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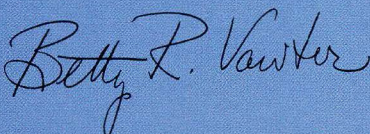
From the editor

Outreach in New Harmony

When I went to New Harmony, Indiana, to talk to Connie Weinzapfel, director of Historic New Harmony, for our cover story, it was a late summer morning perfect for a drive in the countryside. Signs along the way beckoned me to buy corn fresh from the expansive fields that edge the town.

But you will find that almost any time of year is a good time to visit this southwestern Indiana town that is known around the world as the site of two 19th century utopian experiments. The University of Southern Indiana provides interpretation of the two communal societies that were based there and offers programs that build upon New Harmony's intellectual foundations. Special events take place during the Christmas season and around the calendar. Historic tours continue through the end of the year before recessing until mid-March. The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art offers exhibits year-round. Writers enjoy the RopeWalk Winter Weekend and the week-long RopeWalk Writers Retreat in the summer. Professional theatre attracts an audience during the summer.

The USI faculty and staff who are involved in these programs are more than proud of their association with New Harmony. They insist that the town and its history lend unique character to what they do there. Read about USI's involvement in New Harmony in the story that begins on page two.



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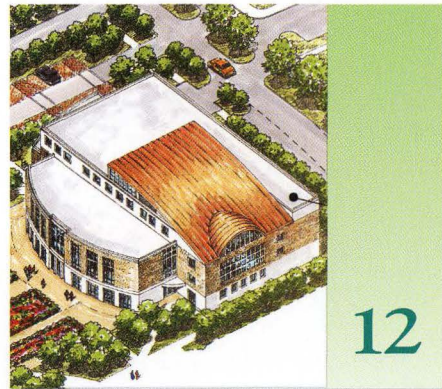
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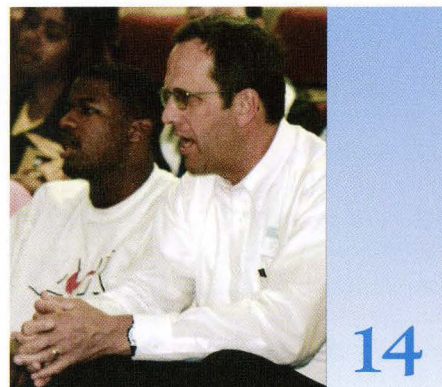
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Rooted in history, the intellectual and cultural story of New Harmony, Indiana, continues today through programs supported by the University of Southern Indiana. See page 2.

New Harmony

USI plays a big role in this town, a national treasure, where a sense of the past continues to unfold meaning for the future.

Utopia in southwestern Indiana

New Harmony, Indiana, was the site of two 19th century utopian experiments. George Rapp and the Harmonie Society, German religious dissenters who lived communally while awaiting the millennium, founded the town in 1814. They created a self-sufficient community known for the high quality of its agricultural and manufactured products. In 1824, the Harmonists sold the town to Robert Owen, a Welsh-born social reformer from Scotland who, with his partner, William Maclure, gathered international scientists, scholars, and educators in New Harmony. The town thrived as a center for science and education until 1860.

Today with the involvement of the University of Southern Indiana, the State of Indiana, the people of the community, and many businesses and organizations, the town of New Harmony continues to be a distinctive center for culture and learning ■

New Harmony, Indiana, has a place in the family history of Connie Weinzapfel '78. Growing up in the St. Philip area of Posey County, she remembers going to New Harmony for family celebrations, most notably a birthday party at the Red Geranium Restaurant for her great-grandmother.

Today Weinzapfel is director of Historic New Harmony (HNH) for the University of Southern Indiana, a job that makes her a leader among the many individuals and organizations working together to keep alive the history of this town that is nationally and internationally recognized as the site of two 19th century utopian experiments, one founded by a religious group called the Harmonists and the other by social reformer Robert Owen.

The mission of HNH is to preserve and interpret the history of New Harmony for the public. The Blaffer Foundation, the Owen family, Red Geranium Enterprises (owners of the New Harmony Inn and other businesses), and many community and business leaders also are working to preserve the town's history, serve its visitors, and enhance its future.

Besides Historic New Harmony, USI offers other programs that contribute to the continuing intellectual story of New Harmony. These include a professional summer theatre program, a writers' retreat, and an art gallery. The town and its many historic, cultural, educational, and commercial properties also serve as a setting for other USI-related activities and programs.

In 1965 several properties in New Harmony were designated as a National Historic Landmark District. New Harmony is one of only 50 such districts in the nation. Weinzapfel is a board member of the National Historic Landmark Stewards Association, which works with the National Park Service to promote awareness of these sites. She said that New Harmony is on the recommended list to become a World Heritage site, a designation awarded by an arm of the United Nations.

Weinzapfel earned a BS in art from USI and a Master of Fine Arts from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She was named director of Historic New Harmony in 1995 after serving as director of the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art for 11 years.

The USI affiliation with historic sites in New Harmony, located 30 miles west of Evansville on the banks of the Wabash River, goes back to 1985 when the Lilly Endowment asked the University to undertake management of the nonprofit Historic New Harmony, Inc., which the Endowment had helped to buy and restore historic properties in the town. In 1988, ownership of the properties was transferred to USI.

The University owns about 40 properties, including historic sites open for tours from March through December, the Atheneum (a visitors center), commercial property, residential rental properties (primarily Harmonist homes important to the historic fabric of the community), and green space. The State of Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) owns six properties which Historic New Harmony administers as part of a unified program with DNR.

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Gallery showcases work of contemporary artists

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art was founded in 1975 as a part of Historic New Harmony because the arts and crafts were an important part of the two communal societies which thrived in New Harmony, Indiana, during the 19th century.

Connie Weinzapfel, director of Historic New Harmony and former director of the gallery, said it is one of the few places in the Midwest where contemporary artists can show their work in a professional atmosphere.

April Vasher-Dean was appointed director of the gallery in July. She previously worked as interim director of the Boyden Gallery and as manager of the Teaching Collection of Art at St. Mary's College of Maryland and as assistant manager of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art Visual Resource Center.

She holds a BA in art history from University of California, Los Angeles, and an MA in art history from California State University Northridge.

The New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art is sponsored by the University of Southern Indiana and receives support from the Indiana Arts Commission. It is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 812/682-3156 ■



Artist Patrick Dougherty, who created this structure from willow saplings at an art center in Dublin, Ireland, will make a piece from twigs for Maclure Square in New Harmony for his exhibition in April.

New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art 2002-03 Exhibition Series

Print Invitational 2002

Fifty regional artists and celebrities will each donate 25 signed prints to be sold for \$10 each
November 9–December 21

University of Southern Indiana Senior Seminar Show

All media, 25 students
January 11–February 9

Louie Laskowski

Painted clothing
February 15–March 30

Patrick Dougherty

Documentary photo exhibit
April 5–May 2
New Harmony Installation
April 5–April 19

New Harmony Paint-Out

100 regional outdoor painters
April 11–13

Laura Foster Nickolson

Garden-inspired weavings
May 17–June 29

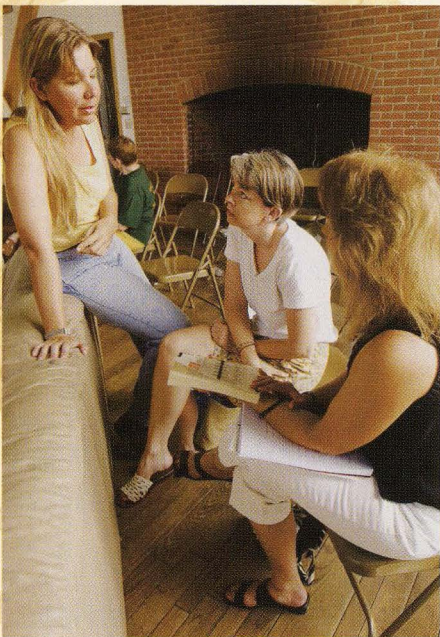
Intellectual atmosphere sustains RopeWalk Writers Retreat

The RopeWalk Writers Retreat is a program born in the mid '80s when Dr. David L. Rice, then president of the University of Southern Indiana, asked faculty to envision how the University, which was taking over management of Historic New Harmony, might extend its outreach there.

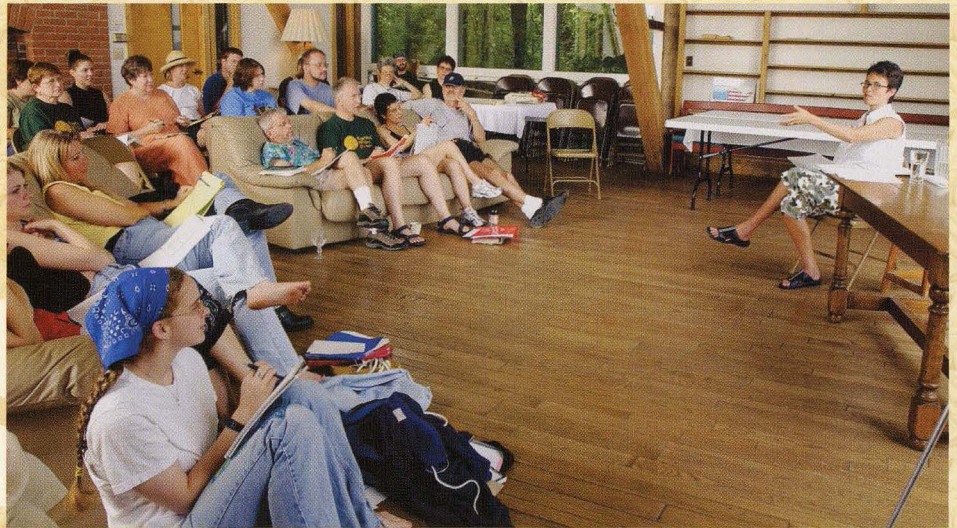
Two faculty members from the School of Liberal Arts, Dr. Thomas A. Wilhelmus and Matthew Graham, drew up plans on the Wilhelmus dining-room table for a writers' conference, a small literary magazine, and a writer-in-residence program.

RopeWalk now covers not only the week-long conference in June but also a complementary Winter Weekend in February and a monthly reading series during the academic year, featuring regional guest authors. Both the summer conference and the Winter Weekend use New Harmony facilities. The reading series is held at USI. The magazine, *Southern Indiana Review*, is a journal of arts and ideas focusing especially on Midwestern themes. It borrows extensively from its affiliation with RopeWalk for both contributors and subscribers. The writer-in-residence program is a future project.

The week-long RopeWalk Writers Retreat includes a faculty of published



Participants at RopeWalk find quiet time to discuss their interests with other writers.



Novelist Karen Shepard leads a discussion on the fine line between fiction and creative nonfiction at the 2002 RopeWalk Writers Retreat.

authors, many of whom also teach writing at the university level, for a week of conferences and readings. Faculty in 2002 came from Pennsylvania, Idaho, Montana, Connecticut, Alabama, and Indiana.

Linda Cleek, director of Continuing Education and associate dean of Extended Services for USI, said RopeWalk attracts as participants people who are aspiring or published writers, graduate students, people who teach writing, and people in different lines of work who may have a "novel hidden in their basement." Students come primarily from the Midwest but often from both coasts and from the South.

Cleek said the RopeWalk format allows participants time on their own, not only to write but to walk around the town, shop with local businesses, eat at the town's restaurants, and immerse themselves in the history and atmosphere of the community.

Wilhelmus, associate dean of the School of Liberal Arts, said, "We feel RopeWalk grew up with USI's presence in New Harmony, and we are deeply committed to the town and to working closely with all the arts activities there as well as with the townspeople themselves. Over the years our relationships through RopeWalk, the Gallery, and New Harmony Theatre, with the bookstore, local businesses, and especially with Red Geranium Enterprises [owner of the Red Geranium Restaurant and the New Harmony Inn] have grown

and matured and have evolved beyond mere mutual support into real, valuable friendships. It's crucial to note that the arts in New Harmony are interdependent and that the dream of New Harmony as an arts community has only partially been realized."

Wilhelmus said that RopeWalk adds more than \$50,000 to the New Harmony economy annually.

"Economics aside, it's the artistic and intellectual atmosphere in New Harmony that sustains it," he said. "The town is more than just accommodating. It's inspiring. Its rich tradition of scholarship and creativity sets exactly the right tone for what we want to achieve."

Wilhelmus also said that Evansville-area writers, whether they attend workshops or simply turn out for lectures and readings, are loyal and are beginning to treat RopeWalk as a place to go to keep their love of writing alive.

"That's good," he said. "That's what we had in mind ■"

RopeWalk Winter Weekend
February 21-23

RopeWalk Writers Retreat
June 14-21

www.ropewalk.org

Historic New Harmony receives funding from its own tours and programs, its partnership with DNR, the USI/New Harmony Foundation, state appropriations, and the USI operating budget.

Most of the funds which Historic New Harmony receives go toward preservation and restoration of the buildings. "There is a constant need," Weinzapfel said. "We want these buildings to be standing 200 years from now."

Historic New Harmony employs seven professional staff members, four full-time and two part-time grounds and maintenance workers, and 25 to 30 part-time interpretive and sales staff. HNH also depends on about a dozen regular volunteers who assist with the tour program and at the Atheneum.

HNH attracts about 35,000 visitors a year. During one week in August 2001, people from eight different countries registered at the Atheneum, where the tour begins with a seven-minute film.

Weinzapfel said that research shows that the kinds of visitors who come to New Harmony like a self-paced tour. Since the historic sites are spread out all over town, this sort of sightseeing fits well with what Historic New Harmony has to offer. Visitors pick up a map at the Atheneum and then tour the various buildings and sites as they see fit. Some sites with interpreters are open in the mornings and others in the afternoon.

As they tour, visitors learn about the daily pursuits and world views of the Harmonists and the Owen Society, see artifacts from both societies, and have opportunities to study the architecture.



Hands-on demonstrations showing how the Harmonists lived in 1820 are available to groups on request.

