

New appointee

'One of states most successful business leaders and entrepreneurs,' William Cook, selected by Gov. Evan Bayh as newest IU trustee.

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'Positive aggression'

New men's baseball coach, Bret Shambaugh, pushing for stronger team unity and player attitudes that show they're 'proud to be here.'

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Political panhandling

Current U.S. Government bickering over legislation ranges from health reform to cutting country's deficit; education rarely mentioned.

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Remembering The Dream

■ Nationally known African American from the world of publication visits IUPUI to help celebrate the life and vision of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

By Jennifer Kay Rumples
The Sagamore

Growing up in Portsmouth, Virginia, Nathan McCall's life was all but passive. For him, gang fights, raping women, firing bullets into innocent victim's homes, and dealing drugs was an everyday venture. At age 20, he was arrested and imprisoned for armed robbery.

Although McCall, now a reporter for *The Washington Post*, has a felony record, the wake-up call he received while spending time in prison changed his views on life and the violent acts he performed that put him there.

He said he attributes these acts of violence, to the self-hatred he harbored toward society from the pressures growing up as an African American.

Also the author of the national best-selling book, "Makes Me Wanna Holler: A Young Black Man in America," McCall was the keynote speaker at the 25th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Dinner last Monday night hosted by the IUPUI Black Student Union.

"When I was growing up, I would hear Martin's speeches and just didn't have much respect for him," said McCall. "My sense of a strong black man was someone who was much more defiant."

He added, "King's language was love, passivism and forgiveness. I wasn't about any of that. I didn't want to be about any of that. Later, when I began to be a thinking person and started to read, I began to respect Martin Luther King, Jr. the same way I respected Malcolm X."

Although this year's dinner theme, "To Sustain the Dream: The Battle Must Be Joined," focused on King's hope for racial equality, McCall addressed the problems that African Americans have among each other.

"In King's time, one of the common threats of the safety and well-being of black folks was crime and violence carried out by white hate groups such as the Ku Klux Klan," said McCall. "In our time, one of the most immediate threats is crime and violence carried out by black folks against black folks. Isn't that ironic?"

Not only did he stress his concern with black on black crime, he said, "Martin Luther King, Jr. would turn over in his grave if he knew that the progress and hope that he died for is being undermined by some of the very people he was fight-

ing to save."

The Black Student Union's goal for the dinner was to promote brotherhood among the IUPUI and surrounding Indianapolis Community.

"Each year, people of all races join together to celebrate the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr. focusing on his 'I Have a Dream' speech and keeping his dream alive," said McCall. "The problem with this focus is most of the people do their dreaming in their sleep."

Steve Garrett, a senior majoring in public affairs and vice president of the Black Student Union said McCall's speech challenged everyone to become involved in making positive changes in their communities.

"Nathan's speech was very uplifting and gave us inspiration to change the society in which we live today," said Garret.

Chancellor Gerald Bepko, who has spoken at the dinner for the past eight years, said this event is a joy because of the importance of King's life.

"The magnificence, simplicity and moral power of his ideas have made him an evermore important figure of extraordinary and enduring international significance," said Bepko. "His principle messages have meaning that transcends time and geography that seem to have special relevance and new significance each year."

Bepko also said this event gives us the opportunity to reaffirm IUPUI's goal "to provide an atmosphere in which all can be judged by the content of their character and not by the color of their skin."

According to Bepko, IUPUI has the largest African American population at the post-secondary level in Indiana. The number of African American students has increased over the past six years, but with student enrollment down this year, the enrollment of this minority group has dropped.

"We don't like that trend, we want to reverse that trend and we must do better," said Bepko. "We have increased the number of African American faculty by 20 percent over the last five years, but still, the numbers are woefully inadequate."

William T. Lewis, president of the Black Student Union, opened the ceremonies with the question, "Where do we go from here?"

"It fascinates me that in this country, our government does not like to deal with the consequences, they just like to talk about responsibility. Dan Quayle uses that



Richard Carson/The Sagamore

Nathan McCall, author and reporter for *The Washington Post*, talks to reporters at a press conference last Monday. McCall was the featured speaker at the Black Student Union's 25th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. dinner.



Queen Williams, senior administrative secretary of community relations, sings while Marianne Morris plays piano during the Martin Luther King Jr. breakfast last Monday.

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Brand's task force leaders appointed

■ IUPUI students and faculty to have input into the president's plan for the university's future.

By Brian Moore
The Sagamore

When IU President Myles Brand announces his plan—"America's New Public University for the 21st Century"—it will contain input from IUPUI officials and students.

Gerald Bepko, Steering Committee chair and IUPUI chancellor, announced the appointments to the chairs of the strategic directions task forces last week.

"We had something like 400 names sent to us. From the pool, we chose the ones we thought would be best to serve," Bepko explained. "It was difficult to keep it all straight and keep all the people in mind who we thought would be best able to serve."

Included in the list are three IUPUI officials:

■ Richard Frelund, chair of the mission task force and chair of the political science department at IUPUI.

■ Barbara Cambridge, chair of the accountability task force as well as associate professor of English and associate dean of faculties.

■ R. Thomas Lentz, chair of the enhancing efficiency and effectiveness task force and professor of management.

Cambridge and her task force are exploring the way IUPUI serves its various constituents, including students, the community and alumni.

"Our main goal is making sure we are living up to the promises we make to various constituencies," she said. "That's probably the hottest topic in higher education: whether higher education is fulfilling its obligations to society."

She added that the way IU is viewed in the community could affect the importance the university is granted in funding from the state legislature.

"There are high expectations (of IU) from the public now. We can't expect that funding is going to come as readily as in the past," she said.

Other task forces focus on integration with the community, excellence in teaching and research, marketing, student retention and under-representation.

Students from IUPUI are involved in the plan as well.

According to Bepko, this is essential to creating a strategic plan for IU that takes into account the different views represented by students.

