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## **USI to host "A Dinner with Don Mattingly" to benefit USI Athletics**

The University of Southern Indiana will present "A Dinner with Don Mattingly," former New York Yankees Major League player and current manager of the Miami Marlins, at 6 p.m. on Friday, January 22 in the University's Josephine K. Carter Hall, University Center West.

"Donnie Baseball" was born and raised in Evansville, Indiana, where he was one of the nation's top prospects as a high school player at Reitz Memorial High School in 1979, and was drafted by the New York Yankees in the 19th round of the 1979 draft.

Mattingly played his entire 14-year Major League career from 1982-95 with the New York Yankees and amassed 2,153 hits, 222 home runs, 1,099 RBI, and a .307 lifetime average in 1,785 games. His No. 23 was retired by the Yankees on Aug. 31, 1997. He also had a plaque dedicated to him in Monument Park at Yankee Stadium that reads in part: "A humble man of grace and dignity, a captain who led by example, proud of the Pinstripe tradition and dedicated to the pursuit of excellence."

Tickets are \$100 per person, which includes an \$80 charitable gift to USI Athletics. Guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:45 p.m., and a program at 7:30 p.m. that includes a moderated Q & A. Dress is casual. Guests bringing their cameras or cell phones will have a photo opportunity with Don Mattingly.

To purchase tickets, please call Sara Rhoades at 812-465-7149 with your credit card information, send a check payable to USI Foundation, 8600 University Blvd, Evansville, IN 47712 with names of attendees, or visit [www.usi.edu/onlinegiving](http://www.usi.edu/onlinegiving) and type Don Mattingly Dinner and names of attendees in the Comments/Questions box.

"A Dinner with Don Mattingly" is hosted by USI Athletics and the USI Foundation.

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