Throughout the year Historic New Harmony sponsors or cosponsors a number of special events. These include the following:

- Heritage Week—This spring event offers demonstrations of specialized 18th and 19th century crafts such as the making of felt hats and paper marbling. This year more than 6,000 third and fourth graders from the Tri-State and from schools as far away as Fort Wayne, Indiana, attended Heritage Week. Adult groups also tour the demonstrations, often in the afternoon.
- Fourth of July—HNH cosponsors a Fourth of July celebration with the Workingmen's Institute (Indiana's oldest public library) and the Kiwanis Club. This 187-year-old tradition was begun by the Harmonists to celebrate independence and to thank the people of the region for buying their agricultural and manufactured products.
- Kunstfest—The New Harmony Business Associates is the primary sponsor of this fall craft festival, but Weinzapfel said everyone in town gets involved. The festival has a German theme because of the Harmonists' German connections.
- Christmas in New Harmony—This event involves many businesses and organizations. In 2002 Historic New Harmony will sponsor a tour of charming private homes as its contribution to the holiday festivities.
- Harmoniefest—A special program commemorates the time each year when the Harmonists would accept new members. In February, Historic New Harmony will sponsor an evening with costumed presenters Lee and Carroll Slider, who will explain the 19th century view of phrenology, the study of the structure of the skull to determine a person's mental ability and character. Robert Dale Owen, the son of the founder of the second communal society in New Harmony, was interested in the science of phrenology. Other USI entities involved in



The Colonial Dames in the State of Indiana attended a dedication in May after funding a redesign of the Lenz house garden.

Taking a road trip?

New Harmony makes Rand McNally top five

New Harmony, Indiana, is the final stop on one of five national "Best of the Road" drives recommended in the 2003 edition of the Rand McNally *Road Atlas*. The three-day itinerary begins in Columbus, Indiana, and winds its way past Southern Indiana's grand architectural sights and wooded hills to New Harmony, where trip planners suggest the theatre, the parks, and the historic tours among the interesting things to do. See the *Road Atlas* or go to www.randmcnally.com for information and a free trip guide.

Other top routes for 2003 begin in San Diego, California; New Orleans, Louisiana; Portland, Maine; and Buffalo, New York.

New Harmony include the Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services. The Department of Teacher Education is working with New Harmony School, a K-12 school and Indiana's smallest school corporation, to provide in-service training for teachers.

This past summer USI's social work program sponsored a workshop for school social workers. Linda Cleek, associate dean of Extended Services for USI, said that almost 40 individuals from throughout Indiana and from southern Illinois participated in the meeting, which primarily used facilities owned by Red Geranium Enterprises. Martha Raske, USI assistant professor of social work and New Harmony resident, held a reception for the group in her home and shared the history of the area with them.

Michelle Alvarez, assistant professor of social work, said participants in the conference described New Harmony as offering an environment "steeped in history, natural beauty, and fine dining."

The social work institute will return to New Harmony in 2004.

The Pott School of Science and Engineering also has a relationship to the New Harmony area. Paul Doss, USI associate professor of geology, monitors a site in Posey County, as well as others in the Tri-State, for the Center for Earthquake Research and Information, based at the University of Memphis.

New Harmony has a longstanding association with the field of geology. When David Dale Owen, third son of Robert Owen, was appointed Federal Geologist in 1839, New Harmony became the headquarters for the U.S. Geological Survey and retained that distinction until 1856 when the headquarters was moved to the Smithsonian Institution.

New Harmony also is the site each spring and fall for a program sponsored by Elderhostel, a nonprofit organization that offers educational travel experiences around the world to people 55 and over. Entitled "New Harmony: Utopia Yesterday, Today, and Forever," the Elderhostel in New Harmony includes six days of study. Though most participants stay in New Harmony for the duration of the program, special rates are available for area participants who attend on a commuting basis. USI faculty are involved in teaching.

Recently, HNH sponsored a presentation in New Harmony by Charles Birnbaum, director of the National Park Service's Historic Landscape Initiative. Weinzapfel said his appearance related to the HNH mission to provide education about preservation.

She said that she considers an event in 1998 as a turning point for thinking about the future of New Harmony. USI, through Historic Southern Indiana (HSI), produced a workshop entitled "Your Town: Designing Its Future." Weinzapfel said it set many people to thinking about what New Harmony could become as the community identifies, protects, and enhances the town and the landscape.

Historic Southern Indiana has helped to promote New Harmony as a destination of historic interest in the region.

Weinzapfel said that the population of New Harmony is about 850 people, just about the same size as the Harmonist community was in its heyday. The agricultural heritage is important to the region, and any growth must be monitored and controlled. Representatives of HNH attend town board meetings regularly to keep abreast of issues important to the community and to create awareness of what Historic New Harmony is doing to improve its properties and develop programming.

Were more funding available for Historic New Harmony, Weinzapfel has a number of programs on her mind that could be implemented. All would have an impact on the community and would

involve more USI students and faculty.

HNH would like to create a science workshop for children and their parents. The natural sciences were an important part of the Owen community. With more funding HNH also could offer more hands-on demonstrations as part of the regular tour programs.

Weinzapfel also envisions producing one of the Golden Troupe productions in Thrall's Opera House, an historic property where the famous players from the 1800s performed.

Another ambitious program would be the development of a residential program for USI students. For instance, freshmen might reside in New Harmony for one semester and take University Core Curriculum courses related to community building.

"This could attract students and faculty from all over the world," Weinzapfel said.

One of the great things about New Harmony history, she said, is that it is so broad. It encompasses the subjects of religion, science, technology, women's rights, abolition, music, agriculture, journalism, and many more which interested the members of the two 19th century societies.

I get to work where I can make things better in the place where I grew up," Weinzapfel said, "and that's pretty rare ■"

Historic New Harmony

Tour Program

March 15–December 30

Atheneum/Visitors Center

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Tour Sites Open

10-12:30 p.m.; 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m.

Holiday in Harmonie

16th Annual Candlelight Tour of Homes

3 p.m.-9 p.m., December 7

(Part of Christmas in New Harmony,
December 7-8)

Harmoniefest

7 p.m., February 14

Thrall's Opera House

Heritage Week

9 a.m.-4 p.m., April 21–April 26

Signs of arrival for New Harmony Theatre

Patrons appreciate professional theatre as part of an evening on the town

Scott LaFeber, artistic director for New Harmony Theatre, did not want the 2002 season to end.

"It went so well," he said, "We had a marvelous company and a great deal of support. And to top it all off, on the final evening of performances, we already had over 220 subscription renewals for next year and about 30 of those were renewed before the next season was announced. It shows that people are investing in the theatre. They know it will be a lovely evening out and will be very high quality. That is a real sign of arrival."

LaFeber, associate professor of theatre at the University of Southern Indiana, said that increasingly, ticket holders make an expanded evening out of their trip to New Harmony for the theatre. They eat at one of the local restaurants, enjoy the town, and may take a carriage ride before show time.

The tradition of theatre is a long-standing one in New Harmony. Connie Weinzapfel, director of Historic New Harmony, said that theatre has been a part of the community since Robert Dale Owen wrote a play about Pocahontas that was performed there in 1825. He founded the Thespian Society, Indiana's first drama club, in 1827. Later the Golden Troupe was based in New Harmony and took its productions to other states.

"When you walk into the theatre, you feel a solid tradition behind you," LaFeber said, "You feel you are a part of history and of continuing the legacy not only of theatre but of New Harmony's intellectual and artistic foundations."

LaFeber recruits on both coasts for the Actors Equity theatre program



Anna Christie, Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer prize-winning drama, was performed at New Harmony Theatre in July.

which each summer offers a drama, a comedy, and a musical. The program, which concluded its 15th season in August, brings some top acting talent to southwestern Indiana. The 2002 season included Jane Bodle, who has a number of Broadway credits and was in the original *Les Miserables* cast, and 2002 Oscar recipient Mary Kay Samouce, who did the scenery for two of the shows.

Members of the equity company are housed for the summer in USI student apartments. New Harmony Theatre is produced by USI with support from underwriting by local patrons, the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana, the Indiana Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Performances are held in Murphy Auditorium.

As the tradition continues and with increased financial support, LaFeber envisions offering plays with larger casts. He also thinks it possible that one day New Harmony Theatre might produce a play that would then go to New York for performances ■

New Harmony Theatre 2003 season

The Foreigner
by Larry Shue
June 13-29

*The Eccentricities
of a Nightingale*
by Tennessee Williams
July 11-27

*A Day in Hollywood/A Night
in the Ukraine*
by Dick Vosburgh
and Frank Lazarus
August 1-17

Season Tickets
812/682-3115

USI to offer graduate degree in public administration

Program offers two tracks: government, nonprofit

A graduate degree in public administration at the University of Southern Indiana was approved by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education in August. The Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree will be implemented in the spring semester.

The MPA degree will develop skills in policy development, personnel management, and public finance and budgeting. Its target audience includes professionals currently working or wanting to work in local and state government, regional agencies, or nonprofit organizations.

Dr. Paul Raymond, chair of the USI Department of Philosophy and



Raymond

Political Science and director of the MPA program, said that Indiana State University faculty, who have for years offered MPA courses in an off-campus program at USI, asked USI political

science faculty to consider assuming responsibility for the MPA program in Evansville.

Discussions and surveys with area corporations and organizations confirmed the demand for the program.

The MPA program will primarily be an evening program to accommodate the work schedules of students. Some classes will be scheduled during the midday hours in downtown Evansville, and some will be offered through distance education.

Raymond indicated that one of the benefits of an MPA degree at USI is its affordability. He said students can complete the program in two years at graduate tuition rates that are among the lowest in the country.

The MPA program will offer a component for students who are already employed and a component for students who want to enter post-graduate study

immediately upon completion of the undergraduate degree.

Students who have professional positions will be required to take 12 courses for 36 hours of credit.

Pre-service students will be assigned to a semester-long internship program in order to apply coursework to actual administrative situations. They will take 12 courses plus the specialized internship for a total of 39 hours of credit.

Raymond said that the program will emphasize the practical application of the coursework. Students already working in the public sector will be able to immediately apply what they learn in the classroom.

This degree program is designed to ensure that students develop competence in budgeting, public finance, the legal environment, management information systems, organizational behavior, personnel, and research methods. In specialization track options, students will be able to focus on local, regional, and state government planning and economic development or nonprofit sector administration.

Students specializing in the government administration track will be qualified to work in any number of administrative positions such as department heads, policy analysts, and city, town, or county executives. Specialists in the nonprofit sector track will be prepared to work in supervisory positions such as regional administrators, staff managers, or program directors.

Raymond said that the job outlook for qualified people in public administration is bright. He pointed out that state and local government functions continue to grow. The nonprofit sector also is poised for growth, particularly as the Bush administration indicates interest in nonprofit organizations taking on more responsibilities that will strengthen the nation's social safety net.

John M. Schroder '71, assistant director for the Indiana Division of Family and Children in Evansville,

served on the committee which studied support in the area for the MPA degree.

He earned a bachelor's degree in management through the USI School of Business and completed the MPA program offered in Evansville by Indiana State in 1979. Schroder works in public administration with responsibilities

The program will emphasize the practical application of the coursework. Students already working in public administration will be able to immediately apply what they learn in the classroom.

that include human resources, budgeting, supervision of accounting, and procurement.

"The coursework gave me good preparation and an overview for this type of responsibility," Schroder said. "A lot of communication is involved in any type of public administration, and I received a good basis for that."

Schroder said he believes that USI will bring renewed emphasis to the MPA program and will prepare graduates for jobs available in the Tri-State.

"We have seven in our agency who already have MPA degrees. We feel that it is a good program for administrative functions," Schroder said.

Persons interested in enrolling in the program can apply online at <http://www.usi.edu/gradstud/admit.asp> or they can contact the Office of Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research by e-mail at gssr@usi.edu <<mailto:gssr@usi.edu>> or by calling 812/465-7015. Questions about the program can be directed to Raymond at 812/465-7142 ■

FIGS—living and learning a step beyond theme floors

More than 75 freshmen are going to class together and living on the same floor in the residence halls in a special pilot program designed to enhance their overall college experience.

The students are part of Freshman Interest Groups (FIGS). Two of the FIGS involve students in First Year Initiatives (FYI), a program that provides special support to students who typically had a high-school grade-point average of 2.0 to 2.9. The other FIG is for students in the Honors Program.

The FIGS evolved from the theme floors that were begun a few years ago in residence halls. Students majoring in one field (business, science, nursing, and health professions) or with similar interests (Honors, FYI, global communities) lived on the same floor in the residence hall with special programming reflecting their major or interest area. In many cases, students were enrolled in the same courses—but not necessarily in the same section—because of the similarity of their major or interest.

But this year's pilot program takes that concept a step farther. Participants not only live on the same floor of the

residence hall, but they also are scheduled into the same sections of classes for three courses they take in common.

Students in the FYI FIGS are taking History 102, English 100 or 101 (depending on placement), and a new course, University 101X, which is an integrating seminar. Honors students are taking History 102, English 101H, and Honors 101, a seminar. The history and English courses are each three credit hours and the seminar is a one-hour course, giving the students in the pilot program seven hours of classes in common.

Dane Partridge, director of the Honors Program and a member of the committee who put together the FIG concept, said, "The faculty who are teaching these courses have been meeting to talk about what they are doing so they can link these to the greatest extent."

The critical thinking skills that a student uses in history are also helpful in writing and in discussing what goes in on a seminar. The FIGS are designed to foster a living-learning community. Each FIG has a theme floor coordinator, a faculty advisor, and a series of extra- and co-curricular programming

Julie Payne, USI director of Residence Life, said, "The intentional nature of the living-learning community—combining academics and student life—serves the greater purpose of bringing the academic world into the daily lives of the students, thereby allowing the students to better connect their academics with their community."

Partridge said that the committee looked at what was going on nationwide at universities that have combined the living environment with a learning opportunity. ■

Alumni volunteers needed

Alumni, take a look at the "Webzine" at www.usi.edu/libarts/english/RMitchel/EagleReach/eagle_reach.htm to see photos and information about FIGS students and archival photos of USI. Students want alumni to respond via e-mail with comments about the photos and about their experiences in classes and student activities. Students also seek career path information. Contact eaglereach@usi.edu ■

Dane Partridge to direct Honors Program

More freshmen qualify each year

Dr. Dane Partridge, associate professor of management, has been appointed director of the Honors Program at the University of Southern Indiana.

