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USI CAREER WEEK, ALUMNI-IN-RESIDENCE SLATED OCTOBER 25-29

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The 1993 Career Week at the University of Southern Indiana -- featuring Alumni-in-Residence, a USI Personnel Club Career Enhancement Clinic, and the USI Alumni Association Career Exploration program -- will be held Monday through Friday, October 25-29.

"Career Week activities help undecided students learn about job opportunities, help seniors make important contacts as they begin their job search, and increase awareness for participants of new issues in each field," notes Mrs. Tracy Powers, Career Services counselor and a coordinator of the program.

The Monday program will open with "Peter Pan 101" at 9 a.m. in the University Conference Center, where Carolyn S. Smith, USI Academic Skills coordinator, will outline the advantages for students of being undecided about a study major when they enter the University.

At 11 a.m. in the University Conference Center, three USI liberal arts graduates will discuss their career paths: Linda Alvey Carr '89 English, pharmaceutical representative with Syntex Laboratories; Doug Claybourn '72 communications, assistant vice president with Citizens National Bank; and Rebecca Englert '84 political science, manager of training and quality services at Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Company. Carr previously worked in marketing communications with Ferro Corporation; Claybourn was coordinator of the USI Coop Program before joining Citizens; Englert has been on USI's adjunct faculty and previously was manager of Business and Professional Programs and director of the Radiologic Technology Program at the University.

Nancy Johnson, Alumni Affairs director, said 36 USI graduates from a variety of career fields have agreed to return for the Career Exploration program at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Conference Center. Current USI students will have an informal session in which to learn more about the fields they are considering.

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The School of Education and Human Services Alumni-in-Residence, Elizabeth A. Culiver '79, a Hebron Elementary School teacher, will be featured at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Conference Center. She will discuss *Cornfields to Concrete*, the story of Green River Road development which was researched and written by a group of fifth-grade gifted students at Hebron; it was published in May 1993 by Windmill Publications, Inc., of Mt. Vernon, Indiana. Culiver is a 1960 graduate of Central High School who worked as a school corporation secretary for five years before becoming a USI education major in the mid-'70s. She received a master's degree in reading from Indiana State University and a degree in gifted education from Purdue University. She also has taught at Plaza Park, Lincoln, and Glenwood schools in Evansville.

The USI Personnel Club's career enhancement clinic will explore current issues in employment and recruiting at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Conference Center. Speakers and topics will include Terry Stumpf of Indian Industries, "Interviewing Do's and Don'ts"; Kerrie Mattingly Weinzapfel of Geo. S. Olive Accounting, "Employer Expectations"; Pam Goedde of St. Mary's Medical Center, "Your First Career Choice Isn't a Life Sentence" and "How to Recover from Bad Grades"; Nancy Byrd, newly appointed USI Human Resources director, "Are You a Job Snob?"; and Marilyn Schmitt, USI Career Services director, "How USI Grads Fare, What To Expect, and What the University Has To Offer." Karen Russell of St. Mary's, Jennifer Crayner of American General Finance, and Stumpf will critique resumes.

Husband/wife biology graduates -- John W. Reising '72, a U.S. Department of Energy branch chief at Fernald, a nuclear manufacturing clean-up site near Cincinnati, and Dr. Shirley Floyd Reising '77, director of clinical microbiology at Children's Hospital, Cincinnati -- will be the School of Science and Engineering Technology Alumni-in-Residence participants for the closing sessions Friday. His topic will be "Fernald: A Case in Environmental Cleanup" at 10 a.m. in Forum III; she will speak on "Basic Research and the Clinical Arena" at 2 p.m. in Forum II.

Reising is one of five branch chiefs overseeing environmental restoration at the site where uranium metal products were manufactured for more than 35 years; the manufacturing operation was closed down in 1989. Reising has been at Fernald 2 1/2 years and with DOE since October 1988. He previously was with the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of Interior, for two years, working in Indiana and Pennsylvania, and spent eight years with the Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals.

After receiving a Ph.D. in microbiology from Southern Illinois University in 1984, Dr. Reising was a fellow in clinical and public health microbiology at the University of California Medical Center and was with the Division of Infectious Diseases at Wadsworth VA Medical Center, both in Los Angeles, through 1986. Dr. Reising became chief clinical microbiologist in the Pathology Department at Kettering Medical Center in Ohio in 1987, and accepted her current position in 1988. She has received a five-year CF-RDP Center grant and will be the principal investigator in a Phase I study of an experimental treatment of cystic fibrosis; it was the fifth study grant she has received since 1992.