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Racial melee results in beating, arrest

by Jim Beck and John Wells
Staff Writers

The Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department arrested a black male Thursday after he allegedly participated in a racial dispute that involved a fist fight and guns at Student Housing.

Robert L. Edwards, 21, was arrested after he allegedly pointed a gun at a USI student's head. The Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office reduced the original charge of criminal recklessness, a class D felony, to a class B misdemeanor when Edwards appeared in Vanderburgh Superior Court

Friday. Edwards was later released on a \$50 bond.

Edwards is the center on the basketball team at Oakland City College. He was visiting campus housing along with several of his friends and attended a party in the Marshall Building.

Barry Hart, director of safety and security, said the incident started when another Oakland City student began to harass a white USI female student. According to Hart, the incident escalated and moved to a parking lot in front of the Marshall building, located on Eckels Lane.

Bob Richards, a USI student and an off-duty security officer, said he became involved

in the incident after a group of his friends used a racial slur.

"Some racial comments were made by people in our group. The word nigger came out," Richards said. After the comment, a group of black men, including Edwards, and a couple of white guys began to attack him, he said.

"I just got the hell beat out of me. I don't know why they singled me out," he said. "I never struck back once. It was just a beating. It seemed like a mob."

Richards said he has two black eyes and a cut nose from the fight. "I got off pretty lucky considering what could have happened," he said. "They even tried to hit me with a beer bottle, but I dodged it."

According to an affidavit of probable cause that was filed after Edwards' arrest, USI student Brandy Bailey, 20, tried to intervene in the dispute, but was threatened by Edwards with an automatic

handgun, that turned out to be a BB gun. According to the report, Edwards told Bailey to return to her apartment. Bailey did so.

According to Hart, the attackers believed Bailey made the original slur. She was later transported to Deaconess Hospital's Emergency Room and treated for shock and later released.

Witnesses called security, but Edwards and the other suspects fled the scene before the sheriff's deputies arrived. Vanderburgh County responded with 7 units about 10 p.m. An Indiana State Police unit, Alexander Ambulance and a Perry Township Fire and Rescue Squad also responded.

About 20 minutes later, according to Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Detective Tim Eli, the group entered the Porter building and asked to use the bathroom and telephone. Kevin Brown, who lived in that apartment, let them in.

Brown said he thought they were friends of his roommates. "I didn't know they were involved in anything," Brown said. "They acted really calm and cool. I never thought anything of it."

Shortly afterwards Trent Watts, one of Brown's roommates, returned from trying to find out what was happening at Marshall. Thinking the visitors knew Brown, Watts joined them.

"We all sat there and watched the ball game," Watts said. "But then I saw the Pirate's hat and remembered someone [at the scene] said the guy was wearing a Pirate's hat."

Watts slipped out and called the police at the Marshall building. Sheriff's Deputies surrounded the Porter Building and apprehended the suspects in the apartment.

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photo by John Wells

Oakland City College student Ted Hayden sits in the back of a Vanderburgh County patrol car, handcuffed. Hayden was questioned about his involvement in an alleged racial incident at Campus Housing Thursday. According to county records, he drove a car, where a gun was found that was used in the incident. Charges were not filed against Hayden.

Security chokes later response

by Jim Beck and John Wells
Staff Writers

USI Security arrived at the scene of Thursday's melee at Student Housing after the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department, even though USI Security was notified first.

Before security guards left for the scene, they alerted the sheriff's department. Director of USI Safety and Security Barry Hart said his officers were able to choose their own level of involvement at the scene.

"We did respond, but I can't order my officers to enter a situation with deadly force, since they do not possess deadly force," Hart said.

"We immediately called the county. When there is a weapon involved, we call for help."

Hart said when county officials are called, security takes a back seat and helps assist the sheriff's department in whatever way they can.

"Our job is to assist the sheriff's department as much as possible," Hart said. "Our main concern was to help out, but focus on our own people. The police were in charge."

Hart gave his staff high marks for the way they handled the situation. "I would give my men a solid 8 [out of 10]," Hart said.

Sheriff's Detective Tim Eli echoed Hart's sentiment. "Security was very helpful," he said. "Everything ran smoothly for the number of people out there."

The number of people at Student Housing worried Hart, however. "There were too many people out and about at the scene. I saw lots of potential suspects, victims and hostages. Everyone was out running around trying to help. There was great potential for risk."

Hart also worried about his men. "They were a little more overt than I would have liked," Hart said. "One of my men was asked by a sheriff to watch over the sus-

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University approves campus-wide ban on smoking

by Tamara Harrison
Staff Writer

USI smokers may soon find summer a little warmer and winter a little colder when a policy prohibiting smoking in university buildings and vehicles is enacted at the end of the semester.

Under the no smoking policy, adopted by the Administrative Council, the smoke-free environment will be

effective May 11. However, housing units are not affected by the policy.

The policy, which complies with the Indiana Clean Indoor Air Law, also affects off-campus university-owned or leased buildings like Murphy Auditorium in New Harmony.

This policy is the result of a series of policies created by the Ad Hoc Smoking Committee. Founded in 1985, the committee, composed of smokers and non-smokers, designated smoking ar-

reas including bathrooms and hallways.

"There were too many areas for smoking," said Cynthia Newhouse, Director of Human Resources.

In 1989, after receiving petitions from various students, the committee eliminated smoking in bathrooms and hallways.

USI is not the only university to tighten up on the smoking habit. Ball State University has a smoke-free campus. Other schools such as Purdue

University still maintain the designated smoking areas.

"Some people say even though they smoke, they're happy about the policy because it will help them to quit," Newhouse said.

She said people will cooperate with the policy, but there are penalties under the law for violators.

Newhouse said committees will try to set up assistance for smokers who want to quit.

Campus & Community

Bulletin Board

To have your campus or community event published by *The Shield*, send a description of the event including the date, time, place and contact person to the Bulletin Board, *C/O The Shield*, 8600 University Blvd., Evansville, Ind. 47712 or drop it off at *The Shield* office located in UC 115 by the Thursday before publication.

