

# University Notes

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## Consul General of Japan will speak at USI luncheon

The Honorable Mitoji Yabunaka, Consul General of Japan in Chicago, will present the lecture "The Big Bang in Japan's Business World," at the Tri-State World Trade Council's luncheon meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 16, in Carter Hall of the University Center.

**Mr. Timothy Mahoney**, instructor in economics, said, "Japan is coming out of a prolonged recession, and this slowdown has forced some changes. Their economy is experiencing some restructuring and as a result it is more open to foreign investment and joint ventures with U.S. and European companies. In addition, some of the traditional distribution channels that favored Japanese goods and kept out imported goods are opening up."

General Yabunaka, a graduate of Cornell University, is one of the top Japanese officials in the U.S. who represents the commercial interests of Japan. He has served his country in diplomatic and trade related roles in London, Geneva, Korea, and Indonesia. His presentation will cover aspects of trade with Japan focusing on U.S. and Japan business relations and U.S. exports.

"With a recovering Japan and an economy more open to imports, the opportunities for Indiana exporters is brighter than it has been in some time," Mr. Mahoney said.

Reservation deadline is Monday, March 13. Reservations may be made by contacting USI Extended Services at 464-1864 or extserve@usi.edu. Lunch will be served compliments of Kahn, Dees, Donovan and Kahn, LLP; Old National Bancorp; and Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Indiana.

## 300 students expected for High School Media Day

Twenty-five high schools in the Tri-State will be sending over 300 students to USI on Tuesday, March 7, for the 9th annual High School Media Day. The students will attend journalism and yearbook workshops and have lunch on campus.

Mr. Terry Nelson, the newspaper and yearbook advisor at Muncie Central High School in Muncie, Indiana, will give the keynote address at lunch. He spent last summer teaching journalism to students of the Czech Republic and Slovakia. Mr. Nelson is the author of *Yearbook Photography*.

His work in advising student publications for 24 years has been recognized by the Indiana High School Press Association, Ball State University, Sigma Delta Chi, and other high school press associations.

Local television personalities Mr. Brad Byrd and Ms. Shelly Kirk will conduct workshops along with **Mr. Ron Roat**, associate professor of journalism; **Mr. Jamie Beam**, lecturer in liberal arts; and **Mr. John Morris**, WSWI general manager and lecturer in communications.

The program is co-sponsored by Newspapers in Education for the *Evansville Courier and Press*.

## USI students named academic all stars; will participate in Honor Student Symposium

Thirty USI students have been named academic all stars and will participate in the 17th annual Honor Student Symposium at USI from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 18, in the University Conference Center. Students were nominated by faculty based on grade-point average (GPA) and academic achievement (this year's all stars have a GPA of 3.5 or above).

The symposium is an academic bowl competition with questions composed by USI faculty. Students are divided into teams with representation from academic majors and vie for top honors among their peers. The symposium is sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs. **Dr. Joseph DiPietro**, associate professor of geology, is chair of this year's event.

Committee members are **Ms. Mary Edwards**, instructor and fieldwork coordinator in occupational therapy; **Dr. Michael Given**, instructor in English; **Dr. Susanna Hoenesss-Krupsaw**, assistant professor of English; **Ms. Martha Niemeier**, associate director/collection development librarian; and **Dr. Peggy Shields**, associate professor of marketing. President **H. Ray Hoops** will give the opening address.

## USI students prepare for service projects over spring break March 6 - 11

Six USI students will help Appalachian residents remodel, repair, and build homes during the University's spring recess from Sunday, March 5, to Friday, March 10. Students Amy Duke, Steve Wiederkehr, Amanda Ross, Jessica Vagedes, Matthew Schmitt, and Vincent Miller, along with **Ms. Christine Hoehn**, director of Campus Ministries, will represent USI and join students from fifteen other universities who are using spring break to participate in the Christian Appalachian Project (CAP).

Organized in 1957, the Christian Appalachian Project is a non-profit organization that provides direct service to people in 30 Appalachian Kentucky counties. The purpose of this CAP project is to allow college students an opportunity to serve the community, experience another culture, develop friendships with students at other universities, and develop new skills.



## Names in the news

Thirty original oil paintings by **Mr. Eric Braysmith**, lecturer in English and art, are on exhibit at the Evansville Museum of Arts and Science gift shop. He is featured artist at the Museum Shop through April.

The article "Constructing Cubature Formulae for Spheres and Balls" by **Dr. Sangwoo Heo**, assistant professor of mathematics, and Mr. Yuan Xu, assistant professor of mathematics at University of Oregon, was published in *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics*, vol. 112, issue 1-2.

**Mr. Bruce Pearl**, men's basketball head coach, achieved his 200th collegiate victory. By winning 200 games in 240 matches, he reached this milestone faster than any other coach in any level of NCAA basketball.

