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# Eagles prepare to SOAR

## New students experience welcome week, convo

By JESSICA STALLINGS

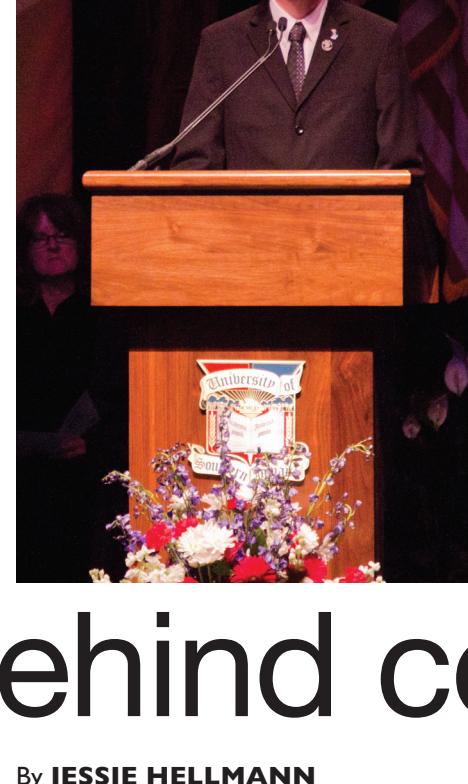
Staff writer

Incoming freshmen and transfer students filled the stands inside USI's Physical Activities Center Friday afternoon during the New-Student Convocation, which is hosted as part of Welcome Week.

Psychology major Tasha Resenbeck said she heard convocation would be fun and couldn't wait for it to start. "I'm really pumped for the convocation," Resenbeck said as students took their seats within their college's section. "I'm ready for an all-around new start."

Resenbeck came to USI from French Lick, Ind. because she liked the smaller campus size.

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**Top left:** New students make their way to the Physical Activities Center for the New Student Convocation Friday afternoon.

**Top right:** Duo Aly'an performed Friday night for USI Unplugged.

**Bottom left:** Student Government Association President Zack Mathis speaks to new students during convocation Friday.

**Bottom right:** The class of 2017 gathers for the university's annual group photo Friday following convocation.

## Pepsi moves behind counters



By JESSIE HELLMANN

Staff writer

Students will have a harder time finding Pepsi products on campus after an agreement the university is poised to sign with Coca-Cola and Pepsi.

Director of Procurement Daniel Martens said Coca-Cola products will make up 75 percent of soft drinks sold on campus while Pepsi products will make up 25 percent.

The agreements haven't been re-examined since 1999, so the university wanted to see if it could receive more money from each company for selling their products.

"We asked if (the companies) had different levels of market share, what their

contributions to the university would be," Martens said.

Because Coca-Cola is willing to pay more, it will have more of its products sold on campus. Coca-Cola will give \$119,000 to the university per year, while Pepsi has agreed to \$12,500.

"This means that 75 percent of fountainheads, service machines and direct sales in the C-Store or bookstore will sell Coke products," he said.

This differs from the former contract, signed in 1999, which was 50/50. The companies were paying the university \$50,000 total. Because of this, old fountain drink machines have been removed and replaced with new machines that only dispense Coca-Cola products.

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## Two new majors not laid out online

By JAMES VAUGHN

News Editor

Students who are interested in studying the history of humankind or the relations between organisms and their environment now have those options. Locating the degree requirements for USI's two newest majors, though, may be a challenge.

"It's one of those things I have to take care of because it just became a major," Anthropology Adviser Michael Strezewski said.

He said he plans to submit the degree requirements to the Liberal Arts's webmaster to post online soon. Strezewski said he six students are currently signed up for the anthropology major.

Senior Jessica Lawson just changed her major to anthropology after four years of searching

for the right fit academically.

"I thought it sounded like something I would really like," she said. "I knew I wanted to change my major and I asked the biology department, because biology is my minor, what would fit the most."

She had to jump through hoops to find out exactly what anthropology entailed because it wasn't listed on USI's website, Lawson said. She also thought about environmental science as a major and between the two possibilities, she had to meet with several faculty members to figure out which one was best suited for her.

Lawson said she was surprised to hear such a low number are signed up for anthropology.

"I thought they made it a major because there was a higher demand for it," she said.

Lawson plans to work outside with people.

"I want to put my education background to use — so something like a park and rec person or a park ranger," she said.

Strezewski said most students he has talked to were already anthropology minors who decided to add the major once it became available.

He pointed out that anthropology isn't a degree students usually come into college wanting to pursue.

"One of our best ways to attract students is through the core," he said. "It happens all the time, in fact."

While the majority of undergraduate anthropology students pursue graduate school, it's not a necessity.

Strezewski said students with bachelor's degrees can work at

museums, historical sites or in cultural resource management.

