

COLUMNIST RICHARD COHEN
TO LECTURE IN USI'S
ENLOW SCHOLAR SERIES



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Syndicated columnist Richard Cohen will spend two days lecturing and meeting with students at the University of Southern Indiana, in a School of Liberal Arts discussion on "The Future of American Journalism" on April 20-21.

Cohen is a writer for The Washington Post whose columns appear in more than 80 newspapers around the country, including The Evansville Courier. He will lecture at USI as the 1989 Enlow Distinguished Scholar. The program is designed to encourage debate on the proposition that intelligent, thoughtful, and comprehensive journalism best flourishes in a society educated in the liberal arts and to consider ways to improve the journalistic quality and scope.

Cohen was born in New York and attended Hunter College, receiving a B.A. in journalism from New York University and M.A. in journalism from Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. He worked for UPI in New York City prior to joining The Post in 1968 as a general assignment reporter. He has covered politics and government at the local, state, and national levels and was an education writer for The Post. He co-authored with Jules Witcover the book, A (MORE)

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Heartbeat Away: The Investigation and Resignation of Spiro T. Agnew, published in 1974 by Viking Press.

Cohen will present a public lecture on the program theme at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, in Forum I. He is expected to discuss his concern with the changes brought to journalism by advanced technology and the nation's ability to produce either capable journalists or readers/viewers when studies indicate American students often lack rudimentary knowledge of history, economics, and geography.

On Friday, April 21, Cohen will lecture on "The Bush Administration: A One-Term Presidency?" at 10 a.m. and "The Craft of the Writer" at 11 a.m., both in Forum I. Members of the English, history, and journalism departments at USI and editors of the two Evansville newspapers have been invited to serve on discussion panels. Cohen also will attend a dinner and luncheon where he will participate in discussions with students and other invited guests.

The public is invited to attend the three lectures and a reception in the University Center following Thursday's program.