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Flying Right: A Profile on Jeremy Meeks

By Jamie Grabert, Publisher

Jeremy Meeks believes in doing things right. This trait he learned from his grandfather, after spending a great deal of time on his farm. He knows what it means to start at the bottom and work his way up through the ranks to become the Vice President of Gibco Motor Express. Now, he's working to become a Vanderburgh County Commissioner.

Meeks is originally from Clay County, Indiana (about 17 miles east of Terre

Haute). He played high school football and showed great promise, until a career ending knee injury put a screeching halt to his gridiron days.

Between football and a tough, hard-working grandfather, he learned the value of work and a dollar. He is the middle child of seven. Meeks recalled a time when his grandfather used his vacation time to build a garage.

"I can remember when I was about 10 years old my grandfather was building a garage. I was his gopher. I handed him tools and did what he asked. My cousin rode by on a bicycle, and I decided I wanted to ride bikes with him. I told my grandfather and his response was, 'A boy does

IS IT REALLY TRUE we are still waiting for the answers from Dept. of Metropolitan Development Dir. Tom Barnett regarding his financial involvement with GAGE? IS IT REALLY TRUE it has been over 28 days since questions were sent to him?



what he wants to do, but a man does what he has to do.' At that age, I really didn't understand what he meant, but I knew he didn't want me to ride bikes. He wanted me to stay there and help him, so that's what I did." Now, he understands his grandfather's message.

Meeks stated that he rarely takes vacation time. In fact, he joked that the Human Resources staff told him that if he could bank his vacation time, he could take 2010 off. He's dedicated to doing his part to make sure the family

business is successful.

After high school, Meeks went to work at Gibco Motor Express. His dad, Larry, didn't want Jeremy to expect to have it easy. Jeremy's first job was cleaning the restrooms. From there, he started working in the mines driving a truck. He also learned how to service the trucks. After four and a half years of working as a driver and mechanic, Meeks moved to Evansville. "I had to prove myself."

He moved to Evansville in 1994 because of his job. Meeks started working in the Dispatch Division of Gibco and then moved worked in the Safety Division. He currently serves as the Vice President of Gibco Motor Express.

Meeks is a devoted husband and father. He and his wife, Angie, have been married for 13 years. They have two children, a daughter, Kaylen (11), and a son, Caleb (10). He attends all this children's events and activities. He noted that Kaylen is active in volleyball, while Caleb loves baseball. "Anything my kids are doing, I'm there."

His children attend Evansville Christian School. "I have set high standards for my kids. I expect good grades. Edu-

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cation is important."

Meeks, who holds a GED, now understands the value of education. He has taken courses at Ivy Tech, where he made exemplary grades. He is currently taking Dale Carnegie courses. Meeks also spends a great deal of time reading. He especially enjoys reading books about history and considers himself a World War II buff.

Jeremy Meeks also loves flying, a hobby he learned from his grandfather, who served in World War II as a belly gunner on a B-17. He got his pilot's license in 1998, but he had been flying since he was a child. There are seven private pilots and three airplanes within his family. Meeks flies a Cessna 210 that his father bought for Jeremy to be able to fly Larry to Professional Kennel Club events.

Meeks understands politics and the value of accountable leadership. He recently decided to take a stand. He said he decided to run for office because he, like most Vanderburgh County residents, wants to see more accountability in all levels of government. The commissioner candidate said he believes people share his concern.

"I believe you can sit back and complain or get involved.

I decided I couldn't sit back and complain anymore. Politicians need to do the job they were elected to do," commented Meeks

Meeks announced his candidacy for the Vanderburgh County Commissioners race earlier this year. He said he believes the biggest issue facing Vanderburgh County is excessive spending. He added that "government needs to be more like a business and less like a cash-cow".

This candidate attends commissioner meetings and has taken time to learn the issues facing the county. He has also spoken to Vanderburgh County residents to learn what their concerns. He has educated himself on the roles of the commissioners and the responsibilities of the Board of Commissioners. He referred specifically to the bid process. He stated that it is important, when looking at the bids, to look at the fine points.

He noted that he strongly supports Governor Mitch Daniels. Meeks said he has also been following issues in the State Legislature that affect Vanderburgh County.

"I will bring to this seat a new set of ears to listen to the people. I will vote for the people."

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Spring RopeWalk Visiting Writers Reading Series includes Alan Cheuse

The spring 2010 RopeWalk Visiting Writers Reading Series includes readings by Eric Puchner, and Crystal Wilkinson, and culminates with the College of Liberal Arts 2010 Distinguished Scholar Lecture, "Reading to Live" by Alan Cheuse, National Public Radio's "voice of books."

A reception and book signing will follow each reading. All readings are free and open to the public.

Eric Puchner

5 p.m., Thursday, March 25

Kleymeyer Hall, USI's Liberal Arts Center

Eric Puchner is the author of the story collection Music through the Floor, a finalist for the New York Public Library Young Lions Fiction Award. His short stories have appeared in Zoetrope: All Story, The Chicago Tribune, The Sun, The Missouri Review, and Best New American Voices. He is the recipient of the Pushcart Prize, a Wallace Stegner Fellowship, and a National Endowment for the Arts grant. Puchner plans to publish his first novel, Model Home, later this year.

