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'FEW AND FAR BETWEEN'

RA wants more emergency poles, administration says use is rare

By RACHEL CHRISTIAN
News editor

Sara Burge said she and other resident assistants (RA's) don't feel safe in the campus apartments.

The senior resident assistant for O'Daniel South said the parking lots are poorly lit and the blue emergency telephone poles are few and far between, so she is trying to change that.

Burge approached the Student Government Association (SGA) Sept. 11 to ask for support in her attempt to get administration to fund more emergency telephones around the campus apartments.

In light of recent abductions in the Tri-State area, the RA's felt the campus could use some additional security measures, Burge said.

She said during her freshman orientation, the incoming class was told they should be able to see the next emergency telephone poles from the one they are currently standing at, which isn't the case at the apartments.

There are currently four emergency telephone poles scattered throughout the campus apartments.

"We're not trying to scare anybody," Burge said during the meeting. "We just want all of the

RA's and residents to feel safe."

As a part of that effort, Burge said the O'Daniel South RA's have ordered 500 whistles, which they plan to distribute to residents along with information about the Office of Public Safety.

Burge said she wasn't asking SGA to help fund the installation of new emergency telephone poles, but instead to support her request when it is reviewed by administration. She said she has not price checked.

Aaron Gottman, a SGA member and Student Housing Association (SHA) president, told

Burge she also has the support of SHA.

"It is scary to think there are no [emergency telephone poles] near sorority apartments or places where there are people traveling late at night," Gottman said. "We owe it to the students to make sure they have a comfortable living environment."

There are 46 outdoor emergency telephones located around campus and housing, and 25 indoor emergency telephones, said Stephen Woodall, Public Safety director. They were installed for students who need assistance or are in distress.

Woodall, who has been

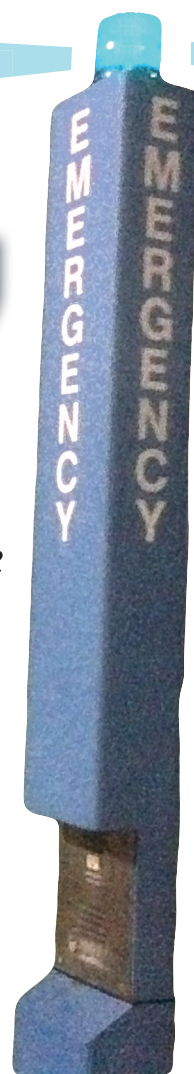
needing directions or the occasional prank call," Woodall said.

He said no one in Public Safety could recall the emergency telephones being used for an actual emergency.

Technology may be making the telephones obsolete, Woodall said.

"I think the prevalent use of cell phones have probably diminished the use of emergency phones," Woodall said.

To operate the phone, students push a button, which activates the blue strobe light on the top of the pole. Once the button is pushed, the phone rings into Public Safety, which



the Public Safety director for seven years, said the emergency telephones are rarely used.

"The only times the staff and I can recall is the rare occasion of someone

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Candidates present for enrollment VP position

By MASON BLANFORD
Special to The Shield

With USI's enrollment numbers lower than they've been in 13 years, the candidates for the new Vice President for Enrollment Management (VPEM) at USI have no simple task ahead of them.

Enrollment numbers dropped again this year, falling below 10,000 for the second year in a row. The university credited the decreasing number to higher admissions standards and a higher graduation rate.

The job of the new VPEM is to increase the quality as well as the quantity of new students.

"USI's student profile is becoming stronger each year," said Provost Ron Rochon. "Having this colleague join the team is going to bode well for the future."

Last year, USI hired Noel Levitz, a consulting firm, to help figure out where the university could improve its recruitment and retention. The firm suggested

adding the VP position.

On Monday, the second of five candidates visited campus to present what they could offer the university in the position.

The first candidate, JP Spagnolo, visited campus on Sept. 8. He currently serves as the associate vice president for enrollment management and chief enrollment officer at the University of Saint Francis, in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Rochon said the Q&A sessions for the candidates are being held so the campus has an opportunity to fully understand the candidates and provide input.

"Campus and community input is extremely important to the process," Rochon said.

Candidate Michael Gunn said the key to increasing the university's enrollment is diversification.

He said he hopes with higher graduation rates and higher standards, prospective students outside the region will begin turning their eyes to USI.

Gunn has held a variety of jobs, including positions in academia, business and the military. His broad resume is why he feels he's the most qualified candidate to increase enrollment. He said it's not just important to accept students from Vanderburgh and surrounding counties, but to admit students from around the globe.

"What students don't learn in the classroom, they learn from each other," Gunn said. "This is why diversity is key to USI, so that it can bring in different forms of



Jean-Paul Spagnolo

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Current gig:
Associate VP for Enrollment Management/
Chief Enrollment Officer at Univ. of
St. Francis in Fort Wayne

Highest degree:
Working toward a Ph.D. in education
administration at the Univ. of Nebraska

Fast fact:
Recruitment and retention research

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See story for details



Michael Gunn



Stephen Spencer

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Current gig:
English Department Chair at USI

Highest degree:
Ph.D. in English from Univ. of Cincinnati

Fast fact:
Currently serves as Enrollment Management
Planning Coordinator at USI

The final two candidates' names have not yet been released.

