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## MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM AT IUPUI

### Candidate candor will determine who's elected

BY JENNY MONTGOMERY  
NEWS EDITOR

It's not what you say, it's how you say it. Cliche, but true — especially in this year's mayoral race.

The four candidates generally agree on some major issues, but each have very different personalities, which may play a major role in the outcome of the election.

Following an issues forum at IUPUI, the Political Science Students Association conducted an informal straw poll to determine how the audience would vote if the election were that day. The results: Bart Peterson (D) got 49 percent of the votes; Andrew Horning (L), 31 percent; Sue Anne Gilroy (R), 17 percent; and R. John Gibson, Our Party Candidate.

#### ANALYSIS



The four candidates for mayor of Indianapolis answered student questions during a nearly two-hour forum at IUPUI last week. The candidates are (from left) R. John Gibson, Our Party candidate; Andrew Horning (L); Sue Anne Gilroy (R); and Bart Peterson (D). The forum, moderated by J.M. Brown, editor in chief of *The IUPUI Sagamore*, was sponsored by the newspaper, POLSA, the Undergraduate Student Assembly, the Black Student Union and the Latino Student Association.

Photo by Amber Hanley/The IUPUI Sagamore

### Forum facts

The candidates for mayor of Indianapolis — Sue Anne Gilroy (R), Bart Peterson (D), Andrew Horning (L) and R. John Gibson, Our Party candidate — participated in an issues forum Oct. 18 at the University Place Conference Center Auditorium.

All candidates presented their platforms then answered questions about law enforcement, education and the economy from a student and faculty panel.

The following were panelists: Doug Jagers, assignment editor of *The IUPUI Sagamore*; Tricia Wright, community outreach director for the Black Student Union; Anne Marie Buchholtz, president of the Political Science Students Association; and Bill Blomquist, chairman of the IUPUI Department of Political Science.

### Cheating hot topic for chat

Students gathered last weekend at Duke campus to discuss dishonesty.

BY ROBERT KELLEY  
THE CHRONICLE  
DUKE UNIVERSITY

(U-WIRE) Durham, N.C. — Facing mounting research proving that cheating at college is on the rise, university administrators nationwide are focusing more attention on issues of academic integrity.

The weekend of Oct. 15 through 17, Duke hosted the ninth annual conference of the Center for Academic Integrity, a Duke-based consortium of 200 colleges and universities that includes Stanford and Princeton universities and the University of North Carolina, among others.

Titled "Identifying and Mobilizing Resources for Academic Integrity," the three-day conference attracted more than 190 administrators, faculty and students from 75 different schools, conference coordinators said.

The current technology boom's strain on ethics was a central theme for much of the conference.

"The speed of our society and the demands for more and more accelerations of speed are damaging to civility," said keynote speaker Gary Pavela, director of the University of Maryland's student conduct office.

Carleton College Associate Dean Elizabeth Ciner agreed.

"Speed is destructive to the ability to reflect," she said. "Students are busy, and it wouldn't surprise me if it resulted in taking shortcuts."

Compounding the problem of academic dishonesty are the many web-based resources designed to aid students in cheating.

Kenneth Cusack from the Center for Applied and Professional Ethics at Central Missouri State University said he has compiled a database of 11,000 Internet sites from which students can download term papers.

Internet plagiarism is especially enticing to students because "it's easy, fast and anonymous," said the University of San Diego's Lawrence Hinman, who demonstrated the ease with which he could create an essay by cutting and pasting text from Internet sites.

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# Candidates field student questions

## Education still front-row issue

BY DOUG JAGGERS  
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Education was in position to be a major issue during this year's campaign for mayor of Indianapolis. Then Pat Rooney, of Golden Rule Insurance, launched his own education campaign of sorts.

In August, the insurance company CEO ran a brief advertising campaign which sharply criticized the candidates for talking about public education policy. He said the mayor's office has no direct impact on education policy, and he was right. Education is a state issue. From that point on the candidates channeled their en-

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## Decision '99 MAYOR OF INDIANAPOLIS

### Easing tension between IPD, city's minorities

BY JAMIL ODOM  
STAFF WRITER

The answer is community policing. The question though is anyone's guess.

Tricia Wright, community outreach director for the Black Student Union, asked the mayoral candidates how they would reduce tensions among IPD and minorities if elected.