Crystal Wilkinson

5 p.m., Thursday, April 15

Kleymeyer Hall, USI's Liberal Arts Center

Crystal Wilkinson is the author of Blackberries, Blackberries, winner of the 2002 Chaffin Award for Appalachian Literature, and Water Street, a finalist for both the UK's Orange Prize for Fiction and the Hurston/Wright Legacy Award. She is the recipient of awards and fellowships from the Kentucky Foundation for Women, the Kentucky Arts Council, the Mary Anderson Center for the Arts, and the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown. In 2008, Wilkinson won the Denny Plattner Award in poetry from Appalachian Heritage Magazine. She currently teaches writing and literature in the BFA program in creative writing at Morehead State University. She has also taught in the MFA in writing programs at Spalding University and Indiana University-Bloomington.

Alan Cheuse

College of Liberal Arts 2010 Distinguished Scholar Lecture

7:30 p.m., Friday, April 23

Mitchell Auditorium, USI Health Professions Center

For more than 25 years, Alan Cheuse has been reading for America every week on NPR's All Things Considered. He has written a number of books and has taught the art of narrative and literature for over 20 years at George Mason University. He is the author of the novels The Grandmothers' Club and The Light Possessed, the short story collections Lost and Old Rivers and The Tennessee

Waltz, and a memoir, Fall Out of Heaven. His latest novel, To Catch the Lightning, won the Grub Street National Prize for fiction in 2009. He also published a collection of travel essays titled A Trance After Breakfast. Cheuse recently teamed up with fellow novelist Nicholas Delbanco to write Literature: Craft & Voice, an introduction to college literary study. Since the late 1980s, Cheuse has taught in the Master of Fine Arts program at George Mason University and at the summer conference of the Squaw Valley Community of Writers.

Presented by USI's College of Liberal Arts, the RopeWalk Visiting Writers Reading Series is made possible through the support of RopeWalk Writers Retreat, Southern Indiana Review, USI Society for Arts & Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Indiana Arts Commission, and USI Student Writers Union.

Alan Cheuse is presented in cooperation with the University Core Curriculum Lecture Series.

Publications by these all the authors in the series are available for purchase at the USI Bookstore and Barnes and Noble Booksellers. For more information, call Nicole Louise Reid, associate professor of English, at 812/464-1916.

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"Next City" Summit Coming to Evansville

EVANSVILLE, IN)- Why did you choose to live in Evansville? What do you value most about life in the region? What makes Evansville a great place for the next generation?

Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel and Greater Evansville: The Place for Young Professionals are pleased to present the "Next City" Summit, which will engage the community in a discussion about attracting and retaining the next generation. The Summit, which is sponsored by Vectren, will be held on Tuesday, April 13th, from 8:00 a.m. to noon at The Centre. Admission is free but attendees are required to RSVP in advance. Seating is limited. Call (812) 568-6027 for reservations.

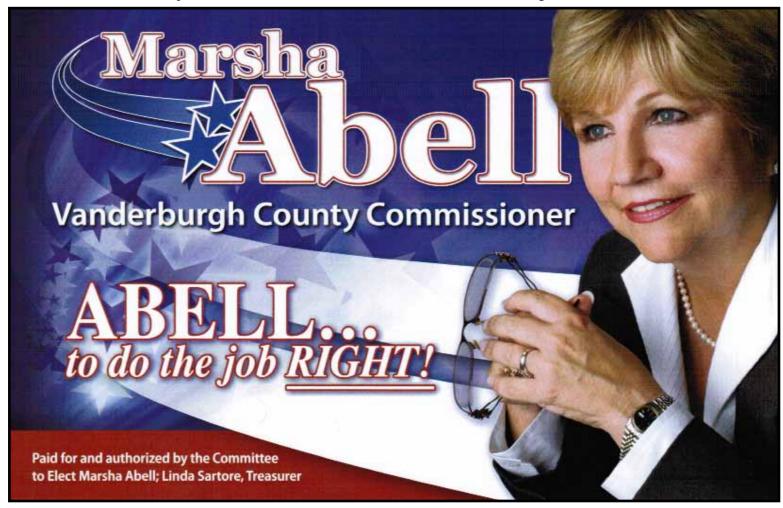
"It is important that we engage young people in planning for the future because it gets them invested in our community and gives them a reason to stay in Evansville. The next generation also provides much needed perspective and insight about what will attract high caliber talent to our community," said Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel.

"As a long time member of the Evansville community, I continue to hear and witness the difficult challenge in attracting and retaining qualified employees. Individually, the problem of brain drain cannot be solved; it's time we all come together to understand the drivers behind this phenomenon. This has to be a com-

munity wide, collaborative effort if we're going to understand the challenges and address them. This initiative is an opportunity to join in the process," Ellis Redd, Vice President – Human Resources, Vectren.

The Summit will feature Next Generation Consulting (NGC) founder Rebecca Ryan, author of Live First, Work Second: Getting Inside the Head of the Next Generation. Rebecca is a former professional basketball player and an Entrepreneur of the Year. Since 1998, NGC has conducted interviews, focus groups, and surveys with over 40,000 young professionals creating a comprehensive proprietary system for evaluating a community based on what matters to young people. NGC helps cities like Nashville, Milwaukee, and Columbus, Ohio, design strategies to attract and retain young, future leaders.

The "Next City" Summit will include insight into how Evansville ranks in the attributes that matter to young people when choosing a place to live. It will be followed by open discussion about what area residents feel are the assets, challenges and opportunities that make (or will make) our region a more vibrant place for young professionals to live and work. The Summit dialog will become the foundation for additional research and attraction/retention strategies.