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New adviser to reach all first-year students

By BEN HAUSCHILD
Staff writer

The USI Career Counseling Center welcomed Mickey Berkoben last week as the new Career Readiness Adviser.

Her position is brand new to the university and was made possible by the Lily Endowment Grant, which has funded the undergraduate Career Readiness program. The grant gave Indiana's colleges \$62.7 million to promote opportunities to help students find possible career

paths while still in school.

Berkoben is a graduate of University of Wisconsin - LaCrosse where she received her Masters of Science degree in Education. While working toward her degree, she worked in the Offices of Student Life and Career Services.

As an undergrad, Berkoben was undecided when it came to her future career path, and after discovering her own university's career counseling center, she decided she wanted to help make career counseling more accessible to stu-

dents.

Berkoben will work with Univ 101 faculty to administer the Strong Interest Inventory to all first year students.

"One of my main areas of focus is partnering with faculty and staff to help do career assessments on incoming freshmen and any other undecided students," Berkoben said.

Berkoben said she looks forward to helping students achieve their goals. She said she enjoyed her first week at USI.

"I felt welcomed by the



Photo by BEN HAUSCHILD/The Shield

Berkoben advises Graduate Student Shan Hussein

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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
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THIS WEEK'S TOP 10 MOVIES

- Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13) Chris Pratt, Vin Diesel
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) Megan Fox, Will Arnett
- If I Stay (PG-13) Chloe Grace Moretz, Mireille Enos
- Let's Be Cops (R) Jake Johnson, Damon Wayans Jr.
- The November Man (R) Pierce Brosnan, Luke Bracey
- As Above, So Below (R) Perdita Weeks, Ben Feldman
- When the Game Stands Tall (PG) Jim Caviezel, Alexander Ludwig
- The Giver (PG-13) Brenton Thwaites, Jeff Bridges
- The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG) Helen Mirren, Om Puri
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Employers come to campus

A career fair is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carter Hall.

Over 80 different employers are looking to hire students for part time and full time positions, as well as internships.

A photographer will be available to take free headshots students can use for their LinkedIn profiles and resumes.

The event is free and open to all USI students and alumni. For more information, call Bobbi Russell Miller at 812-464-1865.

Students to learn 'where to go'

For international students, transfer students or anyone who may have missed some of the content from orientation, it's easy to lose track of all of the resources available on campus.

There will be a lunch-and-learn event where students will have a chance to hear from staff in eight different offices.

There will be light refreshments. The event, called "Where Do I Go For That?" is scheduled for noon Sept. 25 in UC room 2217.

USI Security Incident Log

09/09/14-09/15/14

Theft	
McDonald West	Alcohol - Underage Consumption
9/09/14 12:13 p.m.	Residence Halls
	9/13/14 11:13 p.m.
Illness Report	
Residence Halls	Alcohol - Underage Possession
9/09/14 9:11 p.m.	Residence Halls
	9/13/14 11:13 p.m.
Fire - Faulty Alarm	
O'Daniel North	Code of Conduct - Sexual Harassment
9/11/14 10:32 p.m.	McDonald West
	9/14/14 11:00 a.m.
Traffic Accident	
On Campus	Fire - Faulty Alarm
9/11/14 5:43 p.m.	McDonald East
	9/14/14 10:41 p.m.
Injury Report	
On Campus	Drugs - Manufacture and Possession
9/11/14 7:06 p.m.	Residence Halls
	9/15/14 12:43 a.m.
Traffic Accident	
On Campus	Drugs - Possession
9/11/14 8:54 p.m.	Residence Halls
	9/15/14 12:43 a.m.
Code of Conduct - Failure to Comply	
McDonald West	Illness Report
9/12/14 8:09 p.m.	On Campus
	9/15/14 11:25 a.m.
Criminal Trespass	
McDonald West	Traffic Accident
9/12/14 8:09 p.m.	On Campus
	9/15/14 1:02 p.m.
Drugs - Possession	
McDonald West	Incident Report (Information Only)
9/12/14 8:09 p.m.	On Campus
	9/15/14 1:30 p.m.
Injury Report	
Residence Halls	Incident Report (Information Only)
9/13/14 12:53 a.m.	On Campus Property
	9/15/14 11:24 p.m.
Illness Report	
Residence Halls	Property Damage - University
9/13/14 12:53 a.m.	On Campus
	9/13/14 8:55 a.m.

Information gathered from USI's Public Crime Log, provided by USI Safety and Security.