"Students are part of the university family

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About the new ID cards

All cards now have a bar code which allows users to check out materials from University Library. Eventually, the card might allow access to parking garages and residence halls. It might also operate as a debit card, allowing for the payment of fees from bookstores, vending machines and restaurants at the food court.

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New-look ID card proves that less is more

■ Although students buy them on a voluntary basis, university is expected to make the \$5 ID mandatory.

By Tammy Cleary
The Sagamore

Imagine using student identification cards to pay for parking in campus garages, pay for photocopies in the library or buy refreshments from campus vending machines.

That will soon be the case with the new IUPUI ID cards.

Available this semester, the cards can only serve as campus identification, but they double as a library card. Thomas May, associate registrar,

said this model of card was based on other universities who have used them in the past "in terms of the one card concept."

He added that not only will students be able to use their cards in the above instances, but other possible uses include:

■ entrance into the computer clusters to monitor what students are using and when;

■ entrance into all sporting events, to purchase tickets and reduce the time spent standing in line;

■ admittance into specific build-

ings (like the Natatorium) or labs to keep track of students and faculty frequently using these facilities;

■ and entrance into the housing units, as a key, with a PIN.

The card indicates whether the student is a graduate or undergraduate and contains a color photo which is stored in a computer under a program purchased from The DataCard Company.

Two bar codes are located on the flip side of the ID card. According to Mark Grove, registrar, the first code indicates the student's ID number and the second will eventually make bank-type services available to students, staff and faculty.

Since Jan. 10, approximately 2,000

cards, priced at \$5 each, have been purchased through the Office of the Registrar, Grove explained.

Jon Pierre Poisso, a junior majoring in biology, said he has already found himself utilizing his new ID card at the library.

"This card is easy to use and is more efficient because there is less stuff for (students) to carry around," he said.

William Plater, dean of faculties, said the card is now available to all students on a voluntary basis, but not for long.

"The hope is to make the card mandatory for new students and op-

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word a hell of a lot," said McCall. "They don't live up to their responsibility of having created this mess in the first place. We acknowledge that every action has a reaction and what we are seeing today are years and years of social, economic and racial problems of generations that have gone un-addressed that are now coming to a head."

McCall believes the first step in fulfilling King's dream for stopping violence, promoting racial equality and peace can only begin when "we give children and young people positive mentors."

"If you don't have positive mentors, there are many out there on those street corners like gangs and drug dealers who will be mentors," said McCall. "What they say will be wrong and misguided but nevertheless they will be mentors. I think too many young brothers grow up with the kind of mentors I had, guys who will steer you completely wrong."

He added, "Because of the breakdown of the families, we as a community need to come



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Chancellor Gerald Bepko (right) and Charity Williams, Black Student Union secretary, look on as Nathan McCall speaks. McCall and Larona Bennett Jr., executive editor of Ebony magazine, helped IUPUI celebrate the birthday of slain civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. last week.

in and supplement as mentors for young people, even the ones who may not be our children. We need to double our efforts in our communities and in ourselves. Then and only then will we begin to see progress."

Bepko received the same message. "In the spirit of Dr. King, we must do better together, we must prepare

ourselves better as a community," said Bepko. "We must prepare our students to study at the university level, motivate people to learn and help more people come to us and support them through organizations like the Black Student Union."

Along with celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life, Bepko said we

should also remember his ideas for the future.

"I believe he would not want us to remember his life or his death if we did not also remember the note of harmony he sounded to pitch our own voices to carry on," said Bepko.

Governor appoints new IU trustee

Entrepreneur William Cook takes over for former trustee Milton Fineberg who retired last October.

By Brian Moore
The Sagamore

Last Friday the 13th was lucky for at least one person in Indiana.

While the rest of the state was busy watching out for black cats, avoiding sidewalk cracks and opening their umbrellas outside, Gov. Evan



Cook

Bayh was appointing William A. Cook to the Trustees of Indiana University.

Cook will take over the position vacated by Milton Fineberg who retired Oct. 27 due to health problems.

Cook, 63, is the owner of Cook Group Incorporated, which is comprised of 42 companies with manufacturing facilities in the United States, Australia, Denmark and Canada and a sales organization around the world.

Citing Cook's experience in the business world and his educational background, Gerald Bepko, chancellor, said Cook will bring a lot to the trustees.

"I think Bill Cook is an excellent person to serve on the (board of) trustees. He has a tremendous amount to give to the board (of trustees)," Bepko said.

Cook received a bachelor's degree in biology from Northwestern Uni-

versity in 1953. In 1992, he was awarded an honorary doctorate of engineering from Rose Hulman and in 1993 IU awarded him an honorary doctorate of law.

If Cook's experience is any indication, as a trustee he may consider education and the arts a priority. "Bill Cook is one of Indiana's great entrepreneurs and philanthropists," Bayh said. "His success in business is a Hoosier success story, and he has continually reinvested his time and money in education, historic preservation and the arts here in our state."

Bepko agreed.

"He is recognized as one of the state's most successful business leaders and entrepreneurs," he said. "He has supported the arts and he's well known for that."

Cook has also been instrumental in the restoration and re-use of many historic buildings in southern Indiana, including five properties on the National Register of Historic Places. He was founder of the Monroe County YMCA, now the largest in Indiana, and is sponsor of the Star of Indiana Drum and Bugle Corps, a traveling and performing group of 128 young people.

Cook and his wife Gayle founded Cook Incorporated in 1963 in Bloomington with \$1,500 of invested capital.

Today, the firms in the Cook group manufacture cardiovascular diagnostic and interventional products, extruded and injection-molded plastics, stainless steel tubing, pharmaceuticals, radiological equipment, pacemakers, OB/GYN devices and endoscopic instruments.

Cook will serve the remainder of Fineberg's term which ends June 30. At that time he may be reappointed by the governor or replaced.

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and have to be part of the process. I don't think we could make a strategic direction unless we have insight that students bring to the table," he said.

Todd Schmidt, Undergraduate Student Assembly president, serves on the marketing task force; William Lewis, Black Student Union president, is a member of the excellence in teaching and research task force; Carmen Marshall, USA senator, serves on the enhancing efficiency and effectiveness task force and Bruce Béal, USA senator, serves on the mission task force.