Today

The Women's Bible Study meets in L100 at 7 a.m.

Overeaters Anonymous will meet in UC 118 11 a.m. to noon.

The Student Publications Committee will meet at 2 p.m. in the President's Suite in the UC.

The Black Student Union meets in UC 118 from 2 to 4 p.m.

A Greek Week Meeting will be held in UC 118 at 4:15 p.m.

The Administrative Management Society meets in the School of Business Conference Room at 3 p.m.

A National Issues Forum on "The Boundaries of Free Speech" will be held at 7 p.m. in Forum III, co-sponsored by USI and Leadership Evansville.

The Women's Basketball Team will play away at Quincy.

The Student Christian Fellowship will meet in the Varsity Club Room of the

PAC at 9 p.m. For more information, call Dan Burton at 468-2029.

Panhellenic Council will meet at 9 p.m. in UC 118. A Rush meeting will immediately follow.

Thursday

A YMCA Camp Carson recruiter will be on campus.

The Adult Children of Alcoholics will meet in UC 118 from 11 a.m. to noon.

The Student Christian Fellowship will meet in OC 2003 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. For more information, Mark Whited 422-4316.

The Communications/Arts Club will meet in UC 118 from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

The USI Rugby Team will practice on the Phoenix Field, located behind the library, at 4 p.m.

The Accounting Club will meet in L100 from 4:30 6:30 p.m.

The Student Government Association meets in UC 118 at 5 to 6 p.m.

The Inter Greek Council will meet at 5 p.m. in UC 113F.

The Amateur Radio Club will meet in TC 123 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Neil Rapp.

The Latter Day Saints Student Association will meet in UC 118 from 7 to 8 p.m.

The Medieval Society meets from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in UC 113F.

Reckless will be performed at the USI Theatre at 8 p.m.

University Life will conduct a Bible Study in L100 at 8:30 p.m. For more info, call Camille West 853-7930.

Friday

A Hot Dog Sale, sponsored by the Administrative Management Society, will be held in the OC Mall during the lunch hour.

New Horizons Coming Together will be held in UC 350 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Reckless will be performed at the USI Theatre at 8 p.m.

"Coming Together?", for non-traditional students, hosts Dr.

Susan Donaldson from 7 to 9 p.m. in the UC Dining Room. Coffee & conversation will follow. Call 464-1765 for more information.

Saturday

The USI Rugby Team will play against the Evansville Rugby team in a scrimmage match at the corner of Vann and Pollack avenues at 1 p.m.

The Women's Basketball team will host Kentucky Wesleyan at 5 p.m. in the PAC.

The Alumni men's basketball players will host an "Old Timers" game at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC.

The Black Student Union will sponsor a Gospel Festival at 7 p.m. Free and open to the public.

The Screaming Eagles will play against Kentucky Wesleyan in the PAC Arena at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday

Protestant Worship Service begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Campus Rec Room. Call Cindy Bean at 422-2516 for more

information.

Catholic Mass will begin at noon in the MASH Rec Room. Call Chris Hoehn at 464-1871 for more information.

The Student Alumni Association will meet at 4 p.m. in UC 118. All students are invited.

"How to Survive Spring Break!" sponsored by the Student Government Association, featuring Dr. Susan Donaldson, will be held in the UC Dining Room at 7 p.m.

Monday

Activities Programming Board will meet in UC 118 at 2 p.m.

Tuesday

The Baptist Student Union will meet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the UC Eagle's Nest for lunch & table talk. For more information, call Vanda Bartlett at 867-7451.

The Baptist Student Union will conduct a Bible Study in MASH 8124B at 9 p.m.

Crash survivor discharged

William Capodagli, director of USI's total quality management center, was released from Deaconess Hospital Friday, according to Rita Hughes, secretary for public relations at Deaconess.

Linda Cleek, associate director of extended services, said Capodagli is at home with his family in Indianapolis, where he will continue to cooperate from burns he received Feb. 6 when a C-130 military airplane crashed into the Drury Inn and adjacent Jojos restaurant killing 16 people.

Capodagli and fellow staff member Lynn Jackson were teaching a seminar in management techniques on the fourth floor of the Drury Inn when the plane crashed and exploded outside their window.

Cleek said she expects Capodagli to return to work sometime in early March.

Jackson, coordinator of business and professional programs, remains in the burn center at Humana Hospital--University at Louisville, Ky. She has asked that no information be released about her condition.

The Children's Center is now enrolling children for the spring semester. Several openings are available, call Kim Holt at 464-1869.

If your campus club or organization is not in the Bulletin Board section, your organization is missing out

The Shield, Transitions separate publications

Several students, faculty, administrators and advertisers have expressed concern about the views and opinions that have been published in *Transitions*, the student magazine.

The Shield and *Transitions*, remain separate publications with separate editorial staffs and objectives.

The confusion may have

been caused by the fact that *Transitions* was published as part of *The Shield's* Feb. 19 issue. This was a mistake by the printer, that was caused by confusion because *Transitions* arrived at the printer later than *The Shield*. The two publications, although printed at the same location, are meant to be published and distributed separately.

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Sheriff's Detectives later questioned Edwards at the department's sub-station. Edwards said the gun was a chrome BB gun and was only an imitation of a .45 caliber automatic handgun. Edwards also denied holding the gun to Bailey's head.

Edwards said he stashed the gun in Ted Hayden's car. Hayden is a friend of Edwards. The car had been towed by USI Security to Mike's Towing, to prevent suspects from fleeing the scene. Eli found the gun under the passenger seat of the car, wrapped in a towel in a plastic bag.

Witness report another suspect also drew a gun that night, a 357 Magnum. Richards and other witnesses confirmed this report.

Another gun has been found, according to Hart, but an investigation is still underway to find the suspect who possessed it. "A suspect has been identified, but he has not been located as of Sunday afternoon," Hart said.

Edwards appeared in court on Friday for a preliminary hearing concerning the charge of criminal recklessness. According to Angela Mitchell, director of the county's pre-trial diversion program, the judge recommended that Edwards enter Mitchell's program, since this incident is Edward's first offense.

