USI wins workplace award

The University was honored with the Family Friendly Workplace Award for Health and Benefit Programs by the 2002 Family Friendly and Diversity Practices Award Program October 29.

Presented by the Evansville Area Human Resources Association, Workforce Investment Board, and Fifth Third Bank, the program is designed to recognize companies for leadership in developing workplaces that embrace family-friendly practices and diversity.

Each year, employers in the Tri-state area are nominated for evaluation in various categories, and awards are presented in three groups based on company size. With 501 or more employees, USI is considered to be in the largest company group.

As part of its award, the University received a plaque and the right to promote its distinction as a Family Friendly Workplace in recruiting and benefit materials.

In addition to Family Friendly Health and Benefit Programs, the other award categories include Family Friendly Work Environment and Scheduling, Diversity Programs, and Diversity - A Strategic Vision.

Twenty-two companies received nominations in 42 award categories this year. For more information, visit www.members.evansville.net/ehra.

USI now home to regional commerce office

The modernization of the Indiana Department of Commerce continued October 31 as Lieutenant Governor Joe Kernan selected University of Southern Indiana as the home of the Region 11 office and named Connie Fowler regional director.

In partnership with USI, the new Commerce office will be located on campus in the Administrative Services Annex North. It is expected to be operational by the end of the year.

"In this state, we are fortunate to have an outstanding network of higher education institutions that are willing to partner with us in our efforts," Kernan said. "Having a regional office at USI makes a lot sense - it gives us an opportunity to work with a quality institution that shares our goal of improving the lives of Hoosiers. We couldn’t be more pleased with this location and with the opportunity to work with the USI community."

Encompassing Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Martin, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick counties, the Region 11 office will serve as a "one-stop shop" for the state's economic development activities.

"We are thrilled to announce the Connie Fowler and USI team," said Kernan, who serves as director of the Department of Commerce. "Connie's leadership, along with the resources available at USI, make for a great partnership that will benefit the whole region."

"This regional approach is a bold change to the way we attract and keep quality businesses," the lieutenant governor added. "It is arguably the biggest undertaking in the agency's history, and we're confident it will pay off with more good jobs for Hoosiers."

Most recently serving as the director of Market Development for Greater Louisville Inc., Fowler has spent the last 18 years working in economic development. Previously, she worked for the Louisville/Jefferson County Office for Economic Development as a business development expediter, a project manager for the plastics industry, and as a business relocation specialist. A native of Louisville, Ky., Fowler is a graduate of University of Oklahoma Economic Development Institute and University of Rochester Institute of Technology.

As regional director, Fowler will act as Commerce's representative in the field and will be responsible for the overall management of the regional office and delivery of agency services. In addition, she will develop and maintain partnerships with regional business and community organizations and their leaders, collaborate with regional governments and local organizations on economic development projects, evaluate regional development needs and formulate a regional strategic plan, as well as educate the public on Commerce programs and services.

"This is a great opportunity for me and one I am really excited about," Fowler said. "Southwestern Indiana has a lot of potential - it has the leadership, the resources, and the quality of life that are required to be successful in economic development. I look forward to getting started, and I thank the lieutenant governor for the trust he has put in me."

Kernan announced plans to modernize the Department of Commerce in July after more than a year and a half of research. On October 31, Kernan also named the Region 12 director in New Albany, and earlier in the month he announced regional directors and office locations for Regions 10 (Bloomington), Four (Kokomo), Six (Terre Haute), Nine (Madison), Two (South Bend), and One (Gary).

For more information about the Indiana Department of Commerce, the new regional offices, or the department's programs, visit the Web site at www.indianaecommerce.com.

Gallery fund raiser opening November 9

Prints by local artists and celebrities will be showcased and sold at New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art's "Print Invitational 2002," an exhibit and fund raiser November 9-December 21.

Participating printmakers each donated an original edition of 25 prints for sale. This year's celebrity artists are Evansville Mayor Russ Lloyd Jr. and Donna Kohlmeyer, president of the Town Board of New Harmony. All prints will be available for $10 each, and proceeds will benefit the gallery.

