods store.

The Colts also have a long football legacy. While they were the Baltimore Colts, the great Johnny Unitas was quarterback.

The other teams in close proximity are the Cardinals and the Titans.

St. Louis isn't even a three-hour drive, and for those who don't want to waste the money on a ticket, games can be seen daily on Fox Sports Midwest.

As of late, the Cardinals have also had great success starting with Mark McGwire and they just swept the Padres and advanced to the NLCS.

The Titans are also about a three-hour drive away. They have a tough quarterback and charismatic players who make the game fun to watch.

Do to the past controversy over the Colts and possibly relocating, some fans turned away to the Titans.

The only drawback to the Titans is that their games don't have priority over the Colts.

Others went over to the Rams' side. The Rams have also had a tremendous amount of success as of late. When Warner was hot, he was brilliant, and they almost won a second Superbowl in five years.

Some other teams that have some representation here are Red and Bengals.

Cincinnati is only four hours away, and many students come from that area. Both have had limited success as of late, but at least did carry big name players.

Ken Griffey Jr. brought the Reds some limelight for all those who weren't fans, and Corey Dillon (sorry, to say) was a good running back (before turning traitor). It's not like the Bengals need him as they're 4-0 right now.

WGN owns the rights to all Cubs and White Sox games. While the Bleacher Creatures have more screen time than the Big Hurt, fans still can be found around here for both teams.

The Cubs appear a bit iconic; they had tremendous success in the early 1900's until the goat. Meanwhile, White Sox and their fans are quietly overlooked. Who knows... they might get the last laugh this year.

That brings me to the Yankees. Despite the amount of miles between Evansville and the Big Apple, Yankees fans have quite a congregation here.

My brother, Kevin Hobgood, a USI sophomore, has been a Yankee fan since he was little. "I like the Yankees because of their history...the Babe, Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris, Yogi, the 1927 Yanks and Murderers Row," he said.

Along with a thick book of hall-of-famers, Don Mattingly, a Yankees Hall-of-Fame first baseman, resides in Evansville during the off-season.

The fact of the matter is that true fans stick by their team, and don't change allegiances when the season is on the line.

Pick a team, any team, and make it yours.

'Media Day' readies screaming fans for Eagles' basketball season

By ANDREW STANLEY
The Shield staff

The USI men and women's basketball teams held their annual media day last Wednesday at the Westside Nut Club's Fall Festival.

The coaches and players were introduced and they talked about the upcoming season.

The players even signed autographs and answered questions for the fans.

Both teams have been hard at work preparing for the 2005-2006 season, which begins in November.

The women look to bounce back from an injury-plagued 14-14 season.

The men enter this season as the defending GLVC regular season and tournament champions.

The GLVC has expanded to 14 teams this year, and has divided into two divisions. The Screaming Eagles are in the West division.

The new set-up adds to the challenge of winning the conference.

The women's team looks to replace six letter-winners from last year's team, including All-GLVC honorable mention and leading scorer Jamie Truitt.

Six letter-winners are returning including three seniors, Sabrina Brandon (second leading scorer), Tiara Brown (third in GLVC in assists), and Ashley Green.

The Lady Eagles also expect a few freshmen to step-up and contribute.

Guard Keisha Collins, Forward/Center Brittany Neuman, and red-shirt freshmen Jessica Minnick are among that group.

The Lady Eagles had a tough road last year with some key injuries setting them back.

With everyone healthy and the addition of some talented players, the women look to dominate the GLVC.

The women's team begins their season in Orlando, Florida at the Disney Division II Tip-



Coach Rick Herdes and the 2005-2006 Men's basketball answer questions directed at the team in front of the crowd at the Westside Nut Club's annual Fall Festival. The team suffered the loss of a few of last season's starters including Senior Randy Holbrook and Freshman Carl Richburg who were both named to the All-conference team after the Screaming Eagles dominated last season's GLVC tournament. Photo by Katie Buschling

Off Classic. They open the tournament against Columbus State University.

The Lady Eagles open their home schedule Nov. 15 against Brescia University, followed by three more home games before they hit the road to play Missouri-Rolla in their conference opener.

The men's team is coming off another great season. They finished 27-5 overall, and are the defending GLVC regular season and tournament champions.

Coach Herdes' team fell one game short of reaching the regional finals.

