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Office created to promote service learning

A commission is currently developing alternative ways for students to learn.

By Christina Moore
 The Sagamore

The Office of Service Learning was established in November to promote the concept of service learning in the university's curriculum.

IUPUI Chancellor Gerald Bepko and IUPUI Dean of Faculties William Plater recently circulated a letter among faculty to announce the formation of this new commission and solicit their involvement.

The commission is charged with assisting faculty in integrating service learning into classes, either through developing new courses or redesigning existing ones.

The program also emphasizes providing students with options for service learning, such as alternative spring breaks, and serves as a clearinghouse of information for both students and faculty regarding service learning opportunities in the community.

This is to be accomplished through the creation of three preliminary working committees: an Advisory Committee for Service Learning, a Voluntary Service Committee and a Campus-Coordinating Committee for Service.

The latter will act to bridge the gap between service learning and the related, more traditional concept of voluntary service by promoting the notion of service as a valuable part of the education experience.

"Service learning is a whole other initiative beginning on college campuses," explained Julie Hatcher, an instructor in the School of Education who has been named assistant director of Service Learning.

"First, it hopes to encourage more of a culture of service among students and faculty and second (it is an extension of the conversation taking place generally in society regarding the value of community service. There is a concept of civic literacy which basically asks what constitutes a caring citizen, and (part of the answer is that) the educational exponent is an important part of citizenship," she said.

The escalating relevance of community service is exemplified in the National Commission on Community Service formed under former president George Bush.

Last September, Clinton took this a step further when his National Community



Brian Mohr/The Sagamore

Students endure temperatures as low as -27°C. IUPUI officials decided that these temperatures were not low enough to close the majority of classes last week.

Sub-zero temperatures

Throughout the week students faced unbearable conditions but the university would not close classes.

By Brian Moore
 The Sagamore

Last week, Indianapolis experienced the heaviest snowfall in 10 years, the coldest temperatures ever and wind chills that were characterized as "very dangerous."

Through it all, IUPUI classes and offices remained open despite the record-breaking weather conditions. Even though the campus was shut down between approximately 7 p.m. and 10 a.m. Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, most of the IUPUI populace found themselves braving the record low temperatures and snowfall to reach campus.

Reaching campus, though, wasn't the only problem caused by the winter weather. Pipe breaks in Herron's

Fessler Hall, the Science, Engineering and Technology III building and the Food Court disrupted classes and students trying to eat.

Robert Martin, vice chancellor for administrative affairs, said the water pipe breaks were minor and that more were expected. The break in the SET III closed classes in the entire building on Monday.

"That was simply a case of a frozen water line that fed the sprinkler system," he said. "We had some damage to some offices and corridors, so we elected to close SET III classes that day."

One of the hardest hit facilities was Herron School of Art. The old buildings are particularly vulnerable to the extreme temperatures.

William Voos, dean of Herron School of Art, said attendance during the first of the week was sparse at best. "I don't think there were 20 students here yesterday (Tuesday)," he said. "There were a number of class cancellations."

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Rob Walter/The Sagamore

The sprinkler system trunk line burst on the second floor of the west side of the LD building on Jan. 17. The incident caused water to flow down into the offices of the Psychology Department.

Teacher develops new methods for musical theory instruction

Multi-experimental teaching method relates music to ordinary activities.

By Ariane Townsend
 The Sagamore

Her classroom is full of children running, drawing and eating pie during a music lesson.

According to Ann Sloan, a professor in the IUPUI School of Music, these are creative methods she has developed to teach children music theory.

"Children need to be reached through more than one source. They need to use their bodies, their senses and a variety of materials and media in order to understand what they are learning," she explained.

Sloan thinks music and music professor, Don Campbell, said it best.

"The more connections that can be made in the brain, the more integrated the experience is within the memory."

This approach, which Sloan has dubbed "multi-experimental," is part of the music theory course she teaches to IUPUI

education majors.

Since Lipscomb, an elementary education major who took Sloan's course, found that children need to relate music to the things that they know in order for them to understand what they are learning.

Sloan's approach, which is based on a combination of methods and her own ideas, uses a variety of techniques to help children understand.

Children learn through clapping rhythms, using hand signals, drawing notes and rhythms, playing musical instruments and echoing their teacher.

Some of Sloan's creative approaches in teaching children include:

- feeling their own heartbeats to understand musical beats.
- using their imaginations to relate the musical staff and notes to a neighborhood of friends and cousins.
- and assigning different kinds of pie flavors to represent different types of rhythms and rewarding the children with an actual pie to eat after they understand the concepts.

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Nursing admissions questioned

Certain pre-nursing students are protesting guidelines for admission into ASN clinicals.

By Brian Mohr
 The Sagamore

Linda Suddoth is tired of being turned down. She, as well as other nursing students who feel they meet all the admission requirements for ASN clinicals, have been rejected numerous times and don't understand why.

Suddoth said one of the reasons for students being passed over more than once is the number of new students taking a single semester of 11 hours or more in general education courses towards the nursing degree and then gaining the opportunity for admittance into the Associated Science of Nursing (ASN) clinicals.

"These people are being allowed in for one reason or another over a lot of us who have been in pre-nursing for years and it's just not right," Suddoth explained.

The group has taken steps to get their problem recognized.

Recently, the group planned to meet with legislators at the Indiana Statehouse, but due to bad weather conditions, few attended.

"The weather made it hard for a lot of people to show up, so I'm going to get back on the phone, call them again, and try to get them

together to meet at the State of Indiana Commission for Higher Education hearing taking place on Feb. 3," Suddoth explained.

At this meeting the students hope to speak to members of the commission and give their side of the story.

"There are too many students with their lives being put on hold and something needs to be done," Suddoth said.

She said a solution for the situation is to not let any more new students in and take care of those who have been on the waiting list for years.

"They shouldn't allow any new students into clinicals before they deal with the people that have been on the waiting list and keep being advised to just take more classes. They need to put us in a pool, away from all of the new students, and start admitting us into clinicals," she said.

There are currently 1,666 pre-nursing students taking general education courses in the IU program. Out of that total number, 1,264 have applied for the 60 ASN clinical spaces open each semester.

Last semester only 56 students were being admitted, but due to the Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program being eliminated, four more spaces were added.

Suddoth is somewhat grateful for that increase but explained that if the School of Nursing would start warning students ahead of time of how large the current waiting list is

for the ASN clinicals, there might not be so many students in the IU nursing program in the first place.

When Suddoth and other students first got involved in the nursing program, it was based on a point system for ASN admissions. Since then, admissions have changed and they feel disadvantaged due to this.

In a memo sent to the Indiana Commission for Higher Education by Angela Barron McBride, dean of the IU School of Nursing, this concern of changing admissions is discussed.

"In order to give any IUPUI ASN students who perceive themselves to have been disadvantaged by the move away from the point system, eight spaces will be designated for each of the next three years to those students who were admitted to the IUPUI campus with a declared major of ASN nursing before the fall of 1992, have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, have completed all general education courses required of the ASN program and have applied but not been accepted one or more times. Determination of placement will be based on meeting the aforementioned criteria and performance on the NLN's Pre-admission Examination-RN test."

McBride's memo went on to state that this idea is currently being discussed and is contingent on hiring enough faculty to conduct necessary clinical teaching and reallocation of funds by the university.

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THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES PAGE

INFORMATION COMPILED BY BRIAN MOORE

Activities Calendar

Tuesday/25th

• Campus Crusaders for Christ presents a Bible study every Tuesday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in BS 3023. Come and join for a time of fellowship with other Christian students.

Wednesday/26th

• The Newman Center presents a "Midweek Menu" meal every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat home-cooked meal for only \$2.50 per person.

• Michael Dutton, member of the Indianapolis Baha'i Assembly will be speaking on "Spiritual living, Prayer and Meditation" at the next Baha'i Club meeting from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in UL 110. Persons of all religious affiliations are welcome to attend. All thoughts and opinions are appreciated and respected. Refreshments will be served.

Thursday/27th

• "Volcanism in the Central Andes, South America" is the topic at the Geology Club's Spring Colloquium Series lecture from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in SL 2022. The public is invited to hear Shanaka de Silva give this educational lecture.

