Stevens honored for volunteer contribution

A dedicated Athletics volunteer has been named USI’s 2002 Volunteer of the Year, the highest volunteer honor awarded by the University.

For the last 12 years, David Stevens has given outstanding service to the Athletics Department. He brings a high level of passion to his volunteer role while hosting officials at home basketball games, setting up the locker room for officials, and keeping them posted on court times and the official clock.

He is known throughout the Great Lakes Valley Conference as a person who does all he can to make officials and visiting teams comfortable. His volunteer responsibilities also include setting up the electronics and sound system required by the officials’ table and providing security.

Earlier this year, the GLVC commissioner requested Stevens as the official host of referees for the NCAA Division II Elite Eight Basketball Championship held in Evansville.

“We consider David an integral part of the Athletics family,” said Jon Mark Hall, USI athletic director. “David never asks for attention or notoriety for what he does. He just volunteers because he loves being a part of USI events.”

A friend to USI athletes, Stevens performs many of the same duties for home volleyball games as he does for basketball. He is a past member of the Volunteer USI Council and is a valued Physical Activities Center volunteer who frequently prepares the facility for home athletic events.

A graduate of University of Evansville, he is a chaplain with Land Between the Lakes Ministries and the Indiana Goldwing Chapter IN-O. He and his wife of 38 years, Lois, the PAC building and equipment supervisor, reside in Mount Vernon. They are the parents of the late Christy Lee Parsley and are grandparents of Candice, Benjamin, and Nathaniel.

Since the inception of the Volunteer USI program in 1996, Stevens has accumulated 1,560 hours of service. He is the University’s sixth Volunteer of the Year. The award was presented August 8 at the Volunteer USI Recognition Dinner, where nearly 450 individuals who donated 20 or more hours of service to USI last year also were honored.

Award to honor Braysmith’s teaching

Dr. Hilary Braysmith, associate professor of art history, will be honored with the 2002 H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award at USI’s Fall Faculty and Administrative Staff Meeting, which will begin at 8:15 a.m. Monday, August 19, in Carter Hall.

The award, focusing exclusively on teaching, honors a faculty member whose work in University Core courses has been especially creative and successful in furthering UCC goals.

Documentation supporting Braysmith’s nomination included the following enthusiastic student comments:

“She gets an A+. Few professors have the dignity and respect for their students like Dr. Braysmith. She doesn’t accept ‘whatever.’ She demands the best from you, and whether you like it or not, you give it to her. I FEEL LIKE I GOT MY MONEY’S WORTH! I felt challenged, and when I was in this class I felt like I was in college. The class is not for my major, but I feel like it fit, and could fit, with every class I will take at USI.”

Braysmith’s areas of specialization are modern and contemporary art, and art by and about women. A member of the Graduate Council, Honors Council, and RISC Committee, she has won numerous scholarships, fellowships, and awards, and is a published author who has chaired sessions, given workshops, and presented papers and lectures.

In nominating Braysmith for the award, her colleague, Joan Kempf, assistant professor of graphic design, wrote:

“Her classes set the stage for students to work hard and reach high academic standards. Whether or not they pursue any additional art history courses, these achievements will serve them in their future courses of study, professional careers, or life experiences…

“In all of her core curriculum courses, Dr. Braysmith strongly emphasizes critical thinking and information processing. She does this by challenging her students to analyze and compare works of art throughout the ages while opening their minds to understanding art.”

Braysmith joined the University in 1989. She holds a Ph.D. in the history of art from Ohio State University.

The H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award is named for an Evansville philanthropist and long-time supporter of USI. It includes a $1,500 stipend plus additional funds available for faculty development. A part of the award, Braysmith will make a presentation that relates to teaching or educational philosophy on campus during the 2002-03 academic year.

USI makes art history

After a hiatus of more than 160 years, an original John James Audubon copper plate went back to work August 1, when Michael A. Akhus, professor of art, pulled an impression from its carved and etched surface in the Art Studio at USI.

The plate, purchased by the Friends of Audubon and Preston Family Foundation last year, is part of the collection at the John James Audubon Museum in Henderson. When the museum’s support group spearheaded its acquisition, the “Friends” obtained the right to make restrikes from the plate as well.

Restrikes, prints pulled from original copper plates without the input or direct involvement of the artist or engraver, have been done in the past. The most notable restrikes are called the A lectos, which were commissioned by the American Museum of Natural History.

A audubon Museum's plate, which depicts a male and a female tell-tail godwit, is one of only 78 remaining plates of the original 435 used in Audubon’s four-volume masterpiece, The Birds of America. The plates were last used by a London printer in 1838.
Roughly 30 years later, A udubon's impoverished widow sold all of the plates to a foundry to be melted down as scrap metal. Seventy-eight were saved when the foundry foreman's son convinced his mother to intervene.

