



# University of Southern Indiana UNIVERSITY NOTES

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## **USI Board sets fall student fees; reviews 10-year capital improvement plan**

The USI Board of Trustees met May 8 and approved a fee increase of \$4 per credit hour for Indiana resident undergraduate students and \$6 per credit-hour for resident graduate students, effective for the 1998 fall semester. The new per-credit-hour fee will be \$87.75 for in-state undergraduates and \$129.25 for in-state graduate students.

Fees for in-state undergraduates will total \$1,316 a semester for a student enrolled in a standard 15 credit-hour course load. This is a \$60 increase per semester for Hoosier students.

Commenting on the fee increase, President H. Ray Hoops said, "USI will maintain its reputation for having the lowest fees among state public higher education institutions. The University remains the best higher education buy in Indiana even after the fee increases."

Non-resident undergraduate student fees were set at \$215.25 per credit hour and non-resident graduate fees were adjusted to \$259.75 per credit hour.

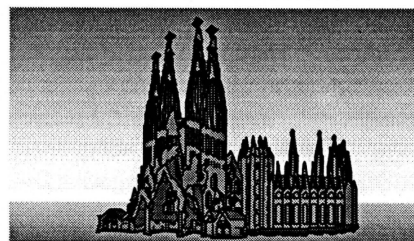
In other business, the Board reviewed the ten-year capital improvement plan for the campus, which aids the board members in orderly planning for future years. Projects are scheduled for three terms. The near term is for years 1999-2001; the medium term for years 2001-2003; and the long term for years 2003-2009. An education/science classroom building, which would help diminish the space deficit for the School of Science and Engineering Technology and the Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services, is planned for the near term.

A student residence building and a student dining facility are also planned for the near term. Building projects in the medium term include student residence buildings, Rice Library expansion, and an addition to the Physical Activities Center. Buildings for the long term are a student residence building, a performing arts center, and phase II of the wellness, fitness, and recreational facility.

The Board's Construction Committee members reported that Edmund L. Hafer and Associates of Evansville was selected as architect for the completion of the Health Professions Center lower level scheduled for this summer and that final design of the new student residential complex has been approved with construction expected to begin in the summer and be completed for fall 1999.

The Advancement Office extends sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the 1998 Commencement weekend. USI has an enviable team of employees and volunteers who create a superior experience for our graduating seniors and their families. You're the best!

## **Fredrich to teach and tour abroad**



Mr. Augustine J. Fredrich, associate dean of the School of Science and Engineering Technology, will teach a course at Harlaxton College in Grantham, England, May 18-June 18, then lead a tour of European cathedrals, June 18-29.

The course, Liberal Arts 497 - Cathedrals, will meet two hours a day, four days a week for lectures, slides, music, and videotape presentations. The course includes visits to St. Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey in London, York Minster in York, Lincoln Cathedral in Lincoln, and Ely Cathedral in Ely. The course will be offered at USI next spring (without the field trips to the cathedrals).

Tour participants traveling from the U.S. will meet Mr. Fredrich in England and begin touring cathedrals there. They will then travel to Belgium to see St. Michael's Cathedral in Brussels and to France to visit Amiens, St. Chapelle, Notre Dame, Sacre Coeur, and Chartres. Mr. Fredrich says, "Tour participants will see that these magnificent structures are more than just big, old church buildings; to those who know what to look for, they are a means for looking back into almost every aspect of life in Europe more than 800 years ago." He contends that visiting these churches will give participants (both students

and the tour participants) an opportunity to learn about and reflect on the relationships among religion, art, engineering, design, construction technology, economics and music so they can see how these relationships shaped and, in turn, were shaped by these structures.

Mr. Fredrich's interest in cathedrals began when he was a boy. His father returned from World War II, and Mr. Fredrich heard him say that he had seen churches in Europe so large that their local church would fit inside and not be conspicuous. Since then, Mr. Fredrich says, "I've learned a lot about these buildings, and I enjoy sharing what I've learned with others." He continues, "While I am still in awe of their sheer size and the technological and creative genius that produced them, I am far more interested now in how they can be used to reveal and help us understand the interrelationships among many seemingly unrelated areas of human knowledge and endeavor."



## Names in the news

Governor Frank O'Bannon has appointed **Mr. Gary May**, associate professor of social work, to a three-year term on the Governor's Planning Council for People with Disabilities. His duties will include attending regular meetings in Indianapolis, serving on at least one council committee, and monitoring and responding to local developments affecting people with disabilities. Mr. May served as chairman for the International Year of Disabled Persons in Evansville in 1981; served on the Governor's Council in the early 1980s; and directed Indiana's vocational rehabilitation program in the early 1990s. He designed and teaches "Disability Issues in Contemporary Society" at USI and conducts research regarding social work students' and social work professionals' knowledge and attitudes toward disability issues.