The men were ranked number one in the nation for the eighth time in the last 12 seasons.

The men also have to replace six letter-winners from a year ago, three key starters, and First Team All-GLVC Forward/Center Randy Holbrook.

The fact that they have three returning All-GLVC honorable mention players makes it a little easier.

David Bryant, Chris Thomp-

'These guys have been through the trenches in the GLVC,'

-Coach Rick Herdes

son and Geoff Van Winkle are the All-GLVC honorable mention players returning.

"These guys have been through the trenches in the GLVC," said coach Herdes of Bryant, Thompson and Van Winkle.

Herdes continued, "He's (Thompson) a pre-season All-American and the second leading rebounder in the conference. That says something for itself right there."

Senior Guard Danny Gibson will pick up where All-GLVC honorable mention Cris Brunson left off.

Gibson, along with fellow seniors Thompson, Bryant, and Shane Sims, will provide the veteran leadership for the Eagles this season.

Coach Rick Herdes will lead his squad against his mentor, Coach Bruce Pearl, and the Uni-

versity of Tennessee in an exhibition game to open the season.

The Eagles then travel to Orlando to take part in the men's Disney Division II Tip-Off Classic. They open the tournament against Caldwell College.

After returning from the Disney tournament, the men travel to the University of Louisville to play an exhibition against Rick Pitino and his Cardinals.

Louisville finished last season ranked number three in the nation in Division I.

The Cardinals ended last season with an incredible tournament run, losing to Illinois in the Final Four.

The Eagles first home game is Nov. 22 against Robert Morris College. Then they will stay on campus to host the USI Invitational on November 25.

The 2005-2006 season will officially kickoff Friday, Oct.

14, with USI's annual Midnight Madness.

Midnight Madness will begin at 7 p.m. with a GLVC volleyball game between USI and Northern Kentucky University. The game will be held at the PAC.

In between games during Midnight Madness, USI will be sponsoring a rock concert to benefit rescued animals from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Returning to Evansville will be Fall Festival acts The Inheritance, Lost Anthem and MoeK Orange.

Mock Orange will be fresh off an appearance on MTV.

The benefit concert will begin at 8 p.m.

The night will be capped off with a three-point shootout between the men and women's teams and a slam-dunk contest.

For more information on the teams, schedules or Midnight Madness visit the USI Web site or contact the USI Sports Information Office.

Ice Eagles to attract fans with more wins, theme nights, raffles, free prizes

By DAVID BAKER
Special to The Shield

After last week's less than stellar performance at Swonder Ice Arena, the Ice Eagles were ready to even their record and give the people in the stands something that they had been waiting to see all off-season, a win.

In their season opener, the Ice Eagles were shut out 9-0 in front of their hometown crowd by Middle Tennessee University.

After the referee sent the first of the Ice Eagles players to the

penalty box for two minutes, the crowd went wild, and continued to be that way for the rest of the game.

Profanity was rampant on the ice and in the stands.

Both teams' penalty boxes were occupied for most of the game.

When IUPUI showed up with only four players, it looked like the game would be canceled.

Not wanting to disappoint fans, the Ice Eagles sent three freshmen to the other team's box.

Swonder Arena's rink manag-

er laced up for IUPUI, too, to give the fans a game.

The result was an easy 15-2 victory for the Ice Eagles.

Free tickets for the next home game against Robert Morris University were handed out to fans at the end of the game.

The theme for this Saturday's game is Crazy Hat Night. Four free tickets and an Ice Eagles sweatshirt will be awarded to a decked out fan.

Merchandise to support the hockey club is sold during every home game.

This season, the Ice Eagles

are raffling off an air hockey table so fans can get their fix for the sport between games.

Also, Bob's Gym has donated a three-month membership for a lucky Ice Eagles' fan.

The new on-ice promotion this season is called, "Chuck-A-Puck."

Fans can rent pucks \$2 each, three for \$5 or seven for \$10.

Each fan with a puck will be called onto the ice on one of the goal lines between the second and third period.

The fans will chuck, or throw, their puck to the center of

the ice.

Whoever throws their puck closest to center ice will win four free movie passes from Cinema North, along with a large one-topping pizza from Nick's Pizza and Wings.

Participants are also qualified for the grand prize at the end of the season.

Check out the Ice Eagles Web site at web.usi.edu/iceeagles/ for more info or join the USI Hockey Fans group on facebook.