Not only will students take part in the task forces helping to determine IU's strategic directions, but forums will take place next semester at which students, staff and faculty will have a chance to give their input.

"This is a time for students to speak up. One of the absolute goals is to make sure this is an open process," Cambridge said.

Bepko also said public hearings will aid in the process of establishing a sound plan that represents all members of the IU community.

"They'll (task forces) hold public hearings so others not on the task forces can make their contribution to the plan," he said.

After the task forces decide upon a plan to improve their area of exper-

Task force leaders

Eight university officials will lead Brand's strategic directions task forces for IU.

■ "Mission" — Richard Friedland, chair and professor of political science, IUPUI.

■ "Integration with the community." — Martina McCarthy, education professor, IUB.

■ "Excellence in teaching and research." — James Craig, professor of psychology, IUB.

■ "Accountability" — Barbara Cambridge, associate dean of faculties at IUPUI.

■ "Marketing" — Jack Wentworth, dean emeritus of the School of Business, IUB.

■ "Student retention" — Mary Ann Baker, professor of psychology, IUB.

■ "Under-representation" — Edwardo Lao Rhodes, associate professor of public and environmental affairs, IUB.

■ "Enhancing efficiency and effectiveness" — R. Thomas Lentz, professor of management, IUPUI.

tise, they will compile their findings and submit their reports to Brand.

"We hope they'll deliberate and by the end of the spring term they will have a report that will contain strategic choices for Indiana University," Bepko said.

Once those reports are compiled, the university community will again be able to comment when they are distributed to the university.

Card

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tional for those who are already attending IUPUI," said Plater.

Plater also said the old cards carried by students are still considered valid student identification, at least for the current semester.

According to Todd Schmidt, president of the Undergraduate Student Assembly, an IUPUI task force has been working on the idea of new IDs for more than four years.

He added that the primary reason it took so long to initiate this new system was because "every time they (the task force) came up with a system, new technology was introduced."

Grove said Florida State University students are using their IDs as credit cards in some stores throughout the campus town.

"While a commuter school like IUPUI may not have a need at this time for the credit card option, other similar programs could be implemented—like a debit card program," said Grove.

In Grove's projection, the debit card would allow students to place money into an account that could be depleted over time. Financial aid and

student loan recipients could place excess money into this account.

The ID card would then permit the holder to purchase items in campus cafeterias, bookstores, photocopies, vending machines, and almost anywhere on campus where money is needed for educational purposes.

The bar codes have provided various organizations on campus with the challenge of deciding how IUPUI could benefit from the cards.

This prompted a committee, chaired by Grove, to begin researching software and any costs that would be associated with establishing additional uses for the card.

"The card is the springboard for technology to come," he said. "The gaining of additional uses will be gradual."

For now, Plater said using the new ID cards will be limited to campus identification and as a library card.

Grove said some ideas may not be developed as quickly as others, but "there will undoubtedly be many uses by the turn of the century."



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Activities Calendar

Tuesday/24th

• Amnesty International USA meets every other Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. in LY 132. Amnesty International appreciates the interest students have shown by supporting the IUPUI chapter.

• The Lutheran Campus Ministry is sponsoring an evening prayer from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. at the Newman Center. This will be a simple service of psalms, lessons and prayer.

• All students are invited to attend the English Club's open poetry and fiction reading meeting at 7 p.m. in CA 507. Students will read their original poetry and fiction. Those students whose work appears in the latest issue of *genesis* will be the featured readers.



Wednesday/25th

• Join the Catholic Newman Club at 1309 W. Michigan as they feast their eyes on the Midweek Menu for an all-you-can-eat homecooked meal from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Newman Center. The cost is \$2.50. For more information contact the Newman Center at 632-4378.



Friday/27th

• Students interested in studying overseas this summer should come to the French and Spanish Club's Summer Abroad Programs Information Meeting in CA 507. The Spanish Club's program is from 5 to 6 p.m. Programs for Spanish students include study in Salamanca and Mexico City. The French Club's program is from 7 to 8 p.m. Programs for French students include study in Dijon. For more information call Amy Jones at 274-3380.



Sunday/29th

• The Catholic Newman Center at 1309 W. Michigan conducts a religious activity workshop from 4 to 5:30 p.m. every Sunday. For further information contact 632-4378.



Wednesday/8th

• Student Activities is sponsoring a Student Leader/Advisor Reception from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in LY 115. Student Organization Presidents and Advisors are invited. Watch for invitations coming soon.

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Spring '95 Sportsfest

International House in cooperation with the IUPUI Intramural and Recreational Sports is sponsoring spring 1995 Sportsfest on three selected dates during the spring.

These sporting events will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday evenings in the IUPUI Natatorium. Admission is free. Prizes will be awarded to winners!

Bring your friends and join us on the following dates: January 20 for volleyball and badminton, January 27 for basketball and volleyball, and February 3 for international sports night, where there will be sporting events, dancing and plenty of food!

For more information on any of these recreational events contact Catherine at 278-6532 or Matt at 274-2824.

Bulletin Board

House of Organizations

Student Activity Fall 1995 Funding Proposals are due by 5 p.m. in the Student Activities Office (LY 002) on Jan. 31. Contact Jane Petty at 274-5199 if you have questions.

Catholic Newman Club Ski Trip

Enjoy a snow-filled Saturday with the Catholic Newman Club as they travel to Ski World in Nashville, IN on Jan. 28.

The cost is \$25 per person. This includes ski rental, lift passes and admission. Contact the Catholic Newman Center at 632-4378 to register.

IUPUI Interfaith Alliance

The IUPUI Interfaith Alliance has set up a Listening Post that will be accessible for students every Monday through Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Campus ministers as well as other ministers will be available for conversation and referrals.

The Listening Post is located on the first floor of the Student Activities Center, vestibule.

Contact the Catholic Newman Center at 632-4378 for more information.

