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Lincoln Amphitheatre opens 14th season

Lincoln Amphitheatre will open Friday, June 23, with Young Abe Lincoln, the musical drama now in its 14th year on the outdoor stage in Lincoln City, Indiana. As a companion production, *The Music Man* will open Thursday, July 6, for its second and final year. On opening night for each production, tickets are \$5 with the donation of one can of food per ticket to the local food bank.

Young Abe Lincoln is the

inspiring story of the nation's sixteenth president growing up on the Indiana frontier where the Lincoln family lived from 1816 when Abraham was seven until he was 21. Lincoln's formative years come to life with humor and drama as the story unfolds on the outdoor stage just across the highway from the Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial.

The musical Young Abe Lincoln was written especially for Lincoln Amphitheatre by Billy Edd Wheeler, whose varied works include more than 80 songs recorded by artists such as Elvis Presley, Kenny Rogers, and Judy Collins.

The Music Man by Meredith Willson is the story of Professor Harold Hill who works his flim-flam artistry on the people of River City. Familiar tunes from the show which debuted on Broadway in 1957 include "Seventy-Six Trombones," "Gary, Indiana," and "Till There Was You."

Mr. Elliot H. Wasserman, artistic director, recruits nationally for the summer productions at Lincoln Amphitheatre. Actress Aimee Eckhardt will be back for her fifth season. In addition to performing in regional theatres around the Midwest, she has appeared in several national tours. Others in the cast include Kristine Bingham, a former U.S. National Pair Figure Skating competitor; Selena Harris, a principal performer for the past five years in the "Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular;" Sarah Hund, a recent graduate of St. Louis University; and Dallas E. Henry, who performed recently in the Marriage of Figaro at Detroit's Hilberry Repertory Theatre.

Macon Ray of Corydon, Indiana, will return for the thirteenth year to play a convincing President Abraham Lincoln. Choreographer Barbara Brandt, back for her eighth season with Lincoln Amphitheatre, has performed or created dances on stages from Arkansas to New York City.

Young Abe Lincoln runs June 23-25, June 28-30, and July 1-2. After the opening of The Music Man, the two shows will alternate on Wednesday through Sunday nights through August 19. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Matinees of Young Abe Lincoln will be performed at 11 a.m. July 13 and 1:30 p.m. July 20. A matinee of *The Music Man* will be performed at 1:30 p.m. July 27.

Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors (60+), and \$8 for children under 18. The July 13 matinee is a Kids Day performance with all tickets available for \$5.

Other special pricing for the season includes a "2 for \$22" value. Beginning July 6, patrons who purchase adult tickets for both productions at the same time will receive \$3 off the price of each ticket.

The 1,500-seat covered Lincoln Amphitheatre is located on Highway 162 in Lincoln State Park, five miles south of Interstate 64 in southwest Indiana. Lincoln Amphitheatre is sponsored by USI in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

Fiscal year end

Accounts Payable will accept check vouchers for the 1999-2000 fiscal year until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 23. Payments for items received from June 26 through July 3 will be issued on Thursday, July 6, and will be charged against the new fiscal year.

Fiscal agents should review the last weekly invoice report for

1999-2000, which will be sent on Monday, June 26. Please respond by Wednesday, June 28, only if you wish to withhold payment.

For more information, contact Ms. Melody Barnes, accounts payable supervisor, at melody@usi.edu or Mr. Jeffrey Sickman, staff accountant, at jsickman@usi.edu.

Public invited to Murphy Auditorium open house

Mr. Scott LaFeber, artistic director of The New Harmony Theatre (NHT), will lead backstage tours of the renovated Murphy Auditorium, the stage of The New Harmony Theatre, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, June 16, during an open house of the facility. Murphy Auditorium is located at 419 Tavern Street in New Harmony, Indiana.

Mr. Michael Unger, director of the NHT's opening summer production *Noises Off*, is expected back from New York for the open house.

Open house visitors can tour the expanded box office and see the interior ramp leading from the lobby to the seating area making Murphy Auditorium handicap accessible, something theatre patrons have been requesting. Other renovations include an exterior ramp into the building, additional outside lighting, spacious setting area for wheelchairs, and a handicapaccessible restroom in the lobby. Refreshments will be served during the open house.

Murphy Auditorium renovations completed this spring

USI Alumni Picnic scheduled for June 16 Class of 1975 will celebrate 25-year reunion

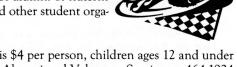
The 2000 Alumni Picnic, sponsored by the USI Alumni Association, will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 16, at the University Mall. Reservations are due by Monday, June 12. The picnic is open to USI alumni, faculty, staff, and their families.