Crime Log Key

- Case suspended: No suspects listed, no leads. No follow up investigation unless new information arises.
- Case cleared: The incident is resolved, suspect was identified and will be adjudicated appropriately.
- Case pending: On hold, awaiting new information.
- Violation of University Policy: Violation of the Student's Rights and Responsibilities.
- Failure to comply with a university official: Any university official, from an area coordinator to a security officer.
- Residential entry: Someone walked into the residence. This is different than burglary because burglary is entering with intent to commit a felony.

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is alerted to the location of the activated phone. From there, the dispatcher asks what assistance is needed and sends an officer out.

The outdoor telephones are checked approximately every two to three weeks by third shift officers, Woodall said.

Mark Rozewski, vice president for finance and

administration, is the person Burge will most likely have to go through to get approval for more emergency telephones.

"The utilization of these phones has been virtually non-existent for many, many years," Rozewski said.

He said he couldn't remember a single incident

in the past five years when the phones were used to report an emergency.

Not all campus apartment residents think additional emergency telephones are necessary.

Benjamin Carney, a junior respiratory therapy major, lives in O'Daniel South. He said he's never used one of the emergen-

cy telephones and said he hasn't seen anyone else use one either.

"I think they're a good idea, but the apartments are generally a pretty safe environment," Carney said. "I don't think we need more."

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thought."

If such variety can be achieved, Gunn said he expects to see the enrollment numbers rise in the

next few years.

Gunn said it's vital to uncover the reason why students are unsuccessful in college. Ideally,

the newly elected VPEM would not only be able to help draw in students from new areas, but also help solve current students'

problems as well.

Rochon said a new candidate should be chosen and in the position sometime next semester.

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faculty, staff and students from the moment I stepped on campus," Berkoben said.

Students who are undecided and having a difficult time picking a major are encouraged to visit the Career Counseling Center,

located in the Education Building in Room 1142. The Centers hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Career Counseling Center provide USI students with many different resources and can be an

asset to students who are trying to decide their major. There use different assessments to help students discover their strengths and pair them with careers they may find interesting.

For first year students and even juniors and se-

niors, finding a niche may be difficult, but Berkoben said the faculty and staff in the Career Counseling Center try to make the process a little more fun and enjoyable.

'Every Chord' could break records

By **DAMIEN BURGE**
City reporter



An organization on Franklin Street will attempt to break the Guinness World Record this Saturday for most guitars played in an ensemble.

Chris Howard, marketing director for Every Chord Counts said the event will help unite the Evansville area.

"We wanted to make a statement that Evansville is a great community with lots of culture," Howard said.

Every Chord Counts is put on by the Franklin Street Events Association and was created by Amy Rivers-Word, president of the association, and Karen Sue-Conaway.

The goal of the event is to beat not one, but two records - the national record of 1,352 people set in Nashville and the international record of 6,500 peo-

ple that was set in Poland.

Logan Dyer, owner of a local instrument store called Music First, is helping organize the event.

"Our goal is not to break the record once, but for people from around the world to travel to Evansville to break the new record every year," Dyer said.

The event is free, and even those without a guitar can still participate. Moore Music will lend out guitars the day of the event. The Franklin Street Events Association decided to provide free lessons every week during the Franklin Street Bazaar with the help of Music First and Mike Boren, Evansville Music Academy owner.

They even offered a free

guitar as a prize for anyone who attended eight out of 13 lessons, Howard said.

Howard said he's happy with the amount of people who showed up to the weekly lessons.

"The turn out to the free lessons this year was amazing," Howard said.

Boren and Dyer have conducted many of the lessons themselves, along with other instructors from the Evansville Music Academy.

"Every Chord Counts is a true community effort and it's not too late to join in," Boren said.

Boren was introduced to the event when it was first attempted last year, but didn't have a chance to get as involved as he wanted to. He said he plans on taking a more active role this year.

"For me, it's watching the students gain confidence and the enjoyment they get from playing,"

Boren said. "Seeing that many musicians playing together is pretty cool, too."

Attendance was around 320 last year. Organizers from the Franklin Street Events Association are hoping to greatly exceed that number this year.

Guitarists will perform "Three Little Birds" by Bob Marley, "Hound Dog" by Elvis Presley and "Rock and Roll" by Led Zeppelin. The songs were chosen because they are popular and easy to learn. After the record breaking attempt, local bands will take to the stage, including The Beat Daddy's.

Every Chord Counts will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday on the West Branch Library lawn at 2000 West Franklin Street. The event will start with a clinic for people to learn the music. The record breaking attempt is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Panelists Discuss Conflict, Violence in Syria

By **SONAM VASHI**
UWire, Emory Univ.

The Emory University's Institute for Developing Nations (IDN) hosted a panel titled "Sexual Violence and Conflict in Syria," addressing the myriad and multifaceted problems surrounding the conflict and the widespread gender-based violence occurring there.