Winter Day of Reflection

The Catholic Newman Center is sponsoring an all day retreat titled "Winter Day of Reflection" on Feb. 4 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Students can enjoy the retreat at Eagle Creek State Park.

For more information contact the Catholic Newman Center at 632-4378.

The Federalist Society For Law and Public Policy Studies

On Friday, Jan. 27, The Federalist Society (Law School Student Organization) will be sponsoring a talk given by Professor Stephen B. Presser of Northwestern University School of Law.

The talk will take place in room 116 of the Law School and will run from noon to 1 p.m. Professor Presser will be speaking about his new book titled, "Recapturing the Constitution: Race, Religion, and Abortion Reconsidered."

Professor Michael R. Heise of the Law School will serve as the respondent to professor Presser's remarks.

IUPUI Advocate Meeting

The IUPUI Advocate, a campus group for gay, lesbian, bisexual students and "un-decideds" will have their regular meeting Wednesday, Jan. 25 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Student Activities Center, room 132.

February 25- 10th Annual Gospel Festival

March 20-April 1- Undergraduate Student Assembly Elections

March 31- Spring Dinner/Dance

genesis seeking staff members

genesis is looking for students interested in modern literature, art, reading and having a good time. New positions for staff members will be available for this spring semester. If you would like to get some editorial experience for your resumé, or if you want to learn more about the printing world, or you are searching for new friends, try *genesis*.

English and art majors are coveted, but we don't discriminate. History and political science will do.

If you are intrigued, drop off a resume at the English office, fifth floor, Cavanaugh Hall, in Geneva Ballard's mailbox.

The resumé should contain your name, address, phone number, class standing, GPA, major and classes you've taken in your major. Also include a paragraph or two about why you want to be on the staff.

The deadline for submission is Jan. 27.

April 19- Student Activities Honors Program

For more information contact the Student Activities Office at 274-3931.

IUPUI Bicycle Racing Team

The IUPUI Bicycle Racing Team is conducting an open meeting of all bicyclists interested in becoming members of the team.

This meeting will take place tonight at 7 p.m. in the Student Activities Center, room 132.

Benefits include sponsorship, team support, training programs and NCCA and USCF classification.

All levels of experience are welcome.

To learn more about the team and its benefits contact Robert Blaudow at 624-2900.

genesis submission invitation for spring issue

Artwork of any type, essays, one-act plays, fiction, nonfiction, or poetry is invited from all persons who have been students at IUPUI at any time during the last eighteen months.

Artists are asked to submit no more than ten pieces. Prose pieces must be double spaced. Please classify prose pieces as either fiction or non-fiction. Poets are asked to submit no more than ten pieces.

All submissions must be accompanied by a separate title sheet containing the author's or artist's name, address, phone number, and a short biography. Names should be on the title sheet only.

Authors and artists whose material has been accepted will be notified prior to publication date. Manuscripts will not be returned.

Submit to *genesis*, English office, Cavanaugh Hall.

Deadline for poetry and prose is Friday, Feb. 17. Deadline for art is Friday, March 3.

Learning Center provides mentoring sessions

The Undergraduate Education Student Council wants to make you aware of the Learning Center and the mentoring sessions scheduled for the Spring semester.

The Learning Center provides an environment where students are helping students.

The Center is located in the LY building and is the home of the Student Mentor Program.

Mentoring offers supplementary instruction in a number of key courses. Departments and faculty working with the students have identified several courses where collaborative learning strategies are especially helpful to students.

Groups of students work together with a student mentor to better understand difficult course material. The collaborative learning process provides an enriching environment for students to build community.

A mentor is a student who has successfully completed a course and "retakes" the course in order to assist students in the class.

Mentors are available to provide learning assistance to students in some first year courses in psychology, math, economics, chemistry, anatomy, physiology, and biology. The mentor assists students in their review of course material and shares helpful study skills and test-taking techniques.

Mentoring sessions are available in the following courses: Anatomy N261, Biology K101, Chemistry C105, Economics E201, Engineering ME 200, Math M010, M001, 111, M118, 119, 151, M153, Physiology N217, Psychology B104 and B292, Sociology B100.

All sessions are held in the basement of the LY building.

Please check the Mentor Board at the base of the stairs for the daily schedule of sessions and area assignments.

For more information, call the Learning Center at 274-4818 or 274-2369.

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Wed. Jan. 25 Belmont 3:30*
Sat. Jan. 28 IU Southeast 7:00

Women's basketball
Wed. Jan. 25 Belmont 7:00*
Sat. Jan. 28 Mt. St. Joseph 7:00

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PLAYER HIGHLIGHT

Melissa Hiett: The junior forward totaled 38 points, 13 rebounds, and seven steals as the Metros (7-11) finished the week 1-1.



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Team needs toughness as it looks for wins on the road

The women's basketball team will end the season by playing eight games on the road. The Metros are 1-6 on the road this year.

By Darin Crone
The Sagamore

The women's basketball team needs to find victories in a place where few seem to be found this year—on the road.

Eight of the Metros' 10 remaining games will be played away from the familiar confines of the IU Natatorium. The team is 6-5 at home and 1-6 away.

The Metros have been outscored by a total of 87 points on their opponents' home courts, including a 95-47 lashing by NCAA Div. I University of Southern Indiana.

With most of the remaining games on the road, Joe Johnson, Metro coach, said he hopes the team will develop toughness, something the team has been lacking.

Johnson said more than one player does not play well at the same time.

One player will lift the team during one

game and another player will lift the team during the next.

"We're just too nice," Johnson said. "We are too unselfish," he said.

The lack of mental toughness was evident Jan. 17.

After winning three consecutive games by an average margin of 10 points, the Metros were unable to hold off the Franklin College Grizzlies.

The Metros led the Grizzlies by nine points at halftime, holding them to just 32 percent from the field.

During the second half, however, Franklin College burned up the net as they scored 54



"I don't want the road to break us, I want it to make us."

Joe Johnson, women's basketball coach

"Even though we were up in the first half, I didn't feel like we were playing well," said Johnson.

