

# University Notes

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## Symphony of color

Grounds crew orchestrates beauty in four seasons

**A**lthough he has overseen the planting of thousands of campus flowers, **Mr. Don Fleming** remains hard-pressed to name a favorite.

"Every year I have a favorite," admitted the man who has served as USI's grounds and athletic field supervisor for almost seven years. "The verbena this year has been beautiful."

"Of course, geraniums are always beautiful," he added after a pause. "And in a couple of weeks, I might tell you daylilies."

In addition to maintaining beds of perennials, Fleming and the grounds maintenance crew plant a combination of about 5,000 bulbs and annuals each year to provide splashes of color throughout the spring and summer and into the fall.

"The job changes like the seasons. This time of year it's putting the color into the campus and making it pretty," Fleming observed. "Every day is different. We don't do the same job day after day after day."

A day of planting petunias, impatiens, and marigolds might be followed by a day of mowing, for example, or by establishing a trail for cross-country runners, or by preparing a ball field before a game.

In 1997-98, the Grounds Center reported 3,737 hours were dedicated to mowing, 2,292 to removing litter, and 1,865 to installing and maintaining landscape. Those figures are estimated to be even higher now.

**Mr. Dan Rodgers,** lead grounds maintenance worker, adds purple ageratum to a campus flower bed already home to pink and red geraniums, white verbena, and hostas.

Each year, the University's Grounds Center plants more than 3,000 annuals in an effort to bring beauty to the campus.

### USI Grounds Center

Maintains 600 acres and annually plants:

1,000+ tulips  
500+ hyacinths  
500+ daffodils  
3,000+ annuals  
3-4 tons of grass seed

Employs: Six full-time grounds workers, one full-time mechanic, and three seasonal workers



"I've got a great bunch of guys down here," Fleming noted. "They put a lot of pride into their work, and I think they all enjoy working for the University."

Fleming's crew also installs signage; applies chemicals and fertilizers; waters the plants and trees; sets up for events; and recycles plastic, aluminum, paper, and other materials.

They maintain 600 acres, Fleming explained, and the only jobs contracted to others are snow removal and large-scale landscaping projects.

The scope of the department's responsibilities is one reason Fleming is so appreciative of the offices, organizations, and individuals maintaining University Adopt-a-Spots as well as those who take a moment to pick up litter when they see it.

"We have help," he said gratefully.

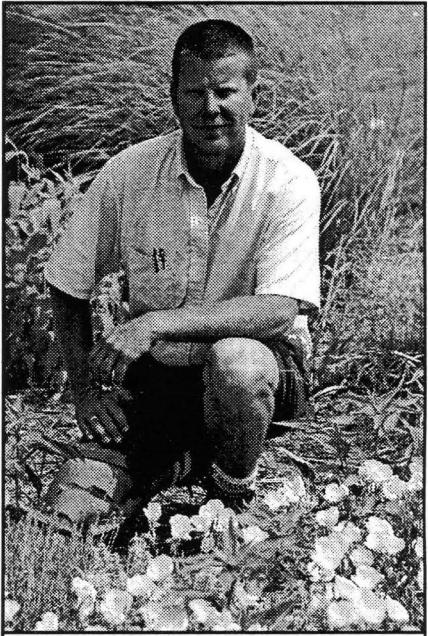
And the efforts are paying off. For several years, Operation City Beautiful recognized USI and Fleming in its Business Landscapes Awards program, and in the mid-90s, Fleming received a special recognition award for his outstanding contributions to the University's landscaping, caretaking, and Adopt-a-Spot program.

"We have a beautiful campus," he acknowledged. "But it's not identified at the national level."

"I like to set goals in life, and one of those goals was for this campus to be recognized (nationally) as a beautiful campus."

Fleming joined the USI staff about nine years ago and served as Historic New Harmony's grounds group leader before assuming the supervisor's position. He previously was employed in the grounds department at University of Evansville and by Chem Lawn.