Friday/28th

• This week's discussion at the International House begins at 5 p.m. at the International Commons of Warthin Apartments. Please join this weekly social event that takes place right here on campus. Call the International House at 274-5024 for details.

• "An American Tail" will be shown at the Spanish Club movie night from 7 to 10 p.m. in CA 507.

• The Undergraduate Student Assembly House of Organizations will be conducting its first meeting of the spring semester from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. All organizations representatives should attend. For more information including where the meeting will take place, call Erhan Cetinok at 274-3907 ext. 4.

Sunday/30th

• The Newman Club conducts a mass starting at 4 p.m. every Sunday in the Newman Center.

Saturday/29th

• The Newman Club is sponsoring a ski-trip to Brown County's Ski World. Price is \$23.00, and includes chair-lift, boots, skis and poles. Please register by Jan. 25. Call Don Quinn at 632-4378 for details.

Wednesday/2nd

• The Student Activities Office Student Leader/Advisor Reception will take place in the University Place Hotel Ballroom from 4 to 5:30 p.m. All student organization leaders and advisors are invited to attend this reception. Invitations will be sent soon. Please RSVP to Freda Luers in the Student Activities Office at 274-3931.

Saturday/5th

• Indiana University School of Dentistry students and faculty will offer free oral screenings, fluoride rinse treatments and toothbrushing instruction to elementary school-aged children of IUPUI students between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Dental School. This is part of the Dental Health Fair which celebrates Children's Dental Health Month. Call Isabel Vahedi-Johnson at 274-7957 for details.

Thursday/10th

• Global Studies, International Affairs Club and International House present a national teleconference with John Maxwell Hamilton entitled "Global Interdependence: The United States and The Third World." It will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. in NU 108.

Student Activities Programming Board Spirit Program

The Student Activities Programming Board presents its spring spirit program at two basketball games this semester.

The second game of the program takes place Tuesday February 1 at 2 p.m. in the Gym located in the Natatorium. This women's game follows the first program

which took place Saturday at the men's game.

Everyone is invited to attend this Spirit Program. Show the Metros your support and spirit by showing up and cheering them on to a victory. Door prizes will be given out.



Bulletin Board

Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity presents informational meetings

Alpha Phi Omega is a co-ed National Service Fraternity that serves the community.

The Tau Omicron Chapter at IUPUI, it is an organized unit of students willing to extend a helping hand wherever needed, whether it be the Ronald McDonald House, Riley Hospital, Habitat for Humanity, a fundraising drive for a national charity, or a service project at a scout camp.

Our chapter performs service in many ways for many different groups and institutions. If you are a student enrolled in classes this semester, interested in

servicing the community and the campus, we invite you to consider pledging Alpha Phi Omega.

Information Meetings: Come and meet us for information and fellowship on Sunday, January 23 at 4 p.m. and Thursday, January 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Business/SPEA 4095.

Induction of New Pledges: Will be held

Sunday, January 30 at 1 p.m. in Business/SPEA 4087. This is a mandatory ceremony.

For more information: Visit our Rush Tables in the Lecture Hall and Business/SPEA building 2nd floor or call Kristi McCann at 470-2867 (leave message) or Nathan Brindle at 274-3931.

Mini-grant funds available to student organizations

The Indiana Campus Compact Student Volunteer Services Coordinator wants to let student organizations know that mini-grant funds are available for their community service projects. There is \$2,000 available in the mini-grants.

Applications are available in the Student Activities Office in the basement of the old

How Student Organizations May Submit Items for This Page

Pick up a Sagamore submission form from the Office of Student Activities (LY002). Complete all information on the form, including contact person's name and telephone number. Return the completed form to the Office of Student Activities by 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to The Sagamore publication date. The Office of Student Activities will date stamp and prioritize all completed forms. (Refer to the chart at the right for publication deadlines.)

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**Note these dates! No issue during Spring Break!

Miss Black and Gold Pageant

Alpha Phi Alpha presents its Miss Black and Gold Scholarship Pageant Saturday March 5, 1994 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Madame C.J. Walker Theatre's Ballroom.

Any single, female student enrolled full-time is eligible to compete. First place scholarship will be awarded up to \$500. Applications are available on the door of the Multicultural Student Affairs Office. Call Ken Howard at 283-1145 for information.

library until Thursday, February 10. Call Benjamin Hunter in the Student Activities Office for details concerning the grants available.

Panhellenic Council seeking women to join national women's fraternities

The Panhellenic Council encourages any woman interested in joining one of the two national women's fraternities to call Freda Luers in the Student Activities at 274-3931.

Organizational Communications Association presents planning and get acquainted meeting

The Organizational Communication Association presents a get-acquainted meeting in CA 438 from 4 to 5 p.m. The meeting will be a planning session for the upcoming semester. Those interested in joining OCA can still do so for \$5 a semester. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Wrestling comes to IUPUI

Those interested in joining the Wrestling Club and eventually starting a Wrestling Team should contact Joey Sloan at 791-0601.

Accounting Club to conduct first meeting of semester

The Accounting Club conducts its first meeting of the semester on January 25 from 12:15 to 1 p.m. in BS 4093.

Marketing Club presents get acquainted meeting

The Marketing Club presents a get acquainted meeting where the club will announce its Spring Agenda. The meeting takes place January 26 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in BS 4093. Applications are available on the third floor of the Business School office window counter. Dues are \$6 a semester or \$20 for the year.

IUPUI's 25th Anniversary Party

The Student Activities Programming Board will be sponsoring an event to celebrate IUPUI's 25th anniversary.

The event takes place Thursday January 27th in the University Place Food Court from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to stop by the food court for the fun.

Included will be prizes, music, cake and lunch with IUPUI Chancellor Gerald Bekpo.



9th Annual Gospel Festival

The IUPUI 9th Annual Gospel Festival has been slated for Saturday February 26, 1994, at the Madame C. J. Walker Theatre at 7 p.m.

Advance tickets are already on sale and cost \$8. They can be obtained from the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs. They can be contacted at 274-4239.

Featured artist will be "The Ohio States' Mentoring Choir" from Columbus, Ohio. Last year's festival sold out 900 seats.

For more information, call the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs.

King honored at annual dinner

Guests joined together on Jan. 17 to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s accomplishments.

By Beverly Thompson
The Sagamore

The IUPUI Black Student Union held its 24th annual dinner to honor the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Jan. 17 at the West End banquet facility.

The guest speaker was Z. Mae Jimison, the first African-American female to serve as superior judge in the state of Indiana. Jimison is currently an assistant professor at Ball State University and IU-Kokomo, and is also director of the Office for Special Populations at the Indiana Department of Health.

According to Kimberly Walker, BSU secretary, tickets to accommodate 350 guests were sold.

Supporters from IUPUI included faculty members from the School of Social Work, School of Law, the Undergraduate Education Center, School of Nursing and the School of Journalism.

James W. Brown, dean of the School of Journalism, said his department had attended previous celebrations and he feels it's very important to acknowledge King's accomplishments. "We believe it's important to celebrate his birthday because he believed in education, which really is the salvation in our society," said Brown. "Education can lead to equality of opportunity," he added.

Invitations were also extended to the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, Indianapolis police chief James Toler, St. Vincent Hospital public relations executive William Taylor and Sam Jones, president of the Indianapolis Urban

League. Implementing an on-going communication between the school, the administration and the community is one of the primary goals of the BSU organization. Sponsorship of events that recognize positive individuals, with the support of the community, is one of the ways to foster the exchange of information.

"We feel it is a must to continue to recognize role models on campus," said Joseph T. Bledsoe, Jr., president of the BSU.

"We will continue to recognize other African-Americans throughout the month of February in conjunction with Black History month," he explained. A collage featuring the accomplishments of famous African-Americans will be on display in the main lobby of Cavanaugh Hall, Bledsoe added.

IUPUI Chancellor Gerald Bekpo reiterated the importance of community support and involvement, as well as the irony of this important celebration of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

King would have celebrated his 60th birthday this year and, perhaps, would be preparing for retirement, Bekpo said. His works and philosophies have inspired positive messages throughout the world.