SCOREBOARD

Sport and Opposing School's Name	USI Score/Place	Their Score
Volleyball vs. Lewis	3	0
Women's Soccer vs. Finley	2	2
Women's Soccer vs. Tiffin	3	3
Men's Soccer vs. KWC	2	1
Men's Soccer vs. Finley	0	1
Men's Cross Country	First	
Women's Cross Country	Second	
Women's Tennis GLVC Tournament	Third	

Slashing Pumpkins smash onto Evansville hockey scene

By KATIE BUSCHING
Sports editor

As the NHL is doing everything it can to keep fans in the stands after the lockout last season, the residents of Evansville have their own fix for hockey.

Along with the USI Ice Eagles hockey club, Swonder Ice Arena is also home to the Tri-state Adult Hockey Association (TAHA).

Edmonton native and hockey enthusiast Professor Steve Williams moved south of the Canadian border to Evansville in 2000 to take a position in the English department at USI.

"I just wanted to find a place to play recreational hockey," said Williams, who found

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-Professor Steven Williams

out about the league by looking in the phonebook when he moved to Evansville.

When Williams joined the league in 2000, there were a total of four teams.

With the growth in popularity of the sport in the tri-state area, the number of teams has doubled.

"I am surprised at the number of hockey enthusiasts in

southern Indiana," Williams said.

In 2003, Professor Matthew Graham also joined the league.

"[Hockey] is a game of speed and agility and I'm slow and clumsy, so I'm sort of at a disadvantage," laughed Graham.

In years past, the players in the league would just wear light and dark jerseys.

But this year, the TAHA gave each team different colored jerseys.

The team that Graham and Williams are on received bright orange for their uniform color.

In the past of puns, they called themselves "The Slashing Pumpkins."

There are 13 members of

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the Slashing Pumpkins, and about that many on each of the teams in the TAHA.

There are a few former Ice Eagles in the league that have graduated and want to keep playing.

The TAHA has two leagues within it.

The "A League" is composed of mainly the younger hockey-playing crowd and is highly competitive.

The "B League" is more for fun, and is where both Williams

and Graham play.

The TAHA rules state that there is no checking and more importantly, no fighting.

"That's a misconception that many people make about hockey, it's a very intense, but not a violent, game," Williams said.

Because hockey is a very intense game, fighting sometimes occurs.

TAHA has specific guidelines to follow when it comes to fighting.

After one fight, the participant is asked to sit out.

The second strike against a player is a bus ticket home.

After a third fight, the invitation to come back and play is revoked.

In a recent match, the Slashing Pumpkins had the game slip through their fingers as the score was tied 2-2 with five seconds left in the game.

The opposing team found a way for the puck to reach the back of the net milliseconds away from the sound of the horn.

The Slashing Pumpkins play this Sunday at 9:30 p.m. at Swonder Ice Arena, next to Roberts Stadium.

What's coming up for The Ice Eagles

Who: USI Ice Eagles Hockey
What: Crazy Hat Night
When: Saturday, Oct. 15
Where: Swonder Ice Arena

Ice Eagles merchandise will be given away to the fan with the most crazy hat enthusiasm for their team. Fans can rent pucks to "chuck" on the center ice for prizes.



In their opening game against Middle Tennessee University many players from both sides were sent to their respective penalty boxes for two and five minute increments. After the referees broke up the fighting, fans for both sides went wild with praise for their team's penalized players.

Photo By David Baker

USI Men's Cross Country team runs home with first place finish in latest race

The Screaming Eagles competed against NCAA Division I squads as well as nationally-ranked NCAA Division II and III teams from around the Great Lakes Region at the end of September.

USI's women competed in a field of 28 teams which feature 25 Division I teams as well as NCAA II regional power Grand Valley State University.

Senior Heather Cooksey and junior Missy Burgin were USI's frontrunners.

The Eagles also will welcome the return of senior Casey Schneider to the lineup.

Schneider, who missed last season due to injury, has been nursing a leg injury that has kept her out of USI's first two competitions this year.

Senior Jesse Davis and junior Rey Alvarez will continue

to battle for USI's number one and two positions.

The Screaming Eagles, ranked 11th in the Division II Coaches' Top 25 poll and third in the latest Great Lakes Region rankings.

The men's squad is ranked 14th in the latest Top 25 poll and fourth in the latest regional rankings.