WEAVER EARNS ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIST (AAS) DESIGNATION

Vanderburgh County Assessor Jonathan Weaver has become the first assessing professional within the state of Indiana in the last 10 years and the 146th recipient worldwide to earn the Assessment Administration Specialist (AAS) designation from the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO). Only six assessing professionals have this designation in the entire state of Indiana.

"This is something I've been working on for almost two years," Weaver said. "This is something I am very proud to earn."

The purpose of the AAS (Assessment Administration Specialist) designation is to recognize professionalism and competency in administration of a variety of functions for property tax purposes. IAAO members may use this designation in conjunction with the administrative and tax policy matters in accordance with IAAO's commitment to excellence.

"The state placed mandates on all assessors to earn their Level III assessor-appraiser certification," Weaver said. "This designation was a level beyond what the state requires and it was well within my reach after some more intense courses and testing."

In addition to his AAS, Weaver became one of 68 assessing officials, support staff and/or consultants in January to receive his Level III assessor-appraiser certification from the state.

IS IT TRUE...



we are *still* wondering about the status of the McCurdy Condo Project?

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ASK THE TAX MASTER

What Impact does Divorce have on Child on Tax Return?



By Jeff Day, EA

If a person not licensed to practice law should give legal advice it could cause much anguish to the persons not only receiving the advice but he that is giving the advice. Why is it then that the legal profession, including the judges believe they are competent to give tax advice? It is not unusual for the legal documents to have unintentional consequences that cost the parents thousands of dollars over the time the children are minors that are without merit or legal foundation.

If the man and woman have one child the most common findings of the legal profession says they have "joint custody" and the parents should alternate years in claiming the child. If the man and woman have two children, the most common findings are that they have joint custody, and each parent should claim one child on the tax returns. Whichever parent the child lives with the longest in the year is the custodial parent, irrespective of the divorce decree. Whichever parent the child does not live with the majority of the year is the non-custodial parent. It makes no difference what the divorce decree or support order states. What counts is where the child actually lives, not what the pieces of paper state!

Irrespective of the Court Order, only the parent in which the child or children live can claim head of household or claim the Earned In-

come Tax Credits. In the tax preparation business, we often find the parent in which the child does not really live comes into our office and says something like, "It is my year to claim the child, and my divorce decree says I get to claim the child. I want all benefits." Usually that is the man (but not always). Although the decree states he may claim the child, it does not entitle him to get the earned income credit. Although the decree states he must pay applicable day care expenses he is not entitled to claim on his tax return. Only the parent in which the child actually lives may take that credit. In that case the parent that the child does not reside paying the daycare expenses, only have support payments which are not deductible on his tax return. In that case, the parent that the child lives with can take the credit on the tax return, although she didn't pay any herself but was part of the child support payments she received.

So often, in this profession, we see that the mother filed her own personal tax return in the year she can't claim the dependent and did not realize she is still entitled to claim the Earned Income Credit, which oftentimes is the largest amount of financial benefits.

Too often when it is determined that the parents should alternate years claiming the child, the year that the parent that the child lives with there is actually very little benefit in claiming the child as a dependent. In the years that the parent does not claim the child since, it isn't his year, and is the year for the custodial parent to claim the child as a dependent, oftentimes approximately \$1,500 is lost. The year that the non-custodial parent claims the child is usually the year the mother doesn't realize she is still entitled to the Earned Income Credit that could cost her up to \$3,000.

When there are two children, usually both children usually live with one parent. But the court order leads the parents to think they must file a tax return each claiming one child on the tax return. But when both children live with one parent all year the majority of the time, she is entitled to the Earned Income Credit for both children. She is not entitled to claim but one child as a dependent. But it is not unusual for there to be very little benefit in claiming that child as a dependent at all. Whereas the non-custodial parent in only claiming one child as a dependent can again lose up to \$1,500.

The custodial parent may despise the non-custodial parent and not want him to get any tax benefits whatsoever, not realizing that if he is not making the support payments, the IRS can seize the refunds from the tax return. Which means she gave up virtually nothing in not claiming the child and getting the entire benefit of claiming the child when his refund is seized.

If you have a question for the Tax Master, please email him at jeffrey.day@tax.hrblock.com







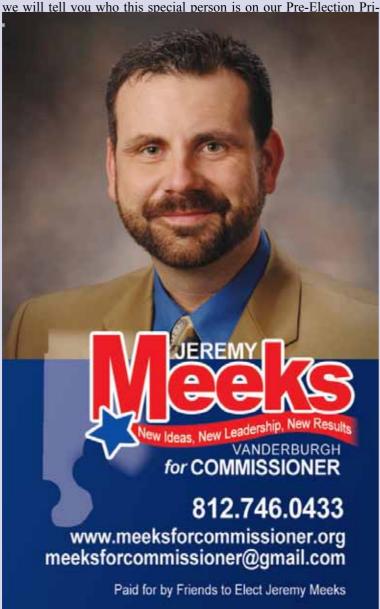
EDITORIAL IS IT TRUE?