"The meaning and the message are not ready for retirement," Bekpo told the audience. "That meaning is just being discovered and rediscovered and will shine like a beacon for decades and centuries to come." The university recently pledged to share a "vision that we are an open, welcoming, harmonious, nurturing, and generous community, with hope and opportunity for all diverse people," according to Bekpo.

He commended the BSU for their efforts in organizing and presenting the dinner celebration, in spite of the weather.

David Fredricks, public relations representative for the BSU and a board member, said the success of this event was an important message



Mark Owen/The Sagamore

Certain speakers, honorees and attendees included: (l to r) William T. Lewis, Lisa R. Muhammad, Daret Barber, Angela Ross, Andre X. Carson, Larry Barclay, Joseph T. Bledsoe, Jr., and Gerald Bekpo.

to be heard by students, the administration and members of the community.

"This will keep in focus for students the dreams and beliefs of Dr. King," said Fredricks. The event will also demonstrate the fact that IUPUI is attempting to become a multi-diverse campus, he added.

Shawn Spearman, an IUPUI student and member of "Inspired," a vocal group that provided the entertainment for the event, agrees with this notion.

"Events such as this give students not familiar with Martin Luther King, Jr. insight into the struggle and brings them a little closer to where we came from," she said.

"It seems that the school cares and shows all students—especially black students—that we are not overlooked," Spearman added. Jimison addressed the crowd with the four famous words most associated with King: "I have a dream."

Her request to keep the dream alive included a profound reminder that "a dream is only a possibility until someone takes action to make it a reality." Jimison urged students and community leaders to take advantage of King's legacy including his philosophy and ideals that he believed in throughout his life.

"He has given us a valuable inheritance—a blessing which some have used and others have put on the

shelf," Jimison said. "Beneficiaries of his dream must improve on it and pass it on."

Straight Company, an a cappella gospel group, accompanied Jimison and honored her by performing a song she penned in memory of King.

The BSU presented their annual awards to persons who have emulated the life and philosophy of King. This year's recipients include:

- Angela Ross, the "Dr. Joseph P. Taylor Academic Award."
- Daret Barber, the "I Have a Dream Award."
- Larry Barber, a BSU advisor, the "Advocate of a Dream Award."

The prestigious "Drum Major Award" was presented to Center Township trustee and former State Rep. Julia Carson.

The success of this event is vital to the BSU's survival. Officers and committee members worked hard to produce an event that would emphasize to the administration the importance of funding for the Black Student Union and other organizations that have suffered from recent cutbacks. Chancellor Bekpo urged the students to continue their celebrations such as this that help to establish the meaning and purpose of King's life and memory.

Learning

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Service Act was passed. However, the university's interest in and efforts to incorporate service learning, predate Clinton's legislation—the specifics of which have yet to be disclosed.

Hatcher traces the initiative, which led to the formation of the Service Learning, to a seminar held last summer by six IUPUI educators.

"The seminar was sponsored by the Campus Compact, an organization founded in the late 1980s by a group of university presidents who agreed on the importance of promoting service on campus through its integration into academics. IU President Thomas Ehrlich, an early advocate who 'signed on' in the beginning, is this year's national president," Hatcher said.

"We returned from the institute with an action plan. Our initial thought was how we can combine voluntary service with service learning and implement them in a way that most greatly empowers students and faculty," she said.

"There is a clear difference between (voluntary service and service learning). Volunteerism is the more traditional approach to community service, and is often centralized through a student run activities office. In voluntary service, there is no one to help the student process and what they are bumping up against, and volunteers sometimes take on a patronizing view (of the community which they are helping)," Hatcher said.

Music

Lipscomb thinks this type of teaching will be helpful with her future students.

"It makes learning exciting and they know it's something fun, so they will relax a little more while they're learning," she said.

"If they have something fun like this in the classroom, then they will want to learn other academic subjects," Lipscomb added.

According to Charles Barman, chairman of teachers education for the School of Education, this interrelation of academic subjects is a common teaching method in classrooms today. "There is a big trend in elementary education to use a thematic approach where they take a given topic and show how it relates to other areas," Barman said.

Sloan thinks it is important for teachers to teach music in their classrooms. "The study of music stimulates the areas of the brain that are used for math and science skills," she explained.

Sloan cited the case of a school in New York that decided to drop music from its curriculum in order to save money.

Over three years, the students' math

and science scores dropped significantly. "Experts were called in to determine the reason for the drop. The only thing they could find that was different in the school was the fact that music had been dropped." Upon their recommendation, the school added music back into the curriculum and, within three years, the students' math and science scores were back up again.

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Weather

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The snow also put an interesting twist into the always difficult parking situation.

Students who use the parking garage on New York Street were unable to park on the top floor due to the large amounts of snow.

Although it may seem like the extenuating circumstances were enough to close classes, according to Martin, the criteria for such a decision is complex, and they were not quite met until the closure on Tuesday evening.

"The decision to cancel classes during bad weather is based on the accessibility to campus, condition of buildings and health and safety," he said in an announcement made through media relations.

"During severe weather conditions, a decision is made by 4 a.m. each class day on whether roads to campus are passable, and if parking lots can be cleared," he added.

The decision to close on Tuesday night, Martin said, was a definite result of the health and safety issue.

Richard Fredland, president of the faculty council and chairman of political science, didn't fully agree with the decision to continue holding classes but nonetheless was "pleased with what the administration decided." "I think frankly we should've closed. We did close until 10 a.m. (Wednesday) and that seems to be a fair balance," he said.

Meteorologist Chris Wright from WXIN-TV labeled Tuesday's temperature of 27 degrees below zero and windchills of nearly 60 below as "very dangerous." Temperatures recorded Wednesday morning were the lowest since 1884, and the Sunday night snowfall was the most since 1984, he said.

He went on to say it was "ridiculous" that IUPUI students were not given more time off.

Low temperatures weren't the only dangerous aspect of last week's weather.

"I risked injury to come to class," Karl Kroening, a senior in telecommunications, said.

Some did more than just risk injury. Dawn Smith, a sophomore in UEC, slipped on the ice between Cavanaugh Hall and the Lecture Hall and had to be taken to Riley Hospital's Emergency Room for a back injury.

Smith, who suffers from spina bifida, wears leg braces which make it difficult for her to walk, especially on ice. Jim Ingram, a friend of Smith's and an employee of the Bookstore said.

"She was complaining of pain in the left-hand side of her back and her head," he said. "She was in a lot of pain," Kroening added. "I wish she had to ask 'people I didn't even know for help' to walk on the icy sidewalks.

"It was really difficult for me?" she explained.

Frank Epperson, a senior majoring in physical education, and Marc Scott, a junior in telecommunications, also found themselves in a difficult situation due to the weather conditions.

While on the way to "get something to eat," their wheelchairs became stuck in the snow.

"We were probably stuck for a good three minutes," Epperson said. "That may not seem like a long time, but when you're outside, it is."

Aside from personal injury, the Indiana University Police Department responded to numerous accidents, stalls and requests for jump-starts.

"When I heard UPS had part-time jobs for students, I figured a job is a job, right? WRONG! I could make about \$10,000 per year for working about four hours per day in Operations. And before I could blink, they threw in great benefits like:

- paid holidays
- paid vacations
- medical coverage

I was speechless! But then they went on talking about my promotion opportunities. They even said I could pick my own hours: mornings or evenings – whichever I wanted. Plenty of time to study, and I can have my weekends free. That nailed it! It's not like UPS is doing more for me, it's like they can't do enough for me. That's my kind of company!"



"My part-time job is a lot more than just work."

Schedule an interview for on-campus recruiting
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World class facility not used by Metros

■ The Natorium is used by various collegiate teams and other organizations to practice and compete. However, IUPUI students do not use the facility to compete at the college athletic level.

By Molly Muller Smith
The Sagamore

The \$21.5 million Indiana University Natorium opened in 1982, and since then many major swimming and diving meets have taken place, but there has never been an IUPUI swimming and diving team compete in the pool.

IUPUI does not have a men's or women's swimming and diving team. IUPUI Athletic Director Hugh Wolf said the Natorium is one of the finest swimming facilities in the world, but the main reason IUPUI does not have a swimming and diving program is lack of interest by the students.

He said the student interest of why there is no program at such a world class facility is just curiosity. He does not believe the same people that ask why there is no program are interested in participating in a swimming and diving at IUPUI.