The public is invited to attend a free opening night reception featuring music, refreshments, and incentives from 6 to 9 p.m. November 9 at the gallery, 506 Main St., New Harmony.
Other participating artists include: Michael Aakhus, professor of art; Nel Bannier; John Begley; Matt Billman '95; Eric Braysmith, lecturer in art and English; William Brown; Cecile Broz; Deborah Burdick; Blake Cook; Doyle Dean, instructor in art; My de la P.; Nen Dowhie '83; Lenny Dowhie, professor of art; Janice Greene; Brandon Gardner; Mary Hambly; Christopher Herndon; David Huebner, lecturer in art and supervisor of the Sculpture Art Workshop; Joan Kempf, assistant professor of graphic design; Ann Lannert; Ralph Larman; Janet Lorenz; Rodney Myers; Erika Myers-Brownell, assistant director of the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art; Gail Otterson; Gary Passanise; Nancy Peters, instructor in art; Carolyn Roth, special part-time instructor in art and art education; John Siblik; Dr. Margaret Skoglund, assistant professor of art; Joe Smith; Jonathan Soard; William H. Thielen; Dr. Joseph Udehui, assistant professor of art education; Curt Uebelhor '81; and Katie Waters, chair of the Art, Music, and Theatre Department, and professor of art.

The exhibit was made possible through the generous support of USI and the Indiana Arts Commission. Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For Sunday hours or additional information, call 812/682-3156.

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**USI Theatre auditioning for Tartuffe**

Auditions for the USI Theatre production of Molière's Tartuffe will be held Tuesday, November 5. Interested individuals may schedule a time by signing up on the theatre callboard outside the Mallette Studio Theatre on the lower level of the Liberal Arts Center. The audition location will be posted on the callboard.


Those auditioning should prepare a 60-second monologue from a playwright such as Molière or Congreve (Richard Wilbur translation), or a Restoration piece from Way of the World.

Rehearsal dates for Tartuffe are planned January 14-February 11. Performances will be February 12-23.

For additional information, contact Elliot Wasserman, associate professor of theatre, at extension 1614 or in Room 3090 of the Liberal Arts Center.

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**Colloquium examining meditation’s impact**

A Liberal Arts Colloquium featuring Dr. David Jaquess, assistant professor of psychology, will be presented at 3:30 p.m. November 22 in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center.

“Take 200 Deep Breaths and Call Me in the Morning: The Psychobiology of Meditation Practice” will be the topic of his presentation.

A natravine medicine has become big business in the United States with more than $14 billion spent annually on nontraditional treatments. Over the past decade more and more people have sought to maximize physical and mental health through practices such as meditation and relaxation training.

Researchers in the area of behavioral medicine have documented short-term changes in brain functions during meditation; however, studies that have examined meditation’s impact on physical health markers (e.g., immune functioning, cancer recovery) have yielded mixed results.

The colloquium presentation will review a sampling of related research literature and present preliminary data from one of Jaquess’ studies that is looking at meditation’s impact on stress. The audience also will have an opportunity to sample one or more relaxation procedures.

Jaquess joined the University in 2000. He holds a PhD and an MS from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, where his major field of study was clinical psychology. He also holds a BA from Hanover College.

He is a licensed psychologist in Indiana, Virginia, and Maryland, and completed a postdoctoral fellowship in pediatric psychology at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and Kennedy Krieger Institute.

The colloquium is a free lecture series featuring faculty research in the School of Liberal Arts. The public is invited.

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**Web Services presenting workshop**

USI employees are invited to attend a Web Developers Boot Camp November 12, when Web Services will present two sessions of the workshop to accommodate participants’ schedules. The morning session will be from 8:15 a.m. to noon, and the afternoon session will be from 1:15 to 4 p.m.

The workshop will focus on creating and editing Web pages and basic hands-on Web development skills. It is designed for users with limited or no Web development experience.

Concepts to be covered include basic HTML, using Notepad, adding graphics and color, creating personal pages on Campus Pipeline, using USI’s Web templates, and getting connected and publishing to USI’s main Web server.

The workshop location will be determined by the number of participants. Seating will be limited.

To register, visit www.usi.edu/webservices/bootcamp.asp. For additional information, e-mail Tim Lockridge, assistant director of Computer Services, tlockridge@usi.edu.

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**Names in the news**

**Achievements**

Dr. Guillermo Latorre, professor of Spanish, is the principal author of a paper, “Semantic Strategies and the Image of the Superpowers in the Conservative Press of Chile 1957-1962,” written in collaboration with Dr. Olly Vega, associate professor of linguistics at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile. The paper is part of a project using discourse analyses to study the images of the United States and the Soviet Union during the Cold War. It will be published in the October-December 2002 issue of Letras de Deusto, the linguistics journal of University of Deusto, Spain.

**Welcome**

Beatrice M. Purcell has accepted the position of administrative clerk in the Office of Admission. The Evansville resident previously worked as a purchasing agent at Rogers Jewelers and as a secretary in Allied Health at USI.

