



2002

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May 5, 2002

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UNIVERSITY WILL CONFER FIVE



Edward G. Boehne

Today's Commencement Exercises will honor several individuals with southern Indiana roots. The Commencement Address will be given by **Edward G. Boehne**, an Evansville native and the former president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of

Philadelphia. As chief executive officer, he was in charge of the Bank's many responsibilities that ranged from providing paper and electronic payment services to depository institutions, acting as banker for the U.S. Treasury, and supervising bank holding companies in much of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. He also was active in determining the nation's monetary policy through membership on the Federal Open Market Committee. Dr. Boehne joined the Philadelphia Federal Reserve after college in 1968 and subsequently was promoted to vice president, senior vice president, and president, from 1981 to 2000.

After graduating from Evansville's Bosse High School, he entered Indiana University, where he received the Bachelor of Science, Master of Business Administration, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. He held a Ford Foundation Fellowship and an Urban Economics Fellowship at IU and won the Lieber Award for outstanding teaching. Dr. Boehne also has taught at Temple University and Bradley University.

Active in community affairs, Dr. Boehne has served as chairman of the Board of Managers of Pennsylvania Hospital, Chairman of the Board of the University City Science Center, a director of the Urban League of Philadelphia, a partner in the Urban Affairs Partnership, a director of the United Way and Union League, and a trustee of both the Baldwin School and Thomas Jefferson University.

Since retiring from the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Dr. Boehne has joined several corporate boards of directors including Rittenhouse Trust Company, Toll Brothers, AAA Mid-Atlantic, Beneficial Savings Bank, and Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company.

In recognition of Dr. Boehne's national prominence in banking and business, the University will confer an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on him in today's ceremony. His nephew, Jason Rouser, is a member of the Class of 2002 and will receive his baccalaureate degree in business administration today.

Rosemarie Torrington Albers also grew up in Evansville and graduated from Bosse High School. She is a graduate of Vanderbilt University where she studied biology in the pre-med program. Ms. Albers returned to Evansville after graduation and entered the Deaconess Hospital Medical Technology School



Rosemarie Torrington Albers

and became certified as a medical technologist by the American Society of Clinical Pathology. She was a medical technologist in California, New Jersey, and Indiana before retiring in 1978.

Mrs. Albers now resides in Anderson, Indiana, where she is highly regarded for her civic endeavors. She has been active in her children's schools and in both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. She also has served on committees for the Young Women's Christian Association and its swim program. She created and coordinated a vital volunteer program for the pediatrics unit of an Anderson, Indiana, nursing home, which focused on improving the quality of life for disabled children through an innovative recreation program. From 1973 to 1985, and then again from 1995 to the present, she served as chair of volunteers for this program. An active volunteer with the American Red Cross, she has given leadership at the state and county level, chairing the Madison County chapter as well as several key committees, while also teaching classes and serving as a disaster action team member. She has been the Red Cross Chapter Woman of the Year and received awards from service clubs in Madison County in recognition of her voluntarism.

Along with her father, the late Dr. W. Paul Torrington, she has given generous support to the science program at USI. In today's ceremony, she will receive the honorary Doctor of Science degree.

HONORARY DOCTORATES



Stephen Pace

Stephen Pace is a prominent American painter who grew up in Posey County, Indiana. When he was seventeen, he studied with Robert Lahr, an accomplished artist living in Evansville who helped him achieve a high degree of mastery in drawing and watercolor.

After serving in World War II, Mr. Pace used the GI Bill to enroll in the Institute of Fine Arts in San Miguel Allende, Mexico. He also studied at the Art Student League in New York City, and later in Paris, France, and Florence, Italy.

During the 1950s, Mr. Pace was immersed in the world of the New York School, and drawn into the orbit of abstract expressionism, though later he departed from that characteristic style by reincorporating recognizable, intimate subject matter —his family, friends, and homes—into his art. A New York Times review hailed his work for its highly sophisticated use of color and its bold, joyous composition. Among the long list of public collections of his work are the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and the Walker Art Center. In 1992, Mr. Pace received the Evansville Expatriate Artist Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Visual Arts from the Evansville Museum of Arts, History, and Science. Two of Mr. Pace's paintings hang at USI, one in the University Center and another in the Liberal Arts Center.