**Dr. Robert L. Reid**, vice president for Academic Affairs and professor of history, presented "The Farm Security Administration Photographers in the Midwest" as part of the Heartland Symposium in Columbus, Ohio, in February. The symposium was held in conjunction with the opening of the new exhibit, "Illusions of Eden: Visions of the American Heartland," at the Columbus Museum of Art.

### In gratitude:

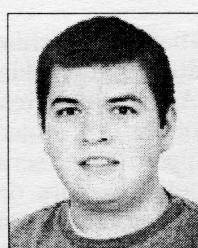
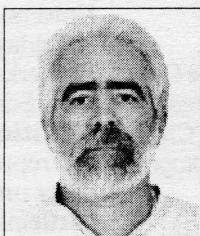
I would like to thank Dr. Hoops and Dr. Jones for my retirement reception. My chair arrived today, adding an elegant touch to my new home. To all of you who offered good wishes, sent memorable cards and thoughtful gifts, please accept my appreciation. Thanks again for a great ten-and-a-half years. - **Carolyn Smith**

### Welcome:

**Ms. Melissa Cochran** has accepted the position of administrative assistant in Scheduling Services. She was a 4-H community worker for the University of Illinois Extension Office. She received an A.A. from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. Ms. Cochran resides in Evansville with husband Dwain.



The University community welcomes **Mr. Keith Conway** as maintenance worker in the Physical Plant. He resides in Evansville with wife Barbara.



**Mr. Scott Klassen** has accepted the position of academic services analyst in the Computer Center. He was a Web designer in the Computer Center the past two summers. Mr. Klassen received a B.S. from Purdue University in December 1999. He resides in Evansville.



**Dr. Robert Ruble** has accepted the position of associate vice president for Fiscal and Physical Affairs. A new position, it will encompass responsibility for the Business Office, the Computer Center, and the Physical Plant operations. Dr. Ruble served on the Indiana Commission for Higher Education since 1986, most recently as chief financial officer. Initially he was assistant director of Financial Affairs before being promoted to director of Financial Affairs. Dr. Ruble was director of the Department of Financial Aid and Veterans Affairs in Wisconsin. At Indiana University he was the technical resource person for the offices of Scholarships and Financial Aid on the seven Indiana University campuses. Dr. Ruble worked at RCA Records in Indianapolis for two years directing the design and implementation of an automated high speed material-handling and data-capturing system. He received his undergraduate and master's degrees at Purdue University and Ph.D. from Illinois State University. Dr. Ruble and his wife Marilou are the parents of three children.

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### Business graduate degrees information session:

An information session about the Master of Science in Accountancy (M.S.A.) and the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) programs will be held at 7 p.m. in UC 206 and UC 214 on Tuesday, March 14. Both programs are designed with the busy professional in mind. **Dr. Marwan Wafa**, associate dean of the School of Business, said interested persons will learn how to apply for both programs and meet other business and industry professionals considering USI for an M.B.A. or M.S.A. degree. The program is free and no reservations are necessary. Questions about the program should be directed to the M.B.A. Office at 464-1926. **Dr. Daniel Wade**, director of accounting programs, will present the M.S.A. information.

### Blue Cross/Blue Shield:

Ms. Cheryl McKissic, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield account representative, will respond to questions or problems related to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance plan from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, March 7, in room FA 170 of the Wright Administration Building. Call 464-1781 to arrange an appointment.

### April 1, 2000 is Census Day:

From Friday to Monday, March 3 - 6, letters from the Census director will be delivered to Indiana households, alerting them to the delivery of the census questionnaire. Census questionnaires will be mailed to every Indiana household from Monday to Thursday, March 13 - 16. All census questionnaires should be returned in the envelope provided by Saturday, April 1.

## M A R K E T P L A C E

### For sale

#### **SHA wins three awards at state conference**

The Student Housing Association (SHA) of USI received three awards at the Indiana Residence Hall Organization (IRHO) 2000 conference in February.

USI Sophomore Amanda Knotts received the First Year Experience Award which is awarded to a residence hall association member for outstanding achievement and involvement during their first year with their organization.

Program of the Year was awarded to SHA/APB's "Midnight Breakfast/Chill Out" program, a late night breakfast scheduled during finals week. "Midnight Breakfast/Chill Out" is designed to help relieve students of the stress experienced during finals week.

SHA members Cori Smith and Jennifer Schmitz were recognized for the program "For a Successful Mission, Know Your Crew Before Takeoff," one of the top six programs this year. The program was about identifying the strengths, gifts, and talents of team members in student organizations, so the students can work together to achieve goals.

#### **This week's sports:**

##### **Friday, March 3:**

GLVC Basketball Tournament at Roberts Stadium  
Softball at Division II Lead-Off Classic

##### **Saturday, March 4:**

GLVC Basketball Tournament at Roberts Stadium  
Baseball at West Georgia, 1 p.m.  
Softball at Division II Lead-Off Classic

##### **Sunday, March 5:**

Baseball at West Georgia, 1 p.m.  
Softball at Division II Lead-Off Classic  
Softball at Panhandle State, TBA

##### **Monday, March 6:**

Baseball at Kennesaw State, 1 p.m.  
Men's tennis at Cumberland, 3 p.m.