Bart Peterson (D) said IPD needs to be restructured. This is the only way, he said, to ease police and minority problems.

There has been no new blood or a change in leadership within IPD, he said. "IPD never implemented their community policing, which is the right idea. More per-

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Photo by Paulina Kuryk/The IUPUI Sagamore

Bart Peterson (D, above) and Sue Anne Gilroy (R, left) went head to head on whether they were waging negative campaigns.

### Straw poll results

Members of the Political Science Students Association asked people exiting the forum who they would vote for if the election had been that day. These are the results:  
Peterson: 49 percent  
Horning: 31 percent  
Gilroy: 17 percent  
Gibson: 3 percent

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## Raising taxes versus taking out a loan

BY HEATHER ALLEN  
CITY LIFE EDITOR

Should city improvements be paid out of tax dollars or should the city borrow the money, foregoing the burden until a later date?

Bill Blomquist, chair of the political science department, asked this question at the mayoral forum last week, he said, without expecting direct answers.

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# IUPUI financial aid OK for Y2K

Services director assures students IUPUI system has been tested for compliance.

BY DOUG JAGGERS  
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Students who receive federal financial aid may want to keep some cash on hand before Jan. 1, 2000.

The millennium bug may delay the arrival of the first financial aid check in the new year.

Department of Education officials recently told the Senate Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem that student financial aid

systems may be threatened by the millennium bug.

"The department has long believed that there is real risk of Y2K-related problems in our student aid programs because the department must work directly with so many data exchange partners," Smith told the committee.

The agency works with more than 7,000 schools, 6,500 lenders, 36 loan guaranty agencies and several other federal agencies.

Rep. Pete Hoekstra (R-Mich.), chairman of the Senate Committee on Education and Workforce, said the Department of Education's computers track more loans than any bank in the US. There is more than \$150 billion in outstanding loans owed by nearly

93 million students.

Because of the complexity of the network and the amount of money involved, the U.S. Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Education's Inspector General have cited federal student aid programs as high-risk areas.

Barbara Thompson, director of financial aid services for IUPUI, said students here have little to worry about. Financial aid staff members are testing computer systems with the Department of Education.

"According to what they say everything is OK," Thompson said. "Stafford loans are the only area that IUPUI has no control. We're at the mercy of the banks."

Thompson said even the Stafford loans shouldn't be a problem because the funds are scheduled to be transferred before Jan. 1.

### National problem

With three months to go until Jan. 1, only 227 colleges and universities — just three percent — have had their financial aid data exchanges tested with the Department of Education. The silver lining: That number is nearly five times higher than it was a month earlier.

Smith told the committee that if the same rate of increase persists, major problems could be avoided.

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## El Dia de los Muertos



Photo by Mary Gansding/Courtesy of the IUPUI Spanish Club

The IUPUI Spanish Club helped organize the celebration of El Dia de los Muertos Oct. 16 at the Indiana State Museum — an event that attracted 800 people. Those who celebrate the holiday, decorate altars in their homes and graves in remembrance of deceased family members. The actual celebration of the Day of the Dead is Nov. 2.

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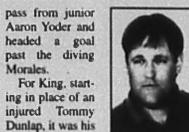
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## Efficient offense beats Louisville

■ IUPUI men's soccer team limited to three shots, pulls out 2-1 win against Louisville.



Franklin

By ED HOLDMAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

For the men's soccer team, quality, not quantity, proved to be the key to their 2-1 win against the University of Louisville Cardinals Oct. 19.

Louisville limited the Jaguars to only three shots, but two of them found the back of the net.

It was the first time the Jaguars had taken the field in 10 days.

The team's trip to Florida was cancelled due to Hurricane Irene, so IUPUI head coach Steve Franklin didn't know what to expect from his troops.

"Sometimes you have to knock a little bit of the rust off," Franklin said.

"Having not played in such a long time, it's kind of tough to see what you're going to get."

What he got was another outstanding performance from sophomore goalkeeper Armando Femia, as he tallied five saves.

"Armando came up strong for us tonight," Franklin said. "He came out twice and made two nice breakaway saves."

Despite the sparse amount of shots, the Jaguar offense was able to capitalize on a break in the early going.

Following a miskick from Louisville goalkeeper, freshman Ben Higginbotham gathered the loose ball deep in Louisville territory.

Higginbotham then outraced Morales and another Louisville defender and rolled in his team-leading fifth goal of the season in the third minute.