The master gardener and his wife Michele reside in Evansville with their three sons, ages 12, 10, and 5.

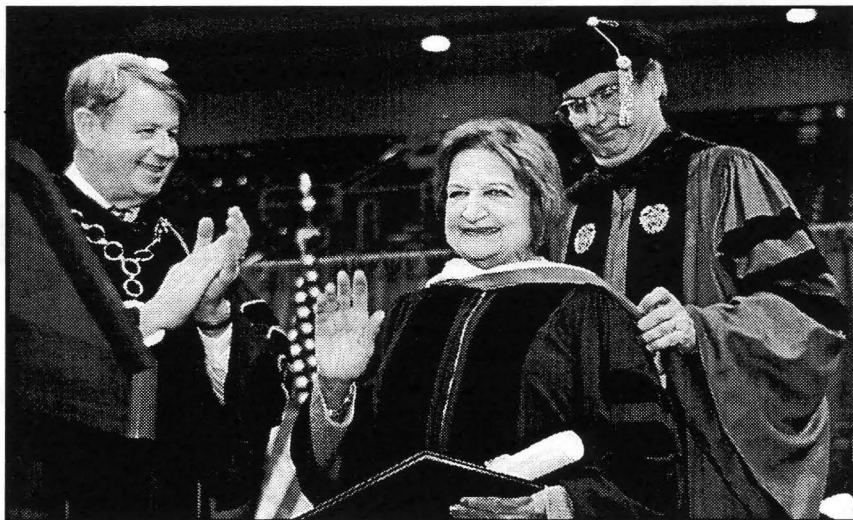


Thriving pink Missouri Primrose cascade in front of Mr. Don Fleming, grounds and athletic field supervisor, as he smiles into the bright sun shining on Rice Plaza.

# Thank You!

The offices of Advancement and Special Events would like to thank everyone who helped to make Commencement possible this year. Our sincere gratitude is owed to Instructional Technology, Physical Plant, the Office of the Registrar, and to all of our ushers. Your hard work and dedication played a special part in this landmark event in the lives of these graduates. We look forward to serving with you again next year.

- The offices of Advancement and Special Events



University President Dr. H. Ray Hoops applauds as Dr. Robert Reid, vice president for Academic Affairs, presents an academic hood to Ms. Helen Thomas during the conferring of her honorary doctoral degree at the 2001 Commencement.

Thomas, an American journalist known for her coverage of U.S. presidents, served as the Commencement speaker.

The offices of Advancement and Special Events apologize for the breakdown of the sound system at Roberts Stadium during the Commencement exercises. They have met with Midwest Sound, the exclusive contractor for the stadium, and expressed displeasure with their inability to support our Commencement. For those who wish to read a transcript of Helen Thomas' address, it is available on the USI Web site at [www.usi.edu](http://www.usi.edu). A CD also is available in Advancement for those who wish to hear the address. Just call extension 1755.

## School violence a topic

The third annual Summer School Social Work Institute will be presented Tuesday through Friday, June 19 to 22, at the Brown County Inn in Nashville, Indiana.

"School Culture, Climate, and Communication" will address such issues as discipline, behavior, and violence prevention in the context of connecting policy to practice.

Session topics will include "Promoting Social, Emotional, and Behavior Achievement: The School Social Work Contribution to School Improvement," "Preventing Violent and Inappropriate Behavior: Best Practices," and "Intervention Practices for Students with Emotional or Behavioral Disorders." Session descriptions and presenter information are available on the Web at [www.usi.edu/schoolsocial-work](http://www.usi.edu/schoolsocial-work).

USI's Department of Social Work is presenting the institute in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Education and the Indiana School Social Work Association.

Continuing education hours and certification renewal units are available. The registration fee is \$325 until Thursday, May 31, when it increases to \$350. Graduate credit also is available at an additional cost.