The Jones Room in the Woodruff Library was filled with audience members who listened to and interacted with the panelists, who included Lauren Wolfe, director of the Women's Media Center's Women Under Siege project and an award-winning journalist; Christopher McNaboe, a program associate at the Carter Center who developed the Syria Conflict Mapping project; and Liz McLaughlin, the associate vice president of CARE, a humanitarian aid group.

The panel was moderated by Pamela Scully, Emory professor of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies and African Studies. Scully, who has written on humanitarian intervention and sexual violence, is also on the advisory board for IDN.

The discussion centered around the epidemic of sexual violence occurring as a result of the Syrian conflict, where over

38,000 people sought help from the UN after surviving sexual or gender-based violence in 2013 alone, according to the IDN.

Wolfe, whose Woman Under Siege project was originated by feminist activist Gloria Steinem and investigates sexual violence in global conflict, relayed personal, painful stories from Syrian sexual assault survivors that she spoke with when reporting near the Syrian border.

"It's particularly shocking to me how silenced the women in Syria have been," she said. "Women here have been put up on this pedestal and made to be seen as pure, which makes sexual violence so effective [in war] and shocking to these women."

McNaboe explained the Carter Center's Syria Conflict Mapping project, which researches citizen-created online information and social media about the conflict in Syria. He said that over 600,000 videos had been uploaded of the conflict, and, according to the online data, there are more minutes of video of the Syrian conflict than the actual duration of the conflict, which does not even count activity on Twitter and Facebook.

"It creates an incredible history of this conflict," McNaboe said, elaborating further on the convoluted causes and parties

involved in Syria.

McLaughlin weighed in on the difficult role of aid workers in this conflict, who often do not have the resources to make meaningful change. With CARE, an organization founded in 1945 and headquartered in Atlanta that fights global poverty and responds to humanitarian crises, McLaughlin said that the need for psychological help for Syrian survivors of sexual violence is paramount, especially in refugee centers in neighboring countries.

"Within the refugee population, there's a tremendous psychological need that's not being addressed," Wolfe agreed. She added that there is an "incredible taboo in the Middle East about mental health."

When questions were opened to audience members, some asked about the role of the United States intervening in the Syrian conflict.

McNaboe replied that, with policy-makers, "the debate was always, do we arm, or do we not arm? Since the rise of ISIS, a third option has been refreshingly introduced to the debate, which is — what do we do to protect the most civilians?" He cited the U.S. intervention on Mt. Sinjar as a positive example of the third option.

"I think the panel presented a very important issue that we're maybe not talking or thinking about enough, especially regarding women," Laney Graduate School student Rachel Shapiro said. Her favorite part was the personal stories from Syrian women relayed by Wolfe. "It's one thing to hear '30,000 cases of gender-based violence,' and it's another to hear personal stories that affect on a more personal level," Shapiro said.

Wolfe was at Emory last year to talk about sexual violence in Syria at an event called "The Other Red Line: Sexualized Violence in Syria and Beyond" in November 2013, and she and Scully will also take part in today's 3 p.m. event, "Research, Reporting and Advocacy: New Opportunities and Challenges Facing Public Scholars" at the Rita Anne Rollins Room at the Rollins School of Public Health.

Founded in 2006 by former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and University President James W. Wagner, the IDN is an scholarship-focused, action-oriented partnership between Emory and the Carter Center's Peace and Health programs that targets global development efforts, according to its website.

Forensics graduate jumps to education

By **BRENNA CAMERON**
Staff writer

Ryan Merriwether made the right choice when he switched career paths.

"When you invest in people, you always win," said the 33-year-old former forensic advisory consultant turned assistant principal.

A smile lit up Merriwether's face as he described his journey from forensics to education.

He is one of six USI graduates featured in Evansville Business Journal's 2014 "20 Under 40," an annual list of emerging leaders. While at USI, Merriwether worked with Big Brothers Big Sisters.

"That experience showed me how genuine kids are and the impact developing a relationship can have on a student," he said.

Out of college, Merriwether started his life as a forensic advisory consultant in Chicago, Illinois



Merriwether

at Deloitte and Touche, LLC. During that time he decided to switch careers in order to fulfill his dream of working with kids and to pursue his love of math.

He returned to Evansville to take undergraduate math classes at USI to complete his education requirement, while working as a custodian for the

university.

"Robin Carroll was a professor during my graduate work that really inspired me to be a better educational leader," he said. "Mrs. Sheila Huff's course prepared me, as much as possible, for the practical challenges of the job."

Also, when I moved back to Evansville, it was

a great opportunity to change.

After completing a Transitioning to Teaching program at UE, he returned to USI for a Master's in Educational Leadership.

"USI provided me with the opportunity to transition from one profession to another," he said. "Also, the relationships I have established while finishing my degree continue to people I reach out to in my professional career."

Eventually, via former contacts from high school, Merriwether stepped his foot in the door and positions began opening up within the EVSC community.