With the goal, Higginbotham tied junior Theis Hermann for the team lead with 10 points.

Louisville tied the score at 1-1 in the 24th minute when they blasted a goal from 23 yards out.

The score remained tied until the Jaguars got a goal from an unlikely hero.

Sophomore Patrick King took a

pass from junior Aaron Yoder and headed a goal past the diving Morales.

For King, starting in place of an injured Tommy Duntlap, it was his first goal of the season and the third of his career.

Less than a minute later, it appeared as though Louisville tied the score when an attacker sliced a goal just out of Femia's reach.

However, the goal was negated as a Cardinal attacker was called for holding prior to the shot.

The Jaguars got their third shot of the match late when Hermann drilled a shot that sailed just over the crossbar.

Femia and the Jaguars defenses were able to hold off the Cardinals

during the final 12 minutes.

The win snapped a four-game winless streak and pushed the Jaguars record to 7-5-1.

The aggressive Louisville offense outshot the Jaguars 10-3 and had eight corner kicks to the Jaguars' one. The Cardinals were also called for 15 offside penalties.

"We're back into a winning track," Franklin said. "Louisville is a very good team in Conference USA."

One negative outcome from the win was that Higginbotham collected his fourth yellow card caution of the season.

Five yellow cards results in a one-game suspension.

The men's soccer squad will earn a Mid-Continent Conference tournament berth if they can knock off Western Illinois Oct. 27.

The Jaguars wrap up their regular season Mid-Con schedule when they travel to Oakland University Oct. 30.

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### Player of the Week



**Patrick King, a sophomore from Columbia, Mo., scored the game winning goal in the men's soccer team's 2-1 win against the University of Louisville Oct. 19.**

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public improvements.

Our Party's R. John Gibson was the only candidate with a definite answer. "I favor pay as you go," said Gibson. "I think one of the reasons for throwing the money is a political move, bragging that we haven't raised taxes."

Peterson followed by saying, "We need a mayor to grow the tax base."

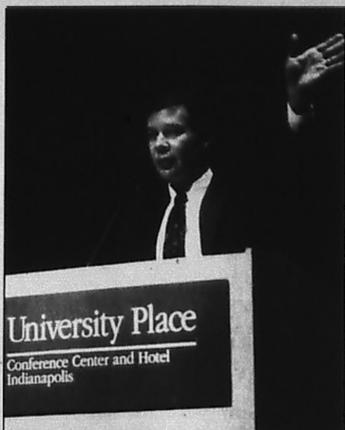
"My question affects every young person who is thinking about staying in Marion County," said Blomquist.

"People who own homes and pay property taxes 15 and 20 years from now are still going to be paying for projects that were done in the 1990s."

Still Gilroy and Horning were against raising taxes.

"We have saved this city," said Gilroy referring to the revamped downtown. "If taxes are high, people and businesses will leave."

Horning said he wants to de-emphasize raising taxes and has proposed other ways to raise capital for city improvements instead of borrowing.



Andrew Horning (L) placed second in the straw poll taken after the forum.

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## EDUCATION

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ery toward other issues.

During the candidate forum, the subject came up again — candidates were asked what was right with public education in Indianapolis.

Sue Anne Gilroy (R) got first shot at the question. She led with the statistic that 80 percent of Indianapolis' children attend public school — her kids went to private school.

Instead of giving specific positives, her answer centered on general areas that need to be changed.

"In the midst of celebrating what is right we can't close our eyes to the fact that this is a competitive world," Gilroy said.

Andrew Horning (L) all but said he would avoid getting involved with education if elected.

"I understand the mayor can have a huge impact on public education through the bully pulpit," he said. "I would just resist that."

Horning, whose children are home schooled, said he would focus on other issues, such as public health, to improve learning conditions.

R. John Gibson most directly answered the question.

The Our Party candidate said he thought there were "a lot of good things happening." He mentioned IPS' magnet schools as "pace setters."

"We have a superintendent and a school board trying to do good things," Gibson said. "We should support them. I think the mayor should be an advocate for public education."

Democrat Bart Peterson picked up where Gibson left off. He said he's excited about the possibility of being an advocate for public education, even though his daughter also attends a private school.

He applauded IPS' effort with magnet school and other options.

"These are different, creative approaches to education," he said.

Peterson also has campaigned for character education in public schools.