For further information or registration, call Extended Services at extension 1989 or e-mail [extserv@usi.edu](mailto:extserv@usi.edu).

## NHT season tickets on sale

The New Harmony Theatre will present a popular musical, a Shakespearean comedy, and a mystery thriller this summer in its 14th season produced by USI.

*Godspell*, the Gospel of Matthew set to contemporary music and modern sensibilities, will open the season Friday, June 8, and continue through Sunday, June 24. The show features tunes by Academy Award-winning composer Stephen Schwartz, including "Day by Day," "We Beseech Thee," and "Light of the World."

Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* will open Friday, July 6. The poignant romantic comedy, set in the magical world of Illyria, showcases some of the bard's wittiest writing and most memorable characters, including Malvolio, Viola, and Sir Toby Belch. It will be staged through Sunday, July 22.

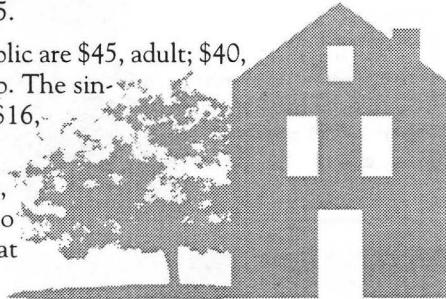
Bullets and blackmail combine in the spellbinding plot of *Sleuth*, the summer's final production and the theatre's first mystery thriller. Anthony Shaffer's Tony Award-winning play will open Friday, July 27 and continue through Sunday, August 12.

Shows are presented Thursdays through Sundays at Murphy Auditorium in New Harmony, Indiana. Curtain times are 7:30 p.m. Thursdays; 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and 2 p.m. Sundays. One Saturday matinee of each show is offered as well.

Season tickets for USI students, faculty, and staff cost \$36 and are now on sale; the individual show price is \$15.

Season tickets for the general public are \$45, adult; \$40, senior (60+)/student; and \$36, group. The single seat price is \$18, adult; \$16, senior/student; and \$15, group.

For tickets or more information, call extension 5264. Information also is available on the Web at [www.newharmonytheatre.com](http://www.newharmonytheatre.com).



# Super summer

## Variety of classes offered for kids

Extended Services is preparing for a super summer with its enrichment programs for kids.

More than 15 classes are being offered in two one-week Super Summer Sessions at two different locations. Week One, Monday through Friday, June 18 through 22, will be held at USI. Week Two, Monday through Friday, July 9 through 13, will take place at Crossroads Christian Church, Outer Lincoln and Epworth Road.

Art, computers, science, gardening, and magic are among the topics to be explored.

"We try to offer a lot of the older favorites as well as a few new subjects each year," said **Mrs. Ginger Ramsden**, manager of Family, School, and Children's Programs in Extended Services.

"I think the kids enjoy a little more one-on-one time, and there are a lot of hands-on opportunities for them. It's not a

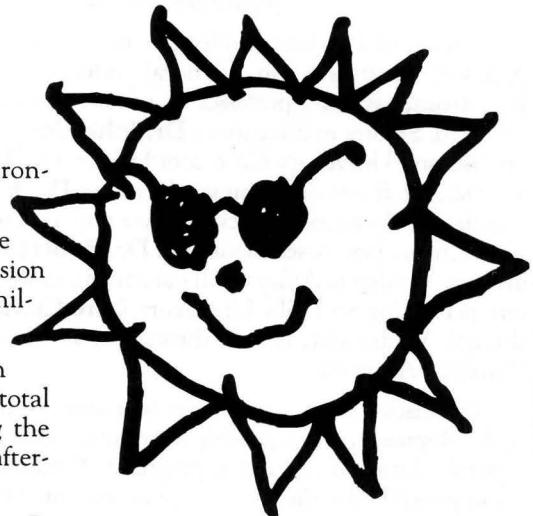
typical structured classroom environment."

Morning and afternoon classes are available, and free lunchtime supervision will be offered at each location for children enrolling in both.