According to Mitchell, Edwards is not eligible for the program, however, because of the nature of the offense. If Edwards had been eligible for the program, his charges would have been dismissed after he completed the program.

Mitchell said Edwards is due in Vanderburgh County Court on April 3 at 8:30 a.m. to face the charges.

Mark Cowser, Oakland City College's vice president for Student Affairs said that Mitchell has not been removed from the basketball team.

"We are trying to gather further information, until we decide anything," he said. "Until this student gets his day in court, we don't feel that it is necessary to take any action."

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pects' car. What if they had come back to the car?"

Hart also had words of praise for the RAs. "The RAs did a hell of a job out there," Hart said. "It was not a college rally out there. I asked the RAs to get everyone inside and they did."

Hart said the next step is to piece all the puzzle together. "We're checking into what happened, how it started, and trying to find out if it is preventable," Hart said.

In light of the incident Thursday, The Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department has increased patrols at campus housing, searching for a second gunman who allegedly pulled a .357 Magnum handgun.

The situation will not change the structure of USI's Office of Safety and Security, Hart said.

"We are reviewing procedures to find out if we responded well enough," he said.

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We need campus police

Recent events involving USI Security should prompt the university to reconsider its policy about implementing a campus police force.

Currently, security officers are not empowered with the force to carry firearms or to make arrests. Ironically, almost every state university in Indiana, including little Vincennes University (VU), has a campus police force.

According to Don Reynolds, midnight dispatcher for the Vincennes University Police, police officers at VU have the full power of arrests and are allowed to carry weapons. The police force protects approximately 1,400 students who live on campus. Reynolds said the entire student body is slightly larger than 2,000.

One police chief, one lieutenant and six patrolmen work for the force. The officers attend the state police academy.

Reynolds said the officers on the force rarely have to resort to violence involving weapons, but it is reassuring to know that firearms are available if a violent situation erupts.

One such situation happened Thursday night at Student Housing. A racial incident involving handguns escalated into a life-threatening situation. USI Security Guards were left powerless to respond. Instead, they contacted the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department.

Since the incident involved guns, the security officers decided to not respond to the call until the county officials arrived. This is an understandable reaction.

Security officers should have the power to protect themselves and the campus they represent. Waiting for the sheriff's department, while a gun is being held to a student's head is both ridiculous and dangerous.

Barry Hart, director of safety and security, said he is comfortable with the present arrangement, but he would also be comfortable if a campus police force was implemented.

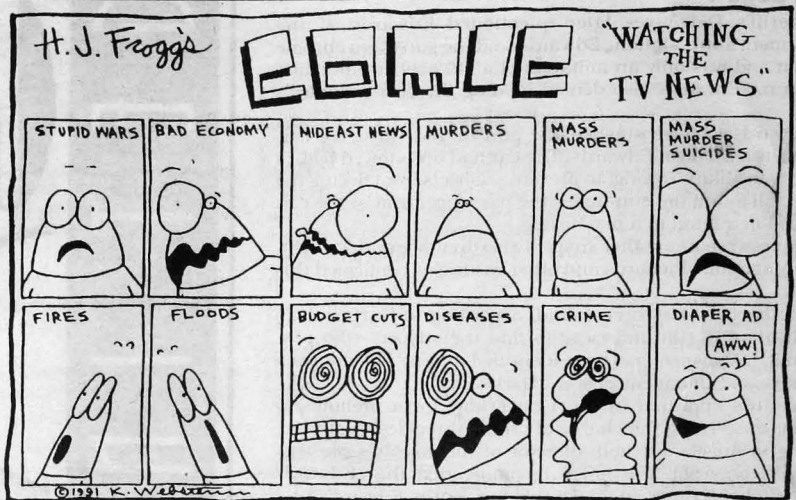
Hart was careful, however, to not make any commitment to the idea of a campus police force.

"We might be able to respond faster," Hart said. "They might be better prepared with guns, but we are providing good security with our present arrangement."

Hart said his security officers often handle disputes that police officers encounter, but with the benefit of a gun.

"We do exactly what the police do, but without deadly force," he said.

Why should they have to? Quit trying to pretend that USI is a school without problems and protect the campus, its students and the security officers who are currently not equipped to handle campus emergencies.



Four years later, what has George Bush really done?

by Allen Van Hoosier
Staff Writer

When I discuss why George Bush should not be elected for a second term, automatically, my heart becomes filled with anger.

We are the most racially diverse nation in the world. We have citizens from almost every nationality imaginable. Unfortunately, the end product in this country has turned into a Marxist nightmare. We have one culture claiming religious superiority over the other and another claiming superiority because of the color of their skin.

So, by now you are probably wondering what this has to do with Bush being elected for a second term. Does George Bush not fit the above description?

Remember when George Bush first entered the oval office? I remember it quite well because it was the first presidential election that I voted. Unfortunately, this society that eats, sleeps and breathes the mass-media made my candidate Dukakis seem less than desirable. But there "he" was, like a beacon of light shining over a hill: Vice President Bush.

Bush had a propaganda genius running his election campaign: the late Lee Atwater. From Willie Horton to Boston Harbor, all is fair in love and war. Dukakis' membership in the ACLU was attacked. Deity forbid that a man might support an organization that stands for civil rights for all people.

The election came and went, and Bush immediately started to establish his agenda.

1.) Flag Burning should not be allowed to be considered a legal form of protest. Violators should be charged with desecration of federal property.

2.) The freedom to choose whether or not to have an abortion should be immediately abolished because abortion is immoral.

3.) Affirmative-action programs shouldn't be permitted. Everyone should pull themselves up from their own bootstraps.

4.) Corporations should be given tax breaks because it allows them to invest the money saved back into the economy, (the proverbial "trickle-down" theory from the land of the Reaganites.)

5.) Take tax dollars and invest them in the most important item of all: democracy for all nations around the world, whether they need it or not.