Mr. Pace has studios in New York City and Stonington, Maine, his home since the early seventies. In today's ceremony, he will receive the honorary Doctor of Arts degree in recognition of his achievements as a leading American artist.



Z. Olen Pumphrey



Inez G. Pumphrey

Dr. Z. Olen and Inez Pumphrey are unable to attend the ceremony and will receive their degrees at a separate event. Dr. Pumphrey will receive an honorary Doctor of Science degree and Mrs. Pumphrey will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. They are being recognized for their generous support of USI students and for their contributions to their community. Both natives of Gibson County, Indiana, they have maintained a lifelong interest in education.

Through the Dr. Z. Olen and Inez G. Pumphrey Family Foundation, they are providing scholarships for 20 USI students. And through a gift to the Gibson County Community Foundation, they endowed the first two Deans Scholarships at the University. Dr. Pumphrey graduated from veterinary school at Kansas State University and began practice in Fort Branch, Indiana, in 1947. Mrs. Pumphrey is a graduate of Oakland City University and taught for 20 years in Gibson County. She also worked with her husband in his veterinary practice. They established the first veterinary clinic in Fort Branch and served the tri-state region for more than 40 years. Dr. Pumphrey retired in 1988.

In addition to assisting USI students, Dr. and Mrs. Pumphrey have provided help to Gibson County's Dollars for Scholars program for eight years. They also support the colleges from which they earned degrees. For 52 years, they have been active members of the Presbyterian Church in Fort Branch, filling many offices. Dr. and Mrs. Pumphrey also are life members of Gideons International, providing Bible opportunities in 174 countries.

MARIE HANKINS AND RICK HUDSON TO RECEIVE UNIVERSITY'S HIGHEST HONORS

The University's highest honors will be awarded during today's ceremony to Dr. Marie G. Hankins, professor of chemistry, and Rick Alan Hudson, a senior from Patoka, Indiana.

Dr. Hankins was chosen by her colleagues to receive the Integra Bank Distinguished Professor Award, given in recognition of significant achievement in teaching, scholarship, and service. Dr. Hankins is known throughout southern Indiana for her "Kids and Chemistry" program, supported by the Alcoa Foundation, which she and her USI chemistry students take into elementary schools.

Dr. Hankins joined USI in 1985 and, in addition to her teaching responsibilities, has served as chair of the Chemistry Department since 1987. Under her leadership, the department has more than doubled the number of full-time faculty members. Dr. Hankins has taught and developed chemistry courses for majors and non-majors, from the freshman to senior levels, and has taught graduate courses as well. As evidence of her outstanding teaching ability, one of her colleagues points to the fact that her students consistently score above the national average on standardized exams.

Dr. Hankins is the author of textbooks and manuals and has published numerous articles in national chemistry journals. She also is a frequent presenter and program chair at the American Chemical Society, the Division of Chemical Education, and Indiana Academy of Sciences meetings. Dr. Hankins has received prestigious appointments to the American Chemical Society Undergraduate Programming Task Force and the Committee on Education.

At USI, Dr. Hankins has developed an award-winning American Chemical Society section and a student affiliate program. A prolific grant writer, she has helped to obtain over a million dollars to fund programs on the USI campus, in area high schools and elementary schools, and to renovate research laboratories in the USI Science Center. Dr. Hankins has been a willing chair and member of numerous University committees over the years, including Faculty Senate, University Curriculum Committee, Faculty and Academic Affairs Committee, and Economic Benefits Committee. Her enthusiastic participation in community service activities earned her the Sydney and Sadelle Berger Community Service Award, given annually to a USI faculty member.

Dr. Hankins received the Doctor of Philosophy degree from University of Virginia in 1969 and the Bachelor of Arts degree *cum laude* from King College in 1965. As Distinguished Professor Dr. Hankins will receive a grant from Integra Bank, select a student to receive a scholarship in her name, and deliver the Distinguished Professor lecture during the next academic year.