Compiled by 'Moles' Number 1 through 146...and counting

IS IT TRUE at March 2, 2010, meeting of the Evansville Water and Sewer Utility Board Meeting the Board approved the extension of the Federal Lobbying Agreement with Peck, Madigan, Jones & Stewart through December 2010, in the amount of \$7,500 per month plus up to \$2,000 for expenses for the year, recommended by James Garrard and Harry Lawson? IS IT TRUE they have been paid \$105,962.53 by the Water and Sewer Utility Department to date?

IS IT TRUE that the City County Observer will make one (1) Primary election political endorsement? IS IT TRUE this person is worth your consideration when you vote in the May 4th Primary? IS IT TRUE it is our strong opinion if this individual is elected the Evansville political landscape will be forever changed? IS IT TRUE



mary edition? IS IT TRUE the answer is "YES?"

IS IT TRUE were pleased to see on National TV that ACORN is about to go out of business? IS IT TRUE this organization was another worthless not-for-profit group that used the system for the benefit of a few? IS IT TRUE that Vanderburgh County has a couple of not-for profit government sponsored agencies need our elected officials to give them "a good going over" because we feel they think they are beyond allowing the local media public access to its financial activities? IS IT TRUE that the names of these local organizations are Evansville Brownfields Corp. and GAGE?

IS IT TRUE we read with extreme interest that the past Executive Director of the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau the main reason she left was because the Mayor put the Downtown Arena project in front of a much needed sports complex? IS IT TRUE this doesn't surprises us, because he has put city employees raises, employee benefits and tried to use our Homestead tax credit for 2008 and 2009 all for the sake of getting more money for his beloved downtown arena through backroom deals? IS IT TRUE that Marilee Fowler has done an outstanding job as the Executive Director of the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau? IS IT TRUE that the answer is a resounding "YES?"

IS IT TRUE the City County Observer has predicted several times in the IS IT TRUE section that the Mayor wants to tear Roberts Stadium so he can build a SPORTS PARK in that location? IS IT TRUE we will continue to defend our statement on this subject because "MOLE" # 3 has never provided us with bad information? The answer is "yes?" IS IT TRUE City Council members and the Mayor would be stunned to find out who is "MOLE" #3 is?

IS IT TRUE we wonder why the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners has appointed an individual who works for a direct competitor (French Lick Casino) of one of the major revenue funding sources (Casino Aztar-Evansville) to serve on the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau? IS IT TRUE this is not only an example of poor business judgment but also bad public policy? IS IT TRUE we are also very thankful for the rational opinion of the Honorable Russ Lloyd, Jr. (member and President of the Vanderburgh County Council) agreed with the City-County Observer that Chairman of the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau does have a conflict of interest problem by serving on this board? ALSO IS IT TRUE it is important to point out that the Chairman of the Evansville Convention and Visitors Bureau daughter is a full time employee of this agency? IS IT ALSO TRUE that this arrangement is deemed as an unacceptable practice by the taxpayers of Vanderburgh County? IS IT TRUE we appreciate local TV stations (CHANNEL 14 and 25) for also bringing this issue to the public's attention?

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IS IT TRUE we have confirmed that a politically active person named Sally Herron will be a candidate for 5th Ward City Councilperson as a Republican in next year's election?

IS IT TRUE that some well-connected Democratic Party members are quietly talking with a couple of well known females in the 2nd Ward in to convince one of them to run against Missy Mosby in the Democratic primary? IS IT TRUE some of the elections issues her opponent will be asking her are: closing of two fire stations, homestead tax credits, downtown arena, front door pride, smoking ordinance, water and sewer problems and other political promises made and promises broke to name a few? Also, IS IT TRUE the voters will want to know if she is a still proud to be a member of THE WEINZAPFEL TEAM? IT TRUE that her Republican opponent in the Fall General election (Lon Walters) will be ready to carry on the political fight started in the Democratic Primary? IS IT TRUE the answer is "yes?"

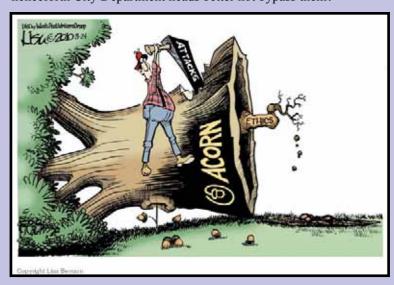
IS IT TRUE we are hearing great things about the newly appointed Treasurer of the Vanderburgh County Republican Party? IS IT TRUE we congratulate Wayne Parke for the excellent job he did on the Annual Campaign Finance report? The answer is "yes?"

IS IT TRUE we are wondering why the Chairman of the Vanderburgh County Republican Party hasn't made arrangements for the Minority Party to challenge the comments made by the Mayor in a recent speech to the Rotary Club concerning the "STATE of the CITY?" IS IT TRUE it might be time for the "Old Guard" to step in and tell the chairman to set up the Republican response to the Mayor's speech with the Rotary Club in the near future?

IS IT TRUE we were extremely impressed with Ann Ennis, President of Keep Evansville Beautiful, for the message she gave the viewers as a Guest Editorial TV Channel 14 earlier this week? IS IT TRUE her message on FRONT YARD HYGIENE was right on target? IS IT TRUE THE answer is "yes?"