"For example, if the city of Evansville needs an excavation done as part of project, such as a cemetery that needs to be moved, they contract that out to a business that does archeology," he said. "In fact, I have two students working at a cultural resource facility we have here in town right now. So students can do those kinds of things with a bachelor's degree."

Good candidates for the degree know how to write and communicate well, and they should have an appreciation for other cultures, Strezewski said.

"It tends to attract a higher caliber of students," he said. "We want people who are curious."

Environmental Science Adviser Bill Elliott said the reason the degree requirements are not

laid out on USI's bulletin is a registrar issue.

But Strezewski said he has already run a few DARS (degree evaluations) this week, and it worked just fine.

"Currently the registrar's office is in the process of creating banner codes for the environmental science program," Elliott said.

He said the next step is to get the bulletin materials online, but in the meantime, students interested in pursuing the degree should contact him.

"I think the word is going to get out," Elliott said.

The Geology and Physics Department is in the process of creating brochures that will highlight the program and be distributed around campus.

"There are a lot of job opportunities available in

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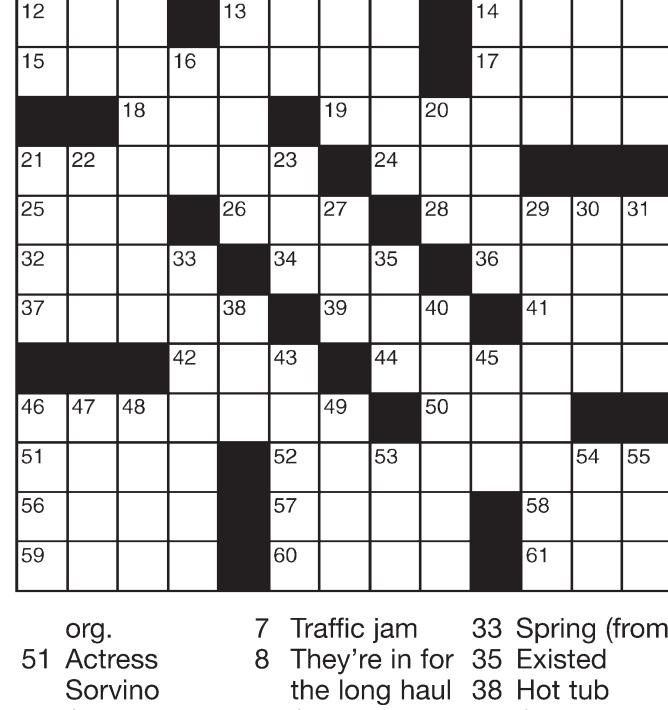
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### GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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**TOP TEN MOVIES**

- Lee Daniels' The Butler (PG-13) Forest Whitaker, Oprah Winfrey
- We're the Millers (R) Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis
- Elysium (R) Matt Damon, Jodie Foster
- Kick-Ass 2 (R) Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Chloe Grace Moretz
- Planes (PG) animated
- Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (PG) Logan Lerman, Alexandra Daddario
- Jobs (PG-13) Ashton Kutcher, Dermot Mulroney
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- The Smurfs 2 (PG) animated
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### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

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**Top 10 DVD, Blu-ray Sales**