Presently the Assistant Principal at Washington Middle School, Merriwether truly cares for the students, he said. Merriwether is also a member of the EVSC Brown University Learning Leadership Cadre. The Cadre exposed him to what other school

Emerging Eagles

districts are doing to face common educational challenges.

"It has also provided me with the opportunity to collaborate with my colleagues and develop stronger relationships with them," he said. "Having colleagues that you can turn to is critical to survival."

Always enjoying the company of children, Merriwether did not expect his path would lead to interacting with them everyday. "I always ask myself, 'What students did I invest in today?'" he said.

A few of his day-to-day responsibilities include managing student discipline, teacher observations and walk-throughs, communicating with parents about concerns, provid-

ing supervision during unstructured times, hiring new staff and making sure the school complies with state and federal laws when it comes to students IEP.

Merriwether said he was honored, after the long road to his Assistant Principal position, to be recognized in the EBJ.

"It's definitely a humbling experience. I don't take responsibility for any of it," he said.

He credits his recognition to all of the individuals who invested their time in him. Merriwether said he had advice for students that may be struggling with what they want to do with their lives.

"Don't get caught up in, 'Oh, when I'm 30-years-old this is where I should be, or by the time I'm 45 I should be here,'" he said. "Life is a journey, and wherever you are on your journey, that's just where you are."

Spring festival returns to Arts District

By **KEISHA WRIGHT**
Staff writer

Jenny Mitchell started knitting 11 years ago as a way to give a more personalized gift to friends and family.

Soon after, she started to receive calls from people looking to buy items or wanting to place special orders.

She now knits hair accessories, hats, scarves, wraps and cowls for her business Ant Jenny's Knits, which caters to men, women, children and babies.

Her crafts can be found,

along with many others from homemade soaps and scrubs, to jewelry and hand drawn note cards at the 12th semi-annual Funk in the City from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 27. at Haynie's Corner in downtown Evansville.

The event will feature more than 100 vendors showing off and selling various styles of art, such as paintings, ceramics, leatherwork and yard art, as well as local food vendors like Kirby's Food and Acropolis, Evansville's local Greek restaurant. Live entertainment will also be

provided.

"Funk in the City is the first official event I ever participated in 10 years ago and it is one I always look forward to," Mitchell said.

The spring art festival is her favorite charitable event, she said.

"It is so well run, so supportive of our community and the arts, and features some fantastic talent from our area," she said. "Funk in the City has consistently been one of those events that people want to be a part of. It has become a great way to bring all different types of people to-

gether in our community."

Partnered with Alhambra Theatre Inc., Funk in the City aims to bring the community of Evansville together.

Ashley Vezzoso, a volunteer for Funk in the City, said the event takes a percentage of the money raised and donates it to the not-for-profit organization, Alhambra Theatre Inc., which helps support the historic theater's restoration.

"Funk in the City really focuses on giving back to the community," Vezzoso said.

The goal of the festival is to give local artists the recognition they deserve, as well as help put money in their pockets, she said, and Funk in the City helps get the artists' names out.

"This gives local artists the chance to have a place to display their artwork. It even helps some of them gain an income and gives them the ability to make a livelihood," Vezzoso said.

The number of attendees varies annually.

"Depending on how the weather is, anywhere from 1,500 to 3,500 people arrive each year," she said.

"On a good day, it can be up to 5,000 people."

Vezzoso said volunteering for Funk in the City is a rewarding experience.

"My favorite part of Funk in the City, for me, is seeing people," she said. "It makes it worth it when people are there at the festival even though it's raining. It shows that what the festival does is worth it."

Funk in the City costs \$5 for adults and children 12 and under get in free. Haynie's Corner is located at the intersection of 2nd Street and Adams Avenue.

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23 STRING BAND



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Kentucky-based string band rouses locals

By **SHAY HENDERSON**
Staff writer

People laughed, danced and guzzled beer as 23 String Band took the stage at Park Fest in Garvin Park Saturday.

As the bluegrass band began to strum their strings they gave off high energy, the crowd grew and fans cheered.

Parks Fest was a free music festival that featured local artists, food vendors and a beer garden. At the event, 10 bands from different genres performed from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Chris Shouse plays guitar and does vocals for 23

String Band.

He started the musical fusion six years ago with banjo player Curtis Wilson. As the two continued to make music, they started experimenting with different sounds like the mandolin, upright bass and violin, which they like to refer to as 'the fiddle'.

"We get inspiration from everywhere. From other bluegrass artists to The Rolling Stones," Shouse said.

The band does not actually have 23 strings anymore, Shouse said, but he was a huge Michael Jordan fan (alluding to the former basketball player's jersey

number). The band's name had been set in stone, even though more strings were added two years after the name became official.

The five person, now 28-string band, based out of Louisville, Kentucky, has toured across the U.S. from Montana to Maine and plan on sharing their music even further, Shouse said.

As the show progressed, Fiddler Scott Moore arose to his tippy toes, becoming part of the music as Wilson bobbed his head to his banjo. People of all ages danced to the fast-paced music and many sang along to the bands

southern-spun tunes.