"I think being at home and winning three games in a row distracted us," he added.

With six straight games on the road, Johnson said he hopes the Metros will develop the mental attitude necessary for post-season play.

"I don't want the road to break us, I want it to make us," he said.

The bottom line, Johnson said, is that "we have to win on the road."

The Metros have won four out of their last five games.

Former Coach of Year named baseball coach

Bret Shambaugh said he wants to bring a new attitude to the Metros.

By Marlon Riley
The Sagamore

Former Marian College pitcher and IU-Bloomington assistant Bret Shambaugh was named the new coach of the IUPUI Men's Baseball team.

College, where he earned all-conference honors and served one year as team captain.

He began his coaching career at his alma-mater as an assistant from 1985-89.

In 1990, he took over as head coach at Marian College. In 1993, he was voted Coach of the Year for the Mid-Central

Conference as the Giants won the conference title. Last year, he was the pitching coach and recruiting coordinator for the IU-Bloomington baseball team.

As the Metro coach, Shambaugh said he wants to bring a new attitude of "camaraderie amongst the players."

"The players need to get familiar with each other and spend more time together than they did last year," said Shambaugh.

The baseball coach said he would also like to promote an attitude of "positive aggression" among his players.

"I want them to have a confidence about themselves academically and

athletically. I want them to be proud to be here," he said.

From last year's IUPUI baseball team, Shambaugh doesn't have much to play with.

Last year's team was experienced, but a lot of the talent graduated. Shambaugh is left with a scarce amount of players that are inexperienced and young.

A player Shambaugh noted worthy of last year's team is pitcher Barry Clegg, who pitched in twelve games and had a 6-2 record.

Jokingly, an allusion was made to "The Bad News Bears."

"That's about right," Shambaugh said. "Hopefully we can share the successes they did, he added."

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Big Bird on the Block

These days, "government funding for the arts" seems to be fighting words more than a description of public policy

"Whenever I hear the word 'culture,' I reach for my pistol." —Hermann Goering.

Despite a massive media blitz by zealous supporters of government arts funding to portray opponents of such programs as modern-day social fascists intent on defending cultural purity, the issue is—as most issues inevitably are—more complicated than that.

Beyond the hysterical rhetoric that a cut in funding will mean the death of "culture," and specious and irrelevant arguments about the cost of arts funding, there are real principles involved.

Supporters claim that funding for PBS does not amount to much money. This is simply untrue. While 285 million dollars is not a gargantuan slice of the federal budget pie percentage-wise, it is, nevertheless an enormous amount of money by any rational standard.

While "free" symphonies and other educational programming are indeed enriching for those who like that sort of thing, they are, in fact, frills, rather than essential duties of government. In a free society, no citizen should be compelled to support an endeavor that is not a legitimate function of government.

activities that are necessary for any government to perform in order to ensure a peaceful, well-ordered—and free—society.

This also raises the question of "art for whom?" Some Republicans—most vociferously the newly-elected Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich—have called government subsidized projects like PBS a "sandbox for rich elitists."

While there is perhaps a grain of truth to that charge, it is a gross distortion of reality—a majority of the families who watch PBS have household incomes below \$40,000, according to a 1994 Nielsen study.

Nevertheless, should those who do not enjoy the symphony, opera—or Big Bird—be forced to subsidize such programs for the enjoyment of those who do?

If I want to eat at a five-star restaurant, but can't afford to unless all my neighbors "chip in," should they be compelled to do so regardless of whether they ever want to eat there or not, simply because it improves the "culture" of the city to have such a restaurant operating?

If you think they should, please send your contribution to my attention—I'd like to dine at Chez Jean this weekend.

Bryan Roth is a freshman majoring in English

Remembrance of King's Past

Who will remember the lessons which were bought with so many tears?

Martin Luther King, Jr. conquered the ignorance of a nation with his mind. He led a nation to "the promised land," literally on his own two feet, through countless marches.

Most importantly, he was a man who changed the way a nation's citizens think of each other, armed only with a simple dream.

But have we forgotten what Dr. King and the other civil rights leaders and participants fought for? They fought for desegregation of our schools so that children of all races could learn and play together.

They fought for the rights of all so-called "inferior" races. Blacks, Jews, Hispanics and Asians can now live, eat and breathe the same things as the white race. We all now have the same right to drink from the same drinking fountain and sit in any seat on the bus.

Today's generation seems to have forgotten the struggle our parents and their parents went through to make better lives for everyone.



Marlon Riley

If our parents and grandparents do not pass on the knowledge gained from the Civil Rights struggle to the next generation, then how will society avoid falling into the trap the German poet Heinrich Heine warned about when he said, "Those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it?"

Marlon Riley is a freshman planning to major in journalism



More on SPAAM members

I have a few points of clarification regarding the "Dog's Best Friend" article which appeared in the Jan. 16 edition of The Sagamore. The correct e-mail address for SPAAM (Students Protecting Animal Abuse and Mistreatment) is "dbritts@indyunix.iupui.edu." Send mail to this address if you are interested in receiving SPAAM newsletters, info, etc.

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poem pops into (starting?) heads" is indeed an important starting point for class discussion or any other critical consideration, but it is not the end of that concern.

What's important to the discipline and to literature classes is the expert rules that enable a group of interpreters to arrive at some consensus about the meaning of a text. Within the rules of the discipline, that meaning has as much force and weight as the conclusions drawn within any other field.

Mr. Roth's deference to an author's intentions and to "what the poem or story actually says" ignores the rich and varied critical discussions that the field of literary study has been conducting for the last 30 years. Roth's interest in the meaning of texts and the relations those meanings have with authors and readers is, however, an important concern in the field; it just requires a more complex perspective than he brought to bear in his column.

Richard Turner Chair, Department of English

Letters from readers



Ill treatment by The Sagamore at an all-time low this year

I read with great sadness the Jan. 16 Sagamore, because there was no mention of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Initially, I was anxious to read about Dr. King and the activities planned on campus in recognition of the holiday.