Photo by Paulina Karychuk/The IUPUI Sagamore  
R. John Gibson, Our Party candidate

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sonnel is needed, as well as having police officers get out of the car and walk their beat."

Peterson's plan calls for 200 additional police being added to the city payroll. However, his opponent, Sue Anne Gilroy (R) believes mental enhancement is the key.

"Indianapolis needs respect, which is gained when people are treated with civility and respect," she said. "We need to focus on community policing, as well. Good police know the street and know where the trouble is. It begins with education."

Andy Horning (L) has never wavered on this topic.

"I own this question," he said. "IPD needs a readjustment. There is a lot of 'who has what right.' The police are shut out from culture when they need to be brought in."

Our Party candidate, R. John Gibson, said police and community relations should begin in the neighborhoods.

"We need to get the police closer to the people," he said. "The police need to know the people and establish relationships. We need to create restorative justice where predators, victims and the neighborhood solve problems at their level."

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For more information call 274-2255 or 274-7617. Additional information can be obtained online at: [www.hra.iupui.edu](http://www.hra.iupui.edu).

### Race riot reparations to headline discussion

Alfred Brophy, an Oklahoma state legal consultant currently serving as a visiting professor at the IU School of Law-Indianapolis, will discuss civil rights actions and the controversial issue of reparations to victims of the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921.

Brophy, an Oklahoma City University law professor, will include about 25 rare photographs of the riot and its aftermath in his presentation Oct. 28 at the law school.

Brophy is a consultant for the Oklahoma commission that was established to investigate the Tulsa riot.

# Comedian tackles college drinking

**Funny man uses comedy to bring serious alcohol awareness message to IUPUI.**

By CINDI FUGATE  
STAFF WRITER

Bernie McGrenahan is an alcoholic.

In 1988, after three arrests and four months in the Los Angeles County jail, he sat alone on the floor of his apartment and admitted to himself he had a problem with alcohol.

McGrenahan also is a stand-up comic who has toured with musical acts REM and Boyz II Men. He also opened for Rodney Dangerfield and has entertained American soldiers overseas.

McGrenahan presented his act "Sobriety: Your Best Personal Choice" Oct. 18 at University College.

The presentation was part of a series of activities planned by the Office of Campus Interrelations to mark National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

Currently, McGrenahan has put his comedy career on hold to travel the country speaking to college students about the effects of binge drinking.

The comedian shared horror stories about students who have died from drinking — a student who fell down a flight of stairs, another who fell off a balcony and one who fell out of a window.

According to McGrenahan, the first step to recovery from alcohol-

ism is admitting there is a problem.

"I'm an alcoholic for the rest of my life," the comedian said. "I just choose to die a sober alcoholic."

Many alcoholics must "hit bottom" before realizing they have a problem. McGrenahan was forced to realize his problem when his brother committed suicide.

His brother, who actively abused drugs and alcohol, never hinted that he would take his own life.

"My brother put a shotgun to his chest and pulled the trigger... we had just had a fight and I told him to get his life together," he said, his voice straining. "And like a good alcoholic, I went out to a bar and had a few drinks."

Almost 12 years later, McGrenahan's mission is to inform the public about the effects of alcohol — specifically binge drinking — on college campuses.

According to McGrenahan, binge drinking is defined as drinking four or five drinks a night or regularly drinking three or more times over a two-week period.

McGrenahan said 39 percent of female college students binge drink, compared to 10 percent in 1979, and that 52 percent of male college students also drink heavily.

According to McGrenahan, 90 percent of violence on college campuses is alcohol-related, including date rape, vandalism and battery.

"Using speakers who begin present-



Photo by Heather Allen/The IU PCI Sagamore

This car, involved in an alcohol-related accident, was on display in the courtyard last week to remind students about the dangers of drunk driving.

tations with humor is a good way to get through to students," said Susan Canady, coordinator of student life and diversity. "We didn't want someone to come in and start lecturing. We wanted someone who could re-

late to our students."

McGrenahan said relationships and friendships have new meaning when sober.

"I used to run from my problems," he said. "Now, I face them head on."

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## Y2K

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IU has tested its Direct Loan Organization System and National Student Loan Data System with the agency. However, the parts that handle the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and the Federal Pell Grants remain untested.

The Department of Education completed its conversion in March. 165 systems were updated or replaced at a cost of \$44.1 million.