The registration fee is \$80 for each course. Receive a \$5 discount - for a total payment of \$155 - when registering the same child in both morning and afternoon classes during the same week.

Nature Art and Crafts Camp (ages 7-11); Art Workshop for Children (ages 6-9); Study Skills for Middle and High School Success (grades 7-12); and Getting Ready for the SAT 1 (grades 9-12) also are among the classes Extended Services is presenting this summer.

Course descriptions are available on the Web at [www.usi.edu/extserv/super-summer.html](http://www.usi.edu/extserv/super-summer.html). For more information or registration, call Extended Services at extension 1989 or e-mail [extserv@usi.edu](mailto:extserv@usi.edu).



## Class schedule

### Week One – June 18-22 University of Southern Indiana Morning Classes – 9-11:30 a.m.

MEET ERIC CARLE – ages 4-6 years  
IN THE NIGHT – grades K-2  
SCIENTIFIC KIDS – grades 2-4  
CRAFTS & CREATIONS – grades 3-5  
COMPUTER APPLICATION BASICS – grades 4-6  
MYSTERIES & MINDBENDERS – grades 5-7  
COMPUTER ART – grades 6-9

### Afternoon Classes – 12:30-3 p.m.

EXPLORATIONS IN ART – grades 1-3  
YOUNG EXPLORERS – grades 2-4  
CRAFTS TO GROW FOR – grades 3-6  
BASIC DRAWING – grades 5-8  
COMPUTER APPLICATION BASICS – grades 5-8  
SAMPLE SCIENCE, MATH & TECHNOLOGY – grades 6-9

## Class schedule

### Week Two – July 9-13 Crossroads Christian Church Morning Classes – 9-11:30 a.m.

WONDER OF WATER – ages 4-5 years  
PLANETS, ROCKETS, AND OUTER SPACE – grades K-1  
SCIENCE CAMP- grade 2  
SCIENCE CAMP – grade 3  
SCIENCE CAMP – grades 4-5  
SCIENCE CAMP – grades 6-7

### Afternoon Classes – 12:30-3 p.m.

ALPHABET ANTICS & NIFTY NUMBERS – grades K-1  
IT'S MAGIC – grades 1-3  
YOUNG EXPLORERS – grades 2-4  
CRAFTS & CREATIONS – grades 2-5  
EXPLORATIONS IN ART – grades 4-6  
MYSTERIES & MINDBENDERS – grades 5-7

## Names in the news

### Achievements

A team of five USI faculty has been accepted to the 2001 Asheville Institute on General Education. **Dr. Robert Boostrom**, associate professor of education and coordinator of Graduate Studies in Education; **Dr. John Gottcent**, professor of English and University Core coordinator; **Dr. Jane Johansen**, associate professor of business education; **Dr. Paul Raymond**, associate professor of political science and director of University Core Curriculum Assessment; and **Dr. Robert Reid**, vice president for Academic Affairs, will participate in workshops on matters pertaining to USI's University Core Curriculum Saturday through Wednesday, June 2 through 6, at University of North Carolina, Asheville.

The institute will focus on such matters as assessment, faculty development, and equitable distribution of resources between general education and major programs. Nationally-known leaders in general education will serve as institute faculty, and representatives of approximately 20 other colleges will attend.

Since 1990, **Dr. Dona Frost**, professor emerita of business, and her sister have donated 10,000 volunteer hours to Deaconess Hospital, where they established the Deaconess Hospital Archive and have participated in a variety of archive-related projects. Frost, who worked at USI from 1970 to 1987, invites members of the University community to visit the archive. Call 450-2938 to make an appointment.

**Mr. David Goldenberg**, director of Procurement and Distribution Services, was a guest speaker at the 80th Annual Meeting and Product Exhibit for the National Association of Educational Buyers (NAEB) earlier this month in Nashville, Tennessee. The meeting included NAEB members from the U.S., Canada, and England. The focus of Goldenberg's workshop was pouring rights and contracts.