Sophomore Jenny Pinckert, a dental hygiene student, said, "I was a swimmer in high school and wanted to swim in college, but I came to IUPUI because of high tuition costs at other universities that offered swimming programs."

She said she was disappointed that there was no swimming program offered at IUPUI.

Pinckert said, "I believe that IUPUI has enough student interest to organize a swim club and eventually become a varsity sport."

Wolf said he had had one or two students come to his office inquiring about a swimming and diving team, but there have not been students pounding on his door inquiring about swimming and diving like there has been for other sports. Wolf said students who were interested in a track and golf program got together and came to his office to show their interest in starting a club for their sport.

Wolf said currently there is no budget to develop a swimming and diving program at IUPUI. The Natorium hired a new assistant aquatic program director Ed Merkling and Wolf said that he and Julie McKenney, Natorium director, discussed the idea of incorporating a swim club into Merkling's job description.

"The Natorium would be an enormous recruiting tool," Wolf said.

Merkling said he has not been specifically asked to coach the team, but it was an idea that was touched on during his interview in September.

Merkling said the first step in starting a swimming program at IUPUI would be to start a United States Swimming age-group program. He said the age-group program would generate interest in the community and eventually become a feeder program for higher levels of swimming. He said once an age-group program is in place there should be a college team on a club level and eventually it should become a varsity sport.

Merkling said he thinks IUPUI could have a successful swimming and diving program and that the University may draw more full-time students that are interested in swimming if there was a program offered.

"I think it would be a great opportunity to be a part of the first swimming program at IUPUI," said Merkling.

Since the opening of the Natorium in 1982, seven NCAA Div. I Men's Swimming and Diving Championships, four NCAA Div. II Women's Swimming and Diving Championships and one NCAA Div. I Men's Water Polo Championship have taken place. There has also been nine Men's Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships and four Women's Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships at the Natorium.

The NCAA Div. I Women's Swimming and Diving Championships and Men's and Women's Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships are scheduled to take place at the IU Natorium this spring.

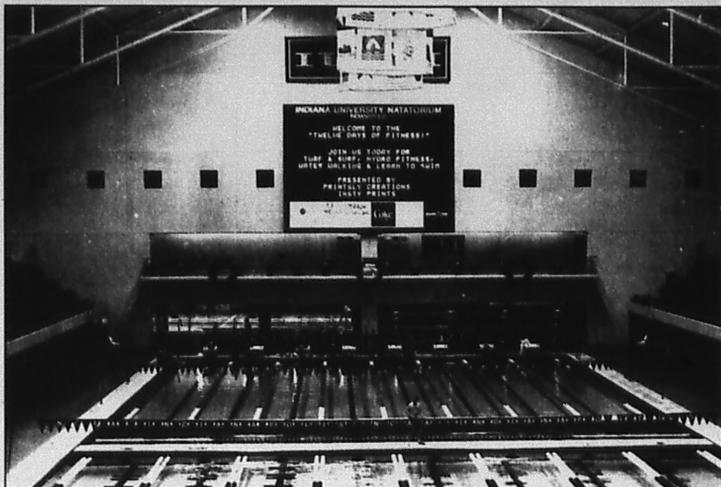
Purdue women's swimming coach Kathy Wright Eger said the IU Natorium is "fabulous" and that "the entire team gets psyched up when they compete at the facility."

Eger said she thinks it is a shame to have such a great facility and no program at IUPUI, but she realizes that it takes a great deal of work to be competitive in a varsity sport.

"Competition wise IUPUI has the best facility in the United States," said Purdue men's swimming coach Dan Ross.

He added that a team at IUPUI could be an asset to the University if it was a quality program.

Indiana women's assistant swimming coach Stephanie Hinon thinks the IU Natorium is an outstanding facility. She said swimming at



Todd Smith/Contributing To The Sagamore

Groups such as The Rivers Swim Club use the Natorium regularly. However, the Metros have never had a swim team use it.

IUPUI could be successful if there was a good coach to start and develop a program.

The U.S. Olympic Trials in Swimming and Diving took place at the Natorium in 1984 and 1992.

During the swimming trials in March of 1992 Anita Nall of Towson, Md., set the World Record in the 200-meter breast-stroke with a time of 2:25.35 at the Natorium.

"The Natorium is one of my favorite pools to swim in because it is really nice and the water temperature is perfect," Nall said.

She said the pool is one of the fastest in the world and she enjoys competing at the facility.

Nall, a senior at Towson Catholic High School in Maryland, said, "I think IUPUI should definitely have a team because swimming should be in all colleges and it is such a beautiful facility." She added that swimming is one of the most widely watched spectator sports in the Olympics.

"The Natorium is a beautiful facility and it is one of my favorite indoor facilities," said Olympic diver Greg Louganis.

Mark Lambert was the Natorium operating manager for 12 years. Lambert said there are several reasons why the Natorium is one of the best facilities in the world, but there are three main reasons why it is a fast pool: nine-foot minimum depth of the pool, the gutter system capacity and the tradition of the Natorium.

Lambert is currently the director of aquatics at the University of Michigan. He said the gutter and filtration system has a huge surge capacity and this allows the waves in the water to dissipate much faster, therefore, the swimmers are able to move through the water more quickly.

He also said that the tradition at the Natorium is well-known and that swimmers expect to do well because of the reputation of the facility.

Dr. Jeff Vesley, director of intramurals and recreational sports, agrees with Wolf of the need of student interest in order for a swimming and diving program to develop. He said the athletic department does not create the sports, instead groups of students who are interested in a particular sport form together to start a club.

Vesley said club sports get limited funding from the recreational department. The main

source of revenue comes from club fund raisers. He said the first step in starting a swimming and diving club is to collect names and addresses of students that are interested in participating.

Some students have said they would like to swim at IUPUI if there was a team offered.

"Financially I would rather have come to IUPUI, but there was no swimming program offered and I wanted to swim in college so I went to Butler," said Butler University sophomore Travis Smith.

"I want to continue swimming competitively in college and I plan on going to IUPUI," said Jennifer Holland, a senior at Carmel

High School. Holland was a swimmer on Carmel's team this year. Carmel has won eight consecutive girls Indiana High School Athletic Association State Swimming Championships.

Luz Tansinsin, sophomore nursing major, said she wanted to swim in college and she was planning to go to the University of Indianapolis, but the tuition was too high so she came to IUPUI.

"I was disappointed that IUPUI did not have a program because the facility is one of the best in the United States," she said.

Tansinsin said her sister Sonia, who is also a sophomore nursing major, and her brother Ter, a junior who is undecided on a major are also interested in swimming at IUPUI. Pete Teagarden, coaches a United States diving program, Dive Indy at the Natorium. Many of Teagarden's divers come from various high schools around the Indianapolis area. He said that many of the divers would be interested in diving for IUPUI if there was a program offered.

"The Natorium is one of the finest facilities in the country and it is a shame that there is no team," Teagarden said.

He said that he knows of at least five male divers that are students at IUPUI that would be very competitive in diving.

"It would be nice to see the facility used by the University and I support a team 100 percent," said Jeff Huber, Indiana University diving coach.

He also said if there was a program offered at IUPUI students would probably become more interested in swimming and diving. Huber said funding is probably the main

obstacle in starting a program.

Kurt Helmerick, junior psychology major, dove at the University of New Mexico for a year and a half.

"I would have probably started at IUPUI my freshman year if there would have been a diving program," said Helmerick.

Helmerick said he knows several divers in high school who would afford to go away to college. He said that they would probably be willing to walk on a diving program at IUPUI if there was one available.

Wolf said that other sports were funded with the help of monetary donations. The soccer and tennis teams both started with the help of donations from local financial institutions and RCA, respectively, Wolf said.

Wolf stressed that students need to form a group to show that they are committed to a program before one can begin. Many students believe there is enough interest to start a program, and they are organizing a group.

The Natorium is one of the finest facilities in the world, but there is no collegiate swimming and diving program offered at the University. Some students said the facility is underused and perhaps a collegiate program could offer a direct usage for more students.

To contact the swimming and diving team club organizers call the Recreational and Intramural Sports Office.