A petting zoo, clowns, face painting, and children's games will be available for children. Tours of the campus will feature new buildings and renovations. The picnic menu includes barbecued chicken, Italian sausage, hot dogs, and ice cream. Tables brought the facility in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, allowing accessibility to all patrons, with special consideration for disabled citizens. Funds from the Posey County Community Foundation, with support of the Lilly Endowment, and the Robert Lee Blaffer Trust made the renovations possible.

Murphy Auditorium was built in 1914 and renovated in 1975 before ADA compliance was an issue. "Keeping the historical integrity of the building and meeting ADA requirements required an architectural design sensitive to both areas," said **Dr. James Blevins,** producer of The New Harmony Theatre.

The New Harmony Theatre's 2000 summer season continues through August. The June production *Noises Off* is now playing. *The Philadelphia Story* will run in July followed by the musical *Always*, *Patsy Cline* in August. Curtain times are Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m., and Sundays 2 p.m. The box office toll free number is 877/648-7469. Season and single performance tickets are available. The New Harmony Theatre is produced by USI.

can be reserved for members of the class of 1975 who are celebrating a 25-year reunion this year. Additional tables may be reserved for alumni of fraternities, sororities, and other student organizations.



Picnic admission is \$4 per person, children ages 12 and under are free. Call USI Alumni and Volunteer Services at 464-1924 to reserve a table or to obtain more information.

South American exporting opportunities will be focus of workshop

The Tri-State World Trade Council will host the workshop "The ABC's of Exporting to South America" from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 27, in the University Center, room 201. Regency Properties Services LLC will provide a continental breakfast.

The workshop will provide an overview of exporting opportunities in Argentina, Brazil, and Chile followed by concurrent sessions when area businesses can meet with Indiana's trade representatives from these three countries. Firms are encouraged to bring catalogues and descriptive materials of their products so they can discuss the potential for their products in these fast-growing economies.

Presenters will be Dr. Jorge Vallmitjana from Argentina, who has done postgraduate studies in international law and the petroleum industry; Jose de Almeida Maciel Neto from Brazil, an attorney with international law experience in Brazil and the United States; and Carol Heitmann from Chile, an electrical engineer who has earned master's degrees in engineering and oceanography, and an M.B.A. from U.S. and Canadian universities. These Indiana representatives provide agent/distribution searches, trade mission coordination, marketing, and trade advise for promoting U.S. products and services in their respective countries.

This workshop is part of a program series offered by the Tri-State World Trade Council that seeks to encourage international trade within firms from this area. Trade Council workshops provide an opportunity to learn from the first-hand experiences of those who know the economies of these dynamic nations and understand the potential markets for Indiana products. The Council is an affiliate of the USI Office of Extended Services.

For reservations call 464-1864 or e-mail extserv@usi.edu by Tuesday, June 20.

Manjiro 2000 Grassroots Summit

Sponsors are needed to serve as host families for 25 Japanese families who will be visiting Evansville in July from Evansville's sister city Tochigi City, Japan, as part of the Manjiro 2000 Grassroots Summit. Sponsors may host an individual or a family. The summit provides Japanese families an opportunity to learn more about American people and culture in an effort to strengthen ties between Evansville and sister city Tochigi City in Japan.

The visiting families will arrive in Chicago on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 25 and 26. They will travel by bus to Evansville on Thursday, July 27.

Evansville sponsors will pick up their guests on Friday, July 28,

Names in the News

Dr. Charles Harrington, director of Institutional Research and associate professor of management, and **Dr. Timothy Schibik,** associate professor of economics, director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, and coordinator of the Lilly Retention Program, presented "Part-Time Faculty and Student Retention" at the 40th annual forum of the Association for Institutional Research, in May in Cincinnati. Dr. Harrington also presented "Reframing Institutional Research: Developing Alternative Views of Complex Organizational Challenges" with Ms. Laura Schartman, assistant vice president for Institutional Research at Oakland University.

Ms. Linda Matheson, program director and assistant professor of dental assisting, was elected president of the Indiana Dental Assistants Association in Indianapolis in May.

In sympathy:

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Irene Codding McDonald who died on May 27. Ms. McDonald was a member of the USI Foundation board of directors from 1970 to 1992 when she became a member of the USI Foundation's Advisory Council. Memorial contributions may be made to the USI Foundation.