Since the first honors students were admitted in 1998, the program has averaged about 85 new students each year. Applicants scoring 1200 and above on the SAT or 27 and above on the ACT are automatically accepted, but students who did not score at those levels also are encouraged to apply. High-school grade point average, class



Partridge

rank, and extracurricular activities are among the other factors considered.

From 1998 to 2001, the number of incoming freshmen enrolling at USI with test scores 1200 and above or 27 and above increased 82 percent. The Honors Program helps the University to be

increasingly competitive in attracting highly talented high school graduates.

As director of the program, Partridge succeeds Dr. Phyllis Toy, associate professor of English, who had led the Honors Program since its inception.

Students in the program complete much of their work in the University Core Curriculum. Partridge said he will continue to pursue the development of more courses for students to take as juniors and seniors. He also will be working toward an increased sense of community for the participants, making more extra- and co-curricular programming and social activities available to them.

Honors classes stress the interrelatedness of knowledge; skill in oral and written communication of ideas; and methods and techniques for the analysis, synthesis, and evaluation of information. ■

More top high-school graduates make USI their s

Recruiting reaps results. The Office of Admission reports that the quality of the freshman class continues to increase as more outstanding high-school graduates choose to enroll at the University of Southern Indiana.

Mark Rusk, assistant director of admission, reports these facts from another successful recruiting year:

- Thirty-five high school valedictorians from the class of 2002 have registered for the fall semester at USI.
- For the third year in a row, the average SAT scores of the Presidential Scholars was above 1300.
- A record number of freshmen have qualified automatically for the Honors Program. (The program requires a 1200 SAT or 27 ACT plus at least a B average in high school.)

Rusk said he is finding that more students are inquiring about USI admission earlier in their high-school careers. Increased interest among top students in the Evansville area is another trend.

"We are becoming the top choice right away," he said. "More top students

are choosing USI and they want to live on campus. Even students from Evansville want to live on campus so they can have that part of the college experience."

Rusk credits USI's outstanding academic programs and competitive scholarship opportunities with attracting more of the state's brightest students. Rusk noted that seven of the 10 Presidential Scholars this year are from Evansville.

Presidential Scholarships cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board. Deans Scholarships cover tuition.

Five of the six Baccalaureate/Doctor of Medicine recipients are from the Evansville region and one is from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The B/MD program has been a big draw. It offers admission to USI and a provisional seat in the Indiana University School of Medicine, a full-tuition waiver for the undergraduate program, and special opportunities to learn more about medicine as a career, including opportunities to conduct undergraduate research ■

Presidential Scholars

Hoosier valedictorians or salutatorians

Clark Carnahan, accounting, Reitz High School, Evansville (He is the son of alumna Elizabeth Clark Carnahan '96.)

Amy Collins, elementary education, South Vermillion High School, Clinton, Indiana

Amanda Kleiman, biology (pre-medicine), Reitz High School, Evansville

Rachel Luebbe, biology (pre-medicine), Central High School, Evansville

Kimberly Patterson, Spanish and English, Borden High School, Borden

Kristen Reed, elementary education, Westfield High School, Westfield

Abby Ruble, German, Reitz High School, Evansville

Meghann Schenk, biology (pre-medicine), Mater Dei High School, Evansville

Lyndsey Sitzman, biology (pre-medicine), Reitz High School, Evansville

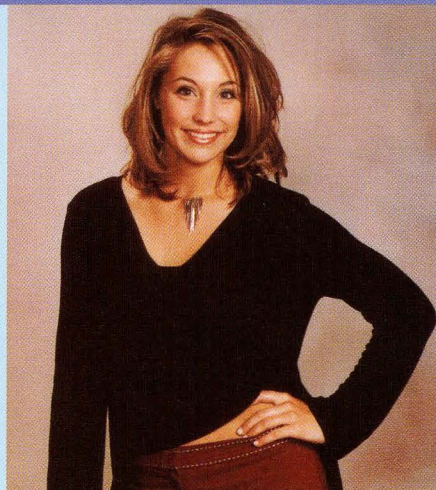
Jennifer Stilwell, art (graphic design), North High School, Evansville

Meet some of USI's top freshman scholars

Ashley Dart, a freshman Deans Scholar from Oblong, Illinois, is a country singer who has appeared on stage with Kenny Rogers, Lee Greenwood, Neal McCoy, and other artists.

Dart began singing professionally at county fairs and similar venues in mid-2001 after representatives at Ford Entertainment and Productions heard her demonstration tape. "Immediately they had me opening for the Bellamy Brothers and Ricky Van Shelton," she said.

Dart was valedictorian of her high school class, a cheerleader, and a player



Ashley Dart

on the softball and volleyball teams. She expects the time-management skills she used in high school to serve her well as she begins her college career while keeping up some singing appearances. She is scheduled to perform November 9 and 10 on the 2002 Telethon of Stars broadcast by WPSD in Paducah, Kentucky.

Although Dart is excited about the recognition she is getting for her vocal skills, she said she has gone into the entertainment business with a level head. She is focused on earning a bachelor's degree.

Baccalaureate/Doctor of Medicine Recipients

- Kevin Desai**, Homestead High School, Ft. Wayne, Indiana
- Jonathan Gries**, Gibson Southern High School, Haubstadt, Indiana
- Amanda Kleiman**, Reitz High School, Evansville
- Rachel Luebbe**, Central High School, Evansville
- Meghann Schenk**, Mater Dei High School, Evansville
- Lyndsey Sitzman**, Reitz High School, Evansville

Deans Scholars

- Ashley Dart**, psychology, Oblong High School, Oblong, Illinois
- Druanne Greenwell**, secondary education/sociology, Union County High School, Morganfield, Kentucky
- Lindsey Leaf**, biology (pre-medicine), East Richland High School, Olney, Illinois
- Jared Simmons**, engineering, Norris City-Omaha-Enfield High School, Enfield, Illinois
- Tim Smith**, biology (pre-dentistry), Lawrenceville High School, Lawrenceville, Illinois

Dart plans to major in psychology and also wants to study public relations. She is interested in working in the area of industrial organizational psychology for a large corporation.

Besides the quality of the academic programs, Dart said USI's location and size attracted her.

"When you pull into USI, you feel like you are pulling into your own little community. I love the fact that everything's new and getting bigger," she said.

Go to www.ashleydart.com to read more about Dart, her recently released CD "Simplicity," and her singing career.

Record enrollment posted

Number of students up three percent over last year

The enrollment of 9,675 students this fall set a record at the University of Southern Indiana. This is a three percent increase over the 9,362 students enrolled last fall.

The majority of students (5,155 or 53 percent) continue to come from Vanderburgh, Posey, Warrick, and Gibson counties, and another 1,126 students are from area counties. All Indiana counties are represented. Students also come from 36 other states and 33 nations.

USI President H. Ray Hoops said the increase fits the pattern the University has projected of a three to five percent increase in enrollment yearly. He said USI is an institution characterized by reasonable costs and a high level of student/faculty interaction, where emphasis is placed on the learning community and on leadership training of students.

He added that the addition of high-demand academic programs such as engineering, special education, e-business, and graduate programs in public administration, occupational therapy, and health administration meet the needs of the region and the state.

Dr. Rob Parrent, vice president for Student Affairs, said eight percent of the students enrolled this fall are readmission students. He said that fits with the changing profile of today's college student, who may stretch getting a

degree over five or six years due to family responsibilities, a change in career goals, or other factors.

Other characteristics about USI students:

More students are enrolling as full-time students. This fall 7,146 students are taking 12 credit hours or more.

Female students continue to be the dominant gender on campus. There are 5,898 women and 3,777 men enrolled.

Minority and international students represent nearly six percent of the student population. Black students represent four percent of the students, making them the largest minority population with 371 students.

Enrollment in graduate programs increased by seven percent to 677 students.

There are 2,243 adult learners at USI 25 years of age or older.

Students who reside at USI number 2,792, providing a 93.4 percent occupancy rate for campus apartments and suite-style residence halls ■

Enrollment growth – last five years

Year	Total Enrollment
2002	9,675
2001	9,362
2000	9,012
1999	8,695
1998	8,415

- Meghann Schenk, Presidential Scholar, has joined the Lady Eagles basketball team. A graduate of Mater Dei High School in Evansville, she earned Academic All-State and Academic All-City honors in basketball and volleyball as a senior and was named to the second team All-Metro team after leading her high school to the 2002 sectional championship. She will study biology at USI.

- Jennifer Stilwell, Presidential Scholar and graduate of North High School in Evansville, has been named to receive the 2002 Young Artist award

from the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana.

Stilwell's Plexiglas and copper sculpture titled "Seeing the Influences Inside" won Best of Show in this year's high-school art competition at the Evansville Museum of Art, History, and Science and placed second in 2001 Project XL statewide competition. One panel of the sculpture features a silk-screened picture of Stilwell and the other panel displays 96 words or phrases that have influenced her. An art major, Stilwell is particularly interested in a career in graphic design ■

University to request state funds for new library

Renovating existing library for University Center complex—a natural

When University of Southern Indiana administrators and advisors put their heads together to design a space that fits the way faculty and students use the library today, they soon decided that the best solution was to clear the slate.

The result is a proposal for a new \$29 million library and a \$9.75 million University Center expansion project that will renovate the existing library building into University Center space.

Robert W. Ruble, USI vice president for Business Affairs and treasurer, said the original thinking was to expand the existing library. Also in the works was a project to expand the University Center with an addition that would cut into the adjacent tree-studded hillside.

As planning progressed, it became evident that a new freestanding library had many advantages. It would better serve modern needs for library space and technology. It also would allow the existing library facility, already connected by a “bridge” to the University Center, to be used for expanded University Center activities rather than building an addition.

“The more we thought about it, the more economic sense it made,” Ruble said.

USI’s present library opened in 1971 when University enrollment was about 2,600 students. With enrollment now exceeding 9,600 students, the



The proposed new David L. Rice Library featuring an inviting atrium will provide library space appropriate for today’s needs.

library does not meet today’s needs with respect to space, space utilization, technology, or accessibility. (For more on how students and faculty use libraries today, see below.)

The new library, to be constructed south of the existing facility, will include four floors plus a lower level with unfinished space for future expansion. The new building will provide space for library resources, classrooms, labs, a coffee commons, staff areas, casual seating,

carrels, rooms for group study, and other features. A dramatic central atrium will set the tone for the inviting, light-filled facility. The amount of space available to the library will more than double.

The present University Center was constructed in 1974 and expanded in 1996. It serves as the focus of student activities as well as related University functions involving alumni, the community, and the region.

As more students choose to live on

Library use is different then and now

When the present library opened in 1971, students pitched in to help carry books from the Wright Administration Building to the striking new building. The facility was known as the University Library until 1992 when it was named the David L. Rice Library in honor of USI’s first president.

But more than 30 years have wrought changes in the way students and faculty use the library. Ruth H.

Miller, director of the library, said that not only are the resources different but so are the ways that its users study and do their research.

She said, “The most obvious change is in technology. Not only do we order, receive, and catalog online, but also much of the content of the collection is now available to users online, whether they are in the library or off campus. We continue to purchase books, journals, videos, and other mate-

rials, but an increasing portion of the materials budget goes to online databases, reference sources, and electronic books that can be used by the USI community wherever they are. This supports distributive education as well as enabling busy people to be more productive.

“Also, students study and work differently than they did 30 years ago. There is more group work, and students want more variety in seating and the kinds of study space, as well as more comfort in the library than once was expected.”

campus, the University needs increased space for student activities and for dining. Ruble noted that recently a student game area which was developed as part of the 1996 expansion had to give way for the Sub Connection, a sandwich shop.

"That's just one example of how space for student activities has been reallocated for other needs," Ruble said. "As much as possible we want to give that space back."

When complete, the University Center Expansion project will provide space in what is now the Rice Library for an attractive bookstore with textbooks located on the lower level and other merchandise on the first floor. The location vacated in the University Center when the bookstore moves will be converted to additional food-service space. Other areas in the present library will be renovated for student activities with students having input into how that space might be configured for various uses. The renovated library, the present University Center, and the bridge will function as a University Center complex.

Ruble said the University will ask the General Assembly in its capital budget request for the 2003-2005 biennium for \$29 million to fund the library construction. Full funding of \$29 million also will permit construction of a small facility for Central Receiving and Distribution Services and for improvements to University Boulevard to increase safety, improve access from parking areas, and improve the control of campus traffic.

The University will provide money for the University Center Expansion

Plans for the new building include several group-study rooms of varying sizes with support for computers, the Internet, and wireless. Carrels, soft seating, and chairs at tables will be available to serve different preferences.

Miller also said that library staff have more responsibilities and are expected to provide a broader range of services than was true 30 years ago. In the proposed building, staff will be closer to those with whom they work and better positioned to assist library users ■



This site plan shows the proposed library located south of the present library, which will be renovated to increase the amount of space available for University Center activities. The project also includes a convenient drop-off for persons attending University Center functions and other road improvements.

from its own funds but, according to procedure, must ask the General Assembly for permission to proceed with the project and for \$9.75 million in bonding authority. In addition to renovation of the existing space, the project includes an addition on the boulevard side of the existing library to create a new entrance.

In 2001, the Indiana General Assembly recognized the need for improved and expanded library space by appropriating \$1.6 million in planning funds. Although the state's budget situation prevented release of that money, the University began the planning by using its own funds. Ruble said the University is optimistic that the legislature will provide the funds for construction since it has previously shown an interest in the project.

If funding is approved in January, construction of the new library is scheduled to begin in September 2003 with an anticipated opening of August 2005.

The University Center Expansion project would begin after the opening of the new library. This schedule would allow for the existing library to continue to serve students without the hindrance of renovation until the new building is ready. If the new library opens as planned, the University Center

Expansion would begin in August 2005 with an anticipated completion date of August 2006.

The University is working with Edmund L. Hafer and Associates of Evansville and Woollen, Molzan and partners of Indianapolis in preparing plans for both projects ■

Where mission meets function

"Construction of a new library is consistent with our mission as a broad-based institution offering instruction, research, and service. The design offers a focus identified with the important role a campus library plays in the active scholarship occurring at a vibrant university."