- Oblivion (PG-13) Universal
- GI Joe: Retaliation (PG-13) Paramount
- Mud (PG-13) Lionsgate
- The Place Beyond the Pines (R) Disney
- Duck Dynasty: Season 3 (TV) Disney
- 6.42 (PG-13) Warner Bros.
- Robin Hood (1973) (G) Disney
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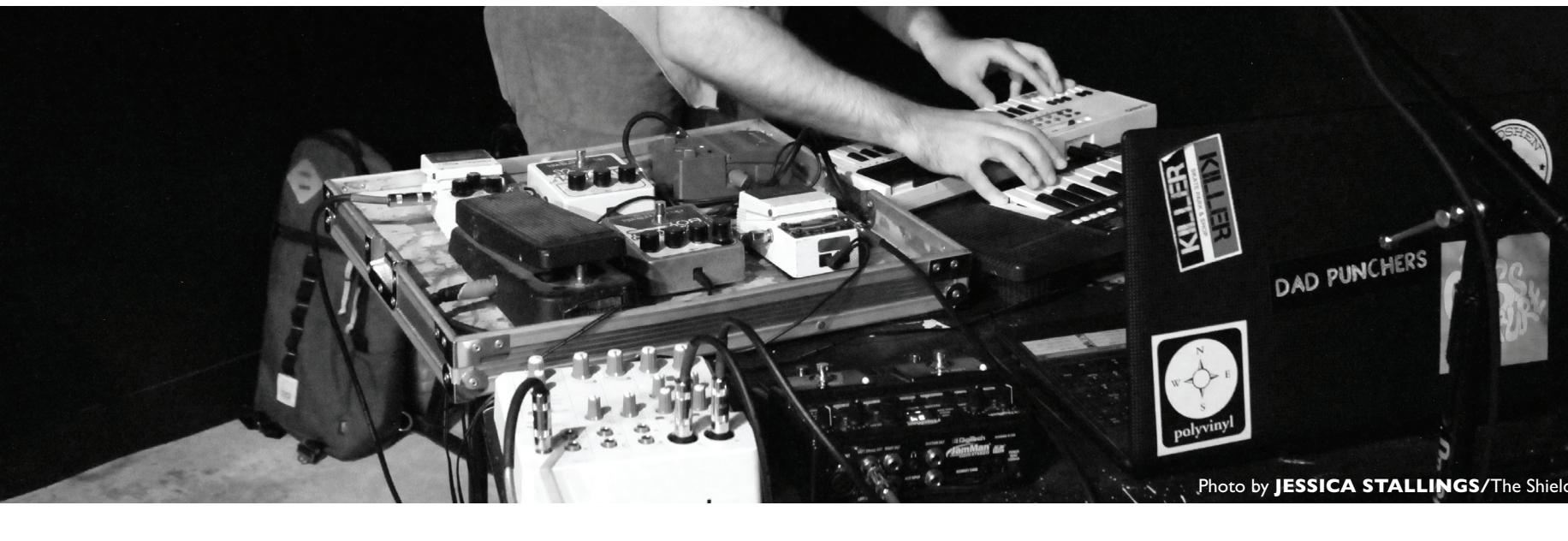


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## Venue holds local hip-hop show

By ARIANA BEEDIE  
Features

Local venue hosted a rap show Sunday, to showcase local and out-of-state talent.

PG, a small cafe located on Franklin Street, drew a large crowd of people eager to see the show.

Mark O'Cummings a downtown local, was pleased with the show, he said.

"This is what we need in Evansville," he said.

Walking With Seamus, a one-man project, started the show. He was the only musician who didn't

perform rap music. Martinez's set was more lo-fi, synth induced music over simple beats.

The music is like lo-fi, casio tone music, he said.

The style came from artists Martinez had been listening to for the past few years.

Martinez just released a 10-track EP "Danzig" on Elsewhere Records Co., which is also his label.

"It's nice not dealing with anyone else. If you f\*\*k up, it's on you," he said.

After a few opening acts, the headliners Blueprint and Illogic took the

stage. The rapper-producer duo, traveled to Evansville for their last show on a six-week cross country tour.

"We just drove twelve



Photo by JESSICA STALLINGS/The Shield

Crowd gathers into PG Sunday evening.

hours from Minneapolis," Illogic said. "It's been a long tour."

The duo make the

Greenhouse Effect. Illogic raps and Blueprint also raps as well as produces.

This event brought out an enormous crowd, one that PG hasn't seen since it's opening. Many local residents were very pleased with the artists, and the turnout.

AJ Ogundimu, 24, found out about the show from his girlfriend.

"I found out about this show when my girlfriend texted me," he said. "I come to PG now and again."

It has a different "vibe," he said.

Along with the local res-

ident response, there was positive feedback from other musicians who came to check out the show.

Justin Sala, frontman of local band Lightmares was in full support.

"There's no better place in town, and no better gig that I'd pay money for," Sala said.

Sala is an avid fan of the out of town rappers.

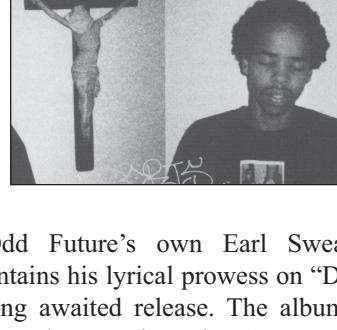
"Illogic is amazing," he said. "As producers they are some of the best beat-makers."

This is something people of Evansville want to come see, he said.

## REVIEWS

MUSIC, MOVIES, MORE...

### "Doris" Earl Sweatshirt



Odd Future's own Earl Sweatshirt maintains his lyrical prowess on "Doris," a long awaited release. The album features cohorts Tyler, The Creator, Frank Ocean, Domo Genesis and Casey Veggies, as well as RZA and Mac Miller.

Earl's slouchy, yet focused method of building a story drives each song, and the minimalist production allows for a smooth digestion of complex rhyme-schemes. "Doris" signifies a departure from his 2010 release "Earl." Where "Earl" featured vivid scenes of violence throughout, "Doris" is a day in the mind of Earl Sweatshirt.