This former (I question that) Texas oil man told us the Middle-East crisis was all about freedom and democracy, that one nation doesn't have the right to take over another just because it has immeasurable wealth. But can you blame Saddam Hussein? The average Kuwaiti citizen earns \$13.3 million a year.

The religion of Islam teaches that all moslems have a responsibility to look after their brothers. Iraq was filled with starving moslems while the moslem nation next door had the highest concentration of Rolls Royce owners. It appeared then, that Kuwait was filled with a certain type of people that is common to America: the religious hypocrite.

Bush told us that Kuwait's freedom and democracy was

stripped away, so he sent our troops to restore them. While our military was there getting bored and sweating in the desert sand, the Kuwaiti royal family pranced off to Monaco to gamble and get their minds off the tremendous inconvenience that Iraq had put them through.

If fighting for another country's right to democracy was so important to Bush, where was the U.S. military when Chinese students were laying down in front of moving tanks in China's Tiennamin Square?

I guess it's okay to fight for democracy if there's something to be gained from it, "it" being oil, more oil and more oil. It may appear that King George isn't as far removed from the oil business as he would like us to believe.

I can't forget the recession. Look at the number of unemployed people we have. The Reagan years almost sent this country into a depression.

Reagan set an economic trend in which the gap between the rich and the poor is widening by the minute, at the expense and destruction of the middle class. George Bush may not have realized it yet, but our country is a sick child that needs immediate attention.

We just celebrated the bicentennial of the Bill of Rights. Written by and for white, anglo-saxon protestant men, its privileges have been enjoyed by women for only the last 80 years, by minorities for only 30 years.

Do yourself and your fellow Americans a favor and vote democratic this year. What have we got to lose? Our country.

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Olympic sex testing: another front in war of the sexes

by Melissa Laughlin
Opinion Editor

With the end of the Cold War, genetic sex testing of female Olympic athletes, politely known as gender verification, has at last come under the scrutiny that should have accompanied it from the start. Sex testing was first used in 1965 to prove that female athletes from the Soviet Union were in fact female, and not

men competing in disguise as they were rumored to be. Since genetic testing had not been fully developed yet, the women that year were examined nude by athletic doctors.

After the genetic chromosome test was developed in 1968, female athletes began the tradition of cell testing that is still used today. Athletes who pass the test are given "femininity cards," a concept that seems pulled from a sci-

ence fiction novel.

Two or three women have been disqualified at each competition since, a stigma that destroys their careers even at the local level. Often too poor or too frightened to publicly challenge the results, the women follow the advice of their trainers and quietly withdraw from competition.

Occasionally the labs make equally damaging errors, as in the case of Kristen Wengler in

1985. The negative results of a second test came back too late for her to compete internationally that year.

But even when the tests are valid, scientists say, they only prove that the woman has a genetic abnormality, not that she is physically advantaged in the competition and certainly not that she is a man.

Scientists have long agreed that chromosome testing is the wrong way to address gender issues in the Olympics. A physical examination would be more accurate, they say, since the masculine muscles the tests are supposed to detect are accompanied by rather obvious genital differences, even in women who are genetically normal but using steroids.

But sex testing is not just for the protection of women athletes, it's a way for men to perpetuate, at least in their own minds, the myth of the stronger sex.

Successful female athletes threaten masculine concepts of femininity. By requiring such women to prove their gender, men are questioning the very nature of what makes a woman a woman. If they can show an outstanding female to be at least partially male,

they can dismiss the dangerous notion that women are equally capable.

Men too, have genetic abnormalities that put them beyond the black/white realm of boy/girl. But similar to the Jim Crow laws that discriminated against blacks in the rural South, sex testing is used against women to the advantage of men. Masculinity, presumably, is a quality that doesn't need genetic evidence.

Olympic competitions can be easily swayed by even the slightest advantage. For this reason, we must grudgingly accept gender verification. Some country might be so desperate to win the Games they would ask a man to run as a woman. Hermann Artjen of Bremen, Germany said the Nazis forced him to do just that in 1936, but he only placed fourth, he said.

Chromosome testing, however, is unnecessary and inaccurate. Though it has never caught a male impostor, its results are used to invite public ridicule on women for their genetic flaws. Its continued use in the Olympics when more accurate and meaningful tests like a physical exam are available is nothing short of institutional sexism.

LETTERS

USI security didn't help students

To the Editor:

Thursday evening I heard people yelling in the parking lot below my apartment in the Marshall building. Being a nosy student, I stepped outside to see what the problem was.

Words were being exchanged between two groups of people and it quickly turned into a brawl. Soon, the first punch was thrown and I immediately ran inside to call 7777, which is USI's equivalent of 911. A husky male voice answered, I described the situation and he cut me off saying the sheriff's department was on the way.

I went back to my balcony. As I witnessed this human bashing, I wondered where was the almighty Astro van? I thought it would surely be there any second.

Wrong. Instead the sheriff's department came and several minutes later USI's security arrived. As the sheriff's department questioned witnesses, USI's brave guards told all of the observers to get inside.

To me it seems sensible that our security should have arrived at the scene first. They are located only three blocks from the site. It was brought to my attention that security stood in the shadows of the cops because they were unarmed. So were the students.

Is USI's security force, partially funded through our nickel and dime parking meters and \$5 parking tickets, nothing more than a glorified bunch of ticket-writing cowards? Where would the blame lie if someone had been more seriously injured or

killed? USI's security could have given the young man I saw pulverized much needed help. But they chose not to.

Do we need a police unit to patrol campus every day or do we need a better security force on campus? I believe this is both the university's and security's chance to take a step in the right direction. This could be their wake-up call to examine their responsibility of providing the students with protection.

Angie Kleaving
USI Student

Coverage by Shield gets praise

To the Editor:

Congratulations to you and all *The Shield* staff for a tremendous job in publishing the special issue and the subsequent one on the plane crash. Because we were involved in some aspects of fact-finding, I know how much mis-information was circulating. You and your staff did an excellent job of sorting fact from fiction, getting it in print in a timely way and your make-up was good too.

Keep up the good work.