##### **Tuesday, March 7:**

Baseball at Augusta State, 1 p.m.  
Softball at Northwood, Texas, 3 p.m.  
Men's tennis at University of Alabama-Huntsville, 2 p.m.

##### **Wednesday, March 8:**

Baseball at Augusta State, 1 p.m.  
Softball at Tartleton, State, 1 p.m.  
Men's tennis at North Alabama, 2 p.m.

##### **Thursday, March 9:**

NCAA Basketball Great Lakes Regional  
Baseball at Anderson, South Carolina, 2:30 p.m.  
Softball at Texas Wesleyan, 1 p.m.

##### **Friday, March 10:**

NCAA Basketball Great Lakes Regional  
Men's and women's track at NCAA II Championship  
Baseball at Presbyterian, 2 p.m.

House on east side - 2 baths, 3 bedrooms, wonderful starter home. Call 474-0065.

**1995 Toyota Camry LE** - silver blue, gray interior, 2.2, 4-cyl, 16 valve, automatic transmission, power locks and windows, tilt, cruise, cassette player, A/C, dual air bags, loaded, ABS brakes, gold package, 84k highway miles, like new, excellent condition, Kelly blue book price \$11,500, asking \$9,500. See it on the Internet at [www.gus.evindiana.com](http://www.gus.evindiana.com). Call Gus, 449-7538.

**Two pairs of Clarion Pro Audio 5 x 7 components**, new, still in boxes, \$150 per pair; **one amplifier**, JBS BP 1200 x 1, good condition, retails for \$700, \$500; **one factory spoiler**, fits 1994 through 1998 Ford Mustang, \$100. Call 423-3224.

**Pro-Select golf clubs** - brand new, never used driver and 3-wood (graphite shaft, titanium head); 3-iron, pitching wedge (graphite shafts); lifetime warranty; make offer. Phone 424-0478 after 4 p.m.

**Yakima bike rack** - car top rack with LockJaw upright bicycle mount, includes tray to carry one bicycle, additional trays can be added, includes locks and keying to lock the bike to the rack and the rack to the car, \$75 negotiable. Call Mike at ext. 1051.

**Bedroom furniture** - wood with metal trim, full-size headboard, \$25; 50" six-drawer chest, \$35; 50" corner writing table, \$50. Call Judy at 963-5782.

**New 16" Clipper bicycle** with training wheels. Call 1962.

### Wanted

**Parking space for 33-1/2' RV** - owner has insurance coverage. Call 985-2046.

**Local host family** - a local host family is needed for an international exchange student to attend a local high school for one academic year. The student would need housing for 10 months. The exchange program is managed by The American Institute for Foreign Studies (AIFS). For more information, contact Gus Khalil at 449-7538 or [guskhalil@hotmail.com](mailto:guskhalil@hotmail.com).

# V A C A N C I E S

The following is a list of vacant positions available as of February 28, 2000. 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) or visit our web site at [www.usi.edu/hr](http://www.usi.edu/hr). 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.

## CLERICAL/SUPPORT

**Administrative Assistant - B0012 - Human Resources** - open: 2/28/00 - deadline: 3/10/00. OP2/\$7.46/hr.

**Sports Information Assistant - H0004 - News and Information Services** - open: 2/21/00 - deadline: 3/3/00.

**Account Clerk - B0014 - Business Office** - open: 2/28/00 - deadline: 3/10/00. OP1/\$6.66/hr.

## FACULTY/ADMINISTRATIVE

**Coordinator of Human Resources Information System - A0008 - Human Resources** - open: 2/29/00 - deadline: 3/29/00.

**Theatre Faculty - F0007 - Liberal Arts** - open: 2/29/00 - deadline: 3/29/00.

**Chair, Computer Information Systems - F0009 - Business** - open: 1/31/00 - deadline: 2/29/00.

**Assistant Professor of History - F0010 - Liberal Arts** - open: 1/31/00 - deadline: 3/17/00.

**Instructor in History - F0011 - Liberal Arts** - open: 1/31/00 - deadline: 3/10/00.

**Instructor in Geology - F0012 - Science and Engineering Technology** - open: 2/7/00 - deadline: 3/8/00.

**Instructor of Biology - F0013 - Science and Engineering Technology** - open: 2/14/00 - deadline: 3/15/00.

**Instructor in Journalism - F0014 - Liberal Arts** - open: 2/14/00 - deadline: 3/14/00.

**Ultrasonography Faculty - F0015 - Nursing and Health Professions** - open: 2/14/00 - deadline: 3/14/00.

**Occupational Therapy Faculty - F0016 - Nursing and Health Professions** - open: 2/14/00 - deadline: 3/15/00.