"Chum," the first single from the album

exemplifies Earl's lyrical shift from projection to introspection. An organic piano loop provides contrast to a synthesized bass line. Ghastly voices drenched in modulation haunt this ghost story, panned just enough to put them in the room with you. "Get up off the pavement, brush the dirt up off my psyche," Earl mutters, with astute production in delaying the final word in his sentence.

The 12th track, "Molasses," features chorus vocals and production from RZA. Two boastful verses display Earl's diverse subject matter, but maintain a sensible train of thought.

If there were one downside to "Doris," it would be the length of the album. 45 minutes goes by quickly with undivided attention.

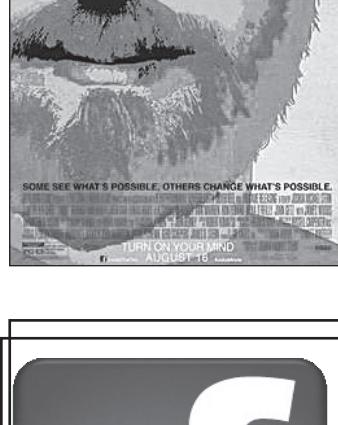
That said, "Doris" is evidence that Earl has entered a new, mature phase, and has raised the bar in doing so.

It's been said that hip hop is dead. If that is true, then Earl represents its ghost. It makes sense. He skillfully represents the lyricism that always was hip hop and sometimes his lyrical attention to detail can seem other-worldly.

Rating 4/5

By JAKE BETHEL, Staff writer

### "Jobs"



Jobs is a biographical drama film based on the life of Steve Jobs, from 1974 while he was a student at Reed College to 2001.

The only people who are interested in seeing this movie are the Apple fanatics.

If you don't care about Apple or its products or Steve Jobs, you're not want to see it.

And if you do, you're going to be extremely disappointed.

It follows Jobs (Ashton Kutcher) from being a college dropout who sat in on classes he didn't pay for anymore at

Reed College to creating the Apple company in his parents job with partner Steve Wozniak (Josh Gad), to losing it, to getting it back, and having a family.

The movie didn't cover who Jobs was as a man. It covered who he was as a CEO of a company in a short time span.

It doesn't even acknowledge the end of Job's life as he struggled to run his company and live with pancreatic cancer.

And his family, who it's well-known that they were very important to him, had maybe eight minutes of screen time.

The movie was basically several shots of Jobs yelling at people centered around him doing drugs, failing at something, saying something smart-a\*\*y, failing at something else and some more yelling.

Anyone who didn't take the time to read up on Jobs before seeing the movie would leave thinking he was nothing more than an egotistical, power-hungry monster who's untimely death was probably incurred by all the temper tantrums he threw.

If anything good is to be said about Jobs, it's Kutcher's acting.

I never thought I would approve of him being chosen to play Jobs, but he did it better than I could have imagined. He nailed everything down to Steve's mannerisms and little quirks.

Except for his walking. As one of my coworkers said, he walks like he has a permanent iPod up his a\*\*. I would recommend this movie to anyone who wants to be incredibly disappointed.

Rating 2/5

By JESSIE HELLMANN, Staff writer

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# Colloquia series selects readers

## *USI professors do more than just teach*

By ARIANA BEEDIE

Features editor

Each year the College of Liberal Arts hosts a free speakers series: the Fall Colloquia. These lectures spotlight the personal research of faculty in their field.

Melissa Stacer, assistant professor of criminal justice, is the director of the colloquia for the second year in a row.

"Most students see us as teachers," Stacer said. "It's a nice way for us to illustrate our research, highlighting the different kinds of things we do."

Stacer contacted three professors with different, interesting research to present at the colloquia.

"I tried to get a nice

cross section of departments to highlight different areas," Stacer said.

It's interesting to show the faculty doing something else, she said.

The colloquia series is on Fridays, usually starting at 3:30 p.m., but will fluctuate according to the professor's research.

"Some presenters have received research awards in the past in the College of Liberal Arts," Stacer said. "They're presenting on their research."

David Black kicks off the colloquia with the

showing of his documentary "In Harmony's Way: The battle to save a bridge."

"It's pretty much a history of the entire bridge and how it got started," Black said. "Also, how it was managed and the

began this documentary in 2007, but recently finished.

"This is a documentary that I produced," he said. "I started in 2007 and finished in 2012."

The documentary de-

ship, and its potential future.

The second speaker comes from the English department.

Amy Montz, assistant professor of English, will present a paper from her personal research about what suffragette is

A lot of conversation about early feminism is about the incarcerated suffragette body, the body in need, the body that's powerless and hunger striking, she said.

The final presenter will speak on corporate social responsibility.

Yoon Joo Lee, assistant professor of advertising, conducted research on how different groups like whites and Asian Americans and how they deal with ethnic identity and materialism in a corporate world.