IS IT TRUE we wonder how many days a week the Chief Information Officer of Technology works at his office in the CIVIC CENTER? IS IT TRUE he works jointly for the County and City and is considered a full-time public employee and receives a handsome salary plus benefits? IS IT TRUE both government eternities are investing around \$4 million a year in this department? IS IT TRUE we hear that the Chief Information Officer of Technology (MATT ARVAY) pays SISCO \$1,500 for each "switch" in approximately 200 computers located in city and county offices? IS IT TRUE it is possible for the CITY/COUNTY to purchase the same kind of "switches" by using another Vendor/ Supplier for significantly less each? IS IT TRUE it's time for the powers that be to consider having an IT Review by hiring an outside independent IT expert to review the activities of this Department because the taxpayers deserve nothing less?

IS IT TRUE we are pleased to see members of the Evansville Safety Board yesterday stopped a road project in the OAK HILL area because the City Engineer bypassed this board by not giving them important information concerning this project? IS IT TRUE we like the way this board showed it's in control of certain city projects and henceforth City Department heads better not bypass them?





EDITORIAL THE BLACK HORNET

By Judge James Redwine

Robert Frost wrote his poem, The White-Tailed Hornet, in 1936. According to an analysis by professor of English, Mark Richardson, the poem points out that animal instinct is often no more full-proof than human fallibility. That is, the behavior of animals is, also, subject to mistakes such as Frost's white-tailed hornet's repeated attempts to attack the head of a nail.

As Frost watched this misguided instinctual behavior he came to the conclusion that if our belief that instinct is without error is erroneous, then maybe all of our beliefs and theories may need to be revised.

Frost's thoughts came to mind as I watched a large black wasp alight upon the window sill of my chambers. The reason I happened to observe the wasp was because I was gazing out that window at a barge being pushed up the Ohio River.

I know what you're thinking. First of all, why title this article The Black Hornet when it is about a wasp. Do not blame me. Blame Frost. If he had titled his poem The White-Tailed Wasp, I could have followed along.

Secondly, you may wonder why I was looking out the window instead of at the pile of work on my desk. Do not blame me. Blame Edmund Hafer. Hafer, you ask? Yes, Edmund Hafer. He was the architect who designed our courthouse in 1876. If he had simply filled the windows with bricks as the soulless designers of modern courthouses

often do, I would stare at walls instead of the beautiful Ohio.

Be that as it may, when the huge black wasp gently lit on the sill, I noticed he immediately increased his wing speed. Because one of my loyal staff members was stung by such a wasp just last week, I was concerned that such frenetic behavior boded ill for anyone in the wasp's flight path, i.e., me.

But for some reason the wasp kept striving unsuccessfully to achieve airspeed. Then I saw a small spider emerge from an imperceptible crevice under the window's lock and carefully advance down an invisible, single strand of gossamer until she was right next to that mighty stinger. The tiny spider made a trip around the wasp's thorax as coolly as a rodeo cowboy slips a loop over a large steer's horns.

Then the little arachnid gingerly pitter-pattered her eight spindly legs back up her life line.

By now my bailiff, John Emhuff, and my Chief Probation Officer, Rodney Fetcher, along with Probation Officer, Shawnna Rigsby, had joined me at the window sill. This did nothing to bring calm and imagination to the wasp which increased his activity so much it seemed impossible it could not escape the invisible web. We moved back out of prudence, well, actually fear.

After she had let the leviathan tire itself even more, the Amazon disguised as a Lilliputian eased back down to the writhing insect. Try as he might, he could neither stab the spider with his stinger nor

break the surly bonds of death. Miss Muffet would have fared worse with this impressive midget.

Just as will the rest of us, the Black-Tailed Hornet/Wasp reached that ultimate destination. His instincts were of no help but her instincts brought her immense rewards. The outcome of the episode reminded me of that macabre Gary Larson cartoon where the kid is getting ready to go down a slide as two large spiders are preparing a web at the bottom. One says to the other, "If we pull this off, we will eat for a week." Sick, perhaps, but then that was the kind of humor that brought us all in. You know, kind of like reality shows.



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HR Solutions partnering with the American Red Cross to provide Career Services to the community

As more and more employers look for ways to cut costs, job losses are forcing many in the Tri-State to have to begin their search for a new position. Many times after countless years of service with the same employer, your resume may not be up to date or your interviewing skills may not be as sharp as you would like.

Starting today, the American Red Cross of Southwestern Indiana is proud to announce a fundraising partnership with HR Solutions as part of the 2010 Heroes Campaign to provide career services through community workshops designed to empower job seekers to improve their resume, brush up on their interviewing skills, learn how to find the right job and how to network with others to get that job.

The American Red Cross of Southwestern Indiana will launch this partnership by hosting:

Career Transition Workshop Tuesday, March 30th 4:00pm-6:00pm 29 S. Stockwell Road, Evansville

Career Transition Workshop Monday, April 5th 4:00pm-6:00pm 29 S. Stockwell Road, Evansville

The market rate to attend one of these sessions is \$50; however through this partnership we are proud to say these sessions will be offered for a \$20 donation to the American Red Cross of Southwestern Indiana. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required and can be tax deductible per IRS rules and regulations.

"We are excited about this partnership with HR Solutions, because not only does it give a person who is laid-off or unemployed the chance to get their resume noticed and make an impression during their interview, it's also raising critical funds for the Red Cross," said Matt Bertram, Regional CEO, American Red Cross. "This opportunity could not have come at a better time for our community or the Red Cross."

During these sessions, HR Solutions will also offer one-on-one appointments for more in-depth services including Resume Critique, Career Counseling, and Interviewing that will be available-for a minimum donation to the Red Cross. Donation through this program can be tax-deductible according to IRS rules and regulations.