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The diving well is equipped with four diving platforms ranging from one to 10 meters.



Molly Muller Smith/The Sagamore

Age-group swimmers prepare to race during the Carmel Winter Invitational on Jan. 8.

Women's basketball team hovering below the .500 mark



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#43 Michelle Darrow, junior, and #44 Melissa Herr, sophomore, fight for the rebound during Jan. 15 Taylor University game, 93-84.

By Benjamin Cox
The Sagamore

Youth and the lack of team cohesiveness are two major obstacles the Lady Metros have had to overcome this season.

Six of the 13-player roster are freshmen, which added to the fact that there are no senior players, makes the lack of experience obvious. The team currently stands at 7-10, with a 10-day break between games to practice and hone their skills.

"We are going to take the rest of the season to fine tune our advantages and work on our disadvantages," head coach Joe Johnson said.

According to Johnson and Metros' leading scorer Josie Bowman the 10-day game break in the season has been helpful for the team because it has given the team a chance to regroup and practice for the last third of the season.

Johnson said he has a lot of confidence in the team and thinks they have the potential to go to nationals this year.

"With this team I can close my eyes and point at any five players and they could go out there and get the job done," Johnson said. "We will be in the playoffs and then go to nationals."

"I look at us as one of the best teams in the area. We have talent and potential, but if we don't show it, it doesn't mean anything," he added.

However, the consistency of the team's play is of concern for Johnson. "Some games we are flawless, others we miss everything, it's like Jekyll and Hyde," Johnson said. "We need to be more consistent with what we are doing right and minimize some of our problem areas."

"The first thing we have to do is cut down on our turnovers," he added.

He also feels that he has a starting five that he can rely on and has several other players that he can pull off the bench to change the look of the team.

"I can go to the bench for height, outside shooting, ball handling, as well as having my starting five that can start, carry and finish the game," he said.

The last 11 games since the Classic

have been a lot better for the team, according to Bowman.

"We are doing a lot better. We weren't real sure of each other's strengths and weaknesses at first, but now I think we are coming together well," Bowman said.

Since the Lady Metro Classic the women's basketball team has won five of their last 11 games.

The wins include beating NCAA Div. II top ten scoring team Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, Mich. by eight points on Dec. 30 and Shawnee State, Portsmouth, Ohio, a team that returned their starting five and beat IUPUI twice last year by 19 points on Dec. 13.

Other wins include the Dec. 11 game against College of St. Francis, a final of 72-66. Katie Murphy set a new all time Metro stealing high with 13 against the Saints.

On Jan. 6 the Metros hosted DePaul University winning by a score of 69-60. With Bowman scoring 17 points, Murphy scoring 15 and Jamie Lawrence with 10 for the game. The last game the Metros have played since the beginning of the 10-

day break resulted in a win against Taylor University. The final was 93-86, with Bowman at 20 points. Murphy at 18, Lawrence at 12 and Melissa Herr at eight points and 10 rebounds.

In the last six losses since the Classic the team has been defeated by an average of 23.3 points per game.

Despite these losses, there were several players who put in outstanding performances.

During their game with the University of Rio Grande, from Ohio, Murphy scored 26 points and seven rebounds, Herr hit 10 baskets and 13 rebounds and Bowman had 19 total. The 89-104 loss can be attributed to the Metros' mere seven free throws to the Redmen's staggering 29, said Lana Bandy, sports information director.

Johnson said that their game on Feb. 12 against Central State University "is a key game that will be standing in our way to Nationals."

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SELF-SERVING INTEREST

The bank loan system places students back seat to the comfort of the staff in the Office of the Bursar.

The decision the Office of the Bursar made to begin mailing bank loan checks to students has had a detrimental effect on our livelihoods.

We don't agree with it nor do we believe it was done in the best interest of student needs. It seems self serving and places the comfort of the staff members in the Office of the Bursar ahead of students' interests.

The old, stand-in-the-line procedure assured us, the students, that we would have our checks before school began, even if we had to stand in line for several hours. We could take care of our bills, purchase food and buy books. With the new system, we are at the mercy of the mailman, which, as a government agency, often is far less than perfect.

For those students lucky enough to pay for higher education without using a loan, let me explain.

The new system which was initiated last year has three steps.

1. The Office of the Bursar sends the bank loan check through the mail to each student for an endorsement.

2. The student signs the check and sends it back to the Office of the Bursar - either by mail or by dropping it off in the drop box outside that office.

3. The Office of the Bursar, in turn, applies the loan to the student's bill and cuts a refund check. The check is then mailed to the student a second time.

The postage charge on all that mailing alone amounts to \$25,000 per year. This does not include the capital improvements that had to be

done to convert the storage room in the basement of Cavanaugh Hall into the processing center, nor does it include the cost of hiring extra staff to man the center.

One of the reasons why this decision was made, according to Bursar Michael Cozmanoff, was to save the "sanity of our staff" and because of funding cutbacks.

There are a few thoughts that come to mind based on this reasoning.

First, what the staff members do in the Office of the Bursar is called a J-O-B and sometimes that means work has to be done. The second thought is that the staff would probably better accept losing a little sanity if the \$25,000 being spent on postage was split between them instead.

And about this funding cutback. During an era where the theme is "more for less," especially where higher education is concerned, IUPUI seems to be spending more money with the mailing system than it would otherwise do if students stood in line.

Cozmanoff, who is up for dean review this semester, said he made the decision. He talked with about three percent of the student body. The majority of those were in the School of Medicine.

The Undergraduate Student Assembly which, in theory, represents the undergraduate student body, was not involved in the decision.

Please remember, Mr. Cozmanoff, there is a face behind each one of those checks.

Darin Crane for The Sagamore

A Glorious Pursuit

Opinion-editorial pages have little journalistic integrity... Pseudo facts for pseudo reality.

I find the art of writing for the opinion-editorial (Op-ed) page a glorious pursuit - but then I have always been slightly lazeous at heart. In my estimation, punditry is next to banditry - money, notoriety and satisfaction for next to nothing.

As a journalist there is no easier article to write than the Op-ed piece. Facts? I don't need no stinking facts. Sources? Well they always make for good copy, as long as they agree absolutely with my point of view.

Objectivity? Excuse me, talk among yourselves while I control my giggling.

Let us examine some typical Op-ed "facts."

- 1.) It is obvious the break up of the nuclear family is responsible for lawlessness, Godlessness, just about any kind of sexual activity not sanctioned by a church, marriage, bad television sit-coms and the disappearance of Jimmy Hoffa.
2.) Banning the sale of legal firearms will keep one from having a pistol shoved in one's ear by a sociopath.
3.) The end of prayer in schools is directly responsible for our children's inability to count beyond ten (or less, if they did poorly in shop class).
4.) Placing a nativity scene anywhere in public will destroy democracy as we know it.

The truth is that these "facts" are backed by precious little proof and what "proof" does exist is completely contradictory. If scientists went public with such meager data they would be run out of town or claim to have achieved cold fusion (or both).

Sources are a nice way to make an Op-ed piece seem authoritative but are not necessary. (As an example, you will not see one mentioned in this article.) If sources are used, they need not have any idea what they are talking about as long as their views gibe with those of the writer.

Yet to capture the imagination of the sophisticated reader it is best



TOM FREEBAIRN

to use as a source someone currently working at a "think tank." That "think tanks" are little more than boiler rooms for political thought (politicians can't do that for themselves) need not be mentioned.

What do they do best? What "think tanks" anyway? This must be the second best job, after writing Op-ed pieces. What is their motto? "I think, therefore I eat?" I suppose we should not complain - think tanks keep politicians who have been put out to pasture by the electorate, or the grand jury, from ending up on the dole. But I digress.

What of objectivity? Well, even in real journalism, objectivity is more of an ideal than a reality. Journalists are human beings and carry all the baggage that, that implies. We can try our darndest but some subjectivity sneaks in.

For the denizens of the Op-ed page, striving for objectivity is no longer even a consideration. It is a strange reward journalists get when they are elevated to the editorial staff or to column writing - they are told that they have been such fine journalists, they need not follow journalistic forms any longer. For the other members of the Op-ed club, the ex-politicians, the idea of objectivity was never a professional obligation.

