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Trip to Red Skelton Museum

On May 1, 2018, USI retirees visited the Red Skelton Museum in Vincennes. We stopped for lunch in downtown Vincennes at Peafection Restaurant, then drove on to the Vincennes University campus and the museum.

Our tour began with a video presentation about Vincennes's own Red Skelton. Then we wandered through the museum watching video clips from Skelton's television show featuring the many characters he played, reading playbills from his motion pictures, and seeing his clown paintings. One station offers an interactive video allowing visitors to mimic Skelton's motions, a big part of his comedy. We encourage all who remember Red Skelton to visit this museum and enjoy his comedy once more.



USI retirees visit the Red Skelton Museum May 1, 2018. From left: Marlene Shaw, John Hunt, Helen Fisher, USI friend, Donna Laymon, Roberta Schweizer, Phil Fisher, Mary Branson, Brian Branson.



Again this summer, some dozen retirees attended a Sunday matinee at New Harmony Theatre. This time we saw the performance *Born Yesterday* and, afterwards, went to Sara's Harmony Way for snacks, drinks, and conversation, compliments of Sherrienne Standley, our host. How fortunate we are to see professional theater and visit with colleagues in such an enjoyable setting.

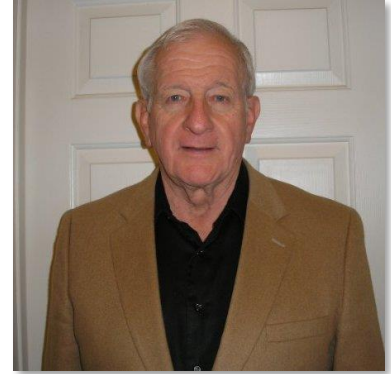


USI retirees enjoy snacks and drinks at Sara's Harmony Way in New Harmony. Top: Nancy Bizal, Marlene Shaw. Bottom: Helen Fisher, Phil Fisher, Lynda Wilhelms, Tom Wilhelms.



Message from Our President

I am writing this message on the day after the President's reception at the Griffin Center. About 60 retirees attended, using the opportunity to catch up on what we all have been doing or undergoing. Hors d'oeuvres and an open bar added to our enjoyment. I had the pleasure of introducing USI's fourth president, Dr. Ronald Rochon, who brought us up to date on construction of the new arena and USI's growing international outreach. At the reception, we announced the Retirees' Coordinating Council authorized a \$500 gift to the Dr. Stephen E. and Dr. Linda L. M. Bennett Endowed Presidential Scholarship.



In addition, we asked retirees to save the date for our "Not Back to School" gathering at Turoni's on Main Street, which took place on August 14. This event occurs twice a year to coincide with the all-University meeting and is one of our most popular events.

Our annual meeting will be November 15 at a time and location to be determined. We will elect new Council officers and members—if interested in serving, please email Nils Johansen at johansen@usi.edu. Then we will tour the still-under-construction arena.

Sometime soon, I will send a survey of possible retiree events to determine your interest in activities suggested to the Council. I hope you will respond, letting us know what you might like to do with your former colleagues.

Phil Fisher
 President, USI Retirees Council
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Welcome New Retirees!

We welcome the following friends and colleagues to retirement:

Joanne R. Artz
 Cynthia S. Brinker
 Joan D. deJong
 Craig Ehlen
 Cheryl Grant
 Allen E. Helmstetter
 Marilyn M. Hurst
 Billy N. Littlefield II
 Behnam Poormokhtar
 Martin A. Reed
 Robin C. Warford

Congratulations USI Retirees Grant Award Recipients

Matthew J. Gabrielle
 Julie N. Morgan
 Bailee N. Moser
 Darla S. Perigo
 Joshua D. McWilliams

These grant recipients are full-time, benefits-eligible employees seeking degrees at USI. The grants of \$100 each are funded through USI Retirees membership dues.

USI Retirees in the News

USI retirees attended the Retirees' Reception at the USI Griffin Center on July 26, 2018. Top left: Glenna Kinsey, David Kinsey, Linda Cleek. Top right: Roberta Schweizer, Velva Kaffenberger, Beatrice Purcell, Jan Coutts. Bottom left: Nils Johansen, Jane Johansen, Nancy Bizal.

USI's fourth president, Dr. Ron Rochon, speaks to retirees at the Retirees' Reception.



USI retirees enjoyed a meal together at Turoni's on January 8, 2018, and August 14, 2018. Top left: Jim Werner, Roberta Schweizer, Connie Pitzer, Don Pitzer, Sharon Morrow. Top right (August): Jim Bandoli, Jim Werner, Roberta Schweizer. Bottom right: Phil Fisher, Helen Fisher, Sharon Morrow, Don Pitzer. Bottom left: Donna Laymon, Marlene Shaw, James Bandoli.



Retirees' Directory

At the Retirees' Reception on July 26, we distributed the latest version of the USI Retirees' Directory. If you did not receive one, call or email the USI Foundation at 812-464-1918 or giving@usi.edu.

In Memoriam

Stephen R. Elsfelder
Retiree

Carol Hermes
Retiree

Michael E. Laster
Husband of Retiree
Debra S. Laster

Dolores Jochim McCartt
Retiree

William H. Sands
Husband of Retiree
Dr. Helen R. Sands

Pauline M. Schuyler
Retiree

Margaret Skoglund
Retiree

Phyllis S. Toy
Retiree

Pam Wade
Retiree

Byron C. Wright
Retiree

Membership in USI Retirees

Membership in USI Retirees is open to retired employees, spouses, partners and surviving spouses and partners.

To become an active member or to renew your membership, send us your address, telephone numbers, email and a list of your interests with an annual \$20 check (per person) payable to USI Retirees.

Mail to USI Retirees, c/o USI Foundation, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. Dues cover the time period from an Annual General Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting (November).



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Dr. Linda L. M. Bennett
will deliver the
Stephens-Otterson Lecture
October 14, 2018, 2:00 p.m.
Trinity United Methodist Church
216 S. E. Third Street
Evansville, Indiana 47713



The lecture is free and open to the public.

Many thanks to Sherry Darrell, editor of Vintage Times.