"My research area is how corporations communicate their corporate social responsibility initiatives," Lee said.

This event is open to the community, not just students and faculty.

### Colloquia Series Events

**David Black:** 3:30 p.m. Sept. 13, Forum 1

**Amy Montz:** 3:30 p.m. Oct. 18, Kleymeyer Hall (LA0101)

**Yoon Joo Lee:** 3:30 p.m. Nov. 15, Kleymeyer Hall (LA0101)

current situation, which is closed."

The assistant professor of radio and television

tails the new harmony bridge, and the different aspects surrounding the closed bridge like owner-

said. "I've also worked at the suffragette archives at the London museum."



# RIVER CITY SOUND

# Local guitarist plays through challenges

By ARIANA BEEDIE  
Features editor

John Dodd, a 25-year-old guitarist, plays music to soothe his soul. After a period of chaos, he regrouped and now uses music for therapeutic needs.

The Kentucky native moved away from home, only to come back and have his belongings destroyed in a fire.

"I came down here and someone set my s\*\*t on fire and blew up my car," he said. "It's the only reason I'm still here."

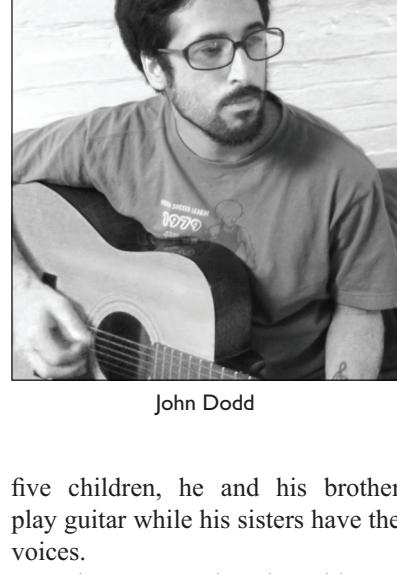
Dodd had to rebuild his life from the ground up by moving in with his older sister in downtown Evansville, playing local bars and getting his name in the music scene.

After graduating high school in Hopkinsville, Ky., Dodd decided to travel overseas. He moved to New Zealand and Australia, and proceeded to move back to the U.S. before his life was set ablaze.

"I did not have anything to my name that couldn't fit in my car," Dodd said. "Social security card, birth certificate - everything was de-

stroyed."

Playing music since age seven, Dodd has developed a talent that runs deep in his family. Out of the



John Dodd

five children, he and his brother play guitar while his sisters have the voices.

"I always wanted to play with Dad and my older brother Isaac, but they

wouldn't play with me," he said. "However, Mom has a wonderful voice. Just none of the girls learned to play instruments."

Born in Virginia, Dodd's family moved to the un-musical town of Cades, Ky., where he played alone most of the time.

"I was social, but I didn't need anyone. I was alone a lot of the time," Dodd said. "I wasn't shy, it was more like I enjoyed being by myself."

Dodd found places to play like local churches, cookouts or street corners. That was a shock to the townspeople because of the lack of music in the town, he said.

"Once you reached a certain age there was no such thing as music," Dodd said. "You couldn't really find people who played."

Now, Dodd is taking breaks from playing in collectives and is focusing on himself and getting back to the basics.

"What keeps you playing always changes," he said. "I want to play music because I don't have a therapist."

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## No TXTBookRental slims options

By JAKE TAPLEY

Staff writer

When I bought my books for school this semester, I didn't have to think too hard about how I was going to do it.

With TXTBookRental closing its doors, the prospect of renting books for little-to-no-money was shot, and I didn't even want to give the USI Bookstore the time of day. Needless to say, I'm not a fan of waiting in line.

So, of course, I was left with the option of doing it all online, which I'm always a little hesitant

about. While I understand that the Internet is probably always the most cost-efficient – and, let's face it, Amazon is basically the go-to for everything – it isn't always the most reliable.

And when you're spending money on things that are essential to your academic success, you kind of want to make sure you're going to have it when you need it.

I say all of this not with the intention to talk you out of online shopping but to persuade you to want to have your options open.

Even though I buy most

of my textbooks through Amazon, I still liked having TXTBookRental there as an option. I frequently used them to compare prices and determine which books I would rather rent than buy.

And if I wasn't sure which book I needed or didn't know if a book was needed or found out an additional book was needed, I could use their store as an emergency stop after I had already been to my classes.

So with them no longer in the picture, my window of possibilities narrows. I no longer have the flexibil-

ity and freedom of playing the waiting game. Now, I'm forced to make an executive decision upfront – something that anybody that knows me knows I am terrible at doing.

And if you ever went to TXTBookRental, you know on some level of consciousness that many students appreciated the service they provided.