Don Boarman, curator of the Audubon Museum, said the results of the USI printing were encouraging. The museum, located on U.S. 41-North, displays priceless artifacts of the premier natural history and wildlife artist of the 19th century who lived in Henderson for a number of years. Its collection includes a rare edition of The Birds of America as well as the copper plate used in the restriking at USI, which utilized the intaglio printing process.

The University will retain two of the seven prints pulled on campus. Additional photos and information are available online at www.usi.edu/newsinfo/audubon.asp.

Service-learning expert to speak

Dr. Edward Zlotkowski, senior associate for Service-Learning Projects at the American Association for Higher Education, will be the featured speaker at the Fall Faculty and Administrative Staff Meeting Monday, August 19. "Higher Education as a Public Good: Reclaiming the Tradition" will be his topic.

A professor of English at Bentley College in Massachusetts, Zlotkowski founded the Bentley Service-Learning Project, which has involved all of the college's undergraduate departments.

As a senior faculty fellow at Campus Compact, he has worked to create professional development opportunities in service learning for provosts and deans as well as a series of summer institutes for engaged academic departments.

Zlotkowski has written and spoken extensively on a range of service-learning topics and regularly uses service learning in his own teaching. Since 1995, he has served as general editor of a monograph series exploring the relationship between service learning and academic disciplines.

His presentation will be at 10:30 a.m. The Fall Faculty and Administrative Staff Meeting will begin at 8:15 a.m. in Carter Hall. Coffee and rolls will be served at 7:45. The agenda also includes a welcome, introductions, and announcements. Lunch will be served at noon in The Loft and The Conference Center.

All new faculty members and administrators should sit in the reserved front middle section of Carter Hall. A nyone unable to attend the meeting should have the absence approved by the appropriate dean.

Following lunch, Zlotkowski will present a workshop, "Fundamentals of Service-Learning Course Design," from 1:15 to 3 p.m. in Carter Hall. Administrators and full-time faculty members are invited to attend.

Linda Hoops to be honored

Dr. Linda Hoops, Ed.D., R.D., F.M.P., director of Academic Relations of the Hospitality Business Alliance for the National Restaurant Association in Chicago and wife of USI President Dr. H. Ray Hoops, will be awarded the International Council on Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Education's Howard B. Meek Award Friday, August 9.

The award is the highest individual recognition a member of the council may receive. It is presented annually to a member in recognition of the individual's lifetime contributions and outstanding service to hospitality education.

Hoops, who has served the hospitality industry for more than 30 years, has held various academic positions and is former director of several study abroad programs. In her many years of service to the International Council on Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Education (CHRIE), she has served as chairman and president as well as on a variety of council committees.

She also has been the recipient of many other industry awards, including the Educational Institute American Hotel and Motel Association's Lamp of Knowledge Award and the Steven W. Fletcher Achievement Award.

The Meek Award is a living memorial to the late Howard B. Meek, a pioneer in American hospitality education. The first dean of the School of Hotel Administration at Cornell University, Meek also served as executive vice president of International CHRIE.

Hoops' award will be presented during a special luncheon at the annual CHRIE Conference and Exhibition in Orlando, Fla.

USI educating state fair visitors

USI is joining other state and independent colleges in an informational booth at the Indiana State Fair, which began August 7 in Indianapolis.

"We're serving the people of Indiana - bringing awareness of the University and the attributes of our University to fairgoers," said C.J. Regin, director of USI Special Events. "We have a good position in Expo Hall. It's close to the front entrance, and we're anticipating a great deal of traffic through the booth."

Each participating university will have a display in the 30-by-40-foot Higher Education Booth in Exposition Hall, located near Gate 1A on 38th Street in Indianapolis.

Brandi Bauer, senior administrative assistant in Special Events, will join Regin during USI's shifts at the booth that also will feature displays from Ball State, Indiana State, IUPUI, Ivy Tech, Purdue, Vincennes, independent colleges, and the Indiana College Network. USI's floor-stand display, an overview of the University, features all new graphics this year.

Computers also will be available, allowing visitors to access online information about specific universities as well as more general information about postsecondary opportunities, financial aid, and more.
aid, and career exploration. Representatives working in the booth provide information about other participating schools as well as their own. The fair will continue through August 18.

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Exhibit opening in New Harmony

“Painting,” an exhibit of works by Ben Dallas and Timothy Van Laar, will open at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art Saturday, August 10, when a free public reception for the artists will be held from 5 to 7 p.m.

Both artists explore the inherent tension in restrained use of pattern, and they each have been featured in numerous solo and group exhibitions.

Dallas creates abstract vertical paintings on wood that can be viewed as minimalist sculptures. He is a professor at William Rainey Harper College in Illinois and holds an M.A. in art history from University of Illinois, Champaign.

Van Laar applies oil and wax to rectangular canvases, creating interesting patterns and bold colorfields. He is a professor at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and holds an M.F.A. from Wayne State University in Michigan.

The exhibit was made possible by the support of USI and the Indiana Arts Commission. It will remain on display through September 21.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For Sunday hours or additional information, call 812/682-3156.