Shocked to see no mention of Dr. King on the cover, I re-checked the date. The Sagamore was dated Monday, Jan. 16, 1995. Upon turning to the activities calendar I was again disappointed by the omission of Monday activities.

What is the meaning of this tremendous oversight and lack of acknowledgment? The Sagamore has a reputation for ill treatment of diverse populations (notably, a photograph which appeared in The Sagamore last fall); this omission, however, is an all-time low.

Evon Bradley Graduate student/School of Social Work

Student paper is insensitive to Martin Luther King holiday

On Jan. 16, our school newspaper, The Sagamore, had a picture of a dog on the front cover. This was the day that all races of people should have been celebrating the national holiday for the great Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Although the university's administration is involved in the 25th Annual King Dinner, it is my view that the administration is just using the day as a big public relations event to show off to the community, instead of celebrating the day for the reason it was established.

IUPUI does nothing else to help students of all races celebrate this great day because as everyone is aware, classes remained in session, which did not allow for all students to even attend the activities of the dinner.

Not to mention that there were other events available to students on this day to acknowledge the KING. Once again The Sagamore has slapped the faces of African-American students on this campus. Last year, we had to deal with the antics of last year's editor, and it seems that his predecessor has taken up the baton on cultural insensitivity and is running with it. This paper has paid tribute to things of much less importance to the enrichment of students' lives in the past, yet found no need to make mention of Dr. King's day. All of my frustration isn't solely placed

on The Sagamore: some must fall on the ears of my fellow African-American students—students who are still asleep in this place, where of all places, they should be awake—because this is an institution of higher learning. We do not demand better from The Sagamore and the administration. We have gotten exactly what we've asked for—nothing!

Changes in The Sagamore must take place if it is to truly reflect this multicultural campus. There are new forces growing on this campus which will no longer stand by and allow The Sagamore to destroy or bring down the image of African-American men—the image that Dr. King exemplified in his life, a life this paper felt no need to make mention of on the occasion of a national holiday.

David Fredricka Junior/English major

Vegetarians should be careful not to antagonize meat-eaters

I found Jennifer Kay Ruple's article on animal rights and vegetarianism informative. As a vegetarian since 1978, I have seen the ranks of people living a vegetarian lifestyle grow each year.

The article did contain one misstatement. It quotes Dave Britts as saying,

"Vegetarians usually eat vegetables and no red meat, but still consume chicken and fish." This is incorrect. A person who eats chicken or fish is not a vegetarian. The dictionary states that a vegetarian is "one who eats no meat."

While vegetarianism is a healthy lifestyle, one should be careful not to become arrogant towards meat-eaters. In truth, even vegans have been known to use animal products. The Sagamore photograph of Dave Britts and his dog was probably made with gelatin, an animal by-product of bones and hooves. Also, most vegetarians still feed their carnivorous cats and dogs food made with animal parts. Even soy cheese, a vegetarian favorite, contains casein, a milk protein. I personally enjoy ice cream and Keifer, both made with milk.

Every person who quits eating animals has their own defining moment when they actually feel proud about the decision to quit eating their animal friends.

That moment occurred for me the day after gorging myself on roast beef at a wedding reception. I was driving down a country road and looked over at a herd of cattle. I parked the car, got out, made eye contact with a cow and said out loud, "I can't eat you anymore."

If everyone who consumed animals looked into the eyes of their intended meat, most of the planet would become vegetarian.

Keith Sampson Senior/Telcamastrators

Paper needs to provide more accurate and balanced coverage of significant issues

This letter is in response to your unduly sympathetic article in The Sagamore of Jan. 16, which, under the title "Dog's Best Friend," reported the activities of Dave Britts and his new organization called Students Protecting Animal Abuse and Mistreatment.

Since you devoted over half of the front page to this topic, I assume that you consider this to be a significant topic for campus discussion. Therefore I would like to contribute to such an exchange. Towards the end of the article Mr. Britts is quoted as saying, "Not once has a drug that has been tested on laboratory animals actually cured a disease." My response is this: virtually all of the drugs and pharmaceuticals in clinical use today have been tested on laboratory animals, and most of them could not have even been developed without laboratory animal experimentation.

I invite your readers, especially those who in fact have been cured by the use of a modern medicine, to judge the absurdity of Mr. Britts' statement. I also invite The Sagamore, in the interest of editorial objectivity, to provide the addresses of organizations whose role is to promote the responsible use of animals in research that plays a significant role in human health. Perhaps one of the following would provide your editorial staff and the campus population with information that goes beyond the unsupported assertion that you say fit to provide. Several organizations which can provide objective information are:

- Many other points raised by this article are also subject to informed challenge and discussion, and I invite others of the campus community to address such concerns.

Richard A. Meisa, Ph.D. Professor of Physiology and Biophysics and of OB/GYN Indiana University School of Medicine

Roth article ignores richness of current literary discussions

Teachers regularly find themselves delighted both by the prospect of students who have learned their lessons well and by the chance to teach something else to students who have come a long way but have some more learning to do. For instance, in Bryan Roth's opinion piece in The Sagamore (Jan. 16), he quite correctly commented on the inclusion of subjective experience in literature classes, but he misrepresented the role that subjective experience plays in the development of literary interpretations.

Roth is right that many courses in literary study require students to bring their subjective experience of texts to the process of interpretation, but not because we see ourselves in the business of nurturing (although nurturing is a fine human activity), but because all interpretations, in literary study and in other fields, begin with a person's reading and thinking about a text. "Whatever interpretation of a story or

Becky Vasko Sagamore/English major

Perspectives

Open poetry, prose reading top English Club activities

By Amy Tovasky
The Sagamore

Many students are plagued with a fear of talking to strange audiences, and many young writers are nervous about sharing their unpublished work. However, the IUPUI English Club is offering an opportunity to help dispel those fears. Tomorrow night the club will host an open poetry and fiction reading featuring original student works which appeared in the most recent issue of "genesis," an IUPUI art and

literature magazine.

Any students interested in reading their own poetry or short fiction are also invited.