You could even say it was written on the walls.

But literally, it was written on the walls.

It was even drawn in various sketches and doodles.

To me, this aspect of

the store always created a sense of student culture and community – something that I always want to see more of. It allowed me to feel like I was a part of something, like I was sharing in something, which is always comforting.

And it's nice to feel comfortable, whether you're a new student at a university or you just have a lot going on.

I just hope that someone else picks up where the past owners left off because I don't want that positive atmosphere to go to waste.



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## Quit name changing

By SHANNON HALL

Editor-in-Chief

During my summer trip, one of my major highlights would be going to the local college and visiting its bookstore.

My parents bought me a university sweatshirt and T-shirt, and I did in fact buy a book there.

Even though it was a bookstore, I knew if I pushed my bottom lip up a little – I would get a T-shirt or some sort of university apparel. That's what I really wanted.

I love the fact that USI changed the bookstore's look, but I'm probably still going to call it a bookstore.

Ball State, ISU, IU and Purdue all call it a bookstore. And we know by the number of IU and Purdue shirts that on our students bodies that they sell clothing.

Yes, I know you don't have to buy them at the bookstore, but every-

one knows they sell clothing there as well.

Even Barnes and Noble, which is a bookstore, doesn't only sell books.

I specifically went there for a penholder.

I understand that the university wants to change things. The bookstore looks great. But changing a universal name, such as bookstore to the Campus Store, will not matter.

Students will continue to call it the bookstore.

Changing the name back is too much change within a short period of time, so I won't even suggest it.

I'm just asking the university and the bookstore folk to not overly correct students if they call it the USI Bookstore. They go there to get books, if they need pens and to buy their parents the USI Mom and Dad shirts.

The past two days, I've had more professors call it the bookstore than I've heard students call it that. Just saying.

## Affleck: Give the man a chance

By ROBERTO CAMPOS

Staff writer

Once upon a time Ben Affleck donned a red leather jumpsuit and played a blind superhero by the name Daredevil. Now Affleck will trade in his red duds in for a black suit, a utility belt and adopt the name Bruce Wayne.

That's right folks. Ben Affleck will portray Batman in the Man of Steel sequel due out in July 2015.

Following the news of Affleck being chosen to play The Dark Knight

in the unnamed Man of Steel sequel, the internet went up in flames. Negative tweets and blogs posts went up condemning the actor as a good choice for the role.

Shifting through the internet, while some posts were indifferent or approved of the choice, I read a plethora of hostile comments. Comic book and movie fans alike declared opinion on Affleck for taking on the role of Batman.

I guess no one wants Gigi to play Batman.

The negativity that surrounds this latest casting

decision for the Man of Steel sequel is completely unwarranted.

The same kind of criticism was placed upon Heath Ledger when he was casted as The Joker in Christopher Nolan's "The Dark Knight". Ledger went on to captivate audiences with his portrayal of The Joker and debunked his critics.

Affleck has a tough act to follow, Nolan's Batman trilogy is arguably the best manifestation of a comic book character to hit the silver screen. Christian Bale played Batman in Nolan's trilogy and the

both of them went on to create a movie experience truly special.

Comic book and moviegoers recognized that, making it that much harder to let Nolan's trilogy go and move on to the next Batman. As someone who affiliates himself with "nerd" culture, I understand going off the handle when Affleck was named the next Batman.

He's not my first choice, but I'm not going to cut him down for playing Batman until I see his portrayal of the superhero.

Due to technology, we as a society flood the in-

ternet with, what it seems like, every thought that streams through our heads.

That's not necessarily a good thing, and the hostility that trended on twitter and hit websites towards Affleck is a prime example of that.