Don't get me wrong, there are drawbacks to being a pundit. They have to learn to be rude so they can shout down their colleagues on forum shows like "The Capital Gang." They have to get used to being hated by half the ideologues in the country and ignored by everyone else - a vast majority.

So Tom, are you going to do the only honorable thing you can and give up writing Op-ed pieces after such a stirring attack on punditry? Heck no! Every week that I have an Op-ed piece to do is one that I can read a book, watch television or play my son's Nintendo. I mean, it is not like a week when I have work to do.

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YOUR VOICE

Student can't reason why school remained open while other state universities closed.

This letter concerns the non-closure of school on Tuesday, January 18, 1994. I was astounded to learn the students of IUPUI were required to attend class. I stayed up late on Monday night hoping to hear some type of delay or outright shut-down of the university had been effected. I then woke up at 6 am to watch the news and listen to the radio in order to hear or see that the sensible decision had been made. I am still waiting.

What I saw when I finally made it past all the stalled cars, stoplights that did not work and a student parking lot that should be in Lillehammer were half-empty rooms filled with hacking, wheezing, coughing and freezing students whose minds I believe were wondering, like mine, what are we doing here?

I heard two possible reasons for IUPUI being open for classes that day. One lady told me the classes were not cancelled because Senator Lugar was going to be on campus to give a speech. A professor told me that since the medical and dental schools had to attend classes and it would be unfair for them to have to attend class and the rest of us to get to stay home. Both of these excuses are absurd. Neither of these things hold up to the safety test: if the weather is terrible enough for almost every other school system or entity to close because it had a genuine concern for the safety of its students and employees, what was going through the mind of the people that make that decision at IUPUI? IS the weather and/or the conditions less treacherous for us because we are college students?

I am waiting. I am waiting for David Letterman's Top Ten List. The Reasons I did not go to IUPUI. I cannot say what the other eight will be, but I know the top two - it was the closest parking I could find to Cavanaugh Hall and the administrators do not consider pneumonia essential to learning.

Robert Vano Senior / Political Science

Student seeking answers to why the school remained open despite arctic temperatures.

As a non-traditional student who commutes about 40 minutes to IUPUI, I find it difficult to understand the policy implemented by the campus administration concerning classes scheduled this week in disregard of the treacherous weather conditions.

Purdue-Lafayette closed and so did IU-Bloomington, both of which are residential campuses. IUPUI is a commuter campus with a higher ratio of non-traditional students in attendance. Many students have children who are either preschool or schooled and travel quite a distance.

When area public and private schools were closed for children, along with many day care centers, who shall we presume will stay at home with the children?

Furthermore, considering that most IUPUI students travel by auto to school - those who did attend classes risked life and limb to get there. Not all of us have the confidence of professional drivers with four wheel drive. Not all of us have confidence sharing the road with "the other guy" who can't be sensible in these weather conditions. Not all of us have an auto club membership to jump or tow us out of trouble. And, not all of us have full coverage on our automobiles to cover an accident that would destroy our only means of transportation.

I would find it very interesting to know exactly what national disaster would have to exist in order to close the campus. Does a National Guard order to turn autos around qualify? Maybe a flood, tornado or earthquake would make the difference. At any rate, I'm interested in an explanation for this policy.

Kim Coleman Senior / Journalism

Editor's note: Numerous additional letters were received about the weather situation here on campus. For more information, please see related story on Page 1.

Tough Competition Means Stringent standards

Competition for admission remains extremely high in the IU School of Nursing here at IUPUI. Executive associate dean explains the programs and the role of students.

Interest in nursing has grown dramatically since 1990 in American colleges and universities, reversing a decline of the mid-1980s. This shift can be attributed primarily to the appeal of nursing in economic hard times and to a campaign in the late 1980s to promote nursing as an attractive career choice.

The National League for Nursing's most recent data, covering fall 1991 admissions, show that nursing schools across the nation received between two and three applications for each available space. While national admission data for 1992 and 1993 are not yet available, anecdotal reports suggest that competition for admission has reached even higher levels since 1991.

Here at Indiana University

Applications for admission to the School of Nursing's undergraduate programs currently exceed available space, even though the number of undergraduate students admitted annually has increased since 1990-91. The hard work and dedication of the School's faculty and staff have been major factors allowing for this increase during these fiscally lean times. Over the past five years, for example, the number of nursing faculty at IUPUI has decreased by almost 20 full-time positions while the credit hours taught have increased 23 percent. Clearly, fewer nursing faculty are teaching more students.

The uptum of interest in nursing means that admission has become more competitive than in previous years. In recent admission cycles at IUPUI, the average GPA of students admitted to both the ASN and BSN programs has exceeded 3.0, resulting in frustration among unsuccessful applicants. Whether an applicant is admitted depends upon her or his qualifications in comparison to those of other applicants, the total number of applicants and available spaces and the School's available resources.

The Associate's Degree Program

Applicants to the ASN program may seek admission in their senior year of study. An admission decision is based on the applicant's class rank, SAT scores, and satisfactory completion of prescribed high school course work. Students who do not fully meet these criteria or who already have some college credit may seek admission through a different



JERRY DURHAM

route requiring completion of 11-13 hours of prescribed college-level course work before applying. Applicants seeking admission through this alternate route must have a 2.0 GPA before applying; however, simply meeting this minimal GPA requirement does not guarantee admission. The current criteria for admission of applicants with college credit to the ASN program was adopted by the nursing faculty in 1991 and first implemented in the fall of 1993.

The Bachelor's Degree Program

All applicants to the BSN program must complete 65 to 67 hours of prescribed course work and earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.3 before applying for admission to the upper division nursing major, among other criteria. The BSN program is similar to many other four-year nursing programs and to other non-nursing programs at IUPUI that admit students to the major after completion of two years of general education. As with the ASN program, admission is highly competitive and meeting the minimal GPA requirement does not guarantee admission.

While the criteria for admission to the upper division nursing major of the BSN program have not changed significantly in several years, the nursing faculty is now considering a policy which, if approved, would result in an earlier admission decision for applicants.

The Student's Role

Students need to keep well informed about admission criteria and practices of the nursing program that interests them. They should know, for example, that the School of Nursing does not maintain a "waiting list" for applicants who are unsuccessful in their attempt to gain admission. The School has taken several steps to help students be better informed, including new publications which emphasize the competitive nature of the nursing programs and individualized letters to students. An advisory board, which will include student representatives, is being created to provide ongoing counsel and feedback to the School's faculty and administration on student-related concerns.

Jerry Durham is the executive associate dean for educational services in the School of Nursing

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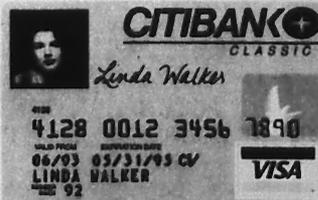
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Perspectives

'Philadelphia' tackles touchy topic with relative ease

Film confronts society's fears of homosexuals and the deadly disease AIDS.

By Brian Moore
The Sagamore

"Philadelphia." It's big, cold and bitter.

The movie, not the city. Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington star as two opposing attorneys thrust together when Hanks' character chooses Washington to represent him in a discrimination suit against his former employer.

The entire cast reads as a laundry list of some of Hollywood's best.

Hanks does a masterful job as the AIDS-stricken attorney Andrew Beckett. Washington is equally impressive as the business card-



Photo courtesy TriStar Pictures

Andrew (Tom Hanks, right) holds his niece while his life partner, Miguel (Antonio Banderas), makes a point at a family gathering.

appears to show the tolerance his family has in dealing with his homosexuality and his life-threatening disease. On the other hand, Washington's portrayal of Miller and Robards' character Charles Wheeler perfectly demonstrate society's intolerance toward homosexuals and AIDS.

The story itself follows Beckett's quest for understanding and enlightenment concerning AIDS-infected people, especially homosexuals.

When the law firm Beckett works for discovers he has the deadly virus, he is fired. Circumstances surrounding his dismissal are questionable, so Beckett finally realizes he has been terminated due to his illness.

He decides to bring a wrongful discrimination suit against the firm, but efforts to find a lawyer who will represent him prove to be difficult. Finally, after eight lawyers refuse to take his case, and against his own personal beliefs, Miller decides to take the case.