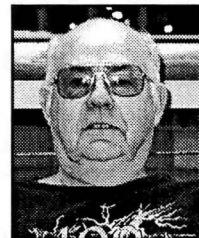
**Head Men's Tennis Coach Jon Mark Hall** and senior **Edgar Linares** participated in the NCAA YES Clinic in conjunction with the NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Championships earlier this month in Pensacola, Florida. YES (Youth Education through Sports) is one way coaches and student-athletes share the NCAA's commitment to challenging young people to strive for higher levels of achievement in both athletics and academics.

For current job openings, visit the Human Resources Web site at [www.usi.edu/hr/](http://www.usi.edu/hr/), the Human Resources bulletin boards in the front lobby of the Wright Administration Building and outside the Human Resources office, or call the University's job line at 465-7117.

### Welcome



Hostetter



Jones



Laughary

The Athletic Department welcomes the return of **Mr. Marc Hostetter**, who has accepted the position of assistant men's basketball coach. After his playing days, Hostetter, who is a 1998 USI graduate, joined the staff of former USI Head Coach Bruce Pearl for two seasons as an assistant coach. The Evansville resident is rejoining the program after spending two seasons as an assistant coach at Longwood College in Virginia.

**Mr. Ray Jones** has accepted the position of custodial worker in the Physical Plant. The Mount Vernon, Indiana, resident previously worked as a dog trainer, kennel owner, and truck dispatcher. He earned a trade certificate in transportation at Ivy Tech State College and attended USI.

The University community welcomes **Mrs. Melinda Laughary** as a custodial worker in the Physical Plant. The Evansville resident attended Denver Bible College, was a homemaker for 20 years, and was previously employed as a caregiver at Stone Farms.

### Promotions and transfers

The following University employees have received promotions or transfers:

**Mrs. Mary Ann Bernard**, from administrative clerk in the Office of Admissions to administrative assistant in Human Resources.

**Mrs. Kathy Carr**, from administrative assistant in the Office of Student Financial Assistance to senior administrative assistant in the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

**Mr. Mustapha Nouri**, from part-time maintenance mechanic in the Physical Plant to full-time maintenance mechanic in the Physical Plant.

### In appreciation

"Thanks to all of you for everything you did during my recovery from surgery. I feel blessed to be a part of this wonderful University community!" - **Mrs. Debbie Laster**, manager of Academic Information Systems in Institutional Research and Assessment.

**FYI****Mea culpa**

Apologies to **Mrs. Kate Linderman** and **Ms. Jina Hawkins**, who were incorrectly identified in the May 4 edition of *University Notes*.

Formerly a senior library assistant, Linderman is now manager of Development and Public Programs for Historic New Harmony. Hawkins, formerly an account clerk in the Business Office, is now a business analyst.

**Art exhibit**

"*Embodied Landscapes: The Paintings of Dana Saulnier*" will be on display at New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art through Saturday, June 23.

The artist, assistant professor of art at Miami University of Ohio, resides in Bath, Indiana.

The gallery is located at 506 Main St., New Harmony, Indiana. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. Sundays.

**Theatre volunteers**

Volunteers are needed this summer to serve as ushers at The New Harmony Theatre. The season begins Friday, June 8, and continues through Sunday, August 12. Ushers will be needed at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays; 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and 2 p.m. Sundays.

For more information, call **Ms. Joyce Babilis**, administrative associate in the School of Business, at extension 1681 or 838-4925 after 5 p.m.

**Lincoln symposium**

"The Lincoln Bicentennial: Planning for and Teaching about Abraham Lincoln's 200th Birthday in 2009" will begin at 8 a.m., Wednesday, June 13, at the Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial in Lincoln City, Indiana.

The day-long symposium will include review of recent scholarship about Lincoln, discussion of state and national preparations for Lincoln's 200th birthday celebration, and an introduction to "Teaching with Historic Places," a program developed by the National Park Service.