Each song had its own unique sound with each band member getting a chance to go solo.

With more than 30 years playing bass under his belt, Martin Sham joined the band in 2010.

He said he enjoys being a part of 23 String Band and loves getting the chance to try new techniques with his bass. During the show, he broke a few bow hairs.

He and the band often visit Evansville to play for the locals.

"We like any town that has a good crowd," he said, "And the crowds here

(in Evansville) are amazing."

The band often plays at Lamasco's Bar and Grill on Franklin Street in Evansville.

"We have a really good relationship with Lamasco's Bar. They're all amazing people," he said.

Band fan Katie Richardson, a junior social work major at USI, has seen 23-String Band perform five times.

"I saw them the first time at ROMP festival and when I saw (Amy Rivers-Word, owner of Lamasco's) brought them into town," she said. "I had to go see them and it

was a lot more intimate in her setting. So it was really cool. Every time she brings them back I go see them."

Richardson enjoys 23 String Band's upbeat songs because she likes to dance, she said.

Even after the show at Parks Fest, the band continued to play at their merchandise tent where fans lined up to buy their albums and take pictures with the members.

"If you like bluegrass, if you like old-time, if you like rock 'n' roll, you should check us out," Shouse said. "Hopefully we've got something that

REVIEWS *MUSIC, MOVIES, MORE...*

"Destiny" Available now



With 5 million units sold on the first day, "Destiny," the newest game from Bungie—the creators of the popular "Halo" video game series—is shaping up to contend with its groundbreaking predecessor.

"Destiny" is the combination of a first person shooter game and a massively multiplayer online role-playing game (MMORPG).

When "Destiny" released free to beta for a limited time July 22, what first caught my eye was its gorgeous visuals. The opening scene is enough to hook anyone instantly.

Although, it's not merely the cut scene that makes the game so amazing, it's the overall feel of the environment throughout game

play.

With the premiere of "Halo," Bungie proved they could create convincing, realistic worlds.

The games MMORPG aspect proves versatile as it allows the player to customize his or her character with body armor, weapons and special abilities, based on the character's class—along with many smaller features.

The accomplishments of Bungie don't stop there.

"Destiny's" score and sound effects range from the intense instrumentals heard during a fire to the soft, subtle music crooned while traipsing the moon.

The appearance of Peter Dinklage, who voices a character named Ghost, shows how much money Bungie put out for top-notch characters.

The only problem with the game is its dull storyline, which leaves more questions than answers. Hopefully, through Bungie's updates and planned expansions, answers will be provided.

"Destiny" is visually stunning. With game play that goes far beyond its story line, the multiplayer crucible and endless character customizations, gamers can enjoy "Destiny"

"Songs of Innocence" Available on iTunes



After three decades and 13 studio albums, U2 is still kicking.

The band's new album, "Songs of Innocence," finds the band exploring new territory — a place where they can stay relevant and still appeal to their fan base.

The band first caught fire with the release of 1987's "The Joshua Tree," which spawned the hits "With or Without You," "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For" and "Where the Streets Have No Names."

Though their previous album "The Unforgettable Fire" had put them on the map, this album gave them the mainstream success they have seen ever since its release.

With their new album, the band attends to the conventions of modern

pop music but doesn't sacrifice the classic U2 sound, which comes through in either the catchy, atmospheric riffs of guitarist The Edge or the consistent vocals of singer Bono.

For me, the track "Volcano" stands out sonically. It has an infectious, catchy hook that will satisfy the die-hard U2 fans, but sounds indie rock and cutting-edge enough to feel like a fresh song from a brand new band.

Lead single, "The Miracle (of Joey Ramone)," has

the type of group chant that nowadays is expected out of a single from an alternative rock band. In fact, it bears a strong resemblance to Fall Out Boy's "My Songs Know What You Did in the Dark."

My biggest problem with "Songs of Innocence" is that, at least sonically, it doesn't feel like U2 really knows what their sound is.

There are so many sounds explored on the album, and some of them sound more like U2 than others.

This might be redeemable if the majority of the songs were memorable, but I would say only half of them are noteworthy.

I would definitely suggest giving the album a listen through for the good tracks, but I wouldn't commit too much time to it.

Rating 4/5



By **JIMMY PYLES**, Staff writer

Rating 3/5



By **JAKE TAPLEY**, Staff writer

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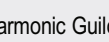
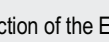
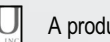
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Recruitment: perceptions from non-Greek students

Why spend the money?

By **JAKE TAPLEY**
Staff writer

I have never really had much interest in Greek life.

From an outsider's perspective, or at least from my perspective, it seems like a waste of money – money that could be put toward more rewarding experiences.

However, I also understand that the fraternities and sororities depicted in countless movies are typically gross misrepresentations or exaggerations (though they certainly create exceptions).

