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Madrigal Feaste

USI's Carter Hall will be transformed into a lushly decorated medieval castle for the 36th annual USI Madrigal Feaste featuring the USI Chamber Choir. Set in Renaissance Ireland, the USI Madrigal Feaste will inspire guests through stirring music, festive processional, hearty laughter, and sumptuous delicacies. Tickets are on sale now for USI's oldest musical tradition, a festive way to begin the holiday season.

The USI Chamber Choir will entertain with selections of old English Madrigals, Irish traditional folk songs and carols, as well as eloquent choral selections for the holiday season from a wide variety of European repertory. Celtic band Rowan Tree will accompany the formal processional, and the Society for Creative Anachronism will demonstrate sword fights and medieval dancing.

The holiday food, stirring music, and warm fellowship will be offered on four evenings, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, December 1-3, and at 6 p.m. Sunday, December 4.

The menu includes a tossed green salad, hot wassail (spiced cider), soup of beef and barley, roasted chicken, holiday roasted potatoes, fresh steamed vegetables, bread pudding with rum sauce, tea and coffee.

Tickets are \$29 for adults and \$26 for children, students and senior citizens. Call for group rates.

Make reservations by Friday, November 25. Call 812/461-5237 to order tickets.

For additional information, contact Daniel Craig, director of music, at 812/464-1736.

The Signature Project: Be one in a million

The University community is invited to be part of *The Signature Project*, a work of art involving more than one million participants. Irish-born artist **Patrick Dunning** will introduce his work with a multi-media program from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Monday, November 28, in the University Center Rooms 201-204.

First developed while Dunning was artist-in-residence at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI), *The Signature Project* is a colossal work of art that requires the signatures of over one million people. Through the use of digital technology, Dunning will color code individual signatures to create an enormous painting consisting of 171 individual canvases. When complete, *The Signature Project* will be larger than the surface of a basketball court.

Thirty members of the USI community will be selected to add their signatures to the project. Register through Extended Services for the opportunity to be selected. You must be registered and present at the program in order to participate.

The program involves music, technology, visual art, and storytelling site.

Retirement pursuits: John Gottcent

When **John Gottcent**, professor of English and founding director of the University Core Curriculum, joined USI, the English department was so small that everybody had to be a generalist, he said. "In my first three years here, I taught 15 different courses. I was helping out in all different kinds of fields."

Gottcent arrived at USI in 1970, trained as a specialist in 19th century British literature, but has rarely taught a course in it. Instead, he became an expert on biblical literature. "The English department decided in the late seventies that we needed a course on the literature of the Bible, because our majors were having difficulty recognizing biblical references in standard literature. I was assigned the project of designing the course. I didn't want to do it because I had no background or training in it, but I ended up getting interested in it. It's been very successful and has expanded from one course to two."

Gottcent's Concept of Evil course was inspired by a friend who took a course on the devil in literature, which he expanded to evil in literature. "I introduced it in the seventies and it proved to be very popular. I've been teaching it ever since. I'm teaching it this semester.

"My wife always says I'm trying to play it safe by teaching evil one semester and the Bible the other."

After retirement, he is looking forward to pursuing a more systematic study of Hebrew and Greek, the languages of the Old and New Testaments, and plans to pursue a writing project that draws on his interest in biblical studies. He also would like to teach an occasional course at USI.

He and his wife JoAnne plan to travel, and eventually relocate to an area "with less heat and humidity in the summer."

"I wouldn't be completely honest if I didn't admit that I also will spend a good amount of time playing with my model train collection," he added.

During his USI career, Gottcent has served on the Executive Council of the national board of the Association for General and Liberal Studies; was state faculty representative for the Indiana Commission for Higher Education appointed by the governor in the mid-nineties; and was chosen by his colleagues as the USI Integra Bank Distinguished Professor in 2000.

He said though he'd miss USI, "After 36 years, it's time for a change, both for the University and for me."