"We saw this as an opportunity to be a Hero for the American Red Cross and address a growing concern in our community," said Vicki Hubiak, President, HR Solutions Evansville. "No one expects to get laid off or find themselves unexpectedly out of work. Our partnership with the Red Cross in offering these workshops will help provide the necessary skills essential to ensure you have the confidence and tools necessary to land your next job."

Anyone interested in attending either of the Career Transition Workshops listed above should call the American Red Cross of Southwestern Indiana at (812) 471-7200. For more information about this partnership or to download a flyer visit our website www.evansvilleredcross.org.



WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

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EVERY WEDNESDAY

Karaoke with The Experience Hosted by BK \$3 Jack Daniels, \$3 Captain Morgan \$3 Jager Bombs

EVERY THURSDAY

Takin' It Back Thursdays with DJ Jon J Best of 80's & 90's Dance Music \$4 Busch Light Pitchers \$2.50 Long Island Ice Teas \$2.00 Blue Moon 16 oz. Draft \$3.00 Flavored Vodka Bombs

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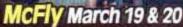
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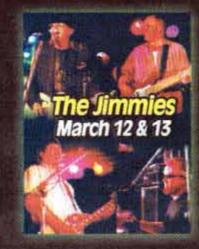
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HOMES OF NOTE house tour

On Saturday, April 24, the Philharmonic Guild will hold its HOMES OF NOTE house tour. The tour is to be held in the Sutherland Subdivision from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Bus service, underwritten by Vectren, will be available at the South end of Washington Square where cars can be parked. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$18 the day of the tour. They can be purchased at Wildflower, Paul's Men Store, Schnucks, and the Philharmonic office. For more information, contact Nancy Heavrin at 476-8912.

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"Introduction to Polymer Clay Bead Making" Workshop

- Date: Saturday, April 10th, 10 2pm*
- *A short break for lunch will be taken around 12 noon. Bring your own lunch OR plan a trip to Subway, just down the street.
- Cost: \$25 for Arts Council Members, \$30 for Non-Members; fee includes the cost of materials.
- Where: BSF Gallery, 318 Main Street, downtown Evansville
- RSVP: Call the Arts Council to register, 812-422-2111
 - Class size: limited to 15 people
 - Minimum Age: High School
 - Workshop Instructor: Sarah Thomas

Sarah Thomas has been an avid artist since high school and began making jewelry in 2006. She was introduced to the art of polymer clay by an artist friend and immediately became hooked! Sarah makes and sells her own jewelry at her studio, Imagine That, in Evansville, IN. She is also a painter and incorporates many of these techniques into her beads and jewelry, for unique and stunning effects.

Here is your opportunity to have fun while exploring the exciting versatility of polymer clay. This four hour workshop is packed with experiences in basic polymer clay properties, color mixing, bead formation, and special techniques. Each student will leave this class with a completed pendant necklace and bracelet. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to learn! The only thing students need to bring with them is their enthusiasm & creativity!

Students participating in this workshop will learn the following:

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- ~ the use of specialized tools for bead making
- ~ how to mix colors using blends and canes
- ~ how to form various shaped beads
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Instructor will supply polymer clays, tools, rollers, ovens, molds, cord for pendants and bracelet, and printed information.

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the United States and represent several different Native American cultures. The event lasts from March 27 - 28, 2010 from 9a.m. to 5p.m. Opening night reception to be held on March 26th at 6:00 p.m. and will feature a silent and live art auction, as well as wine tasting by Blue Heron Winery. Please RSVP by March 24.

auction beginning at 7:00 pm. We are asking for any artists to donate pieces of artwork to auction off to benefit the museum. Also, you may buy tickets at \$20 per ticket from the museum to join us. Feel free to contact us via e-mail at wcmuseum@aol.com or info@warrickcountymuseum. org.

CALL FOR ENTRIES & ARTISTS

"A Fresh Perspective" 2010

The eighteenth annual juried exhibition "A Fresh Perspective" invites artists to enter their original works of art. Juror Julie Schweitzer, Director of the New Albany Bicentennial Public Arts Project will select works to be exhibited. Each artist may submit one piece of artwork, which can be two or three dimensional. Neither photographs or nudes will be accepted. Awards totaling over \$2,400 will be selected by the juror. The deadline for application and entry fee must be postmarked by March 26 to the Henderson Society of Art. Artists interested in a prospectus should contact Iris Gentry at (270) 826-9272 or email: irispaints@hotmail.com.

The prospectus can also be downloaded from the Ohio Valley Art League web site: www.ohiovalleyart.org

The exhibit "A Fresh Perspective" is sponsored by the Henderson Society of Art and co-sponsored by the

Ohio Valley Art League. This exhibit is funded in part by a grant from the Henderson Area Arts Alliance.

Exhibit dates are April 15th to June 3rd, 2010 and will be displayed in the Rotunda Gallery, Henderson County Public Library, Henderson, KY.

Call to Artists: DONA-TIONS NEEDED

The Warrick County Museum is again hosting its annual Dinner Auction on Thursday, July 22, 2010. Meet your Candidates at 5:00 pm and the dinner starts at 6:00 pm, with the

Call to Artists: DONATIONS NEEDED

- The Vanderburgh Humane Society's "Going... Going... Gone to the Dogs!" Benefit Dinner and Auction to be held on Saturday, April 24, 2010 at the Evansville Marriott.
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THE DISCIPLE IS NOT ABOVE HIS MASTER: BUT EVERYONE THAT IS PERFECT SHALL BE AS HIS MASTER.

