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### **Pauley presented USI Trustees award; Berger Award goes to Marwan Wafa**

Brian Pauley of Princeton, Indiana, received the 1999 Trustees Distinguished Merit Award during the Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology Honors ceremony on March 24, and Dr. Marwan Wafa, associate dean of the School of Business, was named the recipient of the Sydney L. and Sadelle Berger Faculty Community Service Award during the School of Business Honors Week program held at USI today.

The student member of the USI Board of Trustees for the last two years, Pauley is majoring in mathematics and chemistry. His research and development of new chemical compounds was presented at the National American Chemical Society meeting last summer.

A campus leader, Pauley has served as attorney general of the Student Government Association and president of Mu Gamma Pi Mathematics Club. He is an active member of the American Chemical Society and the Acolytes of Space and Time Physics Club. Active in community service, he is a member of Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve Society, the Evansville Audubon Society, and serves on the Board of Directors of Historic New Harmony.

The \$1,000 Trustees award recognizes a junior or senior for academic merit and the value that liberal arts brings to a student's education; one student is nominated from each of the five academic schools.

Dr. Wafa was recognized for his efforts to encourage a better understanding of racial and ethnic differences among people, and especially for his work to improve understanding and interaction among religious groups in the Evansville area. The Berger Award provides the recipient with \$500 and a plaque.

A commissioner on the Evansville Interfaith Commission for eight years, Dr. Wafa has been instrumental in developing Interfaithfully Yours, a locally broadcast television program aired Sunday mornings. He is active in the Islamic Society of Evansville, serving as president, teacher, and volunteer. He is a member of the Evansville Chamber of Commerce; SCORE, an organization of retired executives and active professionals who provide counseling for small businesses; and the American Production and Inventory Control Society (APICS).

Wafa joined the USI faculty in 1986. A graduate of Kuwait University and Clemson University, Wafa also is director of the MBA Program.