USI President H. Ray Hoops

Bob Ruble
Vice President
for Business Affairs

He's got the right mix

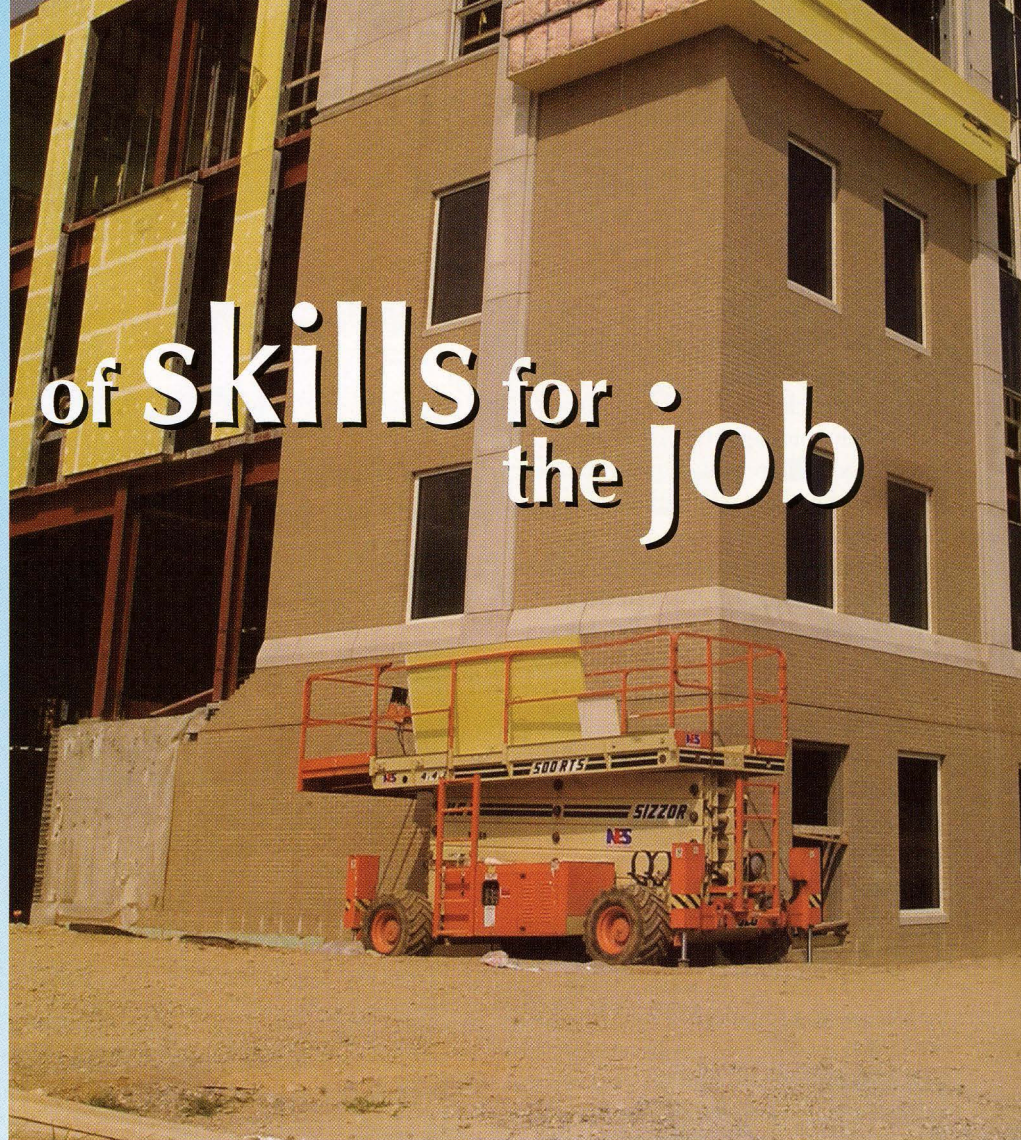
A familiarity with the success story of the University of Southern Indiana was one of the factors that influenced Dr. Robert W. Ruble's decision to join the University in early 2000. Now he has a key role in telling and retelling that story.

Ruble came to USI in January 2000 as associate vice president for fiscal and physical affairs, working closely with Richard Schmidt, who retired June 30 as vice president for Business Affairs and treasurer. Ruble was named to succeed him March 1.

Schmidt called his successor "a person with the right mix of technical skills and also a demonstrated ability to work with state agencies and officials."

Ruble has a long record of involvement with higher education in the State of Indiana. Before coming to USI, he worked for 14 years with the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, last serving as chief financial officer with state-level responsibility for financial planning and budgeting for public institutions. Through that relationship he became acquainted with Schmidt and other USI people including Ray Hoops, USI president; Byron Wright, now vice president for Business Affairs and treasurer emeritus; and Cynthia Brinker, vice president for Governmental Relations. Many times Ruble heard USI officials present information on University programs and activities and worked with them on USI and Commission matters.

Schmidt had this to say about Ruble's work on the Commission: "I found that Bob was always willing to listen with an open mind to the budget-



of Skills for the job

Bob Ruble inspects progress on construction of the new \$23.1 million Science and Education Center, on schedule to be completed in July.

ary funding cases presented by each of the state universities. While always impartial, Bob was sensitive to the special needs of the state's growing campuses and he always tried to find a way to help these campuses achieve their goals even during difficult state financial situations."

Now as a USI vice president, Ruble said, "We need to keep telling our story to the state. Part of it is analytical and part is anecdotal."

Analytically, the story is that USI funding from the state is not equitable considering the University's rapid rate of growth. Referring to the materials being prepared for USI's operating budget request to the legislature, Ruble said, "There are a lot of analytical stories."

Anecdotally, the USI story is the continued success of graduates and the fact that more students from the region are attending college and staying in Indiana, he added.

As vice president for Business Affairs, Ruble's responsibility includes six areas: budget, business office, computer services, internal audit, physical plant, and safety and security.

He holds BS and MS degrees in industrial engineering from Purdue University and has worked as an engineer for Alcoa Aluminum in Cleveland, Ohio, and Lafayette, Indiana, and for RCA Records in Indianapolis. Early in his career, he perceived the beauty of the campus atmosphere as a work environment and decided he would prefer it to the



factory setting of many engineering positions. To prepare himself for a career on the college campus, he completed a PhD in higher educational administration at Illinois State University.

In addition to his work for the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, his experience in higher education includes serving as the technical resource person for the offices of Scholarships and Financial Aid for IU's seven campuses. While completing his doctoral degree, he also served as a financial officer for the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

Ruble's industrial engineering background makes him especially suited to shepherd progress on USI's capital projects, a part of his responsibility as

vice president for Business Affairs. He has been involved with the planning of the new library since coming to USI and was one of the first to put forth the idea of a new freestanding facility to serve today's needs rather than an addition to the present library.

When the trustees decided this building was a priority for USI, Ruble said they made it clear that they wanted it to be "a very special building."

Ruble said he is echoing Ray Hoops, University president, when he says that the proposed library demonstrates that USI, founded in 1965, has reached a new level of maturity. Like the Liberal Arts Center which opened in 1999 and the Science and Education Center under construction, the new Rice Library has the potential to change the way students and faculty interact and do business with each other.

The facility is designed to enhance the academic program and to accommodate growth. It will give students a reason to stay on campus longer and an opportunity to mix study with relaxation as it blends access to scholarly resources and technology with casual seating and a coffee commons.

The Student Government Association took notice of Ruble's interest in campus life last spring by naming him Administrator of the Year. In making the announcement, SGA President Rick Hudson said, "Whether he is working to extend hours for the shuttle system, improve the quality of phone service in campus housing, advising Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, or singing as the only non-student member of the USI Gospel choir, this year's recipient is always happy to serve and socialize with USI students."

Ruble has a new activity in mind for 2002-03 that will keep him connected to students. He was one of the first to respond when Joe Gratz, assistant director of Intramural Recreational Sports, put out the word for volunteers to accompany Outdoor Adventure trips.

Ruble's experience in Boy Scouts will come in handy for these experiences which involve canoeing, hiking, and other outdoor skills.

Ruble was a Boy Scout himself and was a leader for many years when he lived in the Indianapolis area. Recently he and another adult took a group of 18-year-olds to canoe the Canadian Boundary Waters. The young men included Ruble's son, John, and John's longtime scouting friends, all of whom graduated from high school this year.

After a two-day drive to the starting point in Ely, Minnesota, they were on a six-day wilderness trip, battling the insects and weather, catching fish to supplement their dried rations, filtering their water, and all the while enjoying nature and each other's company.

Ruble will continue his interest in scouting in the Evansville area. He recently was named to the executive board of the Buffalo Trace Boy Scout Council. He is a graduate of Leadership Evansville.

"Most college administrators get involved on campus because they like being around students," Ruble said, "but the longer you stay in administration the less contact you have. You have to look for ways to develop relationships with students."

Ruble grew up in South Bend, Indiana, but the move with his family to southwestern Indiana brought his wife, the former Marilou Gerhardt, back to familiar surroundings. A Warrick County native, she is an audiologist at Tri-State Ear, Nose, and Throat Surgeons, Inc. The Rubles have three children. Their daughter Katy was married in August and is a student at State University of New York in Cortland, where she is pursuing a degree in elementary education. A freshman at Purdue University, John is interested in a career in computer science. Their youngest child, Emi, is a junior at Castle High School in Newburgh ■

USI Foundation accepts Challenge for Academic Excellence

The University of Southern Indiana is among 35 Indiana colleges and universities to accept the Lilly Endowment initiative to strengthen philanthropy for Indiana higher education institutions. The one-time, non-competitive matching grant initiative is designed to encourage contributions from alumni, friends, boards, students, parents, and employees for any academic purpose.

Donors are encouraged to make charitable gifts to the USI Foundation for any academic purpose between June 1, 2002, and December 31, 2003, to help the USI Foundation meet the \$3.5 million challenge. In a separate Lilly initiative, charitable gifts for academic purposes up to a total of \$1 million from members of the University's Board of Trustees and the USI Foundation Board of Directors and Life Directors



received between March 1 and December 31, 2002, also will be matched. The Lilly Endowment will not match gifts to athletics.

"Charitable gifts to the USI Annual Fund, scholarships, technology and equipment, capital, faculty development, and support for various academic schools, departments, and programs will qualify for the Lilly match," explained Suzanne A. Nicholson, USI Foundation president. "This includes gifts to our academic outreach programs, such as Historic

New Harmony, New Harmony Theatre, Lincoln Amphitheatre, Society for Arts and Humanities, Historic Southern Indiana, and New Harmony Gallery for Contemporary Art," she said.

All Lilly Endowment matching funds will be placed in a newly established Endowment for Academic Excellence, the income from which will help the University enhance its academic programs every year. The annual income from this endowment is expected to exceed \$200,000.

"Our effort to meet the Lilly initiative will have a substantial impact on the University in much the same way Campaign USI has had far-reaching effects," said USI President H. Ray Hoops.

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Annual Fund leaders announce \$325,000 goal

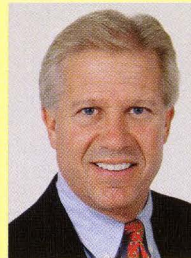
USI Foundation directors Bix Branson, Susan McGregor Knight '94, and Don Chaudoin will head the USI Annual Fund's three campaigns to raise \$325,000 in unrestricted dollars in 2002-03. The goal represents a nine percent increase over the \$298,810 raised in 2001-02. Charitable gifts to the Annual Fund will include support for scholarships, faculty professional development and research, student leadership development programs, and the Alumni Association's annual programs.

Gifts to the USI Annual Fund will qualify for the Lilly Endowment initiative, which the University is calling the *Challenge for Academic Excellence*. Lilly will match all gifts which support academics from alumni, friends, parents, students, and employees received between June 1, 2002, and December 31, 2003.

Branson, Anchor Industries contract sales manager, will lead the Friends Campaign toward its goal of \$168,000. Tina Kern-Raibley '86,

USI Trustee and USI Foundation board member, will serve as vice chair. Other Friends Campaign committee members are Marie Bussing-Burks, Don Cox, Lois Duncan, Lucy Himstedt, Bill and Trudy Mitchell, Tom Topper, MD, Jack Schriber, and Judy Steenberg. The Bussing-Koch Foundation will match all Friends Campaign new and increased gifts up to a total of \$7,500.

Knight, vice president at Quality Automotive Distributors Corp. and past president of the USI Alumni Association, will chair the fast-growing Alumni Campaign with a \$90,000 goal. David Herrenbruck '76, Alumni Association president, will serve as vice chair. The committee includes Joey Barnett, PhD '81, Steve Farrell '73, Nancy Johnson '83, Jean Kiesling-Vieck '85, Nancy Sieben Koehler '93, Donna



Branson



Knight



Chaudoin

Mesker '86, and Robert Woosley II '92.

Chaudoin, vice president and manager of personal trust services at Fifth Third Investments, will chair the Corporate Campaign with a goal of \$65,000. Charles Urbain, senior vice president and general manager of Latin America/Canada/Europe for Bristol-Myers Squibb, is serving as vice chair. The committee includes Jim Brown, Ed Derringe, Kevin Eastridge, Reese Hamilton, Frank McDonald II '73, Jim McKinney, and John Staser.

Bill Roeder, '71, also a board member, will match all Alumni Campaign new and increased gifts up to a total of \$10,000 ■

Ken McCutchan remembers University with Hoosier art collection, books

Kenneth P. McCutchan, Evansville historian, pioneer broadcaster, and art collector, who spent his retirement years at the Solarbron Pointe Retirement Community near the University of Southern Indiana, died August 16 at age 89. He left the University his art collection by Hoosier artists, his valuable historic manuscripts and collections of books, papers, diaries, and photos for the David L. Rice Library Archives, and his collection of the works of Indiana writers for Historic New Harmony, in addition to a generous bequest.

In recent years, he had been contributing works of art from his collection of paintings by Indiana artists to the University for display and for educational programs. At his death he directed the University to take first choice among his remaining paintings, prints, sculptures, and ceramics to add to its permanent collection. As a way of saying thank you during his lifetime, the University constructed the McCutchan Art Gallery as a secure exhibition area in the Wright Administration Building in 1999. Other works of art from his collection have been on display in the Health Professions Center.