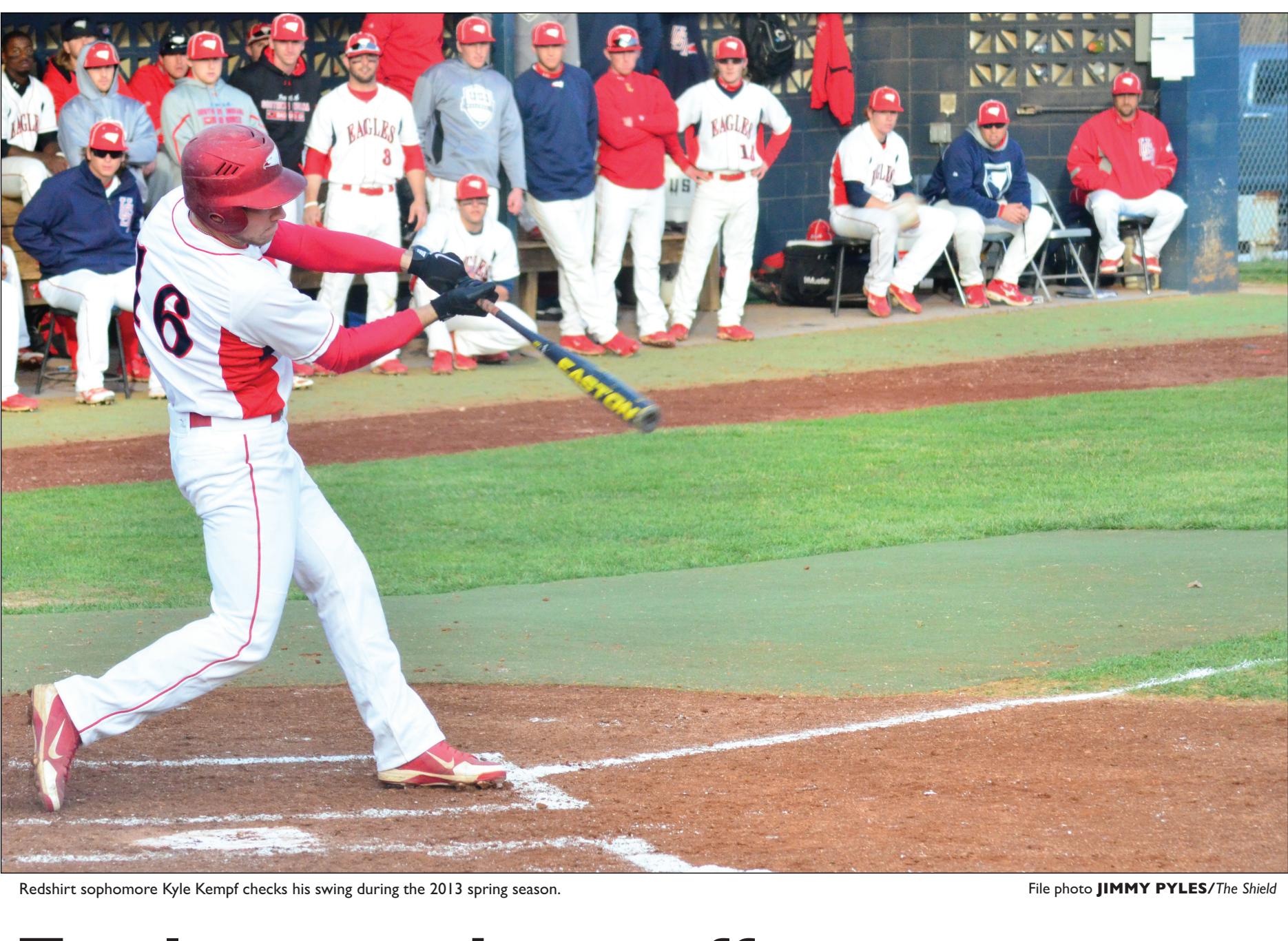
People are judging Affleck's performance before it has happened. To me, that just seems ridiculous.

Let the man prove that he has the acting chops to pull off Batman and if he doesn't, then people can say what they will.

You're bats otherwise.

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Redshirt sophomore Kyle Kempf checks his swing during the 2013 spring season.

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## Eagles continue off-season prep

By **ZANE CLODFELTER**  
Sports editor

Despite the start of the USI baseball regular season still being months away, preparation is ongoing.

In fact, it hasn't stopped since the Eagles regular season ended in May.

While most players take part in off-season conditioning and work-outs, some USI players participated in summer leagues designed to help bridge the gap for collegiate baseball players.

The Eagles had three players in the wooden-bat

Prospect League, playing for Terre Haute Rex.

"It was a lot of fun going out of town and playing in a new atmosphere," said redshirt sophomore infielder Andrew Cope. "It's a great experience."

Cope, who hit .265 for Rex, was joined by his teammates, fellow redshirt sophomores Kyle Kempf and Ryan Bertram in Terre Haute. Kempf, an outfielder for the Eagles, was selected as a Prospect League All-Star and finished Rex's 60 game schedule with a .336 batting average. Kempf also had a 23-game hitting streak while driving in 25 runs.

"I got hot early, which really got my confidence up," Kempf said. "I

Kempf's stats were accumulated using a wooden bat, compared

that you get with an aluminum bat where they might fall in over short stop or second," Kempf said. "With a wood bat, it's going to break, and you'll be out."

With the collegiate season and preparations now lasting for most of the calendar year, Cope said the schedule allows him to stay in "baseball-shape," regardless of the time of the year.

"Back in high school, you only got to play about 20 games, and now this year I have played over 100 games," Cope said. "You can't really get into a rhythm until you play games, playing in all of

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**-Ryan Bertram**  
Sophomore catcher

was just trying to take everything I learned from USI this past year to Terre Haute and everything worked out."

to the aluminum bat that is used in the collegiate season.