A particularly telling scene in the movie involves a meeting between Beckett and Miller. In his attempt to find a lawyer Beckett confronts

Miller. As Miller reaches out and shakes Beckett's hand, he notices lesions on Beckett's face and asks, "What's wrong with your face?" Hanks' character bluntly responds, "I've got AIDS." Miller immediately reacts by pulling his hand away. "Oh, sorry," he says, recognizing his ignorance. Eventually Miller grows to understand Beckett and begins to sympathize with him and accept him as the person he is.

He even attends a gay party Beckett and his lover coordinate. The scene is somewhat shocking but shows an important lifestyle that is so often missing in movies pretending to be a version of reality.

Other scenes in the movie represent the ignorance and intolerance society as a whole has against people with the disease.

As Beckett studies court cases in the library, he is asked if he would like to study in a private room. He declines the offer, but the librarian again asks him. Miller, who happens to be studying in the same library, sees this, and the incident shows him how alone and desperate Beckett is and it moves him to take the case.

Throughout the court scenes, and others involving Beckett's family and

his lover, Miguel Alvarez, played impressively by Antonio Banderas, the audience is brought into Beckett's life and feels for him and his situation.

As the trial drags on, the audience gets to witness the physical deterioration of Beckett, and the effects AIDS has on an individual.

The climax to the story is particularly emotional, complete with mood-setting music supplied by Neil Young. Although done with a certain degree of hope, it seems as though the filmmakers layed it on pretty thick with the depressing closing scenes.

Some other faults, such as how Miller went from being a television-advertising personal injury attorney who hands out his card to virtually everyone to an attorney defeating an established law firm and setting national precedent, occur, but don't detract from the film's overall excellence.

Exceptional acting is the film's high point.

Hanks and Washington both turn in potential Oscar-caliber performances. And, even though Robards' role is of lesser importance, he too gives an above average portrayal of the stubborn president of Wyant, Wheeler, Hellerman, Tellow and Brown.

Already, the film has garnered several Golden Globe awards, and in its first week of release knocked Robin Williams' "Mrs. Doubtfire" out of the top spot while earning over \$12 million.

Expect big things from this first-of-a-kind movie, including positive industry talk about the courage of the actors to take on the roles and director Jonathan Demme to tackle this once taboo topic head on.

As Demme appropriately said, "Where ignorance exists, fear exists. I was terrified of AIDS and people with AIDS until my friends and loved ones started getting it... then I had to come to terms with my own fear and fight against my own personal ignorance bred of the lack of information out there."



Photo courtesy TriStar Pictures

Denzel Washington stars as the attorney who represents Tom Hanks' AIDS infected character in a discrimination suit in "Philadelphia."



Movie: Philadelphia
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Release Date: Now Showing
Rating: ****
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wielding personal injury attorney Joe Miller. Jason Robards portrays the cold-hearted type of big prestigious law firm Beckett sues. Mary Steenburgen stars in a supporting role as the chief litigator for the defense. Joanne Woodward plays Beckett's mother, Sarah.

With all these high profile actors and actresses, one would think some of them get lost in the shuffle. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Each character has a specific role in the film and each is used to relay important messages. Beckett's mother

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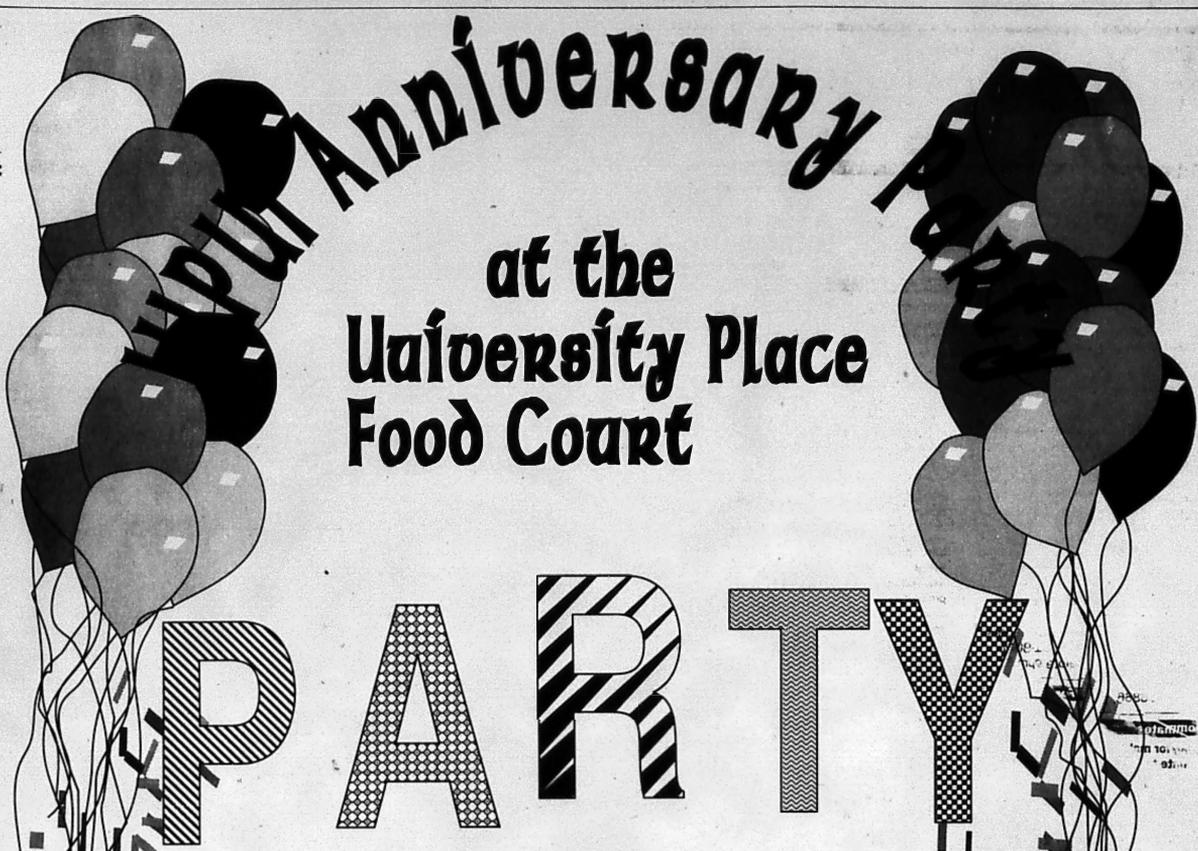
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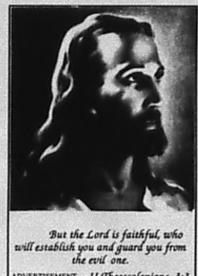
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TOP COP It pays to be chief, at least on campus

Police across the state look for more money while state budget continues to shrink.

By Trent D. McNeely
The Sagamore

Television and newspapers across the state are blaring out a frightening message to the citizens of Indiana: the state police are underpaid and it may be affecting their job performance.

Through an intensive advertising campaign, the Indiana State Police Alliance hopes to generate sympathy for its cause—wage increases for police officers.



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The tactic may be working. Results of a statewide poll show that Indiana voters overwhelmingly approve of the idea of reforming the Indiana State Police pay scale. IUPUI's Brian Vargas and numerous university students conducted the poll last year at the Indiana Public Opinion Laboratory in Cavanaugh Hall. The lab contacted 1,200 Indiana citizens for the study.

Indiana State Police Alliance reports show Vargas' study backed up their complaints. "The citizens of Indiana, virtually unanimously, see the current pay scale for state troopers as unfair. Hoosiers think that Indiana state troopers are currently being paid considerably more than they actually are, and when they discover the troopers are actually being paid thousands of dollars less, Hoosiers believe the troopers are not being paid what they are worth," Vargas said.

"The bottom line is this: the salaries of Indiana state troopers are lower than what the public thinks. They are much lower than in surrounding states, and most of

the public is unaware of it," he said. ISPA studies show Indiana trooper salaries comparable to salaries in Kentucky, but lower than Illinois, Ohio or Michigan. In the IU poll, respondents said the difference between pay for Indiana and Illinois troopers was "very unfair," Vargas said. "The actual Illinois salary was very close to what respondents thought Indiana troopers were making," he added.