USI honored McCutchan in 1996 with an honorary Doctor of Letters in recognition of his lifelong service to the Evansville-Vanderburgh County community and to the University. A World War II veteran, McCutchan was the first on-air voice at radio station WIKY beginning a 26-year career in 1947. He was a life member of the Indiana Historical Society ■



McCutchan

Carolyn Georgette to chair USI Foundation

Carolyn Georgette, retired manager of business and community affairs for Indiana Bell-Ameritech, was elected chair of the USI Foundation Board of Directors for 2002-04 at its annual meeting in May.



Georgette

Elected to serve with her were Ron Romain '73 as chair elect and Marie Bussing-Burks as secretary.

Georgette has served on the Foundation board since 1999, has been a member

of the board of directors of Southern Indiana Higher Education for 20 years, and served on the University's Board of Incorporators for an independent state university which guided the establishment of the University of Southern Indiana. She holds an honorary Doctor of Laws degree in recognition of her service to the University and the community.

Other officers include David Herrenbruck '76, president of the USI Alumni Association, who will serve as the Foundation's vice chair for alumni. Tom Topper, MD, will continue through June 2003 as vice chair for development, Mark Neidig '76, as vice chair for planning, and Robert Woosley II '92, as treasurer. Robert Ruble, the University's

vice president for Business Affairs and treasurer, was named the Foundation's assistant treasurer.

The USI Foundation's board of directors gave special recognition to Robert E. Griffin, who served as its board chair from 1998 to 2000, and chaired the board's campaign during *Campaign USI*. Griffin was named a life director.

New directors elected for three-year terms are Kevin Eastridge, president and CEO of F.C. Tucker/Emge Realtors; Reese Hamilton, assistant manager of production planning for Toyota; Jean Keasling-Vieck '85, accounting manager at Alcoa Warrick Works; Susan McGregor Knight '94, vice president at Quality Automotive Distributors Corp. and past president of the USI Alumni Association; and Dr. Ira Neal, consultant at Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation and retired USI lecturer in teacher education.

Annual appointments by USI President H. Ray Hoops to the Foundation board include Dr. Jerry Cain, dean, Pott School of Science and Engineering, representing the deans; and Dr. Dal Herring, chairman of Communications Department, School of Liberal Arts; representing the faculty. Donita Carson Wolf '83, president elect of the USI Alumni Association, also will join the board for a three-year term ■

Giancolas endow Presidential Scholarship

Sally and Jim Giancola, of Arizona and Nevada, presented USI Foundation president Susie Nicholson, center, with a \$150,000 check to endow a Presidential Scholarship, one of 29 Presidential Scholarships now endowed. Jim Giancola, retired president and CEO of the former Civitas Bank in Evansville, served as general chairman of Campaign USI, the University's successful capital campaign in 1996-98. Because Sally Giancola took Spanish classes at USI when the couple lived in Evansville, their gift will qualify for the Lilly Endowment match for alumni gifts in the Challenge for Academic Excellence ■



Trustees approve \$59.3 million operating budget

Tuition/fees increase to make up shortfall from state funds; Huber named to chair USI Board of Trustees

The USI Board of Trustees approved a \$59.3 million operating budget and implemented a 9.8 percent tuition increase for the 2002-03 academic year at its regular board meeting July 1.

Much of the operating budget, which increased by 6.3 percent, will be funded through additional student tuition/fees. State support will increase less than one percent this year. The loss of state funding eliminated \$800,000 from technology funds and \$600,000 in repair and renovation funds. Another \$2.5 million was deferred and may or may not be provided in the future.

University officials told trustees it was necessary to increase fees to cover expected and unavoidable increases in areas such as property and liability insurance, health insurance, and water/sewer rates.

USI undergraduate students who are Indiana residents pay \$10.25 more per hour in student fees beginning this

semester. Indiana resident graduate students pay \$15 more per hour.

The new per-credit-hour fee is \$113 for in-state undergraduates and \$166.25 for in-state graduate students. The average tuition increase for Indiana's other public universities is 11.9 percent.

"It is our intention to retain the position among public four-year institutions for having the lowest fees in the state," said USI President H. Ray Hoops. "USI continues to be the most affordable of the state's baccalaureate institutions. We believe the best way to provide financial assistance, across the board, is to keep fees as low as possible."

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A new technology fee of \$5 per credit hour will begin in the spring semester. It will generate about half of the lost state-funded technology appropriation. It is typical for other universi-

ties to charge a technology fee, but this is the first time USI has implemented one. The transportation and parking fee has increased \$5 to support the cost of the campus shuttle buses and additional parking lots on campus.

The approved budget supports several new faculty and staff positions related to enrollment growth and new degree programs. A modest amount of operating support is provided for the new Science and Education Center under construction.



Huber

During the trustees' annual meeting, David Huber of Cannelton, Indiana, was named board chair. Huber is an attorney with the firm of Zoercher, Huber, and Goffinet in

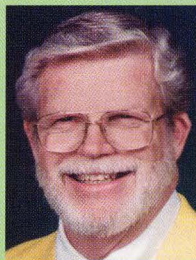
Tell City, Ind. He follows James L. Will Sr. of Evansville, who had served as chair since 1999.

Other officers are G. Patrick Hoehn of Floyds Knobs, Indiana, vice president for finance; Bruce H. Baker of Newburgh, vice president for long-range planning; and Louise S. Bruce of Tell City, secretary ■

David Stevens named Volunteer of the Year

David Stevens, a dedicated Athletics volunteer for 12 years, has been named University of Southern Indiana's 2002 Volunteer of the Year.

Stevens was commended for bringing a high level of passion to his volunteer role while hosting officials at home basketball games, setting up the locker room for officials, and keeping them posted on court times and the official clock. His volunteer responsibilities also include setting up the electronics and sound system required by the officials' table and providing security.



Stevens

Earlier this year, the GLVC commissioner requested Stevens as the official host of referees for the NCAA Division II Elite Eight Basketball Championship held in Evansville.

Stevens performs many of the same duties for home volleyball games as he does for basketball. Since the Volunteer USI program began in 1996, he has accumulated 1,560 hours of service.

Stevens and his wife Lois, the building and equipment supervisor for the USI Physical Activities Center, reside in Mount Vernon.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was presented August 8 at the Volunteer USI Recognition Dinner, where nearly 450 individuals who donated 20 or more hours of service to USI last year also were honored.

Total volunteer hours for 2001-02 reached 113,759, bringing the number of volunteer hours since the program's inception to 481,706 ■

Appointments

Kellams to lead Career Services and Placement

Jennifer Kellams, associate director of University of Southern Indiana's Career Services and Placement for the past five years, has been appointed director of that office, filling the position vacated by Marilyn Schmidt, who resigned June 30 after more than 18 years with the University.

Before coming to USI, Kellams worked in the Career Center at Indiana State University, as a graduate assistant in ISU's Office of Alumni Affairs, and as a human resources recruiter for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

Kellams holds a BA in human services management from Eckerd College and an MS in college student personnel work from ISU ■

Cleek appointed director, associate dean

Linda Cleek '82, '00 Master of Liberal Studies, has been named director of Continuing Education and associate dean of Extended Services.

Formerly the associate director of Extended Services and conference coordinator, Cleek's association with the University began in 1974. Working her way through the ranks, she served in several secretarial roles before joining USI's administrative staff as assistant director of Continuing Education.

The Department of Continuing Education evolved into Extended Services—with Continuing Education remaining under its umbrella—and Cleek became assistant director of Extended Services. Later she was appointed associate director and conference coordinator. Cleek attended Indiana University and holds both a BS in history and Master of Arts in Liberal Studies from USI.

Extended Services is an outreach of the University, providing and facilitating quality educational, research, and technical services for people, groups, and organizations as well as the University community ■

Farmer named USI registrar, director

Sandy Farmer '90, MBA '96 was appointed University of Southern Indiana's registrar and director of Veterans' Affairs in July. She had served as acting registrar and acting director for Veterans' Affairs since November 2001.

Farmer joined USI in 1988 as a student worker in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs. She later worked as an administrative secretary in the Office of the Registrar, and as assistant to the registrar. She earned a B.S. in accounting and finance in 1990 from USI, where she also earned an MBA in 1996.

John Deem, USI's longtime registrar, director of Veterans' Affairs, and associate vice president for Student Affairs who served several months as acting vice president for Student Affairs, is continuing his service to the University as associate vice president for Student Affairs ■

Hilary Braysmith receives Cooper Teaching Award

Dr. Hilary Braysmith, associate professor of art history, has been named recipient of the 2002 H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award. The presentation was made at the all-University meeting of faculty and administrators at the beginning of fall semester.



Braysmith

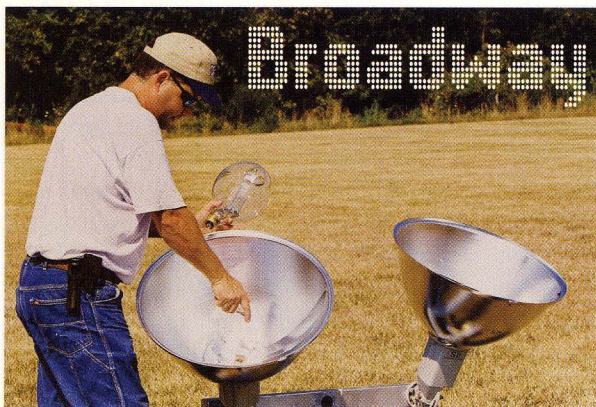
The award, focusing exclusively on teaching, honors a faculty member whose work in University Core courses has been especially creative and successful in furthering UCC goals.

In nominating Braysmith for the award, her colleague, Joan Kempf, assistant professor of graphic design, wrote:

"Dr. Braysmith [has a] commitment to introducing students to the high standards of university-level work and the goals of the core curriculum. She understands the student demographics and challenges her students to achieve personal as well as academic growth. Her classes set the stage for students to work hard and reach high academic levels."

The H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award is named for an Evansville philanthropist and long-time supporter of USI. It includes a \$1,500 stipend plus additional funds available for faculty development.

As part of the award, Braysmith will make a presentation to the University community that relates to teaching or educational philosophy during the 2002-03 academic year ■



Broadway in lights

Fields at the University's recreation complex on Broadway recently were lighted thanks to generous gifts made during Campaign USI.

Graduate Adam Long named among five Governor's Fellows

From the inner workings of the Indiana State Fair to inside the governor's office, Adam Long '02 is seeing government and politics in action as a member of the prestigious 2002-03 Governor's Fellowship class.

Long graduated from USI in May with a degree in political science.

The Governor's Fellows spend 12-week rotating assignments as executive staff in various state agencies. Long spent his first rotation with the Indiana State Fair Commission, an assignment that included an opportunity to participate in the August 8 unveiling of the state quarter at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. He also aided in giving away the new coin to the thousands of visitors at the fair.

Long also expects to serve a rotation in the Governor's Office and with other state agencies such as the Election Board, the Family and Social Services Agency, or the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. The fellowship began July 1.

Long has had a longtime interest in government and politics. His mother, Rita Long, is chairwoman of the Warrick County Democratic Party.

"I think that with the background that I have, seeing politics as a kid and getting a degree in political science, I should try to do something about the world around me," Long said. He aspires to law school and a career in government or politics.

The Governor's Fellowship Program was created in 1981. Only five fellows, down from nine in previous years, were named this year, part of a cost-savings effort.

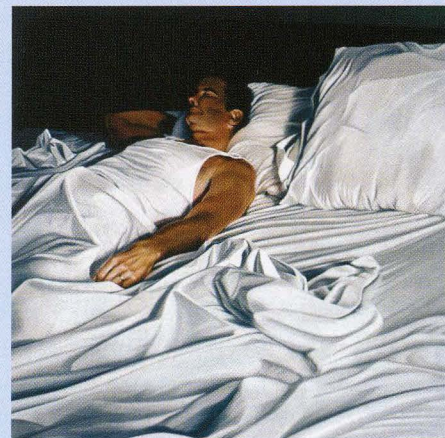
Governor's Fellows receive a salary and employee benefits during their year of service ■

Indiana State Museum chooses three pieces by USI art professor

The new Indiana State Museum in downtown Indianapolis has purchased three pieces of art by a University of Southern Indiana faculty member for its permanent collection.

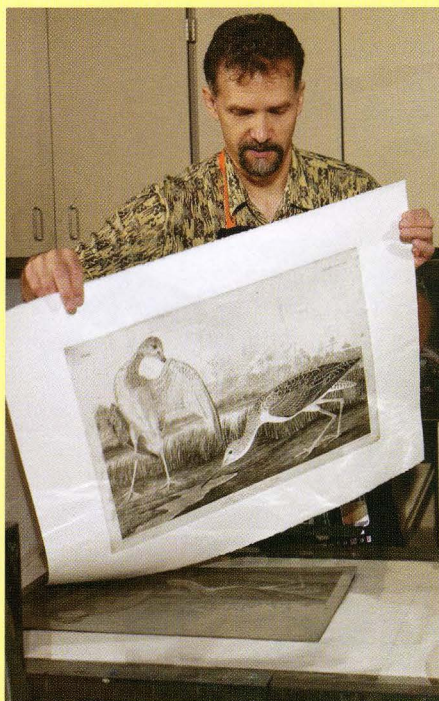
The works by Katie Waters include an oil painting entitled "Before the Storm" and two pastel drawings, "Morpheus" and "Manhattan." Waters is a USI professor of art and chair of the Art, Music, and Theatre Department.

"Before the Storm" and "Morpheus" were shown in the inaugural exhibit which opened May 22. The \$105 million museum at 650 W. Washington explores Indiana's art, science, and culture ■



"Morpheus" by Katie Waters was chosen for the permanent collection of the new Indiana State Museum.

USI professor pulls impression from rare Audubon plate



A crowd of special guests and media representatives watched as Michael Aakhus, professor of art, revealed an impression from the Audubon plate.

An impression from an original John James Audubon copper printing plate was pulled for the first time in more than 160 years on August 1 in the University of Southern Indiana Art Studio.