Barbara Taylor has accepted the position of administrative assistant in nursing. The Evansville resident previously worked as an adjunct faculty member at Southwest Florida Community College, as art director at Schneider, DeMuth Advertising in Louisville, and as associate editor at Bell and Howell in
Louisville. She holds a BA in fine art from University of Louisville and has published 15 mystery novels under the names Taylor McCafferty, Tierney McClellan, and Barbara Taylor McCafferty for Pocket, Signet, and Kensington Books. She is a member of Sisters in Crime and the Mystery Writers of America.

In sympathy

The University community extends sympathy to the family of Elna Mattingy, administrative assistant in the School of Liberal Arts, whose father Chalon E. Lichtenberger, 90, Evansville, died October 24. Donations may be made to St. Paul’s United Church of Christ or the Alzheimer’s Association. Remembrances may be made online at www.mem.com.

In appreciation

“Thanks to the USI family for the expressions of sympathy through cards, flowers, food, donations, gifts, and prayers for my father Urban Will. My family appreciated the thoughtfulness.”
- Kathy Funke, director, News and Information Services

FYI

Early registration

Early registration for spring 2003 will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, November 4-8, and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. November 11 and 13-15 in the office of the student advisor. Evening and Saturday early registration will be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. November 11, also in the office of the student advisor. For more information, e-mail kkdupont@usi.edu.

Food closet

A Richibald Eagle’s Food Closet needs the following items: canned meats (such as tuna and chicken), canned fruits, canned pastas (such as ravioli and spaghetti), boxed cereal, gelatin and pudding, macaroni and cheese, tissue, and paper towels.

Donations may be taken to the Office of Student Life, Room 007 on the University Center’s lower level. The food closet provides non-perishable food and non-food items to USI students and employees in financial straits or emergency situations.

Newsletter deadline

Friday, November 1, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of University Notes. Submissions received after the deadline will be published at the discretion of the editorial staff.

Submissions may be made via e-mail to Libby L. Keeling, associate editor. Submissions for the “Marketplace” column should be sent to Karen Altstadt, online editor.

Bake sale

The USI Master of Social Work Student Association will hold a bake sale and toy drive benefitingArkansas Nursery from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, November 7, outside the University Center, where used toys and children’s books will be collected, and bake sale items will be sold for 50-cents each.

Toys also may be taken to the Social Work Department in the Health Professions Center.

Marketplace

For sale

Posey County building lot – one-acre corner lot, half-wooded, on Farview Drive in beautiful Woodland Court, located off Copperline Road. City water and gas available. Extra outbuildings allowed. $25,700. Call 985-2673.

1991 Dodge Stealth - white, V-6, CD player, tilt steering wheel, A/C, car cover, 126,000 miles. Very fun to drive! Call 985-5309.

1996 Chevy S10 Blazer LT - four-door, V6, automatic transmission, 4 x 4, 58,000 miles, leather interior, A/C, power windows/locks, tilt/cruise, AM/FM radio, CD player, very clean, excellent condition, one owner, $10,200. Call 812/838-3614.

1998 Dodge Ram 4x4 - extended cab, new transmission, new A/C, 147,000 highway miles, good condition: $9,500 OBO. Call 421-0196, leave message.

15 ft. camper - sleeps six, gas stove, refrigerator, sink, toilet/shower, great for hunters: $500 OBO. Call 421-0196, leave message.

Large cushioned blue chair - very comfortable: $25; set of two matching tall book shelves - dark wood, one of the shelves has a drop-down desktop: $25/set. Both ideal for den or residence hall. Call 402-8766 and leave number on answering machine.

Small butcher block table - solid maple, 18” square by 33.5” high, excellent condition. This is the real thing. Brand name is Boos Blocks: $150. Contact Larry Goss, 963-0918, or rlgoss@evansville.net.

Hunter green sofa and loveseat - cherry finish coffee table and two end tables, excellent condition, very comfortable: $400. Call 985-7285.

Pets

Free kittens to loving home - born end of August, several to choose from: gray, black striped/calico maybe, tan and red. Call Teresa, Ext. 1207 or 401-7285.

Donations

Household items - bed frames, mattresses, lamps, etc., needed by single mother of four, one with cerebral palsy, who is now off Welfare and living in a Habitat home. Information: saxrea@usi.edu.

Membership openings

The Evansville Morning Rotary Club has openings in its membership and would like to hear from any interested USI employees. The club meets at 7 a.m. each Thursday morning for breakfast at the Executive Inn. Interested people may call David Herrenbruck ’74, 456-4014.

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Friday, November 1, is the deadline for submitting information for the next “Marketplace.” Submissions may be made via e-mail to kaltstad@usi.edu.

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