FYI

Ordering supplies at year end:

Fiscal year end is approaching. Office supplies from Boise-Cascade ordered and delivered by June 16, 2000, will be charged against the 1999/2000 budget. Items ordered and delivered after that date will be applied to the 2000/2001 budget. Call **Ms. Debbie Weigand**, purchasing agent, at extension 1982 with questions concerning this procedure.

Employees to be recognized at dinner:

The 30th annual Employee Recognition dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 14, in Carter Hall. Forty-one employees will be recognized for their combined 483 years of service to the University.

Attached to this issue of *University* Notes is a special photo sheet listing the honorees by the years of their anniversaries.

from Casino Aztar Hotel, 421 N.W. Riverside Drive. Guests and hosts will tour Angel Mounds and New Harmony and have lunch at the Bayou Grill in New Harmony on Saturday, July 29. On Saturday evening, the group will meet at the Log Inn and attend a performance of *Young Abe Lincoln* at Lincoln Amphitheatre following dinner. The hosts will return their guests to Casino Aztar Hotel by 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 30.

The hosts are responsible for transportation to and from events and costs related to meals and entertainment. For more information or to volunteer, contact The City of Evansville Sister City Program, 423-2020. Organizers are raising money to keep expenses on Saturday to a minimum.

RopeWalk Writers Retreat public events

The RopeWalk Writers Retreat will be held Sunday - Saturday, June 11 - 17 at the Barn Abbey, New Harmony, Indiana. Public events follow. All will be held in New Harmony.

Saturday, June 10

- 7 p.m. poet Jared Carter, free public reading at the Rapp Maclure Granary. Reception follows.
- Sunday, June 11
- 7 p.m. poet Heather McHugh, free public reading at the Atheneum.

Monday, June 12

7 p.m. - Victoria Redel, fiction writer, free public reading at the Atheneum. Reception follows.

Tuesday, June 13

- 9:30 a.m. Heather McHugh will present a lecture on poetry as a craft, the Barn Abbey.
- 10:45 a.m. Nikolai Popov, a Joyce scholar who teaches Comparative Literature and English at the University of Washington in Seattle, will hold a craft lecture, the Barn Abbey.
- 7 p.m. poet Robert Wrigley, free public reading at the Atheneum. Reception follows.

Wednesday, June 14

- 7 p.m. Kim Barnes, creative non-fiction writer, free public reading at the Atheneum. Reception follows.
- Thursday, June 15
- 9:30 a.m. -Robert Wrigley will present a lecture on poetry as a craft, the Barn Abbey.
- 10:45 a.m. Kim Barnes will present a craft lecture on writing creative non-fiction, the Barn Abbey.
- 1:30 p.m. Victoria Redel will hold a craft lecture on writing fiction, the Barn Abbey
- Friday, June 16
- 6 p.m. Stephen Dobyns, shorter-fiction writer, free public reading at the Atheneum.

Two weeks at-a-glance

Career Camp - June 13-14, June 20-21.

Friday, June 9 - Sunday June 11

The New Harmony Theatre - *Noises Off*, Murphy Auditorium, New Harmony. Curtain time is 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Call the box office at 682-3115 for tickets.

Saturday, June 10

Reggio Emilia Approach to Teaching Conference - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mitchell Auditorium. Call 421-5435 for more information.

Monday, June 12 Registration for second summer session.

Tuesday, June 13 Second summer classes begin.

Wednesday, June 14 Employee Recognition Dinner - 6 p.m., Carter Hall.

Thursday - Friday, June 15 - 16 Connections I - Freshman orientation and registration.

Thursday - Sunday, June 15 - 18

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Friday, June 16

USI Alumni Picnic - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., University Center Mall. Call 464-1924 to reserve a group table or make individual reservations.

Monday - Tuesday, June 19 - 20 Connections I - Freshman orientation and registration.

Thursday, June 22

Reflections luncheon - 11:30 a.m., Carter Hall. Sponsored by the Development Office.

Thursday - Sunday, June 22 - 25

New Harmony Theatre - *Noises Off.* Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Call the box office at 682-3115.

Marketplace

For sale

East side - 709 S. Bennighof, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, fireplace, full basement, lots of updates, excellent condition, \$81,000. Call Christianna, ext. 1781 or 477-4496.

Mt. Vernon - 1215 Mockingbird Lane, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2car garage, vaulted ceilings, fireplace with gas logs, storage building, deck, excellent condition. Call LaDon, ext. 7165 or 838-8444.

Brick home - 310 Terrace Green Court, built in 1997, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2.5 -car garage, fenced back yard, 1,476 sq. ft., immediate possession. Call 867-6209 to arrange showing.