Sherrienne Standley
Vice president of university relations

To the Editor:

I am a newscast producer for an Evansville network affiliated television station. I have fifteen years experience in radio, television and newspapers. I am also a full time USI student. Your coverage during the week of Feb. 7 was the

best *Shield* copy I have seen in my three years as a student here.

I was most impressed with your ability to turn the water main story around as quickly as you did. Following this with the two superb issues on the plane crash indicates your level of commitment and professionalism. I am also impressed with the depth of your reportage. You obviously have people who can generate story ideas and then follow them up. This is the first real journalism I can recall reading in *The Shield*. The caliber of writing and editing has also improved greatly this semester.

I know you and your staff are exhausted after recent events (along with trying to maintain your school work,) but I assure you this will be the best practical journalistic experience you will obtain during your college career. Real world media is chock full of stressful, exhausting deadlines, last minute revisions and the occasional triumph of a job very well done. I commend you.

Michael Whitsett
USI student

Anonymous callers are ignored

To the Editor:

When I worked in government and in the newspaper business, I subscribed to a policy of never reading unsigned mail.

I still observe the rule and I follow a similar one for unidentified phone mail.

Ronald C. Roat
Assistant professor of journalism

Race issues must be faced by all

by Henrietta Jenkins
Staff Writer

With the increased racial tension faced daily by many black students, campus life has become a struggle. When will campus racism end?

When trouble starts, a black person is automatically assumed to be the perpetrator. White students leap from balconies, get drunk and have loud parties on campus in the middle of the night. They vandalize school property, but either no one is called or campus security is called. When black students do the same things, the sheriff's department is called.

Maybe the reason many white people are upset is there has not been this many black students on campus before and blacks scare them. Even if that is not the case, it appears to be.

One would think that in a university, discrimination and racism would not exist. Students in many places, including my hometown, at times could not attend class because of riots. Some were afraid to attend because of the lines of people chanting, "Nigger go home."

One would think when our parents struggled to protect our rights to equal education and security, an institution like USI would have changed with the times.

If race frightens people on campus, then I wonder what attitudes would exist today if Malcolm X were still alive with his militant views and his "telling it like it is." It is a sorry aspect of life when students are forced to obtain respect, fairness and equality by any and all necessary means.

Construction of Student Housing apartment delayed

Original plans fail to meet regulations regarding disabled

by John Wells
Staff Writer

Plans for a new Campus Housing building are on hold, while architects redesign the blueprints, according to Dick Schmidt, treasurer for the Southern Indiana Higher Education Committee.

"The current plans didn't comply to the new Americans With Disabilities Act (AWDA)," Schmidt said. "We are now

having them re-drawn to meet those standards."

The AWDA was passed in 1990. It was designed to give easy access to public places for the handicapped.

According to a summary obtained from Congressman Frank McCloskey, the act applies to all public buildings. The bill states that these buildings should have no architectural barriers to the handicapped, such as doors that are too narrow or inadequate spaces for a disabled person to maneuver.

Designs are in the works for the building now, Schmidt said. "They should be done within the next 30 days."

The plans are being re-drawn by Architech Dan Temme.

Schmidt said some of the plans will be easy to comply with. "Some of the necessary changes include wider doors for the bathrooms and ovens with the controls on the front."

Southern Indiana Higher Education (SIHE) has obtained all of the necessary permits to start construction of the housing unit once the plans are revised. "A concrete parking lot has already been laid," Schmidt said. "That will help the construction crews work in case of a wet spring."

The new building will be named Ralston after the 27th

governor of Indiana, according to Greg Myers, director of Student Housing. The Ralston building will be located just north of Mahrenholz Drive.

Macon Corporation was awarded the contract to build the 16-unit apartment building, according to Schmidt.

Myers said the Ralston building will house about 64 students and follow the old MASH style.

SIHE gave approval to start the building process last August at their annual meeting, Schmidt said. "We decided then to start seeking all the necessary permits. We received all of them, but had to re-submit the plans to con-

form to the Americans With Disabilities Act."

The committee compares current occupancy rates to projected student enrollment. "We then make a decision whether or not we need to build more housing," Schmidt said. "We are drawing students from a wider area. We felt we needed the room."

Ralston is part of a four building complex to be built from a site plan, according to Schmidt. "We hope to build one building a year."

Funding for the project comes from an economic development bond and will be paid off with housing fees, Schmidt said.

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WSWI radio receives musical donation

by Amy Cornelius
Staff Writer

Listeners of the Saturday Big Band Show on WSWI radio will soon be hearing a multitude of bands and music from the private collection of Joseph Hulgus.

Hulgus, who has been doing the Saturday show for nine years, has donated 120 cassettes to WSWI. Each cassette is 90 minutes in length.

Hulgus said he wants to create and instill interest in big band music for the younger generation.

Some of the music Hulgus donated to WSWI are

that of Glen Miller, Benny Goodman, Benny Carter and Tommy Dorsey. Several of the records are no longer available.

"This music is a valuable asset and a source of pride for the station," Hulgus said.

According to Hulgus, several of his records are valuable, increasing in worth yearly.

The donated music will range from the early teens to the big band music of today.

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Donaldson to speak to non-traditionals

by Melissa Laughlin
Staff Writer

Dr. Susan Donaldson, professor of psychology, will speak Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. in the UC dining room on "Making it in life: some self-help tips."

The talk is being sponsored by the USI admissions office and the New Horizons Club, an organization for non-traditional students, said club member Barbara Smithhart.

Donaldson said she has given the talks for three or four years at the request of the admissions office.

"I've turned into an old person," Donaldson said with characteristic humor. "I can tell this because I get things from the AARP. So I've taken to giving people advice."

Donaldson said Anne Cooper, of admissions, approached her about this year's topic.

"I did something kind of

similar last year and Anne Cooper thought some of the things I had to say would be real helpful to students.

"I'll talk about situations where I have learned something, the kind of thing where you say 'Gosh I wish I had known that then.'"

Donaldson said her advice is unlike that of most people. A part-time stand-up comic, Donaldson said people can anticipate that her speech will be delivered with humor.