The council is mandated by the federal government to oversee the services,

activities, and planning for people with disabilities in states that receive federal disability money.

**Dr. Munir Quddus**, professor of economics, presented a paper "The Economy of Bangladesh: A Crisis Waiting to Happen?" at the Bengal Studies Conference at Indiana University, Bloomington, May 1-2.

**Ms. Judi Kuric**, director of Wellness Programs and Special Projects, recently passed the Advanced Practice Certification examination in rehabilitation nursing. This is the first time the Rehabilitation Nursing Certification Board offered this exam.

### Congratulations also to these members of the USI family:

**Ms. Danielle J. Borcharding**, BS in occupational therapy, magna cum laude daughter of **Mr. Jack Weber**, lecturer in social work.

**Ms. Amanda Jayne Bruce**, BS, business administration, granddaughter of trustee **Ms. Louise Bruce**.

## USI biology class going to Belize



Ten USI students will embark on a biology field trip to Belize, a small Central American country, on May 25, 1998. **Dr. Deke Gundersen**, assistant professor of biology, will coordinate the 10-day trip.

The ten USI students attending are: **Perry Austin, Carolyn Ellis, Amber Fetcher, Tracey Hayden, Kyle Lutz, Aaron Pugh, Lori Tillman, Loretta Werner, Amanda Windland, and Donald Windland.**

They will spend half of the trip on mainland Belize and the other half in Ambergris Caye, Belize. While on the mainland, the group will visit the largest Mayan ruins in Central America in an area called Tikal along with visiting the ruins of Cahal Pech and Zunanunich, the Belize Zoo, the Panti Medicine Trail, the Chaa Creek Butterfly Breeding Facility, and cave-river raft at Jaguar Paw.

In Ambergris Caye, the students will scuba dive and snorkel in day trips and night trips along coral reefs, mangrove and sea grass communities, and rocky shores observing the various marine ecosystems and the differences in daytime and night time marine activity.

Dr. Gundersen said the purpose of the trip is to allow students to actually see and experience some of the many ecosystems (coral reef, mangroves, sea grass communities, tropical rain forests, savannahs, limestone caves) that are covered in biology classes. He added, "The trip also exposes students to an area outside of the U.S. that they probably wouldn't get to on their own." As part of the course requirements, students attend lectures at USI in the weeks before they leave. The marine station staff in Belize will conduct lectures and students will keep field notebooks.



The field biology course is offered by the School of Science and Engineering Technology.

# F Y I

## Bookstore discount:

Barnes & Noble Booksellers, at 624 S. Green River Road, will offer all University faculty and staff a 20 percent discount Friday and Saturday, May 22-23, in gratitude for patronizing their store. University employees must show a current check stub or employee identification card to receive 20 percent off book list prices. The discount also includes software, music, and Cafe purchases.

## Life insurance benefit:

A group term voluntary life insurance benefit is available to all benefit-eligible employees through Transamerica Assurance company. This benefit is for those employees who wish to purchase additional group term life insurance on a payroll deduction basis for themselves and their spouses and/or dependent children. Open enrollment is May 11 - 22 and the insurance will be effective July 1.

Interested employees should contact Human Resources at 464-1781 for an application and materials explaining the benefit, including rate and volume information. Call Debbie Jochim, manager of employee services at 464-1988 with questions.

## Tri-State World Trade

### Council hosts lecturer:

The Tri-State World Trade Council



### The University Fitness Center summer hours are as follows:

#### Monday - Thursday

6 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.

#### Friday

6 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

#### Saturday

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### Sunday

noon - 5 p.m.

will host Mr. Ed Wickman of Wickman Worldwide Service, Inc., on campus 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thursday, May 21, in Carter Hall. Wickman will discuss international relocation of executives. Cost of attendance is \$8 by May 19 or \$9 at the door. Reservations may be made by calling 464-1864 or 465-7061.

## Economics honor

### society inducts new members:

An awards ceremony was held by the department of economics and finance to distribute certificates of membership for Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international honor society in economics on Tuesday, April 28. Mr. Nathan Lengacher, Mr. Brian Zirkelbach, and Ms. Marina Nicole Klement received certificates of membership. The program was followed by a faculty-student discussion. For information about the Lambda Chapter of the honor club, please contact Dr. Munir Quddus, chair of the Economics and Finance Department, 464-1745.

## School of Nursing and Health

### Professions charts nursing

#### honor society:

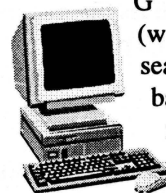
The School of Nursing and Health Professions will hold a chartering ceremony for Omicron Psi, a Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing chapter, at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14 in Carter Hall. An installing officer from Sigma Theta Tau International, Dr. Daniel J. Pesut, RN, PhD, CS, FAAN will preside over the chartering ceremony.