The cost is \$20; \$10 for the morning session only. For more information, call Historic Southern Indiana at ext. 7014, e-mail [hsi@usi.edu](mailto:hsi@usi.edu), or visit the Web at [www.usi.edu/hsi](http://www.usi.edu/hsi).

**Business presentation**

The University will host a live via satellite presentation featuring business author **Dr. Tom Peters** from 9:45 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday, June 19, at the Victory Theatre.

The program, "From Excellence to WOW: Reinventing the Rules for the Brand New Workplace," targets improved teamwork, increased productivity, and innovation for ongoing success.

Tickets, \$199, include program materials and a light lunch. Group discounts are available.

Registration will remain open until Monday, June 18, or until all tickets have been sold. For tickets or additional information, call Extended Services at extension 1863 or visit the Web at [www.lessonsinleadership.com](http://www.lessonsinleadership.com).

**SGA openings available**

Although the elections are over, it's not too late for students to become involved in USI's Student Government Association. SGA vacancies include:

- Representatives for the schools of Liberal Arts; Nursing and Health Professions; Science and Engineering Technology; Business; and Education and Human Services.
- Member-at-Large for Housing Students.
- Associate Court Justices.

The SGA acts as a link between the University's students, its faculty, and administrators.

The organization also presents a variety of programs, including events promoting alcohol awareness, fall and spring cookouts, and the New Student Welcome Dinner.

Interested students may obtain SGA applications from the SGA Office or the Office of the Dean of Students. Both are located in the University Center. For more information, call the SGA at extension 1873.

**Nursing, other programs earn grants**

The USI Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program, in collaboration with the Indiana University School of Nursing, has received a \$543,207 grant from the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration.

The grant, for advanced nurse education, will be administered in three \$181,069 annual payments during a three-year period. The School of Nursing and Health Professions received an additional grant of \$29,221 from the same funding agency for an advanced education nursing traineeship program.

Historic New Harmony and a member of the science faculty also have been awarded grants.

Historic New Harmony's \$8,200 grant from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology, will fund restoration of the wood-shingle roof on the 1775 Double Log Cabin.

The Indiana Academy of Science Research Grants Program awarded \$1,700 to **Dr. Eric McCloud**, assistant professor of biology, for "Factors Affecting Antiviral Activity of *Plantago lanceolata* Leaf Extracts."

## Marketplace

### For sale

**Spacious Eastside home** - near Harrison High School, Eastland and Washington Square malls. Ideal for family. Four bedrooms, large family room, hot tub, half basement, large fenced-in yard, two and one-half baths, two-car garage, other nice features. Call 471-3868.

**Wonderful new family home near USI** - for sale by owner, 11119 P.K. Drive, Kramer's subdivision. Three bedrooms, two baths, cathedral ceilings, marble tile in master bath with jacuzzi tub, dual sinks, walk-in closets, two and one-half car garage, spacious yard. Call 985-0723.

**Beautiful Westside home near USI** - for sale by owner, 810 Jobes Lane. Three bedrooms, one and one-half baths, living room, dining room, huge kitchen, remodeled throughout, one-car garage, yard barn attached, fenced backyard. Perfect first home. Call 421-8126 or ext. 1736.

**1994 Ford Escort** - four-door, 79K miles, \$3,200. Call ext. 7108.

**1993 Ford Probe** - dark blue, 92K miles, automatic, sun roof, power everything, good condition, \$3,900. Call Jim, ext. 1792 or 985-2266.

**Cleaning out storage building** - will take best offer. **Twin mattress, box springs, frame, and headboard**, excellent condition, \$50; **three lamps; three-shelf cherry bookcase; used Hoover vacuum**, all in great shape. Call 1897 or 858-5174 after 4:30 p.m.