Smithhart said the New Horizons Club was a popular campus organization in the 70's but died out. She and some fellow students resurrected it last semester, she said, with an interest in benefitting the university.

"Non-traditional students aren't what people think they are. We have a lot of 19 and 20-year-olds who have children, are married or are just not interested in traditional student affairs."



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Students gather to hear concerns about housing

by Amy Cornelius
Staff Writer

Housing residents gathered at Student Housing Thursday to express concern about various changes that are affecting rates and the organization of Student Housing.

Greg Myers, director of housing, Dick Schmidt, assistant vice president for business affairs, and Barry Schonberger, dean of student life, spoke with students about the Sigeco bill, the alcohol policy and theme housing.

Myers said these changes are taking place so housing will be more like university housing and not an apartment complex.

Schmidt answered questions from residents about the addition of the Sigeco bill to the rent.

One resident asked Schmidt where the money she paid would be going and what would happen if the university made a profit from the Sigeco bills.

Schmidt said the university would record how much is spent and how much is owed

Students abide by 'Bill of Rights'

Christy Ingram
Staff Writer

Everyone is familiar, or should be, with constitutional rights, but students who live in housing will also gain a new list of rights — The Roommate Bill of Rights.

The Roommate Bill of Rights has been implemented in a small number of apartments this spring to see how well the program will work. If successful, the program will be activated in all apartments in the fall.

The program is modeled after Illinois State University (ISU). According to Barry Schonberger, director of Student Activities, said the plan has been very successful in ISU's housing, so USI decided to try the Roommate Bill of Rights as a communication tool to get roommates to talk about discrepancies.

The Roommate Bill of Rights also gives the resident assistant a chance to meet residents.

"The Roommate Bill of Rights is mainly a communi-

cation step to get the students talking about things we've seen: conflict during study hours, arguments over chores such as dishes. The form covers areas we wanted it to, but there may be some changes in the future," said Jerome Hagedorn, head resident assistant.

"We hope it will provide them the opportunity to talk and agree before they become a serious problem," said Schonberger.

for the bills.

"If we see that we are making money we won't raise it the next year," he said.

Schmidt said housing residents will still receive individual bills for each apartment next year.

"If a huge increase is noticed in the bills, we will check to see if there is a problem in the heaters and air conditioners," he said. "If there is not a problem, we will first try to educate the residents."

"If this becomes a problem, we could raise the rate the next year," Schmidt said.

Schmidt said the university is looking into getting two meters, one at MASH and one at Campus which could lower the rate.

"If Sigeco gave us a lower rate, we would pass it down to the students," he said.

"This is not for a profit, it would not be fair to make money off your utilities,"

Schonberger said. "It's not our angle to make money."

Schmidt said they determined the Sigeco rate by estimating the average cost per student for 1991-1992. The cost was adjusted for the increase in the Sigeco rate for 1992-93.

The alcohol policy at student housing also became a concern at the meeting. Schonberger said the new alcohol policy is being imple-

mented because the university will eventually control the management of housing.

Students who are over 21 will live in buildings that will allow alcoholic beverages. Those who provide alcohol to students under 21 could lose their spot in the building and be moved back to regular housing which will be dry. Schonberger said that all greek housing, however, will be dry.

Underage students who are caught drinking alcohol will be notified about the alcohol policy at the university.


One housing resident said, "If you don't let us drink, students will go somewhere else and you'll be responsible for deaths."

Myers suggested discretion as a possible solution. "If alcohol is not seen, we cannot do anything about it," Myers said.

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Ent. Ed - If Spring Break means I have to do your work, you'd better let me see the tapes of Daytona from last year before I do anything. Movie Critic.

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PERSONALS

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Movie Critic - Fruitbat & Co. returns! Where's 'Wilson Phillips' nowadays...eh? 'Bloodsport For All' rules! No more wimpy remade Elton songs! Ent. Ed.

Who the hell is Supes anyhow? Those puns are a riot. Keep it up! Deathwatch

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To the Alpha Gam's new pledges, We Love You! Sisters are sisters forever. The Women of Alpha Gam

Mr. Lawrence III - Please don't forget to take the remote to turn Denny off in Daytona this time! We don't need him pissing off anymore bikers!! Ent. Ed. (P.S. Don't forget the cigs either!)

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Melissa E. - Heard you got a cat for Homecoming! Here Kitty, Kitty! Can we see a picture? "M&M-S"

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Censorship discussion prompts controversy

by Paul Minnis
Staff Writer

Should a government have the right to censor the information that reaches its people?

This was the primary issue debated at the Wednesday panel discussion held at the Evansville Courier building.

Michael Gradison, executive director of the civil liberties union, said, "The First Amendment gives Americans the power to make their own judgments."

Gradison said today's people are unaware of what is going on in the country because they are being "protected" by the government.

"I guess the government doesn't have faith in the people," Gradison said.

Rabbi Arthur Abrams of the Temple Adath B'nai Israel countered by saying "openness and permissiveness to everything is not what the First

Amendment is about." He said people must be protected from certain things.

Robert Pigman, former Vanderburgh prosecuting attorney, said that everyone has the right to be secure from messages that could affect his emotional and physical health. He said that if censorship were to stop, many people would take advantage of and abuse their new rights.

"But that doesn't give the government the right to impose its ideas on the public," Gradison said. "The government's ideas are no more legitimate than yours or mine."

Paul McAuliffe, executive editor of the Evansville Courier, said that until recently, the media was allowed to accompany the military in wars and that no harm came about. But now, he said, people are deprived of knowing the whole story.

Neither Abrams nor

Pigman argued with McAuliffe, but Pigman made a point of his own.

Pigman said, if people are allowed to hear or see everything, children may grow to be more violent than ever before, referring to the possible correlation between television and child violence.

Pigman also said granting everyone the right to speak

and to be heard can infringe on others' rights.

After McAuliffe said reporters should be allowed to overhear private conversations between the judge and other members of the court, Pigman said the reporter's rights are no more sacred than the defendant's or plaintiff's.