Taste Spirits in Harmonie

When George Rapp and the Harmonie Society settled in New Harmony, Indiana, in 1814, wine and beer making soon followed. Rapp wrote to his adopted son Frederick on November 8, 1814, "I expect to make enough wine after a while. The region and location for it is excellent."

In that spirit, Historic New Harmony presents "Spirits in Harmonie" from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday, November 26.

"Spirits in Harmonie" features wine, beer, and cider tasting, festive food, live music, and unique shopping from around the

world in a variety of historical venues.

"This is a perfect alternative to fighting the traffic and crowds at the mall during the first weekend of the holiday season," said **Connie Weinzapfel**, Historic New Harmony director.

Wines will be sampled at the Atheneum/Visitor Center, with beer tasting at the 1775 Double Log Cabin, and cider tasting at the Rapp-Owen Granary. In addition to the tastings, there will be a cash bar available at the Granary and live music at each venue.

Tickets are \$22.50 in advance and \$25 the day of the event, if available. No one under 21 will be admitted.

The event is sponsored by Red Geranium Enterprises and the New Harmony Wine Society. For tickets or more information, call the Atheneum/Visitors Center at 800/231-2168.

"Mad Cowboy" screening

The USI Vegetarian Club will present a screening of the documentary film "Mad Cowboy" at 7 p.m. Monday, November 28, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center. Evansville native Marissa Miller, animal projects coordinator for the Global Green Foundation, will introduce the documentary and lead a discussion after the screening.

"Mad Cowboy" follows the story of Howard Lyman, a former cattle rancher turned vegetarian and food safety activist. In 1996, Lyman discussed how the cattle industry potentially exposed Americans to mad cow disease by feeding cows the remains of live animals, including other cows, on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*. As a result of his remarks, and Winfrey's declaration that she'd never eat a burger again, Lyman was named a co-defendant in the infamous "veggie libel" case brought by Texas ranchers in Amarillo.

The documentary is based on Lyman's book, *Mad Cowboy: Plain Truth from the Cattle Rancher Who Won't Eat Meat*.

For more information, contact Vegetarian Club advisor **Maurice Hamington**, assistant professor of philosophy, at 812/464-1722.

Jeweler staffed by USI grads

A local business with strong ties to USI has joined the USI Incentive Program, offering discounts to USI students, employees, alumni, and parents and families.

All of the employees of Tracy Zeller Jewelry, owned by **Tracy Van Zant Zeller '89**, are either USI graduates or current students.

Theresa Watts Ohning '99 has a bachelor's degree in business administration from USI and is office manager at the jewelry store. **Michele Stucke Myers '90** has a bachelor's degree in business administration and is primary sales associate. Jeweler **Tammy Weiss Schroeder '84** earned her B.S. in art.

Two part-time sales associates are USI students: **Blair Zeller** is a sophomore business administration major, and **Cory Thacker** is a freshman business administration major.

Tracy Zeller Jewelry features a wide variety of fine diamond and gemstone jewelry in styles for men and women ranging from traditional to contemporary. Present a valid student, or employee Eagle Access Card, or alumni membership card and receive 30 percent off the retail price of in-stock jewelry merchandise.

Store hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and the store is located at 111 S. Red Bank Road between Integra Bank and Lowe's.

For more merchants participating in the USI Incentive Program visit www.usi.edu/incentive/index.asp.

"Wild Women" in New Harmony Gallery

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art presents "Wild Women" November 19-December 24. The exhibition includes the work of four artists who share an interest in found objects, natural fibers, and bold colors. Primal colors and rhythms dominate the work of **Judith Bush** and **Sarah Shoot**. Both artists gather and observe everyday objects and people in order to present their essences in vibrant patterns of paint and fabric. While **Amy Rich** and **Jane Case Vickers**' work is wrought with individual emotions and memories. Each piece they create represents an isolated feeling like love, anger, strife, or comfort and each is comprised of found fabrics and objects symbolic of this theme.