Michael Aakhus, professor of art, pulled seven impressions with different inks and handmade papers from the plate belonging to the collection of the John James Audubon Museum in Henderson, Kentucky.

An impression of one male and one female Tell-Tail Godwit or Snipe, the plate is one of only 78 remaining plates of the original 435 used in the printing of Audubon's masterpiece, *The Birds of America*, completed in 1839.

Audubon was the premier natural history and wildlife artist of the 19th century and lived in Henderson for a number of years. The Friends of Audubon and the Preston Family Foundation acquired the plate for the museum.

Following the testing of the plate, the museum released in October a 100-copy limited edition of the print. Dan Boorman, curator, said the numbered prints, made by Aakhus, are available for \$500 each in sepia or black ink on archival paper ■

Go ahead and sit down

USI student designs functional art for shoppers

While some artists can only dream of designing a sculpture that will be professionally made and installed, a University of Southern Indiana student has seen that vision become reality.

A sculpture designed by Beth Hill in a competition sponsored by the developers of the new Evansville Pavilion is now in place in the food court area of the shopping center anchored by the Greatland Target store on the Lloyd Expressway at Burkhardt Road.

Hill is a junior from Scottsburg, Indiana. She is majoring in elementary education and intends to minor in art.

In keeping with the location for the sculpture, Hill designed the art with a shopping theme. The functional art includes two stainless-steel benches with a brushed finish.

The back of the larger bench has a shopping bag flanked by what Hill described as “dancing clothes.” The t-shirt and pants on one side of the bag look like they belong to a woman and those on the other side are designed for a man. The companion bench is kidney-shaped.

Lan Bradley, fabrications supervisor for Sterling Boiler and Mechanical, said Hill’s design captured the spirit of the retail area. Sterling fabricated the two pieces, the larger of which is six feet long and five-and-a-half feet high.

John McNaughton, USI professor of art, said the students were asked during spring semester to design a sculpture that was appealing to the public, safe, appropriate for the mall, contemporary in nature, and capable



Charles Schaffer of Sterling Boiler and Mechanical puts a shine on the stainless steel sculpture designed by USI student Beth Hill '04.

of being fabricated within a \$10,000 to \$15,000 budget.

More than 30 designs were submitted. Table-top models were judged by architects, engineers, building contractors, and a housing group representing the neighborhood with final decisions made by officials of Premier Properties of Indianapolis, developers of Evansville Pavilion.

Five other USI students placed designs in the top 10 of the competition. They included Suzanne Levee (two designs), Sarah Jarkecki, Justin King, Jeselyn Horstketter, and Ashley Cogswell. University of Evansville students also participated in the contest and one of their designs also was chosen for fabrication ■

Reid assumes additional title; Brinker named vice president

Dr. Robert L. Reid, vice president for Academic Affairs and professor of history, now has the additional title of provost.

Cindy Brinker, associate vice president for Business Administration, has been named vice president for Governmental Relations.

The changes were effective September 1.

Reid joined USI in 1975. He is a trustee with the Indiana Historical



Reid

Society and in recent years served as chair of the Indiana Humanities Council. He also has held professional leadership roles with the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges, the Academic Affairs Resource Center, and the Academic Leadership Academy of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

Brinker joined USI in 1979 as personnel director. During her tenure, she has been director of Human Resources, assistant vice president of Business Affairs, and associate vice president for Business Administration ■



Brinker

Victoria National tournament yields athletic scholarship endowment

The success of the Victoria National Memorial Endowment Tournament will be seen for years to come. The endowment tournament, which was Victoria's most successful benefit tournament yet, enabled USI to take a major step forward in fully funding scholarships for student athletes.



Bank, Kenny Kent Lexus Mitsubishi, Orthopaedic Associates, Tri-State Orthopaedic Surgeons, United Leasing, and Vectren Corporation supported the event as Gold Sponsors. Silver Sponsors included American

General Finance, Bruce Baker, Coca-Cola, Dunn Hospitality Group, Fifth Third Investment Advisors, Gary Gerling and the Gerling Family Foundation, Howmedica-Osteonics, Industrial Contractors, Old National Bank, Pepsi Cola, Specialty Tooling/Evansville Sheet Metal Works, Toyota Manufacturing, USI Trustees, Victoria National Golf Club, and Jim Will Insurance. Arclar Company, Deaconess Hospital, Hilliard Lyons, Hylant Group, and Pat O'Daniel also participated as Bronze Sponsors.

The tournament spanned two days in July at the nationally recognized

Victoria National Golf Club in Newburgh, Indiana. Arclar Company from Harrisburg, Illinois, won the best ball scramble tournament on the second day with a 16-under 56. The Arclar team, which included Tom Franks, Ryan Franks, Robbie Nichols, and Todd Bittle, captured their victory by a four-stroke margin.

Dr. Ed Brundick, longtime USI team physician and friend of the University, chaired the steering committee for the tournament.

"The event was successful and we raised just over \$135,000," Brundick said. "The big thing was the bringing together of two quality institutions like Victoria National and USI. I am sure that these two institutions will be working together again in the future.

"Everyone was impressed by the job done by the USI volunteers. They stepped up and did a very professional job that they can be proud of ■"

"The contribution will allow USI to create an endowment fund for athletic scholarships," said USI President H. Ray Hoops. "These funds are a large step toward the major goal of fully funding scholarships for student athletes who compete in all 13 of our intercollegiate teams."

Friends of the University stepped forward and ensured the success of the tournament. Led by Insight Communications and Media Mix as Super Gold Sponsors, Black Beauty Coal, Integra

Athletes join Race for the Cure



Members of the women's basketball team and their head coach Rick Stein, third from right in back row, completed the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure September 21 to promote breast cancer awareness. More than 550 people were on the "Screening Eagles" team.

Ross Brown takes over as men's tennis coach

Ross Brown was named the new head men's tennis coach, replacing Jon Mark Hall, who was named USI Director of Athletics earlier this year.

Brown joins the USI staff after 11 years as the head men's tennis coach at the University of Evansville. He was the winningest coach in the history of the Aces program with 109 coaching victories.

A native of Rockhampton, Australia, Brown was named Midwestern



Brown

Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year in 1993 when the Aces finished second in the league. He also led UE to a third-place finish at the Missouri Valley Conference Championship in 1995.

His players have excelled not only on the courts, but in the classroom as well in his 11 years. He produced 10 first team all-conference academic selections in the last seven seasons, including two Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar Athletes last year.

A graduate of Paris (Texas) Junior College, where he is a member of the Athletic Hall of Fame, and Southwest Texas State University, Brown is head pro and co-owner of Advantage Court and Fitness in Evansville.

He is a former instructor at the John Newcombe Tennis Ranch in Texas where he coached a number of top-ranked junior players from throughout the world. Locally, Brown has coached Indiana and Kentucky high school singles champions and nationally ranked players including Stephanie Hazlett, who won five national singles titles.

Brown is a member of the United States Professional Tennis Association, holding a Pro One rating. He showed his skills this past year, winning the Over 40 Championship at the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's national coaches' convention ■

Craig Bere directs volleyball team

Craig Bere, new head volleyball coach, comes to USI from Mississippi State University where he has been an assistant coach since 1997. Bere (pronounced Berry) served as the coordinator of the

Bulldog defense and worked closely with MSU's outside hitters on the court. Bere coordinated MSU's recruiting efforts and handled additional administrative duties off the court.

A native of Louisville, Kentucky, he was a standout four-sport letterman at Doss High School, competing in football, basketball, baseball, and soccer.

Bere attended Morehead State University, where he was a kicking specialist and became a member of the men's club volleyball team.

His involvement with the club team launched his career as a volleyball coach. He joined Morehead's varsity women's volleyball coaching staff in 1993, first as an undergraduate and then as a graduate student, before filling a full-time assistant coach position.

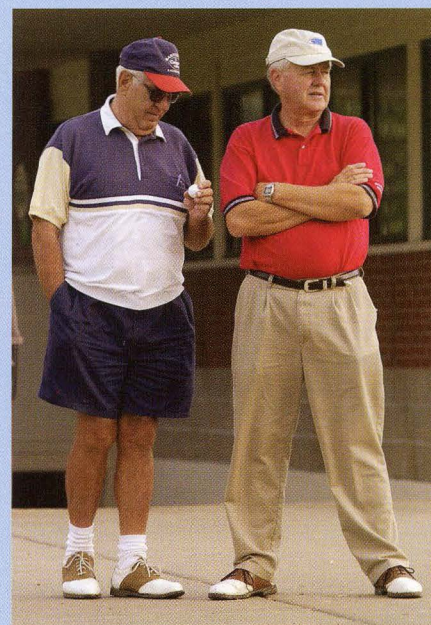
While he was on the Morehead State staff, the team claimed regular season runner-up honors, captured the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament title, and advanced to the 1993 Northern Intercollegiate Volleyball Conference Tournament. In 1995 Morehead State took runner-up honors in the conference tournament.

Bere earned a bachelor's degree in health in 1995 at Morehead State and a master's degree in health, physical education, and recreation in 1997. A member of the American Volleyball Coaches Association, he has served as an instructor in summer volleyball camps in Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, and Michigan ■



Bere

Golf coach to retire



USI men's golf head coach Jim Brown, right, confers with former USI Varsity Club Chairman Duke Coudret at the 2002 USI Invitational. Brown, chair of the NCAA Division II Golf Committee, will retire at the end of the 2002-03 season after 32 years with USI, including 26 years as golf coach. The Screaming Eagles gave Brown an early present by winning the USI Invitational.

1970s

Mary Meyer Wiesner '74, dental assisting, has worked as a dental assistant for 28 years. She lives in Seguin, Texas.

Daniel L. Kelley '75, marketing, has been named the southern region chief operating officer of Old National Trust Co. in Evansville and Mount Vernon, Indiana.

Marilyn S. McClain '76, psychology, is a supervisor for the Bartholomew County Division of Family and Children in Columbus, Indiana.

C. Wayne Kinney '77, accounting, has started his own company, called Innovative Consulting Group in Evansville.

Michael W. French '78, business, has been promoted to assistant vice president of retail lending at Old National Bank in Mount Vernon, Indiana.

Jeffrey L. Wolf '78, accounting/finance, is general manager for Alfab Metals Corporation in Evansville.

1980s

Jean Berberich Morgan '80, marketing, has the new position of associate director of philanthropy for The Nature Conservancy in East Lansing, Michigan.

Harold E. Tepoch '80, communications, is professor and chairman of the management and accounting department at Vincennes University. He was elected to Alpha Beta Gamma's executive board and received the International Business Honor Society's C. George Alvey Distinguished Fellowship Award.

Michael K. Snelling '81, engineering technology, is president of Nicholas Energy Company in Summersville, West Virginia.

Phyllis L. Truitt '81, business, is director of credit for Atlas Van Lines, Inc., of Evansville. She received the 2002 National Credit Executive of the Year Award given by the National Association of Credit.

Connie T. Harness '82, business education, '01, Master of Business Administration, has been promoted to manager, human resources, for West Pharmaceutical Services Clinical Research group at GFI Research Center in Evansville.

Calendar of Events	
November 12	Alumni Council Meeting 5:45 p.m., USI Foundation
December 7	Alumni & Varsity Club Chili Supper 5:30-7 p.m., USI Physical Activities Center, Room 200 USI vs. Saint Joseph's College basketball games Women 1 p.m., Men 3:15 p.m.
December 8	Lighting-a-Tradition, 4 p.m., USI Orr Center, Holiday tree-lighting featuring the USI Madrigal Singers and Santa photos with children
January 14	Alumni Council Meeting 5:45 p.m., USI Foundation
February 1	Homecoming 2003: USI vs. Quincy University basketball games Alumni 3 p.m., Women 5:15 p.m., Men 7:30 p.m. Alumni Reception follows games
February 15	Indianapolis Chapter Pizza Gathering McQ's Pub & Eatery, follows USI at University of Indianapolis Basketball Games Women 1 p.m., Men 3 p.m.
March 1	St. Louis Alumni Brunch, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Duff's; before the USI at University of Missouri-St. Louis basketball games Women 1 p.m.; Men 3:15 p.m.
March 11	Alumni Council Meeting 5:45 p.m., USI Foundation
April 17	Indianapolis Chapter Meeting 7 p.m., Oaken Barrel Brewing Company, Greenwood, IN

All alumni are invited to attend these events. For further information and reservations, call the Alumni and Volunteer Services Office, 812/464-1924. Check out the Alumni Web site at www.usi.edu/alumni ■

Greg A. Wagoner '82, communications, has been appointed manager of housing operations in Residence Life at USI.

Stephanie Wangler Altmeyer '83, respiratory therapy, is a registered respiratory therapist with St. Mary's Health Systems in Evansville.

Myra J. Wetzel '83, respiratory therapy, has been promoted to area director of business development with HealthSouth Corp. in Evansville.

Rachel Memmer Walton '84, communications, is vice president of resource development at United Way Whitewater Valley in Richmond, Indiana.

Jeffrey K. Jones '85, health services, is executive director of the Owensboro Museum of Science and History in Owensboro, Kentucky.

Patrick J. Bittner '86, finance, has joined Keller Schroeder & Associates, Inc., as an infrastructure solutions consultant in Evansville.

Jane Baumgart Moon '86, communications/psychology, is an information analyst for N.W. Alabama Council of Local Governments in Muscle Shoals, Alabama.

Michael B. Carroll '88, accounting, is senior vice president for Integra Bank in Evansville.

Stephanie Holmes Lusher '88, business administration/management, is vice president of sales and national sales director for 1st Data in Melville, New York.

Terri L. Watson '88, sociology, is academic advisor for the Southwest Ohio Educational Opportunity Center housed at the University of Cincinnati-Clermont College in Batavia, Ohio.

Peter L. Grogg '89, political science, is associate director of the Indiana University Health Center in Bloomington, Indiana.

Jeffrey Mullis '89, sociology, is Midwest regional manager for IPEX in Mississauga, Ontario. He resides in Rockport, Indiana.

1990s

J. Topher Collier '90, communications, is a psychologist in private practice in Park West, New York.

Deidra Conner named executive director of Evansville ARC

A former president of the University of Southern Indiana Alumni Association has been named executive director of Evansville ARC, an organization providing services for persons with disabilities.