"You can't cheat, you don't get the jam shots

those games help you maintain that rhythm."

Now that the Rex season is over, focus turns back to the Eagles spring campaign.

Aside from fall practices, the Eagles will play seven intersquad games against each other.

"Our most important priority is getting ready for the spring (season). Everything is tuned to getting ready," Bertram said.

"Baseball is a sport of repetition, so as long as you are focused on getting better everyday, that's the main thing."

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## USI alum eases into new role with soccer program

By **PAT HICKEY**  
Staff writer

It would have been forgiving if Robert Bennett felt extremely comfortable at his new job.

After all, the recently hired men's soccer assistant has been a fixture in the area since earning all-state honors and winning two state titles for Evansville Memorial High School in the mid-1980s. He was also a captain defenseman for the Great Lakes Valley Conference champions at Southern Indiana in 1990.



Bennett

But it's not about him anymore.

"What I'm looking forward to most is working with the staff and getting to know the team," Bennett said. "That's the first order of business, is building trust and being a mentor of these young men."

Since his playing days, he has served with the Evansville Soccer Club, and he is part owner of an indoor soccer center in town—both of which allowed him to work with several players currently on his roster.

"There are actually about seven of us," said sophomore defender Lucas Woodford, who played under Bennett with the ESC 18-and-under team. "So, that made him feel more comfortable in getting to know the rest of the guys. But he didn't come on too strong either, which you couldn't have blamed him for doing. You can tell he's made getting to know us his top priority."

Bennett replaced Carl Carr, who now coaches at

Hastings College in Nebraska. He will assist fifth-year Head Coach Mat Santoro in all facets of the program. Santoro and Woodford both said Bennett is knowledgeable at any position on the field.

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## GLVC soccer coaches select preseason picks

By **ZANE CLODFELTER**  
Sports editor

Southern Indiana men's and women's soccer were picked by Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) coaches to finish sixth and ninth respectively in the league respec-

tively out of 16 members in preseason voting.

Rockhurst tops the men's soccer preseason rankings after receiving 14 first places votes out of a possible 16, while accumulating 223 total points.

Drury (200 points),

Quincy (195 points, 1 first place vote), Bellarmine (175 points), and Lewis (149 points) round out the top five.

USI fell into the sixth place with 137 points in the preseason voting; after an 11-7 overall record and 9-5 GLVC mark under in

2012 under fifth-year head coach Mat Santoro.

The Eagles finished 2012 in fifth place in the GLVC and its overall record was the best in the Santoro era, which began in 2009.

On the women's side, Quincy was voted as the

preseason pick to win the GLVC behind ten first place votes and 233 total points.

William Jewel (209 points, 2 first place votes) and Wisconsin-Parkside (200 points, 3 first place votes) rounded out the top three.

Meanwhile, the Eagles fell to ninth in the pre-season rankings following a 10-7-1 record and sixth place finish in the GLVC last season under Head Coach Krissy Engelbrecht.

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# Women's soccer works to build strength

*Team struggles being majority underclassmen*



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By JESSIE  
HELLMANN  
Staff writer

After a 2-1 loss to Murray State University in an exhibition game Aug. 20, USI women's soccer is trying to cope with having such a young team this season.

"I think our biggest weakness is that we're fairly young," Head Coach Krissy Engelbrecht said. "We only have two seniors on the team, and we're trying to get the freshmen playing at the speed and level they need to, and that takes a long time."

This season, freshmen and sophomores make up more than half of the team.

Engelbrecht said the women trained extremely hard for exhibition game and scrimmage against Indiana Wesleyan University

sity Aug. 24, to prepare for the season and the competitiveness of the GLVC conference teams.

"I think the biggest thing we did for the scrimmage and the exhibition was train hard," she said. "We did a lot of conditioning to get everyone on the same page."

Despite the youth of the team, Engelbrecht said the women's greatest strength lies in their defense with the goalies and the organization of the team.

"The girls did a good job coming in shape," she said. "The biggest thing was that they worked really, really hard over the summer. And they have to do it on their own because they all live in different places, so it says a great deal that they've stayed disciplined."

While playing Murray State and Indiana Wesleyan University has been good practice,

she said practicing for scrimmages and exhibition games are different than preparing for regular season games.

"For the preseason, we focus on mixing things up, once we start the regular season, we focus on what we need to do to beat that one team, now what we need to do for the whole season," she said.

The women don't play another game for over a week, which will be against Ohio Dominican University Sept. 7, leaving the team with more time to practice before the first game of the season.

"With the start of school, we're trying to get into the routine, continue to train hard and get better and healthy at the same time and make sure everyone is fresh and ready to go for the first game," she said.



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