I have seen people sporting their Greek life chapter's letters on campus, and most of them look like respectable and functioning members of society. Heck, I'm even friends or acquaintances with people who have letters.

But I don't think Greek life is a necessary establishment.

I have heard the benefits of joining a fraternity or sorority: brotherhood or sisterhood, social interactions, networking and professional opportunities. Granted, these are all great reasons to get involved.

I just can't help but wonder why people need to join such a tightly-knit group in order to do this. Why should people pay to do something you can already do in life for free?

As an English major and a student studying creative writing, I have gotten to know many of the people I have classes with. We have become peers and will likely stay in touch with each other throughout our future endeavors and professional careers.

Now, with the accessibility of social media websites or applications like LinkedIn – essentially just networking made simple – it seems like you don't even need a physical social structure to accomplish this.

Outside of my immediate peers, I have managed to make plenty of friends and acquaintances during my time at USI without pledging to a fraternity. In a way, I think not pledging allows for a more open-ended opportunity to meet people.

Think about it – Greek life usually socializes with Greek life, at least primarily. As for me, I socialize with just about anyone.

I've changed a lot as a person because of these random and unpredictable interactions.

The only real difference between fraternities, sororities and everybody else seems to be this idea of exclusion, which I think is fine to an extent.

You can have your friend group. You can have your support system. Just don't be afraid to venture outside of it. Instead, be afraid to stagnate.

It's more than 'buying friends'

By **BRENNA WU**
Staff writer

This past week has probably been very stressful for the Greek students around campus.

Fraternity Rush Week was last week, and this week is sorority recruitment. It seems inevitable that the Recruitment Chairs are pulling their hair out, especially the sorority chairs.

Many people question the Greek life on campus and whether or not it is truly worth it in the end.

My freshman year, I questioned the life of Greek students mostly due to the stereotypical stories I had been told in high school. Because of these stories, I decided to skip out on joining Greek life.

When I look back on my decision, I know it was one of the biggest mistakes I have made so far at USI.

I never realized how much of a community the Greek students have on campus. They really are a family, no matter what letters they wear.

A girl on my tennis team introduced me to several "sisters" in her Greek family, and I was immediately taken aback by how welcoming and sweet they all were to someone they considered a non-Greek.

I often found myself going over to the sorority house and befriending more people in Greek life. There was no persuasion or hazing. I wasn't threatened in any way if I decided to not go through recruitment, but everyone wanted me to take a chance and see if going Greek would be something that I would eventually fall in love with.

So this year, I am going through recruitment.

I am extremely excited for the events that are planned and the amazing women I will get to meet. Most people think that going Greek means paying for friends and living with noses stuck in the air, but this is completely false.

Joining Greek life is just like joining an organization. You become part of a family, you get involved with service projects and you get valuable opportunities for leadership roles.

Recruitment is something I have been looking forward to ever since the beginning of my second semester as a freshman here at USI, and I hope the ladies that are going through recruitment with me feel the same way.

Becoming part of a Greek family is something I cannot wait to experience. I cannot wait for this great adventure that lies ahead of me.

DoubleMap makes me un-appy

By **ARMON SIADAT**
Opinion editor

The DoubleMap bus tracking app has left many students unhappy, causing several to uninstall the app and take their chances at the bus stop.

DoubleMap, an application for iPhone or Android devices, tracks the campus shuttles' locations in real-time.

Offered through a partnership between USI and the Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS), the free app saves students time when its working properly.

Those using the application no longer had to stand out in rain, sleet, snow or blistering shine wondering if or when the

bus would show up. Users were granted the luxury of staying inside and syncing their walk to the nearest bus stop with the shuttle's current location.

Upon initial rollout of the DoubleMap application, gone were the days when students would play Russian roulette with the bus schedule and risk being late for classes.

At least that was the goal.

I'm still late to my morning classes – not because I'm oversleeping or don't feel up to it, but because I continue to give DoubleMap the benefit of the doubt and say, "Today's going to be the day DoubleMap is working right again."

There are two campus

shuttles and a METS West Connection that weave their way through our campus. All three of the bus routes, color-coded but overlapping, appear when you pull up the application's map on your device.

Lately, however, only one of the campus shuttles is present on the map.

Culpable of being ignorant to the matter, I assumed the presence of only one campus shuttle on the map resulted from failure of the other and implied only one was currently operational.

It wasn't until I assumed that I had missed the bus and decided to walk to campus that a campus shuttle drove past me.

The campus shuttle

wasn't non-operational, it just wasn't on the map.

The 'operational' bus has glitches of its own.

Numerous are the times I have decided to leave my apartment and walk to the nearest bus stop because DoubleMap showed the shuttle's location was two bus stops away, only to find that the bus had actually already driven past the bus stop by the time I got there.

Granted I am not the world's fastest walker, I am definitely not the slowest.

In this case, it wasn't a matter of user error. The GPS tracking had a delayed signal that was actually following the bus as opposed to moving with the bus.