The Student Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate selected Rick Hudson as this year's recipient of the President's Medal. He was chosen because of his commitment to academic excellence and his service to the University and the community. Mr. Hudson will graduate *magna cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics. He is the son of James and Marilyn Hudson.







Rick Hudson

For the past two years, Mr. Hudson has served as president of USI's Student Government Association, and has given leadership to several of its committees and new initiatives. He has been a member of the Student Alumni Association, serving as treasurer and chair for several programs. Mr. Hudson also has served on many University committees, including the University Center Coordinating Council, the Faculty Senate Student Affairs Committee, and the USI Foundation Student Relations Committee. As an AMIGO orientation leader, Mr. Hudson has assisted incoming students in making the transition to college life at USI.

Mr. Hudson has been a consistent Honors List student, a participant in the Honors Symposium, and has been named to Sigma Zeta Math and Science Honorary, Alpha Chi National Honor Society, and Golden Key National Honor Society. He also is a member of the Student Education Association and the Mathematical Association of America. Mr. Hudson is the recipient of the Trustees Distinguished Merit Award, the All-Campus Student Achievement Award, the Kinsey Memorial Scholarship, and the USI Alumni Association Scholarship. He has worked in several USI offices, including the Mathematics Department and the Office of Career Services and Placement.

Active beyond the campus borders, Mr. Hudson has been a volunteer judge for high school speech tournaments, a participant in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, a speaker for National Day of Prayer and Remembrance, a volunteer for the Princeton Music Classic, an active member of Patoka United Methodist Church, and a volunteer for the USI Alumni Phone-a-thon. He is a sought-after speaker for many campus and community events.

With the hope of ultimately becoming a university professor, Mr. Hudson has prepared himself to teach secondary school mathematics. Next year, he plans to enter the University of Louisville's graduate program to earn a master's degree in mathematics, and then to obtain a high school or middle school teaching position before going on for his Ph.D. He hopes that, as a professional educator, he will have opportunities to impact the lives of young people.

Other finalists for the President's Medal were Amy J. Clem, Jamie R. Cutter, and Anna M. Green.

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Presidential Medallion

During the Middle Ages, medallions signified membership in religious orders and guilds and, in the Renaissance, membership in elite orders of knighthood and prominence in government office. Today, colleges and universities strike medallions to commemorate important events and achievements. The University of Southern Indiana Presidential Medallion signifies the authority invested in the president.

Fabricated in bronze, the Presidential Medallion celebrates the 1995 inauguration of President H. Ray Hoops. At its center the bronze medallion bears a three-inch reproduction of the University seal, surrounded by a half-inch rim; on the back of the medallion are the names and dates of appointment of the University's presidents. During today's ceremony, a replica of the Presidential Medallion will be presented to Rick A. Hudson. This is the highest honor given to a graduating senior.

University Seal

The University seal bears the University's colors—red, white, and blue—with gold. The shield signifies the importance of higher education in defending citizens against ignorance. Between the two banners carrying the University's name appear a band and an open book bound together by the torch of knowledge. In the band, rays of light emanate simultaneously from a rising sun, symbolizing the young University, and from the torch, symbolizing the light of knowledge and the passion for scholarship. Trees on either side of the flame suggest not only the University's pastoral southern Indiana setting but also life, growth, and continuity.

Beneath this band, an open book emphasizes the importance of teaching and learning; academia populi and academia populo indicate that the University of Southern Indiana is a scholarly academy founded and supported by the people, for the people. Finally, the laurel branches to the right and left of the book represent victory: the light of learning overcomes the darkness of ignorance.

University Mace

In the Middle Ages, bodyguards of French and English monarchs carried ceremonial maces. Later, the mace became an important symbol of office in civil processions and academic pageantry; at the University of Southern Indiana, the Grand Marshal, a distinguished member of the faculty, carries the mace.