"We are seeing a very strong pool of talented writers emerge here on 'campus,'" said Lisa Meloy, president of the English Club. "The purpose of the literary magazines and open readings are to provide an outlet for student writers, as well as develop a sense of community where people can feel comfortable presenting their work."

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'Boys on the Side' Whoopi Goldberg, Mary Louise Parker

Blending Drew Barrymore, Mary Louise Parker and the incomparably hilarious Whoopi Goldberg in an "I Am Woman—Hear Me Roar" tearjerker might at first seem odd and ill-mixed.

Actually, the trio is astonishingly good together. Goldberg plays a love-stricken lesbian. Parker portrays an AIDS-stricken real estate agent. And Barrymore plays a stupid-stricken slut—in other words—it wasn't a stretch for her.

Maybe Juliette Lewis was originally offered Barrymore's role and was busy playing another psychotic, whiny and trashy ballerina.

Staying true to her signature style, Goldberg is one moment dramatic and emotionally stirring, and the next, whimsically comical.

Parker steals the show. Maybe she stands out because Barrymore is so bad, but Parker really is a character actor. An Oscar nomination may be in her future. — J.M. Brown



'Cybill' Cybill Shepherd, Tom Wopat

There is life after "Moonlighting." After her five-year, highly popular boob-tube romance with Bruce Willis ended in 1990, Cybill Shepherd flourished in mediocre made-for-TV melodramas and flopped as a recording artist on her 1993 CD.

But five years later, she has returned to her specialty—romantic comedy. In "Cybill," which premiered Jan. 2 on CBS, Shepherd plays herself, basically. She's a working actress with a stop-start career who lives with one ex-husband (Tom Wopat) while dating another (Alan Rosenberg).

Her two daughters are airhead super-brats who only serve to complicate instead of complement Cybill's already stressful life.

Christine Baranski, a dead ringer for local newswoman Diane Willis, plays Cybill's alcoholic and eccentric best friend. She's devious yet delightful. Beautiful yet limited, Shepherd has found her niche. Her new show is a guaranteed hit not only because it follows crowd-pleaser "Murphy Brown" on Monday nights, but because the scripts are fairly humorous and most of the acting is illuminating. — J.M. Brown



Shepherd: Sassy on the small screen.



'Nobody's Fool' Paul Newman, Melanie Griffith

Whoever said you get better with age was wrong.

"Nobody's Fool," Paul Newman's latest film about growing old, is stale, pitiless and for the great part, humorless. He plays Donald "Sully" Sullivan, a construction worker with no steady work.

Also starring Bruce Willis, Melanie Griffith and Jessica Tandy, the film attempts unsuccessfully to explore disrespectful attitudes toward the elderly.

Newman: Foolish on the big screen.

For example, all the characters in Sully's life are just empty, angry people who complain not about getting older but just about their distressed lives in general.

In her final role, Tandy, who recently passed away, is the only standout performance as Sully's landlady. He's washed up, his family hates him, but yet she sees his potential to be a successful and loving individual—typical Tandy fare.

Griffith is tolerable; Willis is inexcusable; and Newman—well, after a commendable career like his—should pick better projects. — J.M. Brown



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'Learning' teaches higher lesson

John Singleton's newest film offers education in diversity and tolerance.

By Marlon Riley
and Laura McPhee
The Sagamore

Columbus University is an American microcosm where students of every race, color and creed gather to learn some of life's toughest lessons.

John Singleton's new film about the fictitious California college explores the lives of three freshmen who confront issues of identity, diversity, sexism and racial tension.



Banks



Epps

Singleton superbly passes on the challenge of dealing with racism, prejudice and discrimination to the younger generation. More importantly, the film takes no sides. "Higher Learning" stars Ice Cube, Omar Epps, Kristy Swanson, Tyra

Banks, Michael Rapaport and Laurence Fishburne as a professor, mentor and role model for his young students.

Former high school track star Malik Williams (Epps) thinks he can cruise through his first year of college until he learns he has to run faster and harder to earn his track scholarship and keep up with life.

Kristen Connor's (Swanson) dates were different in high school—they stopped when she said no. Remy (Rapaport) finds the California college's diverse student population a great change from living in Idaho and struggles to find a group with which he can identify and belong.

The Academy Award-nominated director clearly places blame for discriminative intolerance and hatred on ignorance rather than individuals of any specific race or sexuality.

"You have all these different types of people from different races, different cultures, different countries, different sexual orientations, living together in one place," Singleton said in a press release. "A great deal of the combustibility comes out of that, whether it's a campus or country."

Despite what some may believe, the film is not just geared toward African-Americans. It aims to educate everyone more than entertain them. The director's message to all moviegoers is very deep—an open mind is required.

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America's education

Change, Change, Change

First it was health care.

Then it was NAFTA.

Now it's tax reform.

When will education be the most important issue in Washington?

Story by Brian Mohr
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The Saguamores

In just the last five months, the White House—and President Clinton—have endured attacks by a deranged airplane pilot, a Rambo wanna-be, the invisible man and a dagger-wielding transient.

Such attacks on America's leader sound more like citations from a Tom Clancy storyline than the day-to-day routine of a modern-era president.

However intriguing or unique as they may seem, these occurrences could be even more commonplace if the Clinton Clan and the Gingrich Gang don't see eye to eye on future political decisions affecting millions of Americans.

So far the sides have remained content proclaiming their ideals for salvaging America.

Clinton has presented a middle-class tax cut agenda while slashing federal budgets.

Gingrich has proposed legislation to the House in an effort to meet the conditions set forth in the Republicans' "Contract With America."

The legislation ranges from "prohibiting welfare to minor mothers" to a "first-ever vote on term limits to replace career politicians."

But to those in the field of education perusing the plans which the parties have in store for the country, something is missing.

"The big reason why education isn't a hot

topic in Washington, I suppose, may be because it isn't really a federal function. It has traditionally been a state and local matter," said Joe DiLaura, external affairs specialist for the Indiana Department of Education.