Senior Heather Cooksey (Brownsburg, Ind.) continued her winning ways Saturday as she won the 33rd annual Sean Earl Loyola Lakefront Classic.

Cooksey, who set a new school record with her 5k time of 17 minutes, nine seconds, defeated 274 competitors, most of whom were NCAA Division I runners.

Junior Missy Burgin also finished 16th to help the Screaming Eagles' women's squad to a

ninth-place finish in the 28-team competition.

USI's men were led by junior Rey Alvarez (Danville, Ind.).

Alvarez finished ninth with an 8k time of 24 minutes, 54 seconds.

The Eagles, who also finished ninth out of 28 teams, got a strong performance from senior Rob Garwood (Columbus, Ind.), who finished 56th with a time of 25 minutes, 51 seconds.

Fellow classmate Jesse Davis (Bloomington, Ind.) was USI's second runner to cross the finish line.

Davis finished 44th with an 8k time of 25 minutes, 36 seconds.

USI returned to action a week later when it competed in the Saluki Invitational in Carbonale, Ill.

The GLVC Championships

are Oct. 22 in Rensselaer, Ind.

University of Southern Indiana junior Missy Burgin (Sellersburg, Ind.) was named the GLVC Female Runner of the Week for her notable performance at the Sean Earl Loyola Lakefront Invitational in Chicago, Ill.

Burgin, who is the fourth USI runner to earn the award this season, placed 16th overall in the Gold Division at the Invitational.

Her 5k time of 18 minutes, 11 seconds was the 17th fastest time out of a total of 584 competitors in the Gold and Maroon races.

With five GLVC women's teams in action at Loyola, Burgin was the number two GLVC performer on the day behind teammate Heather Cooksey.

Cooksey was the individual

champion in a time of 17 minutes, nine seconds.

Cooksey has been named GLVC Female Runner of the Week twice this season.

Men's runners Rey Alvarez and Jesse Davis also have garnered GLVC Runner of the Week honors.

The University of Southern Indiana men's cross country team turned out one of its most dominating performances in recent memory Saturday as it finished first at the Saluki Invitational.

USI had seven runners finish in the top 13 as the Screaming Eagles finished with 28 points.

Junior Rey Alvarez led the men with a second-place performance.

Senior Jesse Davis (placed third.

Alvarez finished the 8k course in 25 minutes, 03.93 seconds.

Davis crossed the finish line in 25 minutes, 15.90 seconds.

The Eagles also got a big boost from freshman Tim Sirbek (Hammond, Ind.), sophomore

Paul Jellema (Dyer, Ill.), and senior Rob Garwood.

Sirbek and Jellema were sixth and seventh, respectively, while Garwood placed 10th.

In the women's race, senior Heather Cooksey kept her winning streak intact Saturday as she finished first with a 5k time of 17 minutes, 10.74 seconds.

Junior Missy Burgin was third with a time of 18 minutes, 10.88 seconds.

Freshman Allison Shafer finished 13th with a time of 19 minutes, 04.40 seconds.

As a team, the Eagles finished second with a total of 49 points.

The Eagles are looking to recapture the league crown after both squads finished second in 2004.

Information for this article was compiled from the Sports Information Department releases.



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House of Lector," said Wolter. Both attractions have the same hours of "scare." They are open Oct. 13-16, 20-23, 26-31. The hours of "scare" are 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 7 p.m. through midnight on Friday and Saturday.

Wolter has done numerous shows and haunted attractions over the past 40 years and began producing the Old Courthouse Catacombs in 1980 in the old jail of the courthouse.

Every year he develops a new theme. Now, with his newest attraction, House of Lector, he carries the same theme

through both attractions. In Newburgh is The Zombie Farm located on Vann Road in Newburgh. The admission fee is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ten and younger.

Not only do they offer frightening fun for adults, but they also offer a "no scare" event for young children.

The Zombie Farm is supported by the Newburgh Civitan Club and is open Oct. 7-9, 14-16, and 21-31. Its hours are 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 7 p.m. to midnight. The "no scare" event is from 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. each day.

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and Broadway Avenue. "This institution cannot double in enrollment size without additional vehicular entrances," Rigerink said.

Parking, a constant complaint among students and faculty members, is also addressed in the plan.