**Pet cage** - metal bars, door, and top, 19 1/2" W, 24" L, 19" H, \$50. Call Laura at ext. 1269 or 985-9163.

**Old but cold** - 220-volt Sears window air conditioner, \$75. Call ext. 1712 or mkrhlin@usi.edu.

**19-inch TV and VCR** - \$70 (TV used only five months); **bicycle** (Bianchi) - \$30. Call ext. 7183.

**Tires** - four Bridgestone Turanza T Tires, P215/65R16, like new, \$75; **Technics turntable** - plays 45, 33 1/3, 78 records, to be hooked up to a rack system. Call ext. 1782 or 423-6014 after 5 p.m.

**Farm-fresh asparagus** - \$1.50/lb. Contact Mark Krahling at 464-1712 or krahlin@usi.edu.

**Leather front hood cover** - for 1997-2000 Dodge Dakota truck, black, mint condition, \$40. Call ext. 1840 or 424-8547 after 5p.m.

**Many classical and jazz 33 1/3 records** - valuable album covers; **Troy-Bilt garden tiller** - 6 HP, \$1,100 new, sell for \$495; **assorted decorative rocks** - \$2-5; **gardener's table; metal office desk and wooden chair** - \$50; **stamp collection; Amana refrigerator, Whirlpool washer and dryer** - \$75/ea. Call ext. 1749.

### For rent

**Two-room apartment** - \$140 per month plus one-half utilities. Cable, washer/dryer, off-street parking. Call 476-1367 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.), 401-7853 (5:30 to 11 p.m.). Available immediately.

### Wanted to rent

**Westside home** - prefer three bedrooms, Perry Heights/Reitz school district. Call 464-1830 or e-mail jevey@usi.edu.

### Travel

**Florida townhouse** - escape for vacation to beautiful Anna Maria Island and experience old Florida charm. Short trip south of Tampa, a few minutes north of Sarasota. Relax on white sandy beaches. Very nice two-bedroom, one and one-half bath townhouse overlooking pool and beach, washer and dryer, phone, cable, complete linen and kitchen supplies. Special rate to University employees. Contact Smithy McGinnis, 812/401-9302 or smithymcg@aol.com.

### Free

**Firewood** - load and haul it yourself. Call Nancy at ext. 7096 or e-mail nmyers@usi.edu.

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Friday, May 25, is the deadline for submitting information for the June 1 edition of *Marketplace*. Submissions may be made via e-mail to **Mrs. Karen Altstadt**, senior administrative assistant in News and Information Services, at kaltstad@usi.edu.

## Calendar

### Friday, May 18

- Third annual Advance Practice Nursing Symposium - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Carter Hall.
- Radiology for Dental Auxiliaries - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Health Professions Center, continues Saturday, May 19.

### Monday, May 28

- Memorial Day - University closed.

## Web tips

The USI Web team has developed an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance action plan to address ADA compliance issues on the Web site.

All administration-related pages must be ADA compliant by Wednesday, August 1.

To accomplish this task, Web Services will:

- Create a pre-training instructional packet that will include an introduction to the issues surrounding Web design and the ADA laws, and distribute this packet to content developers.

- Offer Web training classes with a predetermined curriculum incorporating classroom instruction and individual attention. These classes will be offered at the end of May, beginning of June, mid-June, and beginning of July.

- Include non-ADA compliant pages and code samples in the training curriculum for designers to work through.

The Web team will provide support to administrative offices in order to meet the August 1 deadline.

Academic-related pages must be ADA compliant by Thursday, January 31. Training packets and classes - similar to those available to the designers of administration-related pages - will be offered in the fall to those developing academic-related pages.

## Newsletter deadline

Friday, May 25, is the deadline for submitting information to *University Notes* for publication in the next edition, Friday, June 1.

Submissions may be made via e-mail to lkeeling@usi.edu or by calling extension 5259. Submissions to *Marketplace* may be submitted via e-mail to kaltstad@usi.edu.

The newsletter's regular weekly schedule will resume Friday, August 10.