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Names in the news

Achievements

Dr. Charles Harrington, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs, and associate professor of management, and Dr. Timothy Schibik, director of the Center for Teaching and Learning and professor of economics, had an article, “Part-Time Faculty Utilization and Academic Department Vitality,” published in The Department Chairperson: A Resource for Academic Administrators (Vol. 13, No. 1, Summer 2002).

Harrington also received the Best Conference Presentation Award for his paper, “Reframing Institutional Research: Implications for Practice,” at the 16th Annual Conference of the Indiana Association for Institutional Research.

Carolyn Roth, special part-time instructor in art, is exhibiting Enlightened, a watercolor, in the Ninth Annual Member’s Show at Woman Made Gallery in Chicago. The show opened earlier this month and will continue through August 29. It can be viewed online at www.womanmade.org.

Congratulations

Kate Linderman, manager of Development and Public Programs for Historic New Harmony, and her husband Mike are the parents of a daughter, Mary Rachel, born July 22. The baby weighed 4 pounds, 10 ounces. She, her mom, and dad all are doing well.

Welcome

Stephen K. Callaway, C.M.A., has accepted the position of assistant professor of management. The Evansville resident previously worked as senior accountant at Siemens Electromechanical Components and as an instructor at Temple University, where he is a doctoral candidate. He holds a B.A. from Ball State University and an M.B.A. from Indiana University. In 2001, he received the Best Graduate Student Paper Award from Midwest Academy of Management.

Angela Kannebeck has accepted the position of administrative assistant in Residence Life. The Evansville resident is majoring in business at USI, where she previously was a student worker in the Office of the Registrar.

Grants

- New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art, $4,583; The New Harmony Theatre, $5,126; and RopeWalk/Southern Indiana Review, $2,297, from the Indiana Arts Commission – Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana.

In appreciation

“To the University community:

“Thank you very much for the recent responses to the news of my sister’s death. Sara Margaret Kroeger was a very spiritual and loving person. The University community has responded in like fashion with its outpouring of love and support. Let me extend the gratitude felt by the whole Kroeger family to the people of USI who have embraced us at this most difficult time.”

- Jill Kinkade, instructor in English

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Summer session

The third summer session will conclude Friday, August 16. For more information, e-mail kkdupont@usi.edu.

Effective interviewing

Learn effective interviewing skills with facilitators Molly McConnell, assistant director of Human Resources, and Vicki Oshodi, Human Resources generalist, at an interactive training session Thursday, August 15.

The training session, which will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon in the University Center, is open to USI employees who interview and select candidates for employment.

Newsletter deadline

Friday, August 16, is the deadline for submitting information for the next online issue of University Notes. Friday, August 23. 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.

Fall move

Residence Life is seeking volunteers to assist in its Fall Move In Celebration from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, August 22 and 23.

Volunteers are needed to welcome USI students and families by greeting the students, helping move their belongings into their rooms, serving refreshments, talking to parents, giving directions, or providing other forms of support. To volunteer, e-mail jpayne@usi.edu.

Read Notes ONLINE:

www.usi.edu/newinfo/newnotes.asp
 Volunteers are needed to help welcome students to campus during the opening days of the fall semester when the University will sponsor three welcome/information tents in addition to staffing the University Center Information Desk.

Volunteer opportunities are available from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. August 24, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. August 25, from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. August 26, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. August 27, and from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. August 28. To volunteer, e-mail eramsey@usi.edu.

Fall 2002

Fall 2002 classes will begin August 26. For more information, e-mail kkdupont@usi.edu.

Marketplace

For sale

1814 S. Green River Road - three bedroom, one-and-one-half baths, large shaded corner lot with three-car garage. Home has 1,752 sq. ft., maintenance-free vinyl siding, newer roof, furnace, and water heater. New kitchen, bath fixtures, carpets, and fresh paint everywhere. Immediate possession: $93,900. Call 475-9520.


4701 Meadow Crest Court - quiet westside neighborhood. Beautifully landscaped three-bedroom, two-bath home with two-car garage on cul-de-sac. Located next to woods. Follow Boehne Camp Road south, turn left on Middle Mount Vernon Road, then left into Westwood subdivision. Must see. Priced to sell at $128,900. Call 464-5818 or 204-2448.

1244 Oriole Circle - five bedrooms, two baths, 2,338 sq. ft., two stories, mature trees, formal living room, large country kitchen, den with wood-burner and French doors, screened porch, chain-link fenced backyard, two-car attached garage with attic storage, above-ground pool with deck, new furnace and gas water heater, central air: $104,500. Contact 838-3228, 455-2530, or two308@usi.edu.

4988 Thomas Circle - three-bedroom, one-and-one-half bath, 1,752 sq. ft., maintenance-free vinyl siding, newer roof, furnace, and water heater. Like-new condition, stored inside: $2,200 OBO. Call 6488.


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