"We also contracted with expert consultants for independent verification and validation of Year 2000 compliance for the 14 mission-critical systems, 13 of which support student aid programs," Smith said.

All 36 guaranty agencies have also completed their conversions and tested with the Department of Education's systems, leaving the schools and lenders holding the ball.

Smith told the committee he doesn't expect there to be major problems with federal financial aid. He said the effects would be closer to a snow storm, causing disruption for only a few days.

### Related websites

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# VIEWPOINTS

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## There's no such thing as a wasted vote

■ Political parties can't win if their followers don't support them on election day.

So Andrew Horning is going to "deck" anyone who tells them they'd like to vote for him, but for some reason can't.

It's not exactly the best campaign strategy, but all in all, the Libertarian candidate for mayor makes a good point.

Horning's fuel for this is the age-old problem the Libertarian party has faced. Voters believe in what the party stands for, but sees their chances of winning slim in a city dominated by the Republican and Democratic parties. So to make their voice heard, they vote for the one or the other.

Since when do we live in a country where our votes don't count? If we believe something is right, we should support it, not just pass it off because it might not make it.

Let's review the basics of voting. First we have our candidates, and they tell us exactly what they would do and how they would do it if elected.

After months of cheesy campaign commercials, public forums, shaking hands and kissing babies, we, the public, decide who would be best to serve. And here's the critical point: We get to choose through voting.

Why in the world would we not vote for someone we support just because they're not supported by an age-old system.

The reason the Libertarian Party doesn't have a strong political hold in Indianapolis is because the people who would vote for them won't and don't.

Voting is a risk we have to take, assuming we want our opinion heard. We live in the "land of the free," the least we can do is express that by voting for who we want.

— Bobby Bell

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Fighting wasted vote syndrome

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## Registering inconvenient for some

■ Current voter registration process is cumbersome, easy to forget.

I have an embarrassing secret. I am a political science major. I keep up with current events and I closely follow local and national elections. However, I am not, and have never been, registered to vote.

I do take responsibility for this. As I was running to a class last week, someone passed me a voter registration form. I actually filled it out in class, with every intention of sending the form in, but I am a college student. I have a lot to do, and it all tends to slip my mind. As I write this now, it looks as though I missed the deadline for voter registration once again.

At the risk of sounding lazy, I feel the current system of voter registration is cumbersome and discourages large segments of the population from voting. I am not alone in this view. In the November 1996 elections, only 66 percent of the population registered to vote, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. This was at its lowest point since 1968.

Despite the National Voter Registration Act that went into effect in 1995, which allows citizens to mail in forms, register when renewing a driver's license or applying for Medicare, numbers didn't improve. I don't blame this on public apathy alone. People are busy these days, and the government doesn't make registration easy on them.

There are four ways a person can register to vote in Pennsylvania — in person at the State Election Office, by renewing a driver's license, at government agencies, or by mail.

Because registering is probably not at the top of a typical person's list of priorities, this process could be made much easier. Why can't a registration card

be automatically sent to our homes? Or why can't we simply use our social security cards to register? Every American citizen has one, and with the computer technology available today, vast systems of databases could be compiled in a way that keeps an individual from voting twice.

Not only is registering to vote something that slips people's minds, but I know adults that purposely do not register just to ensure they are not called for jury duty. I am not contesting the legitimacy of jury duty, and of course it is important, but the voting system is set up in such a way that it deters some people from even registering.

I was in Scotland in May during the regional elections, and I spent election day traveling between various voting centers. There was no registration card. Every citizen was eligible. Each voting area was organized by what street citizens lived on. People who did not realize it was election day until the evening could just stroll in and cast their vote. How's that for democracy?

I realize that to completely transform the voting system in the United States would be a drastic measure. I am suggesting it could be structured in a better way that would encourage voting and make it easier.

People in their mid 20s, are the least likely to vote. Only slightly more than half of this segment of the population was even registered in the 1996 election. This is due to our transient nature. Many young people attend college in a state different than their own and move around a lot. Registering becomes even more complex.

Millions of citizens do register to vote. Next time I hope to be one of them.

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## Gordon wannabes race Indy

■ Experiment with daily commute brings out the not-so-nicer side of city drivers.

I am well aware of the fact that Indianapolis is the racing capital of the world. But things have gotten too far out of hand.