Luke 6:40

FRIDAY-----

DO YOU NOT KNOWTHAT YOU ARE THE TEMPLE OF GOD AND THAT THE SPIRIT OF GOD DWELLS IN YOU?

1 Corinthians 3:16

SATURDAY----

LET NOTHING BE DONE THROUGH SELFISH AM-BITION OR CONCEIT. Philippians 2:3

SUNDAY-----

WORTHY IS THE LAMB WHO WAS SLAIN!! Revelations 5:12

MONDAY-----

JESUS SAID TO HER,"DID I NOT SAY TO YOU THAT IF YOU WOULD BELIEVE YOU WOULD SEE THE GLORY OF GO?"

John 11:40

TUESDAY-----

IT IS WRITTEN,"BE HOLY, BECAUSE I AM HOLY." 1Peter 1:16

WEDNESDAY.....

THOU ART WORTY, O LORD, TO RECEIVE GLORY AND HONOR AND POWER: FOR THOU HAST CRE-ATED ALL THINGS, AND FOR THY PLEASURE THEY ARE AND WERE CREATED.

Revelations 4:11





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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Gethsemane in the Old or
- 1. Is the book of Obadiah in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. Which Babylon king went insane living in the fields eating grass? Nebuchadnezzar, Solomon, Daniel, Herod
- 3. From Genesis 23, what was the first land purchase in the Bible? Garden, Hilltop, Cave, River shore
- 4. Which apostle was foreordained to minister to the Gentiles? Thomas, Paul, Andrew,
- 5. According to Song of Solomon 1:2, what is love better than? Food, Wine, Money,
- 6. Who was Hananiah's father? Abiah, Azur, Allon, Aretas (c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.

For more trivia, log on to www.TriviaGuy.com.

Paul; 5) Wine; 6) Azur ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Nebuchadnezzar; 3) Cave; 4)

EDUCATION

EnGene CEO is 2010 Liberal Arts Alumni in Residence

Eric A. Adams '86 is the 2010 College of Liberal Arts Alumni in Residence and will present "Monolingualism - A Horrifying Yet Curable Disease! at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 8, in Kleymeyer Hall in the Liberal Arts Center.

Adams holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry with minors in German and business administration from USI and a Master of International Business Studies degree from the University of South Carolina. He received scholarships from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and from the Carl Duisberg Society for study abroad in Germany. His campus visit is sponsored by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages.

In 2004, Adams was appointed CEO, president and director of enGene, Inc., a Vancouver, British Columbia-based biotechnology company developing an innovative therapeutic platform, called GEMS (Gut Endocrine-cell Modification System), which is targeted to induce normal cells in the intestinal tract to produce a wide range of therapeutic proteins (drugs) to treat a broad spectrum of diseases, including diabetes and inflammatory bowel disease, and also can act as a novel approach to vaccinations. He has more than 20 years of management experience in international business development, marketing, mergers and acquisitions, and sales in the pharmaceutical and related healthcare industries.

In addition to his duties at enGene, Adams serves as a strategic advisor to Augurex Life Sciences Corp. and was recently elected chairman of the Emerging Company Advisory Board to BIOTECanada. He is a founder of Pracea Technologies Inc., a technology holding company, and is a member of USI's Pott College of Science and Engineering Board of Advisors. He is a frequent guest lecturer at the Simon Frasier University Management of Technology MBA program in Vancouver.

Prior to enGene, Adams was a director of oncology marketing with QLT Inc. in Vancouver, director of International Marketing for severe burns products at Advanced Tissue Sciences, Inc. in San Diego, and the senior business development manager for Anti-Infectives at the international division of Abbott Laboratories, Inc. in Chicago, where he managed all ex-U.S. commercial activities related to Abbott's first \$1B product, clarithromycin (BIAXIN).

He also worked with Fresenius AG in Germany as a country manager for the U.S. and Italy, and as joint venture/acquisition team leader.

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EDUCATION

2010 Phenomenal Women honored

Eight women were honored on March 18 at the 2010 Phenomenal Women of USI and Community Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by University of Southern Indiana's Multicultural Center, the American Association of University Women, and Old National Bank.

Held during Women's History Month, the program honors and celebrates women from all walks of life who have made contributions to diversity in the University and greater Evansville communities. Through annual recognition of their contributions, the program aims to inspire others to embrace and promote diversity within their own lives.



From left, LaToya Smith, Earsie Kelley, Amanda Duvall, Pam Buschkill, Melissa Chavez, Tracy Huck, and Dr. Tom Bordelon who accepted the award for Dr. Julie Edmister. Award winner Joan Schwentker was not available. Photo courtest USI.

Phenomenal Women are recognized in the following categories: USI undergraduate student, USI graduate student, USI faculty, USI administrative staff, and community-at-large.

The 2010 Phenomenal Women:

Melissa Chavez is a USI sophomore pursuing a double major in Spanish and public relations. Chavez is the founder and president of Latinos Unidos (Hispanic Student Union), a mentor in the EXCEL mentoring program, a member of the Executive Diversity Scholars, a member of Habitat for Humanity, and a resident assistant. Chavez also volunteers with HOLA (Hospitality and Outreach for Latin Americans) in the Evansville community. She is a volunteer for Welcome Week, the Cultural Diversity Welcome Reception, and the International Food Expo. A strong student academically and socially, Chavez is a lead mentor in the EXCEL mentoring program.