DoubleMap, when functioning properly, is one of the best innovations USI has offered students and staff.

Should USI and METS work out the kinks with the app – having all running buses appear on the map and in real-time – getting to and from campus could become an everyday routine instead of an everyday guessing game.

Since its availability to the USI campus, DoubleMap has become an essential part of student life.

The Office of Public Safety needs to sit down and correct the application's errors, ensuring students, faculty and staff who utilize the bus the service is fully functional and maintains its essentiality.

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Injured runner steps into new role



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Goffinet runs during a cross country meet last season.

By **BRADIE GRAY**
Sports editor

Nearly one year ago, Sarah Goffinet underwent thirteen hours of surgery after a nearly fatal car accident.

Goffinet was following her mother home to Tell City after a shopping trip on November 1, 2013, when she collided with a flatbed truck carrying a utility tractor.

She was trapped in the car when it caught on fire. It took bystanders, firefighters and EMT's nearly three hours to get her out.

"About a mile before my accident was the last thing I remember," Goffinet said. "Then I woke up five days later in the hospital."

Spiral fractures to the vertebrae, a lacerated spleen, damage to the peroneal nerve in her left leg, a compound fracture to her right fibula, a ruptured ACL and PCL in her left leg, two collapsed lungs, a fractured left humerus, patella, femoral condyle, and warnings of never running again have yet to stop

Goffinet from moving forward.

"I actually ran a little bit about a month ago," said Goffinet. "My doctors were not very happy with me and it was very painful. Maybe after I have one last surgery, I'll be able to. But competitively, I'll never be able to run again."

Not being able to compete with the rest of the cross-country team is not enough to keep her away from the program.

Goffinet is now the cross-country team's Student Assistant Coach.

"As soon as I was able to talk, because I had a ventilator, I told my parents that I still wanted to be able to help out with the team and Coach Hillyard (Women's Cross Country Coach Mike Hillyard) said the exact same thing," Goffinet said. "He said he wanted me to help out and wanted to keep me around. Just because I can't run doesn't mean I should be excluded from everything."

Goffinet takes splits and helps the

team before and after the races. She also gives the freshmen advice if they have questions.

Along with coaching, she takes 15 credit hours and spends the free time that she does have continuing to heal.

"I've had to do physical therapy everyday since I left the hospital," Goffinet said. "I had to go to Cincinnati every Tuesday for twelve weeks straight to go to my knee specialist, but I'm starting to spread those out more. Basically, I have physical therapy appointments here once a week, occupational therapy once a week and physical therapy stuff to do on my own everyday, so it's pretty busy."

Hillyard has been with Goffinet every step of the way. He was even in the room when her parents were told she may not make it through the night.

"The doctor called the family back into a privacy room and her mother and father asked that I go back with them

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and the doctor, in fairly short order, said that there was a possibility that that could be the outcome." Hillyard said, "I don't think anyone was expecting to hear that because when she arrived at the hospital, she was still conscious, very alert and speaking to her parents. Between the time that they had seen her and that point, she had lost quite a lot of blood and consciousness. Her condition had declined at that point."

Hillyard said it was in Goffinet's best interest to stay involved with the

team after her accident.

"She's very passionate about the sport. Her closest acquaintances and friends are on the team. That's kind of her circle of support," Hillyard said.

Hillyard thinks Goffinet is doing great in her position, he said she is genuinely passionate about the team's success and wants to help facilitate that.

"She has a unique perspective," he said. "She has been through enough to know that your life can change in an instant and I think having her around is definitely a positive. It's

really a good lesson in life to other kids."

Goffinet hopes to graduate in two years and move back to Tell City, her hometown, to get a job at a graphic design or advertising agency.

"I think she can really do whatever she sets her mind up to do," Hillyard said. "I really don't think what she's been through will compromise what she chooses to do in life. In fact, I think the opposite is true. It has made her a better, stronger person in a lot of ways."

SPORTS BRIEFS:

Great Lakes Valley Conference starts at home

USI volleyball played two west division opponents last weekend. The team played William Jewel College at 5 p.m. Saturday and Rockhurst University at 1 p.m. Sunday. The team entered the matches with an overall record of 4-1.

Women's soccer falls short

USI lost to Quincy University Friday. Quincy overall outshot USI 17-5 and beat the Eagles in corner kicks 0-2. The girls will have their first regular season games Friday at Strassweg Field against the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Men's soccer loses defensive stand

USI held off Quincy University for a full first half with the help of junior goalkeeper Auston Bruder. The team eventually fell in the final minutes of the game 3-0 despite the season-high eight saves from Bruder. The first regular season game is scheduled for Sept. 19, versus the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Women's tennis starts season strong

Women's Tennis met Cedarville on the court Saturday and came away with a victory. They won two of three doubles matches and split the six singles matches with Cedarville, with the deciding match being won by freshman Ashlee Hanson. A match is scheduled for September 26 and 27 at the Wesselman Tennis Center.



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