According to Pigman, if the judge is having a private dis-

cussion with the defendant, for example, he is "protecting the accused so he can have a fair trial."

"David Duke isn't liked by most people, but there are still many people willing to vote for him," Gradison said, trying to strengthen McAuliffe's point. He said citizens must be able to decide for themselves.



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Senior Dennis Humphrey, an All-American candidate pitches the ball. Humphrey will lead the Eagles in the tournament this year.

1992 USI baseball roster

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2	David Blackwell	C	So	Bloomington, Ind.
4	Barry Strauser	SS	Fr	Springville, Ind.
5	Darryl Addler	C/Of	Fr	Evansville, Ind.
6	Par Curtis	P	Fr	Mt. Vernon, Ind.
7	Stu Sheets	Of-2b	So	Decatur, Ind.
8	Blake Krueger	C	Sr	Jasper, Ind.
9	Brian Maurer	1b	Jr	Haubstadt, Ind.
10	Ryan Siedl	Of	Fr	Jasper, Ind.
11	Kyle Kassel	P	So	Evansville, Ind.
12	Neal Walther	P	So	LaFayette, Ind.
13	Matt Vince	Of	So	Ft. Wayne, Ind.
14	Brad Stewart	Of	So	Monon, Ind.
15	Greg Orr	P	So	Berne, Ind.
16	Steed Jackson	C	Sr	Newburgh, Ind.
17	Tom Drake	SS	Sr	Bloomington, Ind.
19	Todd Wiley	P	So	Evansville, Ind.
21	Wes Melnyk	P	Fr	Edmonton, Canada
22	Don Burton	P	Fr	Washington, Ind.
23	Kevin Brown	C	Fr	Evansville, Ind.
24	Steve Gries	2b/3b	Jr	Evansville, Ind.
25	Tom Knot	Of/1b	Fr	Evansville, Ind.
26	Jason Krack	3b	Fr	Evansville, Ind.
27	Mike Fetscher	P	Fr	Evansville, Ind.
28	Damon Brown	P	So	Bloomington, Ind.
29	Todd Krapf	P	Sr	Jasper, Ind.
30	Dennis Humphrey	Of/P	Sr	Wyoming, Mich.

Baseball team aiming toward NCAA tourney

by Ali Malaekah
Sports Editor

The Screaming Eagles baseball team is out with a vengeance to prove it deserved a bid to the NCAA Division II tournament.

USI is ranked 26th in the pre-season poll by Collegiate Baseball Magazine. The Eagles ended the 1991 season with a 32-11 mark, finishing third in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. The 32 wins are a USI record.

According to fourth-year coach Gary Redman, the team's goal is to receive a bid for the national tournament held at Montgomery, Ala.

"The expectations are high this season," he said.

The Eagles will return 13 lettermen, including the entire infield and the top three game-winning pitchers who combined for 16 wins last season. With the addition of a few other young pitchers, USI's pitching staff should be solid.

All-American candidate Dennis Humphrey will be leading the Screaming Eagles to-

ward the NCAA tournament. Humphrey, in his final year at USI, led the Eagles with a 6-0 record and a 2.93 earned run average.

Joining Humphrey in the starting rotation are senior Todd Krapf, who was a medical redshirt last season, and sophomores Damon Brown and Greg Orr. Krapf has a combined record of 16-16 at USI with a 4.35 ERA. Brown tied Humphrey in the win-loss column, but had a slightly higher ERA (3.12). Orr compiled a 4-4 record with a 4.62 ERA while pitching four complete games.

"Our top four pitchers have proven they can do the job," Redman said. "In the bullpen (sophomore Kyle) Kassel will be the number one closer and (sophomore Todd) Wiley the number one middle reliever."

Humphrey also leads the Screaming Eagles in hitting. He leads USI in homeruns (11) and runs batted in (61) while finishing second on the team with a .353 batting average. Humphrey also holds the school record for homeruns

(24) and RBI's (103).

"I hope I can contribute enough to take the team to the (NCAA) tournament," Humphrey said. "If I have a good year, who knows, I could get drafted."

Anchoring the middle of the infield are senior Tom

Drake and junior Steve Gries. Drake hit .314, scored a team-high 38 runs last season and led the team with 16 stolen bases. Gries hit .309 last season.

Junior Brian Maurer will start at first base where he hit .277 and added 19 RBI's.

The starting catcher will

be senior Blake Krueger who hit .338 with 18 RBI's while hitting behind Humphrey.

"I strongly believe this team has the talent and the potential to go very far this year," Redman said. "I'm looking forward to a promising season."

Lady Eagles basketball team drops two games on roadtrip

by David Weyer
Staff Writer

The USI women's basketball team dropped both games on its recent two game road trip to Lewis University and St. Joseph College.

The Lady Eagles lost a tough game against Lewis Thursday 80-75. Lewis (5-17 overall, 2-12 in GLVC play) fought back from a five-point halftime deficit to defeat the Lady Eagles. The turning point of the game occurred in the second half when the Lady Eagles were kept scoreless for

over five minutes.

Sophomore Kathy Lauck paced the Lady Eagles with 18 points and 10 rebounds. Sophomore Laura Pereck scored 17 points and freshman Glenna Bower added 13 points.

In Saturday's game against Division II fifth-ranked St. Joseph College (22-1 overall, 13-1 in GLVC play) the Lady Eagles were pummeled 100-76.

According to Coach Chance Dugan, the Lady Eagles were defeated soundly by a very tough St. Joseph

team.

USI trailed by 18 points at halftime and could get no closer in the second half en route to the loss. USI's record dropped to 7-17 overall and 4-10 in GLVC play.

Lauck led the Lady Eagles in scoring with 21 points and ripped down 11 rebounds. Bower added 13 points in the losing cause.

The women's team will play at Quincy College today at 6 p.m. The Lady Eagles will be back at the PAC Saturday at 5 p.m. when they take on Ken-

Cato resigns from coaching, teaching

by Ali Malaekah
Sports Editor

Moulton "Mo" Cato resigned as men's assistant soccer coach and instructor of communication Monday effective Friday, March 6.