Bush is an emerging artist living in Murphysboro, Illinois. She earned her B.F.A. from DePauw University. Rich received her B.A. from Kenyon College and lives in Cincinnati, Ohio. Shoot received her B.F.A. in fiber art from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, where she currently lives and works. Vickers is an Evansville native and director of the Arts and Smarts program for children at Patchwork Central inner-city ministry. She earned her M.F.A. in fiber art from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

A reception for the artists will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, November 19, during New Harmony's Fall Art Stroll. Receptions also will be held at the Women's Institute and Gallery, Antique Emporium of New Harmony, The Antiques Showroom in the Mews, Harmony Pottery, Hoosier Salon New Harmony Gallery, and New Harmony Artists Guild Community House.

For more information, call the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art at 812/682-3156.

Names in the news

In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Scott Barnett, stepson of Jeanne Barnett, professor of biology, and son of Dean Barnett, who has taught at the University as an adjunct professor in the College of Science and Engineering. Scott Barnett died November 6. Memorial contributions may be made to an educational fund for Scott Barnett's children at South Story Bank, c/o Bob Hanes, P.O. Box 8, Huxley, Iowa 50124.

Welcome

Michael Fetscher, a USI graduate with a bachelor's degree in liberal arts, has accepted a position as coordinator of instructional broadcast for the College of Nursing and Health Professions. He was formerly in production operations at WFIE-TV Channel 14.

Accomplishments

"A Bilingual Halloween," a short piece by **InSuk Jo Granholm**, instructor in English, was published in the current issue of *Creative Nonfiction*. It appears under her pen name, InSuk Jo.

Residence Life staff participated in the GLACUHO (Great Lakes Association of College and University Housing Officers) Conference November 6-8 in Indianapolis. Director of Residence Life **Julie Payne**, who was elected president of the organization last year, assumed the presidency, and **Laurie Berry**, associate director of Residence Life, remains the Indiana delegate. **Brian Hinterscher** and Berry presented on the USI programming model; Payne presented on earning a Ph.D.; and Berry also co-presented a mid-manager round table, as well as a program on

technology issues. Area coordinators **Matt Krevda, Ebony Eskridge, and Tracy Shadowens** also attended.

"Comparative Boundary Work: U.S. Acid Rain and Global Climate Change Policy Deliberations" by **Stephen Zehr**, associate professor of sociology and chair of the Department of Sociology, appears in the December issue of *Science and Public Policy*.

In appreciation

"Dear USI Family: Thanks so much for your well wishes, kind words, and support. It's been a joy working with you. We have fond memories to cherish for years to come. Sincerely, **Keith and Trisha Kennedy** (Logan, too)."

FYI

Eyewear for tornado victims

Vision Services Plan (VSP) will replace eyewear lost or destroyed as a result of the November 6 tornado for Welborn HMO members. To receive replacement eyewear, Welborn HMO members should call VSP Customer Service at 800/877-7195. For information about relief services, call a VSP service representative at 800/852-7600. VSP also is providing replacement eyewear services for non-VSP members through the Red Cross.

Darrells to lead tour of Ireland

Sherry Darrell, professor of English and director of Humanities, and her husband Bob, who is retired from the English Department at Kentucky Wesleyan College, will lead a 12-day tour of Ireland departing May 27, 2006. The tour includes such sites as Dublin, Kildare, Kerry, Cork, Galway, and the Aran islands. Costs include transportation, two meals daily, entry tickets, and lodging. Student costs total about \$2,500 per person; adult costs total about \$2,800 per person. For more information, contact Sherry Darrell at 812/464-1754.

Check your check

Payroll has begun its preparations for the tax season. Please verify the name, address, and social security number on your check and notify payroll of any changes or corrections that should be made. If your county of residence or principal county of primary employment changed in 2005, a new state tax form must be filed before the first pay of the new year. Otherwise, the current county tax will continue to be withheld. Monthly, administrative, and academic employees note: If you are participating in direct deposit your scheduled pay for December 30, 2005 will be in your account on that date. Because the University will be closed on that date, monthly checks will be mailed on Wednesday, December 28, 2005. Student checks dated December 30, 2005 will not be mailed but will be available at the Cashier's Office on Tuesday, January 3, 2006. For more information, call **Joyce Lasher**, senior payroll assistant, at 812/465-7195 or **Rita Ricketts**, payroll assistant, at 812/465-1287.