Poll respondents estimated the average salary of an Indiana state trooper to be \$29,350, but felt troopers should average around \$36,850. The actual average yearly salary is \$25,462. "The public said they would be willing to support an increase in state police trooper salaries if it would lead to better law enforcement. Hoosiers tend to hold these officers in high regard, with a majority of people in an earlier study saying they would be proud to have a trooper as a relative," Vargas said.

The ISPA Agenda

ISPA provided copies of the study to all state legislators prior to the current legislative session in an attempt at passing their TROOPER package. TROOPER (Time to Reform Obsolete Pay and Experience Rules) is a three-part legislative program designed to benefit state troopers by changing the pay scale, reinforcing survivor benefits for troopers killed in the line of duty and protecting retired officers from increasing health care costs. "ISPA basically wants a grid salary system like they used to have," Vargas said. According to Vargas, under the current system a sergeant may have to report to a lieutenant who actually makes less money than the sergeant.

Charles P. Williams, ISPA president, agreed. "We want to get back to the 15-year pay matrix that we used to use. The matrix would remove inequalities in the current state trooper pay scale," he said. Williams is still trying to get the TROOPER legislation on the Statehouse floor before January 27, when the bill will expire. "We are trying to get a hearing in the Senate Finance Committee. Chairman Larry Borsari (R,

Indianapolis) is willing to give it a hearing if we can get the bill out of the Senate and if House Ways and Means Committee chairman Pat Bauer (D, South Bend) will agree to hear it. We think we have the votes (to win passage in the General Assembly), we just have to deal with these committees first," he said.

Pay Inequities

In addition to being lower than in surrounding states, state police salaries are lower than police salaries within the state at area universities. Research by The Sagamore found that the starting salary for a state trooper was just over \$21,000, while starting salaries at IU-Bloomington were over \$22,000, at Purdue over \$24,000 and at Ball State nearly \$28,000. Information provided by John Mulvey, IUPUI police chief, backed up these findings. IUPUI starting salaries were the lowest found,

at \$20,883. However, IUPUI police at the highest levels may not suffer the same hardship as that of lower ranking officers. As director of public safety, Mulvey will make \$69,138 this year. Deputy Chief Larry Probst will pull down \$43,390. Compare that with \$65,000 for IPD Chief James Tozier and \$64,844 for ISP Superintendent Lloyd Jennings. Mulvey also makes more than many university chiefs. Chief Paul E. Norris, of the IU-Bloomington force, will make \$57,500 in 1994. Director of Public Safety for Ball State University Joseph Wehner will earn \$57,794 this year. His title encompasses the jobs of both chief of police and director of parking services. "That shows that universities often look for different things than

"The bottom line is this: the salaries of Indiana state troopers are lower than what the public thinks. They are much lower than in surrounding states, and most of the public is unaware of it."

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Patrolman Doba Jones, a freshman psychology major, returns from an emergency run to Cavanaugh Hall after assisting a student who had fallen in the snow and ice last week. Jones believes strongly in her work. "We (the IUPUI) police more people in one day than many small cities. Our work would be easier if we could develop a stronger sense of community at IUPUI," she said. Salaries for officers like Jones, who has an associate's degree from IUPUI, are comparable with those of some area city forces, but exceed those of Indiana State Police officers, a major source of contention for the Indiana State Police Alliance.

municipal departments look for. The university presents a different kind of law enforcement totally," Wehner said.

Yet, whatever else is being looked for, the state is looking to cut costs. Last July Gov. Evan Bayh instituted a plan to trim \$181.8 million from the state budget by 1995. Included in this plan were cuts of \$21.8 million to state colleges and universities. These cuts meant not approving \$1 million for additional professor's salaries and halting progress on several construction projects.

Just stating dollars doesn't tell the whole story, though. IUPUI has a full-time force of 38 police and administrative officers covering less than 35,000 students, faculty and staff. A very small percentage of these people actually live on campus full time. In contrast, IPD's service area includes 350,000 residents with 966 sworn officers and 365 civilians in the police department.

Man of many hats Mulvey defended his salary, saying his job entails much more than simply being chief of police. Vice Chancellor for Administrative Affairs Robert Martin said Mulvey holds two titles, Director of Campus Public Safety and Chief of Police. Under the auspices of the former title, Mulvey is responsible for police operations, security, parking, transportation, environmental health and safety, OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) and fire safety, Martin said.

Mulvey has been an Indiana University employee since 1970, when he served with the IU-Bloomington police force. He was director of security at Wishard Hospital from 1977 to 1980, when he was named IUPUI chief of police. This makes Mulvey the longest serving campus police chief/public safety director in the state of Indiana. "The community and the campus have grown quite a bit since then, with growth in the student body and at the hospitals, while the force has stayed about the same size," Mulvey said. "Since I have been here we have tried to focus more on crime

prevention, security awareness, updating our equipment and producing better trained officers." Mulvey has witnessed an overall increase in crime, primarily in the area of petty theft. "I don't know if it is an actual increase or if there has just been an increase in reported crimes. I tend to think it's a little bit of both," he said.

The campus police department serves all university-owned property, including properties not located on the main campus like the Herron School of Art. According to the Office of Media Relations, IUPUI has a concurrent jurisdiction agreement with IPD that allows jurisdiction, when necessary, throughout Marion County.

"I think we have a relatively quiet, a relatively safe campus, thanks in large part to fairly open communication. My feeling has always been that everyone has a stake in this campus. We rely heavily on faculty, staff and students to give us feedback," Mulvey said.

The full-time force of 38 officers is augmented each year by Cadet Officers, who take part in a special program. "Cadets graduate with a

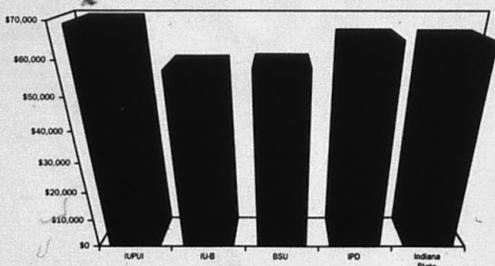
degree, two to three years of officer experience and law officer certification," Mulvey said.

He said that the police force is generally large enough to handle any situations that arise. "Special events can really kill us. We have a small department and something like the Pan Am Games can take a toll on you. But we've always managed to do it without a problem," he said.

Because of working with police unions, Mulvey was reluctant to comment in depth on the salaries of IUPUI officers. However, he did say that he believed IUPUI officers were "on the low end of the scale compared with (Marion county) community spending on police officers."

Vargas agreed with Mulvey to some extent, stating that some state officers are choosing to leave ISP for municipal and university jobs. "I know some troopers graduating from the state law enforcement academy are choosing to go to the local communities for more money. I also know that they have lost some people to Purdue and IU," he said.

TOP COP SALARIES



Sources: Indiana University Office of Budgeting and Fiscal Affairs, Ball State University Police Department, Indianapolis Police Department and Indiana State Police Alliance. Notes: This graph illustrates the salaries of the top law enforcement officer at each department. IUPUI and Ball State chiefs also serve as directors of public safety. The Indiana State Police figure shows the salary for the superintendent. All others hold the title of police chief.

Your University, Your Money

Budget battles rage on across the state, even though the legislature doesn't even have to pass another one this year. Government agencies are looking for ways to cut spending when faced with less revenue. Private businesses also have followed suit, "downsizing" to maximize profits and maintain viability in a changing economic market. So why hasn't Indiana University done the same? That is the question *The Sagamore* will be asking over the next few weeks in a series called "Your University, Your Money." Our goal is to inform readers where the money for higher education comes from and what it is spent on. With that information, readers should be able to make their own determination of whether or not the system is riddled with abuses or working effectively and efficiently. On occasion, we may tell you what we think on the Voice page. This week, we will look at the Indiana University Police Department and examine why the chief at IUPUI makes more money than the chief in Bloomington—or the chief of the Indianapolis Police Department. The stories should not just set out the numbers, otherwise we could just publish a few graphs and save the space. We will try to take you into the offices and show you whatever rationale is behind the seemingly obvious. With that in mind, we encourage you to read on. After literally months of work (this project began last July), we hope you'll find the end result informative and entertaining.

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