Conner

Deidra Conner '87, accounting, said Evansville ARC wants to continue to assist persons with disabilities in becoming more integrated into the community. Conner was USI Alumni Association president in 1991-92.

She said that Evansville ARC is committed to forging partnerships with other organizations and businesses that also serve persons with disabilities.

Prior to assuming responsibilities July 1 as executive director, Conner was director of finance for Evansville ARC. She worked previously for Deaconess Hospital, Olive (now BKD), and American General, all in Evansville ■

Make Roeder pay

Robert Roeder '71 has challenged Indianapolis-area alumni to attend the Alumni Gathering at McQ's Pub & Eatery following the USI vs University of Indianapolis basketball games on February 15. He will pick up the tab for the pizzas if 50 alumni attend the gathering.

Christie Gaines Hamilton '90, dental hygiene, owns Fired Up!, a paint-your-own pottery studio, in Evansville.

Janet Bryan Harbert '90, elementary education, is a remediation assistant for Castle High School in Newburgh, Indiana.

Greg A. Hartlein '90, communications, is a senior business manager for Microsoft in Redmond, Washington.

Christa D. Kingsbury '90, political science, has been named the closing department manager for Evansville Title Corporation in Evansville.

Dana L. Ledford '90, finance, has been named financial specialist for Fifth Third Bank in Princeton, Indiana.

Amy A. Lee '90, science teaching, is an ecologist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Tristan D. Barnett '91, mechanical engineering technology, has accepted the position to head the Aerospace Division Engineering Department for Roll Forming Corporation in Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Jo Rita Brahm Bishop '91, communications, is a publications coordinator at the Saint Meinrad Archabbey in Saint Meinrad, Indiana.

Denise Kerstiens Rexing '91, accounting, has been promoted to financial reporting manager for Old National Bank in Evansville.

Jacqueline K. Russell '91, marketing, has joined Old National Trust Company as a vice president and trust officer in Evansville.

Kim Neufelder Scheller '91, English, '02, Master of Education, is an eighth grade language arts and creative writing teacher at Wood Memorial Junior High School in Oakland City, Indiana.

Joetta L. Jones '92, business administration, is the human resources manager for Matrix Integration in Jasper, Indiana.

Dawn Cassidy Lynch '92, elementary education, is a sixth grade teacher at Perry Central School in Leopold, Indiana.

Candice L. Perry '92, psychology, is the legal advocacy program coordinator at Albion Fellows Bacon Center in Evansville.

Indy golfers raise scholarship money



Participants in the Greater Indianapolis USI Scholarship Golf Scramble played August 23 at The Links Golf Course in New Palestine, Indiana. From left are Brian Riordan, Jeff Roeder, Bob Roeder '71, and Bob Armstrong. The winning team was the foursome of Steve Jamell '89, Bob Jamell, Brian Chambers, and P. Wainman.

Amy L. Risk '92, accounting, is an account executive for Keane, Inc., in San Bruno, California.

Luray Howton Travis '92, elementary education, is the owner of Tony27 Enterprises in Evansville.

Carla Crane Alexander '93, elementary education, is a homemaker and a home health-care provider. She resides in Pittsboro, Indiana.

Cynthia Beier Greeson '93, Master of Business Administration, is an associate professor at Ivy Tech State College in Evansville. She was named the 2002 top teacher in the statewide Ivy Tech system.

Stacy Putham Gries '93, dental hygiene, works as a dental hygienist in Indianapolis.

Jennifer M. McGehee '93, accounting, has joined Warrick Federal Credit Union as senior accountant in Newburgh, Indiana.

Brian W. Price '93, business, works in sales at VALVAX Corporation in Indianapolis.

Tamara White Rascoe '93, psychology, is a family case coordinator with the State of Indiana in Indianapolis.

Mark E. Barclay '94, business administration, has been promoted to senior loan manager at Lynnville National Bank in Chandler, Indiana.

Camala G. Cooley '94, business administration, received a law degree from Widener University School of Law in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Paula K. Key '94, nursing, is a nurse in the Pain Management Center at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

Annette Markle '94, business administration, has been named branch manager of the Northbrook office of Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union in Evansville.

Tina Deal Spears '94, business administration, has been promoted to an assistant cashier at Fifth Third Bank in Evansville.

Cheryl Wheatley Stocker '94, accounting, is a computer engineer for Bristol-Myers Squibb in Evansville.

Dawn Huber Warnock '94, accounting, is a field examiner for the State Board of Accounts in Indianapolis.

Douglas J. Watson '94, business administration, is self-employed as an ebay power-seller in Atlanta, Georgia.

Stephanie L. Yager '94, occupational studies, is the creative director of retail planning for RGLA, Inc. in Chicago.

Sharon M. Beckman '95, communications, has been promoted to senior sales project analyst for the *Indianapolis Star-News* in Indianapolis.

Stephanie L. Boyer '95, business administration, is an inside sales team leader for Rexam Closures in Evansville.

Melissa L. Gannon '95, health services, is a respiratory therapist for Apria Healthcare in Indianapolis.

Rebekah Floyd Hamilton '95, business administration, is a pharmaceutical sales representative for Bayer Corporation in Evansville.

Shara L. Mitchell '95, management, has been promoted to assistant vice president in the investment advisors division of Fifth Third Bank in Evansville.

Tammy Williams Roney '95, social work, '97, Master of Social Work, is a district team leader with Target Stores, Inc. She is celebrating her 23rd anniversary with Target.

Danny J. Schneider '95, business administration, is an inspector of vehicle performance for Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana in Evansville.

Monica L. Weiss '95, Master of Business Administration, has been named vice president of revenue accounting for Atlas Van Lines in Evansville.

Nick V. Whelan '95, accounting, has been promoted to a principal at Kemper CPA Group in Evansville.

Melissa Dellinger Agresta '96, elementary education, is a teacher at Holy Cross School in Indianapolis.

Cynthia Vincent Crowley '96, business administration, is a training specialist for Warrick Federal Credit Union in Evansville.

Douglas A. Gray '96, business administration, has been hired as a supervisor for T.J. Maxx in Evansville.

Knute A. Lentz '96, accounting, has been promoted to manager in the Indianapolis office of BKD, LLP.

Dave Herrenbruck challenges alumni to get involved

As president of the Alumni Council for 2002-03, David W. Herrenbruck '76 looks forward to a year of building goodwill, having fun, and working hard with other alumni to support the University of Southern Indiana.

The Alumni Council directs the activities of the USI Alumni Association.

"I think I speak for all of our Alumni Association members when I say that what the University has given us in our education and support is something that we will all cherish. What we as alumni can do is give of our time, talents, and financial support to show our appreciation. That is small by comparison," Herrenbruck said. "I challenge all our alumni to support their University in some way."

Alumni have an unexpected opportunity this year. The Lilly Endowment will match financial gifts from alumni up to \$3 million as part of a \$4.5 million matching gift opportunity that includes all constituencies of the University. (*See Challenge for Academic Excellence insert in this magazine.*)



Herrenbruck



Wolf



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"We are going to be out in force trying to capitalize on this opportunity," Herrenbruck said.

The new Alumni Council president noted that many of the long-range goals set by the planning committee in fall 2000 have been achieved and are continuing programs. These include programs that enhance communications, provide activities or services to alumni, and direct alumni resources to help the University grow and develop.

Herrenbruck said the Alumni Council is continuing to consider the creation of a focal point, such as a bell tower or clock, on campus.

"Most universities have some kind

of structure on campus that people relate to when thinking of that university," Herrenbruck said, adding that the Council would seek support from the University and others for such a project.

Herrenbruck is a personal trust sales officer for Fifth Third Bank in Evansville. Other new Alumni Council officers include Donita F. Wolf '83, president elect, a broker associate with F. C. Tucker/Huber Realtors in Evansville; Shelly K. Kleiman '96, an auction assistant with Curran Miller Auction and Realty, secretary; and Jeff Bone '97, indirect consumer loan officer with Old National Bank in Evansville, treasurer. Officers began a one-year term July 1 ■

Amy Huebschman Lutzel '96, communications, is a travel manager at Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union-ET Odyssey in Evansville.

Bob S. Peppiatt '96, history, is a self-employed attorney in Chandler, Indiana.

Adam B. Strouse '96, Master of Business Administration, has joined the Clippinger Financial Group as a financial services representative in Evansville.

Clay R. Angel '97, biology, is a physician, first-year resident at West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park, Illinois.

Stephanie S. Buchanan '97, business administration/German, is an account manager for KDL Inc. in Evansville.

Warren Fleetwood '97, English, is an English teacher for Wabash District #348 in Mount Carmel, Illinois.

Aaron P. Geer '97, business administration, is a network engineer at Coyote Creek Consulting in San Jose, California.

Sara M. Mindell '97, nursing, is a registered nurse/case manager at VNA Home Health Services in Santa Ana, California.

Charles T. Voyles '97, communications, is a product marketing manager for Sawgrass Systems in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.

James C. Bigham '98, biology, is an optometrist for Skaggs Eye Care in Evansville.

Connie M. Haralson '98, Master of Business Administration, has been appointed executive manager for US Surveyor, Inc.; in Evansville.

Joseph R. Kellams '98, communications, has joined the Southern Indiana Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association, Inc., as assistant executive manager in Evansville.

Stephanie L. Polen '98, business administration/French, was named director of marketing at Cross Pointe Development in Evansville.

Margaret D. Ruppel '98, elementary education, is an undergraduate librarian at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois.

Jamy Schuler '98, communications, is an account manager for Borshoff Johnson Matthews in Indianapolis.

Julie Clanton Seebode '98, biology, '02, Spanish, is a Spanish teacher at Wood Memorial High School in Oakland City, Indiana.

Kenneth R. Troutman '98, biology, recently graduated from Indiana University School of Dentistry and will practice at Five Star Family Dental Clinic in Huntingburg, Indiana.

Scott M. Wunderlich '98, political science, has been promoted to assistant vice president for Old National Bank in Evansville.

Dustin M. Adams '99, physical education, has been hired as a financial specialist with Fifth Third Bank in Jasper.

Karen L. Amick '99, business administration/communications, is a sales associate for EBI Medical in Parsippany, New Jersey.

Tara Thornburg Gehlhausen '99, physical education, is a teacher at North Posey High School in Poseyville, Indiana.

Amy Rhodes Jorgensen '99, English, is owner of Writing the Right Way and a part-time instructor at Indiana Business College in Evansville.

Emily A. Kemper '99, communications, is box office manager for SMG Entertainment in Pensacola, Florida.

Brent C. Ketcham '99, chemistry, has taken the position of chemist at Pace Analytical in Mooresville, North Carolina.

Elizabeth Terry Merchant '99, visual art, will graduate in December with a master's degree in education school counseling from Western Kentucky University. She resides in Newburgh, Indiana.

Sara M. Milanowski '99, dental hygienist, is working as a dental hygienist in Munster, Indiana.

Melissa Chambers Pemberton '99, English, received a master's degree in human resource development for industry and higher education in May from Indiana State University. She resides in Elberfeld, Indiana.

Erin Evans Powell '99, visual art, is a graphic designer at Vectren in Evansville.

Randi Lampton Rice '99, business administration, is a project leader for InsureMax in Newburgh, Indiana.

Katie S. Sprouls '99, psychology, is a school psychologist at Dysart Unified School District in El Mirage, Arizona.

Emily Van Winkle '99, business administration, has been promoted to internal auditor at Vectren in Evansville.

Former USI runner takes 16th in Boston Marathon

University of Southern Indiana cross country and track fans may have recognized a familiar face April 15 in the lead of the Boston Marathon.

Former USI All-American and NCAA Division II champion Elly Rono placed 16th, leading after the



Elly Rono was an All-American runner during his time on the USI cross country team.

10k, 15k, 20k, 13.1 miles (the half-way mark), and at the 25k point. Rono ran the first half of the race in 1:05.20 and completed the marathon in 2:15.17, a pace of 5:10.

More than 14,000 runners completed the marathon.

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(6:20-a-mile average) placed him near the top two percent. Centifanto teaches English and coaches at North Posey High School in Posey County, Indiana.

2000s

Kayla A. Barron '00, social work, '01, Master of Social Work, is an independent case manager with Indiana Case Management in Evansville.

Cara L. Cox '00, marketing, has been promoted to account executive for Edelman Scott, Inc., in Richmond, Virginia.

Kristi Raleigh Eidson '00, accounting, has joined Ivy Tech State College as a financial aid advisor in Evansville.

Melinda S. Gingerich '00, business administration, is working as a credit manager at Wells Fargo Financial in Denver, Colorado.

Ryan M. Greer '00, psychology, has joined the network solutions group at Keller Schroeder & Associates, Inc., in Evansville.

Austin J. Hallam '00, business administration, is a quality assurance manager for Wal-Mart in Olney, Illinois.

Jammie S. Johnson '00, health services, works in social research with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Nicholas N. Kessler '00, business administration, is an international financial analyst at the corporate headquarters for Borders Group, Inc., in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Yvonne K. Mans '00, early childhood development, is a preschool teacher for the YMCA in Evansville.

Deborah C. Morera '00, biology, is a director for Bridges of Southern Indiana, Inc. She is starting a case management business in Evansville.

Melissa A. Schmitt '00, social science, is a patient services representative for St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

Lyla M. Theriac '00, psychology, is working at SouthWest Indiana Regional Youth Village as a counselor in Vincennes, Indiana.

Jina Hawkins Campbell '01, accounting, is a business analyst at USI.

Jason A. Coomer '01, education, is a graduate associate while working on a master's degree at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

Elizabeth A. Foster '01, marketing, is an advertising account executive for Topics Newspapers in Fishers, Indiana.

Holly R. Frederick '01, accounting, has joined Wright Consultants as an accountant specializing in individual and business accounting and taxes in Evansville.

Ryan K. Harris '01, elementary education, is a fifth grade teacher at Fairlawn Elementary in Evansville.

Pamela J. Haywood '01, health services, is an administrator for Progressive Health in Evansville.

Dana Kissel Ketcham '01, accounting, has taken the position of financial systems analyst at Food Lion in Mooresville, North Carolina.

Jeffrey A. May '01, finance, has joined Regency Commercial Associates and will manage properties in Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky. He resides in Evansville.