USI AAA Scholarship available

Each year, the USI Administrative Assistants and Associates organization presents a \$500 scholarship to a deserving student. The applicant must be a full-time student one semester prior to applying for the scholarship, and be full-time when the scholarship is taken; must maintain a 3.0 GPA; and must be in need of financial assistance, but may be receiving other financial aid. The scholarship recipient will be selected by members of the USI AAA. The scholarship will be awarded during Honors Week in

March 2006. Applications are available online at www.usi.edu/aaa, or from Rice Library at the circulation desk. For more information contact **Donna Hopf**, senior library assistant, at 812/464-1906 or **Mary McGrew**, senior administrative assistant in the College of Business, at 812/464-1962.

Biology Club annual Poinsettia Sale

The USI Biology Club is accepting orders for its annual Poinsettia Sale through Monday, November 28. The club is selling four-inch pots in burgundy and pink for \$5; six and a half-inch pots in red for \$8; eight-inch pots in red and pink for \$12; and 12-inch pots in red and pink for \$16. Orders can be e-mailed to usibiologyclub@yahoo.com. Faculty and staff should include office phone number and office location; the plants will be delivered. You also may order by calling **Lisa Staples**, administrative assistant in the Biology Department, at 812/465-1084. Proceeds will benefit Gulf Coast hurricane relief.

Bookstore to host alumnus book-signing

The USI Bookstore will host a book-signing and reception for **Sgt. Rick Reed '92** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, November 28. Reed is commander of the Evansville Police Department's Internal Affairs Unit and is co-author with Steven Walker of the true-crime book *Blood Trail*, published by Pinnacle Books. The book documents the case of Joseph W. Brown, who is incarcerated in the Wabash Valley Correctional Center for the murder of an Evansville woman and claims to have raped, tortured, and murdered 13 other women in a seven-state killing spree. Reed was the lead investigator on the Brown case.

Marketplace

2000 Black Chev S-10 Xtreme

Loaded. Auto, 4 cylinder, 17" wheels. 45,000 miles. Selling price: \$9,400. Contact Jerry or Linda Lefler 812/858-3593 or llefler@usi.edu.

Apartment for rent

A historic serene airy one bedroom apartment in downtown Evansville. Living room, dining room, sunroom with hardwood floors and book/storage space. Has a veranda and large fenced in yard. \$415 per month with appliances, heat and water. Contact Joann Resch, 812/423-8859.

Apartment size sofa

Like-new apartment size sofa (76"). Custom-built by Expressions. Cream-on-white striped cotton fabric. Photo available. Selling price: \$250. Contact Peggy Harrel 812/457-0663 or pharrel@usi.edu

Bedroom furniture

Twin bed mattress and box spring, (one year old), plus frame and bookcase headboard, desk and chair, futon frame, and oak bunk bed frame. Best offers. Contact Tom Rivers 812/423-7101 or trivers@usi.edu.

Benefit for tornado victims

A benefit for tornado victims will be held from noon to midnight, Saturday, November 19 at the Old Lock and Dam in Newburgh. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Food and drinks will be available all day and music featuring The Pre-Delorean Doc

Brown's and a special evening acoustic set with Chris Brubeck, David Davis and friends, will begin at sundown. All proceeds will go to Alliance for the People and donations will be distributed directly to the victims of the disaster. Contact Josh Gregg 812/455-3848.

Box springs

Full size box springs. Good condition. Selling price \$10. Contact Carol Evans, 812/465-1179 or caroevans@usi.edu.

Cincinnati Reds Adam Dunn bobblehead

MLB Legends of the Diamond Limited Edition bobblehead. Individually numbered. Never removed from the box. Approximately 12 inches tall. Selling price \$20. Contact Nancy Dauby 812/429-9864 or ncdauby@usi.edu.