The Omicron Psi officers who will be installed into office during the chartering ceremony are president Dr. Judith Halstead, director of the Charles E. Day Learning Resource Center and assistant professor of nursing; president-elect Dr. Gayle Roux, assistant professor of nursing; vice president Ellen Wathen, RN, MSN at Deaconess Hospital; secretary Mary Alice Lowe, RN, BSN at Deaconess Hospital; treasurer Jerilee LaMar, USI BSN '94, MSN; faculty counselors Dr. Sheila Melander, associate professor of nursing and Ann White, program coordinator of undergraduate nursing, and assistant profes-

sor of nursing; and director Beverly Farmer, Deaconess Ortho-Neuro Patient Care manager. Omicron Psi chapter will induct 98 new members and 22 transfer and dual members.

Sigma Theta Tau International is committed to fostering excellence, scholarship, and leadership in nursing to improve health care worldwide. The society promotes the use of nursing research in health care delivery and makes its resources available to all people and institutions interested in the latest knowledge in nursing care. Sigma Theta Tau International, the only honor society of nursing in the world, was founded in 1922 and has a membership of over 220,000 members active in 76 countries. It has chapters located at more than 400 college and university schools of nursing worldwide.

# N e t N o t e s



**GrantsNet** ([www.grantsnet.org](http://www.grantsnet.org)) is a searchable, online database of funding options for young scientists in the early phases of their careers: gradu-

ate students, postdoctoral candidates, and junior faculty members. This collaborative project involving the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute provides an extensive database on fellowships, grants, and other sources of support for young biomedical scientists. In addition, the site features links to the Web sites of funders, online applications, stories about previous fellowship recipients, and comments from recent application reviewers. Medical students and physicians can use GrantsNet to find programs that provide financial support for physician-researchers. Graduate students can explore possible funding for postdoctoral positions. Undergraduates contemplating graduate school can learn about fellowships and other sources of support.



## M a r k e t p l a c e

### *Items for sale*

**Interior door and steel exterior door.** Excellent condition. \$50 for both. Call Tom Rivers, 423-7101.

**Two air compressors** - old, but run, 1-1hp., 1-smaller hp. Call 424-8547 after 5 p.m. or 464-1840.

**Two love seats** - detachable pillows, excellent condition, colors are blue, peach, tan, and off-white, floral print. \$100 each. Call 853-3994 or 465-7136.

Never been to Spain, but can probably find Chicago on its own. **Six matching pieces of Samsonite soft-sided luggage;** navy with burgundy trim. Large wheeled, medium, carry-on w/shoulder strap, two tote bags, garment bag w/hangers, and ditty bag. Some locks and keys, some luggage tags, \$150 for all. Call Linda Cleek at 464-1863.

Get an instant campsite for one low price: **two sleeping bags, two ground pads, one small dome tent** (accommodates two adults), \$40. Call Linda Cleek at 464-1863.

Got some **watches** to unload: gold w/red leather band (\$20), black fun watch w/black leather band (\$10), USI Eagle watch w/blue leather band (\$20), silver-gold Seiko w/metal band (\$30), Timex sport watch w/light-up dial (\$5). The black watch and the USI watch are suitable for either gender; the Timex is too small for most men but would be suitable for a boy, the rest are ladies' watches. Call Linda Cleek at 464-1863.

Still trying to unload that pick-up truck **tool box**, fits standard truck bed, \$25. Call Linda Cleek at 464-1863.

**1991 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme** - red w/grey interior, sunroof, 4-door, V-6, loaded, one owner, 77,000 miles, \$5,100. Call 423-9016 after 5:00 p.m.

### *Produce*

Organically-grown **asparagus**, \$1.50/lb. Contact Mark Krahling at 464-1712.

## V a c a n c i e s

*The following is a list of vacant positions available as of May 15, 1998. Additional information regarding current vacancies is located on the bulletin board outside the Human Resources office in the Wright Administration Building, the bulletin board located in the front lobby of the Wright Administration Building, and on the USI Job Line (812/465-7117). The University of Southern Indiana is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 11246 and is an Affirmative Action Employer. Interested individuals should contact the Human Resources office, Wright Administration Building, FWA 166, 812/464-1844. When applying for a position, please use the reference number.*

### **FACULTY/ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Admission Counselor (Minority Recruitment) - A8008 - Admission - OP: 4/20/98 - AD: 5/19/98**

**Admission Counselor - A8009 - Admission - OP: 4/20/98 - AD: 5/19/98**

**Teacher - A8010 - Southern Indiana Japanese School - OP: 4/27/98 - AD: 5/26/98**

**Student Fitness Center Assistant Coordinator - A8011 - OP: 4/27/98 - AD: 5/26/98**

**Head Men's and Women's Cross Country and Track Coach - A8012 - Athletics - OP: 5/11/98 - AD: 6/9/98**

**Assistant Professor of Management - F8015 - School of Business - OP: 4/20/98 - AD: 5/19/98**