1992 Ford F150 4 x 4 pickup - 5-speed, 141,000 miles, \$6,700. Call Michelle, ext.1848 or 985-9071 after 5 p.m.

1997 navy blue Saturn SW1 station wagon - 47,000 miles, excellent gas mileage, very good condition, \$9,900. Call ext. 7048, or 270/827-2853 after 5:30 p.m.

Snapper lawn tractor-LT16 - 16HP with a 30"cut. Comes with an attachable bagger, bagging wagon, utility trailer, mulching blade kit, and wheel weights, excellent condition, \$1,000. Call Kelly, ext. 1845 or 424-4236.

3-piece oak bedroom suit - bed frame, dresser with mirror, chest of drawers, good condition, \$300. E-mail sshoptaw@usi.edu.

White buffet, two peach wingback chairs, portable closet, microwave table - contact Joan, bbelle@evansville.net, or 477-9731.

Refrigerator - white, 3 years old, with ice maker, \$200. Call ext. 1614.

Want to take **piano lessons** or know someone who does? Anyone, ages 10 to 110! If interested call ext. 1767.

Going to Branson, Missouri? Would you like to stay at an exclusive resort? Call 424-8547 for details.

12' Jon boat and oars - \$250. Call 985-2046.

Wanted

One-bedroom furnished apartment or efficiency, ASAP. Call 464-1749.

University of Southern Indiana 2000 Employee Recognition



Robert D. Brauser, custodial worker, Physical Plant; Carthal M. Jordon, custodial worker, Physical Plant; Jasper L. Marshall, security staff sergeant, Safety and Security; Pauline M. Schuler, library clerk, Library Services



(from left) Brauser, Jordon



Yohanna S. Kempf, senior computer operator, Computer Center; Steven E. Selby, motor vehicle operations supervisor, Physical Plant



Selby





Virginia M. Hall, senior administrative assistant, Graduate Studies; Michael R. Miller, lead maintenance mechanic, Golden Tower Apartments; Rose M. Scruggs, senior library assistant, Library Services; Carolyn S. Shuck, medical research technician, Medical Education



(from left) Shuck, Scruggs, Hall



(from left) Culver, Hawkins, Strueh



Crews

Christine Crews, senior administrative assistant, New Harmony



Operations; Linda S. Culver, cashier, Business Office; Mabel F. Hawkins, copy center supervisor, Copy Center Services; Jennie L. Head, senior administrative assistant, Security; Ross A. Hettenbach, lead maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant; Charles R. King, senior maintenance mechanic, Physical Plant; Deborah A. Strueh, account clerk, Business Office



University of Southern Indiana 2000 Employee Recognition



(from left, standing) Werner, Busch, Wildeman, Littlefield, Baker, Hurley, Dortch. (from left, seated) Babillis, McCulloch, Altstadt



(from left) Scheller, Martin

Karen M. Altstadt, senior administrative assistant, News and Information Services; Joyce



M. Babillis, administrative associate, School of Business; Steven F. Baker, telecommunications technician, Telephone Services; John C. Busch, maintenance mechanic, New Harmony Operations, Willie E. Dortch, custodial worker, Physical Plant; Pamela S. Hurley, senior administrative assistant, Computer Center; Billy N. Littlefield, electronic controls technician, Physical Plant; Angela J. Martin, telephone operator, Telephone Services; Mary A. McCulloch, senior administrative associate, Academic Affairs; Bonnie L. Scheller, library assistant, Library Services; Rebecca D. Suggs, senior administrative assistant, Human Resources; James M. Werner, lead courier services clerk, Distribution Services; Larry D. Wildeman, lead HVAC operator, Physical Plant



Donald D. Broshears, custodial services supervisor, Physical Plant; Kristine A. Dedmond, administrative assistant, School of

Education and Human Services; Travis W. Flener, distribution services clerk, Distribution Services; Robert A. Gibson, HVAC operator, Physical Plant; Beth E. Gilles, administrative clerk, Admissions; MaDonna K. Hopf, senior library assistant, Library Services; Lori L. Huck, senior administrative associate, Advancement; Donna B. Moore, administrative assistant, School of Science and Engineering Technology; Marsha G. Salee, material and equipment storeroom supervisor, Physical Plant; Darryl A. Sandage, lead custodial worker, Physical Plant; Elizabeth L. Savage, administrative assitant, School of Science and Engineering Technology



(from left, standing) Flener, Sandage, Salee, Broshears, Savage, Moore. (from left, seated) Gilles, Dedmond, Huck.