Donations needed for local hurricane-displaced family

Basic household items are needed for a young couple with 3 month old son that were displaced by Hurricane Katrina. Their allotted shelter time expired, and they are currently renting a one-bedroom home that is in disrepair. Contact Saxon Reasons 812/465-1061.

Entertainment center

Medium brown wood finish. Approx 5'W x 4'H. "Stained glass" door for component area. Sliding storage for 80+ VHS tapes behind other door. Selling price \$25. Contact James Powers 812/465-1104 or jpowers@usi.edu.

Home for Sale - 6600 Red Horse Pike

Newburgh home overlooking dam. Immediate occupancy. 4292 sq. ft. Greatroom with 16 foot cathedral ceiling. Fireplace. Whirlpool. 3.5 baths. Three-car garage. Make an offer. Selling price \$269,000. Contact Donald Pitzer 812/483-9720 or dpitzer@usi.edu.

House for sale - 2501 Bellemeade Avenue

Two story cape cod near UE campus with dormer windows, brick, hardwood floors throughout. Newly painted and \$10,000 in updates within last 6 months. New air conditioner, heater, hot water heater, and roof (2 years old). MUST SELL!! Selling price: \$149,000. Contact Michael Slavkin 812/549-1778 or mslavkin@usi.edu.

Housekeeping service (Also, Gift certificates)

Vacuuming, mopping, sweeping, and polishing/dusting, complete kitchens and bathrooms. I offer a thorough and detailed cleaning service by an honest person, at a reasonable rate. Contact Linda Emery 812/473-5788.

Leather jacket

Leather Limited black leather jacket. Size 3T. Never worn--tags still on. Original price was \$136. Selling price: \$35. Contact Nancy Dauby 812/429-9864 or ncdauby@usi.edu.

Lexmark Z705 inkjet printer

Lexmark Z705 inkjet printer. Perfect condition--hardly used (I just upgraded to a 3 in 1 printer so I don't need this one.)

Newer ink cartridges included. Selling price: \$15. Contact Nancy Dauby 812/429-9864 or ncdauby@usi.edu.

New 8' Harvard Pool Table

Contact Person: Gloria Peek Phone Number: (812) 303-4507 New pool table, still in box. Sells for \$1200 at Sears. Includes accessory kit valued at \$35 and a table cover. Selling Price: \$500.00.

North side House for Sale-925 Barberry Lane

Contact Person: Todd Schroer Phone Number: (812) 464-1723 Email Address: tschroer@usi.edu Located at 925 Barberry Lane. Beautiful three bedroom two-bathroom brick ranch home on Evansville's north side, built in 1980. "Country" living only minutes from Northpark Shopping Center. Located in a strong school district on .7 acres at the end of a dead end street, with lots of privacy and surrounded by woods. Includes a spacious kitchen, large master suite, hardwood floors, a finished walkout basement with large rec room and brick fireplace, 2 1/2 car garage, ceiling fans, attractive landscaping, 13 ft deep in-ground pool, and a pool house with a bathroom, kitchen area and electricity. All appliances included. OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1-4pm. Ready to move in today! Selling Price: \$174,000.

Oak table

Antique round oak table with two leaves. Selling Price: \$300. Contact John Gottcent 812/424-1885 or gottcent@usi.edu.

Table

Wooden table with pedestal legs. Nice for sewing or for crafts. Selling price: \$30. Contact Carol Evans 812/465-1179 or caroevans@usi.edu.

Toyota Camray 1996

Sand color, 2 door sedan with gray cloth seats. Four cylinder, excellent gas milage. For more information call ext.1271 Selling Price: \$5,000. Contact Joan DeVille 812/477-9731 or joandevi@usi.edu.

Truck

2002 Dodge Dakota Club Cab. Red/Silver, V8 4.7 Liter, automatic 4WD. 55,000 miles. Very nice. Selling Price: \$11,500. Contact Carol Evans 812/465-1179 or caroevans@usi.edu.

Yard Barn

Wooden 8 x 8 yard barn. Selling price: \$800. Contact Michelle Herrmann 812/985-9071 or maherrma@usi.edu.

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