Cato, a 1985 USI graduate, joined the soccer coaching staff in the fall of 1989 after earning his masters from Western Kentucky University with a degree in communications. He was a member of the Screaming Eagles soccer team which qualified to the NCAA Division II play-offs in 1982.

"As much as I want to stay at USI, there is just no future for me at USI," Cato said. "I have to think in terms of a career and my future, and nothing was going to happen here."

Cato will take a position as Senior Trainer Administrator for American General Finance.

According to Cato, he had not been actively looking for another job. He said the job opportunity just "fell in my lap."

"I gave subtle hints in the

communication and athletic departments (about another job opportunity)," Cato said. "But since I didn't receive any positive feedback, I pursued American General Finance."

Cato will be in charge of training district and local managers on how to work better with employees when hired among other responsibilities.

Dal Herring, chairperson of communications, said he regrets Cato leaving USI in the middle of the semester. Herring said students will suffer from his departure.

"I wish him the best of luck," Herring said. "He has given USI many years of faithful service."

Herring said an instructor will be hired to take Cato's position, but he could not reveal the name since nothing was official as of Tuesday morning.

Looking back at his stay at USI, Cato considers the joy his students have shown in class as one of his biggest achievements. He said the feedback he has received from his students show his classes are enjoyable.



"I praise myself highly in the amount of effort I put into my teaching," Cato said. "A lot of professors just go through the motions of teaching. Some people recognize (the effort put into teaching) it and some don't. Students do."

As an assistant soccer coach and former player, Cato has many fond memories of

his years at USI. As a player he compiled 52 assists in four years to set a school record and is tied at 14 assists with Chris King, who plays indoor soccer professionally in Dayton, Ohio, for the single season assist record.

Cato said his three years as an assistant coach under Tony Colavecchia have helped him grow as a coach. He said it was evident since Colavecchia has assigned him more duties every year.

According to Colavecchia, Cato has done a lot of background work that the players don't see. He said Cato has done a good job keeping a close liason with the USI alumni.

"Cato will be missed more off the field than anywhere else," Colavecchia said. "He was always concerned about the academic direction of the students."

"I could not have asked for a better working relationship," Cato said of Colavecchia. "One thing that helped us is our relationship off the field. More faculty members should realize that working at USI is not a 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. thing."

Cato said he is sad that he will not be involved with the team when it moves to Division I status this fall. He said he always wanted to be involved with the soccer team when it took that step up.

Cato also established the first USI women's soccer program during the fall of 1991. He led the Lady Eagles to a 6-7 season.

After being involved with USI athletics for so many years, he has one piece of advice for the athletic department.

"The athletic department should recognize when it has quality people involved in the programs and appreciate it," Cato said. "Too many quality people have come to USI and left without being appreciated. This is not a reflection on my situation."

"I hope there is no animosity towards me for leaving USI in the middle of the semester," Cato said. "Because I have no animosity toward anyone. I hope I can walk back on campus with the same good feelings I always have."

Ali's Alley

Cato will be missed at USI

by Ali Malaekah
Sports Editor

I met Mo Cato the first year I was a member of the USI soccer team three years ago. The first thing that crossed my mind was "Oh, s---. This guy is a hard-ass."

Mo lived up to my expectations as an assistant coach.

Hearing his voice early in the morning during pre-season fitness work-outs was hell. It seemed he was on everybody's rear end for not trying hard enough or not running fast enough. I remember calling him Adolf for the way he liked to run our fitness sessions.

During the following two years Mo softened up a little. He didn't bark out instructions as often, but explained what needed to be done in a much more civilized manner. In the back of my mind I still

dreaded the times when he lost his composure and made us run for what seemed hours at a time.

Only after I stopped playing (actually sitting on the bench) for the Screaming Eagles did I actually realize and start appreciating what he was trying to accomplish.

Mo was not the tyrant I had him made up to be during practices. All he wanted to do is get the best out of everybody. He made us hang from the crossbar and ran our butts into the ground, but it made us a better team.

Not everybody made an effort to get to know Mo as a person. I was one of those people, until I had the chance to meet him off the field. He was not the same person.

As an instructor of communication he is able to keep everybody's attention, even through those never

ending night classes. In four years at USI I have rarely witnessed somebody care so much about the students and their interests. I could only wish every professor at USI had the same enthusiasm about educating today's youth.

As a friend, Mo has always been there when I've needed advice. He puts aside the fact that he is an instructor and genuinely shows an interest in my problems. No, Mo and I don't hang out, but I believe we have earned each others respect in order to be able to talk to each other as friends.

Not only is USI losing one of its most promising instructors, but many people are going to miss him as a person.

Mo, I wish you all the best in your new career, and remember, you have made a difference.

Thanks.

Wilhelmus leads first USI cycling team in Lexington, Ky.

From Staff Reports

The USI cycling team traveled to Lexington, Ky. for its first collegiate race of the 1992 season. The Becknerville Intercollegiate Road Race was hosted by the University of Kentucky and held on a rain-slickened 27 mile course Sunday.

Although USI did not receive any points as a team, all of the Screaming Eagles riders finished in the lead pack. USI's top finishers were junior Scott Wilhelmus in 10th place and graduate student Brad Myers who finished in 11 place. The other USI riders are freshman Harry Clark, junior Derrick Ohning and senior Jeff deDomingo.

"The team feels they gained

a lot of experience from racing in adverse conditions," Wilhelmus said. "We are glad we have a race under our belt."

According to Wilhelmus, teams from Indiana University, the University of Missouri, Ball State University, Notre Dame and Purdue University were among the team competing in the race. The University of Miami of Ohio won the race.

The cycling team will travel to Louisville, Ky. Saturday to compete in a race in preparation for the Collegiate Cycling Regionals held in Evansville April 18-19.

Anyone with questions regarding the cycling teams schedule, regional meet or the recreational aspect of the club can contact Scott Wilhelmus at 423-8414.

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