Of the 10 issues contained in the GOP's "Contract With America"—to be brought to the floor in the first 100 days—only in the Family Reinforcement Act and the American Restoration Act is there any remote mention of education.

The reinforcement act states "strengthening rights of parents in their children's education." And the restoration act acknowledges a creation of a savings account that could be used for tax-free withdrawals to pay for college education.

Republicans are also discussing the termination of funding for the Corporation of Public Broadcasting, as well as for the National

Endowment for the Arts and the Humanities.

According to Henry Cauthen, chairman of the CPB, 87 stations may shut down if federal monies are not granted.

Lloyd Wright, president and general manager of WFYI-TV 20/FM 90, said a loss in funding could have a tremendous effect on Indiana.

"Considering all the programs and services we offer the city, it's a very scary thing," he said.

Thirteen percent—\$600,000—of WFYI/FM 90's budget is funded by the federal government.

Regarding Gingrich's remarks in a CNN interview in early January that public television is a "little sandbox for the rich" and "If you've got a

good product, people will donate. If you don't have a good product, why are you forcing working taxpayers to subsidize your playing?" Lloyd remarked: "There is no validity at all to those statements."

Lloyd was quick to point out that of his station's 6,500 total viewing hours per year, one-third are devoted to 2 to 12 year olds.

A glance to the left

President Clinton has previously stated: "If we can't change that [rising university tuition fees], we're at risk of losing our great American middle class, and of becoming a two-tiered society with a few successful people at the top and everyone else struggling below."

One of his ideas for aiding the "great American middle class," where federal education legislation is concerned, is to make college tuitions tax deductible up to \$10,000 a year for families making up to \$120,000 a year.

In December, Clinton announced plans for \$24.03 billion in federal cutbacks and downsizing to reduce the federal deficit. More than half of the cutbacks will be in the Department of Energy, \$10.6 billion, and the Department of Transportation, \$6.7 billion. Members of the GOP believe larger cuts need to be made.

Speculation abounds regarding which federal departments the Republicans want eliminated to bring America out of its estimated \$643 million a day deficit. Some U.S. congressmen believe the Department of Education should be one of the first to go.

About the DOE

Initially established by Jimmy Carter in 1979, the department currently accounts for \$29 billion annually of taxpayers' money. It also operates more than 200 education programs.

Its primary responsibilities include: equal educational opportunity for all Americans, improving the quality of that education through federal support, research programs and information sharing.

Its financial commitments include: support to states and local school districts to assist underprivileged and disabled students, providing vocational education, promoting bilingual education and overseeing racial integration.

For post-secondary institutions, it provides money for programs in international studies, assistance in building facilities and financial aid to students.

"The question of eliminating the department is somewhat symbolic. What happens to the department's programs is the real issue. If we shift

programs back to the state, the potential impact is great," said Clyde Ingle, commissioner for the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.

But these are programs that some politicians say they believe could be better handled on the state level.

"It's possible that they should leave all education interests to the state. But it's important to remember that various educational interests could not be done at the state level (in the beginning) so it was shifted to



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As far as the state of Indiana is concerned, there is money in the 1995-97 state budgets to cover some costs for education programs. But that, of course, is only if the Balanced Budget Amendment—proposed by Republicans—is not passed anytime soon.

According to a state-by-state analysis released by the U.S. Treasury Department on Jan. 13, if the budget were balanced in seven years, federal grants to states would be cut by billions of dollars.

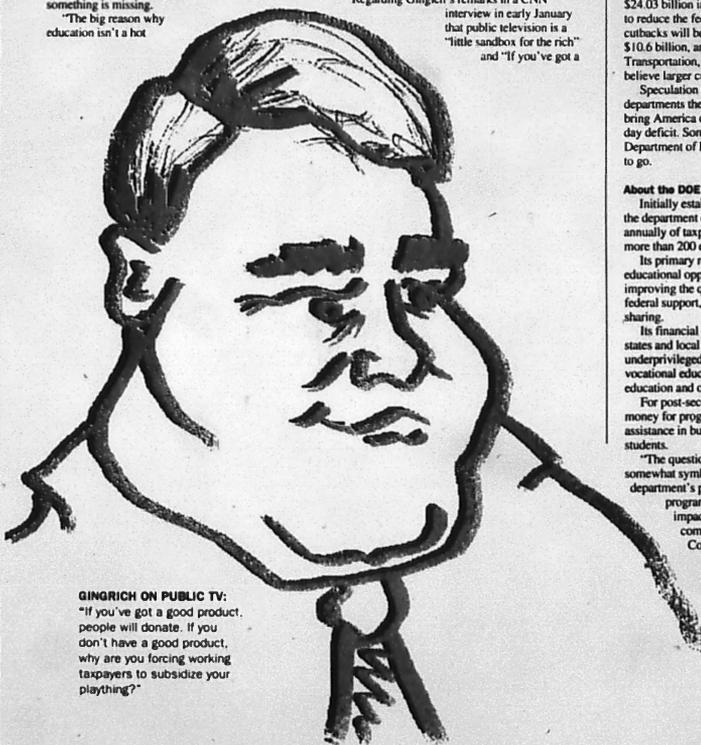
If the federal grants to Indiana are reduced, the state government would receive \$1.5 billion less than it currently gets. Nearly \$357 million per year would be lost in funding for education, job training, housing, the environment and other areas.

If the Balanced Budget Amendment was combined with the "Contract With America" cuts, there would be an even larger reduction—\$490 million per year in funding for education, job training, the environment, housing and other areas.

The question remains as to whether or not state education officials want the burden of more financial responsibility for education to be placed on their shoulders. Especially since the state just recently closed two Indiana public high schools and one elementary school because of insufficient funds.

"If that [abolishing the department] should happen, I think we do have a solid structure in the state to provide good leadership for programs for kindergarten through post-secondary," said Trudy Banta, IUPUI vice chancellor of institutional planning and improvement.

"Presumably, with increases in educational responsibility, there would be an increase in financing for the state," she added.



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