A replica of the walking cane of Richard Owen (1810-1890) serves as the centerpiece of the University mace. A respected geologist and professor of natural science at Indiana University, Owen became the first president of Purdue University. He was a son of Robert Owen (1771-1858), the Welsh industrialist who established New Harmony, Indiana, as a center for education and enlightened social reform in the early 1800s. The 32-inch-tall wooden cane was presented to Richard Owen in 1874 and, through the generosity of his descendant Kenneth D. Owen, served as the Grand Marshal's staff until the mace was fabricated for the University's first Presidential Inauguration in 1995.

Designed and fabricated by Nicholas Logsdon of Indianapolis, the University mace encloses a replica of the Owen cane and is gold-plated. At the top, above the cane's golden head, an open orb holds a replica of the University seal. The free-flowing design of the orb symbolizes the interrelationships among all academic disciplines. Below the cane's tip are three golden rings engraved with the names and appointment dates of the University presidents. A finial at the tip of the cane bears the names of Kenneth Dale Owen, Jane Blaffer Owen, and James A. Sanders, donors of the mace.

Designed and created by alumnus Kenny Fisher '77, the replica of the cane and the base are made of walnut from the Owen mansion built in New Harmony during the 1830s.

Academic Dress

The academic costume dates from medieval days when university students wore woolen and fur garments for warmth in damp and drafty buildings. Most of those studying were clerics in holy orders; they wore a cloak to which was attached a hood that could be pulled up to cover their tonsured heads. Simplified today, the costume serves to remind us that its wearer is a member of an ancient and venerable profession; it also indicates by its color and design the wearer's degree and the institution by which the degree was conferred.

In the United States, black has been the traditional color for academic gowns, but some institutions authorize holders of their doctorates to wear colors of the institution. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its long, open sleeves; the master's by its closed, slitted sleeves; the doctor's by its full sleeves trimmed with bands of velvet, which may be black or a color denoting the field in which the degree was taken.

The mortarboard cap, proper for all degrees, is black. Tassels, usually black, are worn over the left front quarter of the cap. Holders of the doctorate may wear tassels of gold thread.

Academic hoods vary in length according to the degree attained and are lined with the colors of the institution by which the degree was granted. The honorary doctoral hoods of the University of Southern Indiana are black, lined with blue satin with red satin chevrons. They are edged with white velvet.

Alumni Association Pins

Graduates in today's ceremony are receiving lapel pins with the University logo as a gift from the University of Southern Indiana Alumni Association.

Baccalaureate Scholarship Honors

The baccalaureate degree candidate graduating with the highest scholarship index is graduated summa cum laude. Baccalaureate students graduating with a scholarship index of 3.80 or higher are graduated magna cum laude. Those with a scholarship index between 3.60 and 3.80 are graduated cum laude. These achievements are set forth on the individual diplomas. Honor students can be recognized in the Commencement Exercises by colored stoles and tassels. Gold indicates summa cum laude; red, magna cum laude; and blue, cum laude.

Because students enrolled in master's degree programs are expected to maintain a minimum grade-point average of 3.0, and most achieve much higher levels, scholarship honors at Commencement are given only to baccalaureate students.

University Honors Scholars

The designation of University Honors Scholar is awarded to students who successfully complete the Honors Program. They can be recognized in today's ceremony by the white honors cords worn with their regalia.

Photography During Ceremony

A commercial photographer is taking photographs of each graduate as he/she shakes hands with the president. Each graduate will receive a proof from which duplicates can be ordered. Family members who wish to take still or video photographs during the ceremony are asked to use the restricted area on the floor. Security guards will ask those who block aisles in the stands or occupy the area behind the stage to move. Your cooperation ensures the dignity of the Commencement ceremony.

Commemorative Video

In response to requests from graduates and families, a high quality commemorative videotape of today's ceremony is being produced by the USI Office of Instructional Technology Services in cooperation with the USI Alumni Association. The tape includes the entire ceremony, depicting each graduate receiving a diploma, as well as candid behind-the-scenes shots. To order a videotape (\$20 each) please call 800/813-4238 or 812/464-1924.



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