Stacy R. Rideout '01, marketing, has been promoted to retail center manager at Old National Bank's Eastgate location in Henderson, Kentucky.

Krista Schmutzler '01, nursing, is a registered nurse at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

Jamie Berger Shoulders '01, English, designs flowers for weddings in Evansville.

Scott M. Smith '01, political science, is a first-year law student at Appalachian School of Law in Grundy, Virginia.

Holly R. Vickery '01, nursing, is a nurse at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville.

Rebecca Knepp Wittmer '01, accounting, is a staff accountant for BKD Financial, LLP in Bloomington, Indiana.

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Mandy K. Bacica '02, public relations, is a sales manager for Marriott Downtown-On-the-Canal in Indianapolis.

Christian J. Blome '02, elementary education, has taken a position as category analyst with Acosta Sales and Marketing in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jessica L. Campbell '02, public relations, has been promoted to account executive for Tucker Publishing Group in Evansville.

Jennifer L. Gamache '02, biology, is a senior procurement technician for the American Red Cross in Evansville.

Matthew J. Giles '02, finance, is a brokerage operations specialist at Old National Bank in Evansville.

Sally A. Gries '02, public relations, is development manager for Habitat of Evansville, Inc.

Nickolas J. Hostetter '02, art/public relations, is regional sales manager for Koch Originals, Inc., in Evansville.

Rick Hudson '02, mathematics, is a graduate student at University of Louisville (Kentucky).

Kelly Steiner Johnson '02, accounting, is an accountant at Wright Consultants in Evansville.

Benjamin M. Lovell '02, history, is a youth pastor for Blue Grass United Methodist Church in Evansville.

Mark A. Major '02, business administration, is an associate analyst with American General Finance in Evansville.

Doug Meiring '02, public relations, has been appointed director of spa sales and marketing for Foxxx Pools in Evansville.

Jay A. Melchior '02, public relations, is a sales representative at Tri-State Trophies in Evansville.

Amanda D. Miller '02, elementary education, is a Title 1 reading and mathematics teacher at Oakdale Elementary in Boonville.

Bridges of Southern Indiana meets needs for individuals with disabilities

A business begun two years ago by a University of Southern Indiana graduate to provide home- and community-based services to individuals with disabilities now serves more than 50 families in Vanderburgh, Gibson, Posey, and Warrick Counties, and recently opened a satellite office in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Peggy Burlison, owner of Bridges of Southern Indiana, Inc., earned a degree in health services in 1994. As the mother of an autistic child

who is now 20 years old, Burlison has firsthand experience with the need for high-quality in-home services.

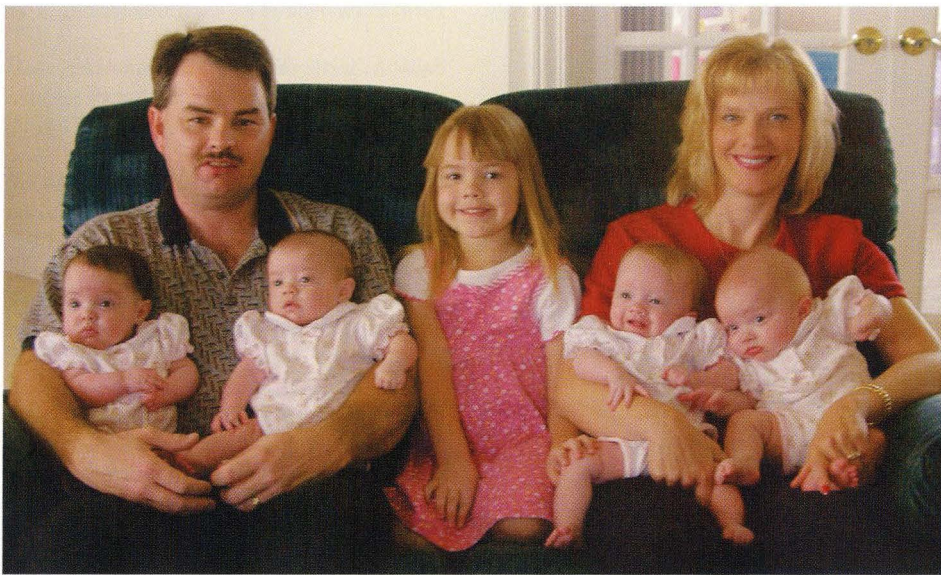
"When I send staff into your home to take care of your mother or your child, I know you want the same person on a regular basis and you want to know who that person is," Burlison said.

She said home- and community-based services allow individuals to live at home longer and provide much-needed assistance to family caregivers. In many cases, families qualify for

Medicaid waivers that assist with the cost.

Bridges employs more than 70 part- and full-time workers, including a number of University of Southern Indiana students. Many of the students are pursuing degrees in psychology, social work, or special education. The company also has provided internships for students in the Master of Social Work program and has participated in a project with a marketing class in the health services program ■

Accounting graduates add four



Kevin '90 and Carol Goebel '92, both accounting graduates, are the parents of quadruplets born February 25 at Deaconess Women's Hospital in Evansville. The babies are Lauren Holly, Sierra Nicole, Cassidy Sue, and Danielle Faith. Their big sister McKenzi, 5, loves to help out with the babies.

Stephanie L. Moll '02, history, is a graduate student in European history at the University of Cincinnati in Ohio.

Ann M. Nagy '02, art, is an art teacher at Reitz Memorial High School in Evansville.

Darren R. Verkamp '02, business administration, is a marketing assistant/inside sales for Rexam Closures & Containers in Mount Vernon, Indiana.

Stephanie A. Watson '02, exercise science, has accepted the position of fitness specialist for Toyota Motor Manufacturing in Georgetown, Kentucky.

Marriages

Lisa R. Hart '93, communications, and Dennis Gray, April 5, 2002

Chris M. Sollman '95, communications, and Alicia McCoy, August 10, 2002

Jennifer L. Sipes '97, Spanish, and Craig Fortune, September 15, 2001

Chanda A. Davis '99, social work, and Adam V. Zirkelbach '00, sociology, July 27, 2002

Kimberly H. Keith '99, dental hygiene, and Kirk Keith, October 22, 2001

Shawna S. Lingenfelter '99, elementary education, and **Tyler R. Walton '01**, elementary education, June 22, 2002

Danielle S. Hargis '00, occupational therapy, and Sanford Scott, March 10, 2001

Travis S. Hudak '00, business administration, and Christine Whoberry, June 2, 2001

Bridget A. Rue '00, business administration, and **Ryan M. Greer '00**, computer information systems/psychology, June 8, 2002

Mark A. Chandler '01, business administration, and Renee Hall, June 15, 2002

Teresa Cook '01, public relations/advertising, and Chad Russell, March 16, 2002

Emily R. Eckert '01, health services, and Tracy Holt, May 25, 2002

James K. Schiff '01, business administration, and **Casi L. Jost '01**, accounting, June 9, 2002

Julie A. Waller '01, occupational therapy, and Scott Morgan, July 20, 2002

Ellen S. Brenner '02, mathematics, and Paul Haefling, April 6, 2002

Angela M. Long '02, mathematics/Spanish, and Brandon Sellers, March 23, 2002

Births

Donna Lindauer Linesch '82, elementary education, and Douglas, daughter, Emily Clare, April 2, 2002

Cheryl Nelson Reller '87, elementary education, and **Keith D. Reller '85**, marketing, son, Braxton Alan, September 5, 2001

Deborah Payne Wood '87, accounting, and Don, daughter, Marion Benson, September 14, 2001

Mark L. Gerteisen '89, finance, and Susan, son, Christopher Lee, and daughter, Susannah Lynn, July 18, 2002

Joseph H. Beckwith '90, sociology, and Mary, daughter, Abigail Jo, September 20, 2001

Michelle Rooze Gilbert '90, communications, and Richard, daughter, Morgan Elizabeth, February 13, 2002

Michelle Clark Hammett '90, marketing, and **Kevin L. Hammett '90**, accounting, daughter, Evan Elizabeth, April 17, 2002

John P. Wible '90, business administration, and Michelle, son, Luke Patrick, January 13, 2002

Dawn Whalen Burghard '91, psychology, and Troy, son, Nathaniel Alexander, April 18, 2002

Sherri Dawson Greubel '91, psychology, and Darrin, son, Milon Isaiah Kent, January 3, 2002

Michelle Lampert Eckert '92, elementary education, and Jeff, son, Jordon David, March 15, 2002

Jamie Ruhe Giesler '92, elementary education, and Paul, Kylie Lynn, April 29, 2002

Carol Berfanger Goebel '92, accounting, and **Kevin M. Goebel '90**, accounting, quadruplet daughters, Cassidy Sue, Lauren Holly, Sierra Nicole, and Danielle Faith, February 25, 2002

Christopher W. Green '92, accounting, and Shannon, son, Tyler Wayne, April 10, 2002

Heather Fulkerson Lett '92, dental hygiene, and Rodney, son, Braden Conner, February 20, 2002

Cathy Hughes Muratore '92, elementary education, and John, daughter, Megan Nicole, October 21, 2001

Shanon Creek DeLong '93, accounting, and Scott, son, Seth Owen, March 1, 2002

Jill Pfetscher Hahn '93, Master of Education, and **John K. Hahn '88**, management, son, John Caiden, July 13, 2001

Elaine Gutsell Bromm '93, elementary education, and **Dean J. Bromm '94**, mathematics, daughter, Alison Marie, March 4, 2002

Cathy Schapker Dyson '93, elementary education, and Michael, son, Caleb Michael, July 1, 2002

Stacy Fulkerson Kappner '93, elementary education, and Joseph, daughter, Anna Kathleen, March 15, 2002

Julie Jenkins Eder '94, Spanish, twin sons, Mitchell Jack and Griffin William, June 12, 2002

Susan McGregor Knight '94, science teaching, **Kirk W. Knight '93**, business administration, son, Marshall McGregor, August 11, 2002

Melanie Salamone Sander '94, sociology, and John, daughter, Rebekah Elizabeth, July 29, 2001

Darla Groves Crosser '95, political science, and John, daughter, Cara Nicole, June 17, 2002

Jennifer Schiff Elpers '95, elementary education, and Brian, daughter, Madison Lynn, May 11, 2002

Travis Taylor earns PhD at Harvard

Travis Taylor, '94, biology, completed a PhD in May at Harvard University. Taylor was a USI Presidential Scholar.

While he was in the graduate program at Harvard, Taylor conducted research into the herpes virus. He also was a member of team which helped found a medical school in Nepal. As part of the second Harvard team to go to Kathmandu University Medical School, he helped design and teach a course in microbiology. Taylor was in Nepal from November 2001 until January 2002 ■



Taylor

Sherri Arhelger Rapp '95, elementary education, and Kyle, son, Jackson Tanner, March 14, 2002

Amy Lantaff Wolf '95, communication, and **Gregory Jude Wolf '95**, communications, son, Lucas Robert, April 29, 2002

Kristy Schnell Hartmann '96, mathematics/German, and **Chad J. Hartmann '95**, mathematics, '00 Master of Education, son, Kyle Sean, April 1, 2002

Shelly Bastin Kleiman '96, communications, and **Kent L. Kleiman '97**, political science, daughter, Sydney Elizabeth, July 16, 2002

Christine Adams Waddell '96, elementary education, and Brian, daughter, Sydney Brynn, June 6, 2002

Warren Fleetwood '97, English, and Alana, daughter, Hallie Renae, March 15, 2002

Lesa Hedinger Hamm '97, communications, and Aaron, son, Ian Lee, March 9, 2001

David G. Head '97, nursing, and Elizabeth, son, Andrew Charles, July 7, 2002

Shannon Lengacher Strieter '97, English, and Scott, daughter, Savannah Rene, February 26, 2002

Indy area alums host new students



Jennifer Bechtold, right, an entering student from Carmel, Indiana, and her parents Kathy and Jim Bechtold attended the Alumni and Entering Student Picnic at the Indianapolis Indians Baseball Outing in August.

Dana Gourley Ambrose '98, biophysics, and Scott, daughter, Jordan Renee, May 13, 2002

Tara Matthes Buerster '98, health services, and Jayare, daughter, Hayley Anne, May 31, 2002

Tanya Horn Hagerty '98, psychology, **Nathan J. Hagerty '98**, communications, daughter, Mya Nicole, June 11, 2002

Tammy Meece McDaniel '98, dental assisting, and Jason, daughter, Haley Jo, May 15, 2002

Tamara Smith Smith '98, dental hygiene, and James, daughter, Amity Lynn, April 30, 2002

Misty Barbre Gwaltney '99, accounting, and William, daughters, Olivia Lynn and Elizabeth Jane, February 13, 2002

Sarah Debes McQuay '99, early childhood education, and John, son, John Franklin, February 18, 2002

Rebecca Lantz Patton '99, nursing, and Jim, daughter, Nora Elaine and son, Nathan Thomas, March 1, 2002

Jennifer Reed Stephens '99, psychology, and Gary, son, Joshua Michael, April 5, 2002

Tomelle Shelton Tornatta '99, elementary education, and **Troy W. Tornatta '93**, biology, daughter Tatum Nicole, April 25, 2002

Lindsey M. Wade '99, business administration, and Jon-David, daughter, Reagan Elise, June 7, 2002

J. Ryan Flener '00, elementary education, and Kimberly, daughter, Hannah Lynn, March 12, 2002

Sarah Wood O'Daniel '00, elementary education, and Jeff, daughter, Madison Elizabeth, February 4, 2002

Rachel A. Sinclair '00, nursing, and Kerry, son, Walker Riley, June 1, 2002



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In Memoriam

Nancy E. Mattingly '95, social work, died June 3 in Evansville.

Faculty

William Leedy, 66, died August 31 in Evansville. He taught accounting and marketing in USI's early years.

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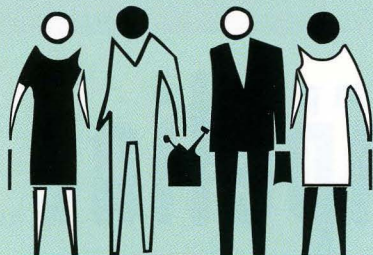
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February 1

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