Up to three parking garages, capable of holding between 800 and 1,000 vehicles, are possible under the plan.

With about 30 percent of USI students living on campus, the plan is also designed to closer integrate student housing with the center of campus.

A pedestrian bridge, spanning from the apartments to the front of the Orr Center, will provide easier access to buildings for students living on campus.

The plan is divided into three terms, with the nearest term beginning this year and

going through 2007.

The possible projects in this term include construction of a new business school, a 200-space parking garage, expansion of the Physical Plant and expansion of the Recreation and Fitness Center.

The campus loop expansion is also expected to begin during this term.

Other possible projects included in the long-term plan are the construction of additional dining facilities, a performing arts center, a new student services center and possibly a chapel.

The Campus Studio, located in Ann Arbor, Mich., has done work on over 80 campuses around the country including every Big Ten school except The Ohio State University.

A map showing the possible campus changes are located on page 1.



This map shows the general location of several of the local haunted houses. Next week, in the Etcetera section, there will be reviews on several of these houses of scare.

Graphic by Briana Baker

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 13

3-3:30 p.m.
Find Your Way Through Your GPA
Learn how to calculate your collegiate GPA. If you don't know what a quality point is, you don't know how to calculate your GPA.
ED 1102

7 p.m.
USI Theater production of "The Birthday Party."
Two men, full of menace and mystery, arrive in a seaside town in England and disrupt the quiet of a small boarding house. Almost a half a century later, the questions remain: who are they, and why did the audience laugh? Admission is \$4 for USI Students, \$8 for Seniors and Non-USI students and \$10 for all others.
USI Theatre, 3001 Igleheart Avenue.

Friday, Oct. 14

8 p.m.
AM 820, the college rock alternative, presents "Play Outside the Box," a free concert for everyone who wants to come. Featuring Mock Orange, Lost Anthem, and the Inheritance. A free concert brought to you by AM 820.
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Monday, Oct. 17

11 a.m.
Drink Responsibly--National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week
Learn about the SAFE Ride program that provides a safe alternative for emergency situations when other transportation is unavailable.
River City Yellow Cab information cards will be circulated.
UC Mall Area Outdoors

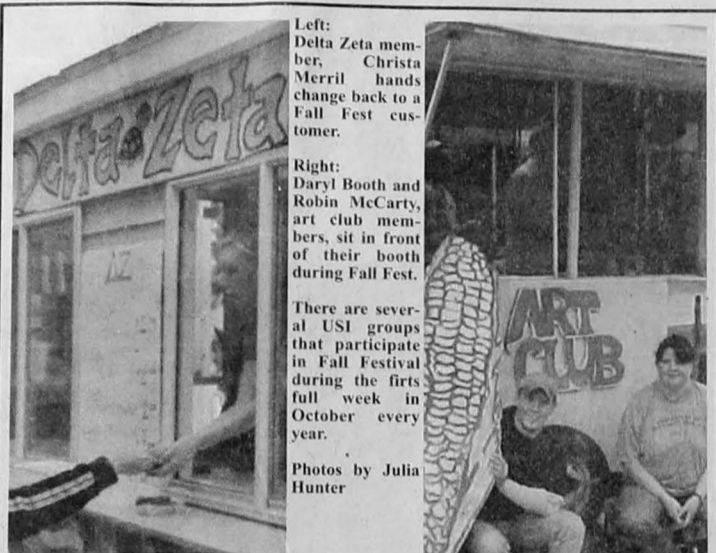
Tuesday, Oct. 18

3-3:30 p.m.
Comma Sense
Commas may be the most dreaded of punctuation, but they are essential for effective writing.
ED 1102

7 p.m.
Lecture "The J-Spot"
The J-Spot sex education lecture. Sponsored by the Activities Programming Board.
Carter Hall

Wednesday, Oct. 19

11 a.m.
Indiana State Police demonstrating Drunk Goggles
Students will be invited to wear the drunk goggles and attempt to hopscotch, throw a football, or play a game of disc golf. This event is meant to simulate the loss of motor control from alcohol consumption.
UC Bridge



Left: Delta Zeta member, Christa Merrill hands change back to a Fall Fest customer.

Right: Daryl Booth and Robin McCarty, art club members, sit in front of their booth during Fall Fest.

There are several USI groups that participate in Fall Fest during the first full week in October every year.

Photos by Julia Hunter

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