I conducted a little informal experiment on the way to campus the other morning. My daily commute from the Northeast side leaves me bored at times. With the same radio stations playing the same music every morning, the trip can be rather monotonous.

So I decided to try a feeble attempt at entertaining myself, and at the same time, learned some valuable information about the driving habits of Indy patrons.

My experiment, in a nutshell, was to drive from my apartment to campus, obeying the speed limit for the duration of the trip.

Trivial as it may seem, the task was not an easy or safe venture. During the course of my 20-minute commute, in which I never exceeded the posted speed limits on the interstates or city roads, I:

- was flipped off two times,
- nearly caused three accidents,
- was nearly blown off the road by two semis,

- passed only one car (a disabled vehicle on the side of the road),
- and was furiously tailgated for more than 10 miles.

It seems driving the speed limit these days is more of a crime than speeding itself.

I understand people lead busy lives and need to get from point A to point B as quickly as possible. But seriously, Interstates 70 and 465 are not the Autobahn.

I am convinced that Jeff Gordon wannabes, dodging around traffic, is the reason why I sit in traffic jams three times a week while emergency vehicles clean up the remains of an accident these irresponsible drivers either cause or are involved in.

If we all would simply relax and take our foot off the gas a little bit, we'll all get where we need to be.

I suggest using the time in your car to relax and reflect — not to vent your frustrations.

But that happening in today's fast pace world is unlikely. Therefore, I will have to speed up — not to conform with society — but to prevent endangering my car and possibly my life.

## FORUM

With Peterson and Gilroy considered the favorites in the race for mayor, the results of the poll may seem surprising. However, it's hard to dismiss the fact that the two candidates who received the most votes in the straw poll were the ones who seemed to have the most "personality."

In regards to his general presentation, Gibson appeared to be unsure of himself, often speaking until he stumbled upon a point. One could almost feel the audience begin to yawn as Gibson labored to answer questions. Only once, when addressing "what is right" with Indianapolis Public Schools, was Gibson's response clear. While he seemed generally concerned with the plight of impoverished citizens, it was difficult to believe that he had the strength and determination to effect change.

Peterson, on the other hand, seemed confident and assured in his delivery. In his opening statement, he set forth his three main goals, and told voters they could hold him accountable for the content of his "Peterson Plan." Also, although most voters probably will not take the time to read his plan, the idea of a polit-

ician putting his or her words down on paper is refreshing. Furthermore, Peterson seemed relaxed and confident in his delivery.

Gilroy said the future of Indianapolis relies heavily on the education of its residents. She said "we need to make this city a whole lot smarter." While it may be true that education in the city could stand a little improvement, her choice of words in this instance was questionable. When running for public office, many candidates use their personal experiences to relate to voters. Gilroy has had a lot of political experience, and she talked about that extensively. Unfortunately, she may have focused too much on herself, her life and her supporters and not enough on the people of Indianapolis.

Horning intended to provoke the Democratic and Republican candidates to

The winner of this election may not be the person with the most experience. Personality and charisma are important qualities in a leader. Anyone can make promises during a campaign, but the most determined can keep them.

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And more opportunities to cheat have translated into more cheating. Research by CAI founder Donald McCabe of Rutgers University shows that 75 percent of students admit to cheating at least once during their academic careers. Incoming CAI President Jeanne Wilson said most of the increase in cheating has come in the forms of plagiarism and unauthorized collaboration with peers, as opposed to cheating on tests.

Ciner said college administrators have been quick to counter this trend. Many colleges have turned to honor codes as a method of fostering academic integrity on campus.

Bruce Johnston, who helped to implement an honor code at Lyon College in Arkansas, said the code has helped decrease incidents of academic dishonesty. "You can feel the change in the atmosphere," he said. "The level of trust is just higher."

Discussions about honor codes tended to focus more on ethical education and less on simply reducing cheating. Quoting philosophers such as Aristotle and Immanuel Kant, many presenters said honor codes help to instill strong values in students.

"It's not about cheating, it's about integrity," Wilson said. "It's about working together—students and faculty—to make learning a vital process."

# International involvement meeting topic

STAFF REPORT

IUPUI is planning for its international future. There will be a campus town hall meeting to discuss international strategies for IUPUI at 4 p.m. Oct. 27 in the Lilly Auditorium in University Library.

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## honors club



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Join the Fun! Friday, October 29 from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at Warthin Apartments, International House Community Room



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The English Club  
&

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