Tracy Huck is a USI graduate student working on a master's degree in social work. She graduated from USI with a Bachelor of Social Work degree in 2001 and has been working as a case manager and supervisor at the AIDS Resource Group for 10 years. Huck ensures the highest quality of services to all AIDS Resource Group clients and volunteers. She also organizes a holiday gift drive for clients. Huck was recently recognized by the Indiana State Department of Health with the "Integrity Award" for her service to clients living with HIV/AIDS.

Pam S. Buschkill has been the coordinator of the USI Children's Learning Center for 17 years. Buschkill has made an impact on USI and community families, children, and her staff by ensuring that students at the Children's Learning Center learn and grow in a safe, diverse environment. At the Center, there is an emphasis on inclusion and the celebration of differences. Buschkill includes males as student workers and teachers in order to introduce children to positive male role models, and she has invited mentally and physically disabled helpers into the classrooms so the children can learn to be accepting of the disabled. Buschkill plans to retire in December.

The dean of the USI's Bower Suhrheinrich College of Education and Human Services since 2008, Dr. Julie H. Edmister inspires, guides, and supports faculty and students in social work, physical education, and teacher education. Edmister served as a board member of the USI-sponsored "Evansville's Celebration of Diversity Distinguished Lec-

ture Series" and was instrumental in creating the Center for Social Justice, housed in the Department of Social Work at USI.

Joann Schwentker is an active volunteer in the Evansville community who has worked to empower women and eliminate racism. As president of the Junior League of Evansville in the 1960s and an active YWCA volunteer, Schwentker convened the first meeting of whites and blacks to have a dialogue on civil issues and equality in the community. At the beginning of school integration, she recruited volunteers to ride school buses with children to ensure that the newly integrated rides to school were without incident. She also started the YWCA program Live Y'ers. Schwentker attended Stephens College and graduated from Indiana University.

LaToya Smith is the coordinator of Diversity Initiatives for the University of Evansville. She is also the advisor for the Hispanic Heritage Association and Black Student Union, and she guides the Multicultural Student Assocation and the College Mentors for Kids program at UE. For four years she has volunteered as a Sunday School teacher at the Potter's Wheel. Smith recently organized a Martin Luther King, Jr. essay contest for local high school students.

Earsie H. Kelley devotes herself to the Evansville community in a number of ways. A retired educator who taught in the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation for over 30 years, she reaches out to at-risk children through tutoring and mentoring. Last summer Kelley directed the soup kitchen at First Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church and recruited middle and high school students to help. She also chairs the event Breakfast with Santa, hosted by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the local chapter Zeta Zeta Omega and is a March of Dimes volunteer. Kelley is the educational coordinator of the Southern District Assocation's Three Big Sisters, an organization that provides resource information and educational workshops to people in nursing homes.

Amanda Duvall is an adoption coordinator for Families Through International Adoption. Duvall was born in Korea and adopted by an American family as an infant. Drawing from her own experiences, she works to challenge the traditional assumptions of what a family should look like and shares her belief that love is more important in a family than having similar physical characteristics.

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78 From Johnson Leads UE

AVON, Ind. -- Emily Johnson carded a 78 to lead the University of Evansville women's golf team to a fifth place finish in the 10-team Butler Spring Invitational at Prestwick Country Club. The tournament was shortened to one round because of rain.

Johnson finished sixth in the field of 56 golfers, four strokes behind tournament champion Kristi O'Brien of IUPUI. Chelsea Zusan shot a career-low 82 to finish second for the Aces and 18th overall. Host Butler took home the team title with a score of 311.

Coach Jim Hamilton's squad competes again Sunday and Monday at the Saluki Invitational at Hickory Ridge Golf Course in Carbondale, Ill.

TEAM SCORES: 1. Butler 311; T2. Dayton, IUPUI 318; 4. Loyola 322; 5. Evansville 328; 6. Cleveland State 329; 7. Wisconsin-Green Bay 338; 8. Robert Morris 346; 9. IPFW 380; 10. Valparaiso 403.

UE SCORES: T6. Emily Johnson 78; T18. Chelsea Zusan 82; T23. Maggie Wood 84; T23. Alyssa Key 84; T28. Lauren Ellerman 85.



Chelsea Zusan shot a career-low 82 at the Butler Spring Invitational.

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SPORTS

Divers' Spring Break Gets a Twist

The University of Evansville diving team didn't spend their Spring Break laying on the beach like many students. Instead, juniors Andy Balzco and Jennifer Childers were accompanied by freshman Sadie Wells at Purdue University for the NCAA Zone C Diving Championships.

While the rest of the swimming and diving team took a few weeks to recuperate from a long season, these divers headed back to the pool after conference championships to begin training for zones. "At times it was frustrating and exhausting because everyone was done, and we had to keep going," said Childers.

Her frustration might have been made worse because Childers qualified for the meet after her spring break plans had already been made so she had to cancel the arrangements. "It was disappointing to be here when no one else was, but in the end it was definitely worth it," said Childers.

Although the divers spent their Spring Break on campus, they didn't let it go to waste. They spent their time outside of practice with each other, going to the movies and just relaxing. "We hung out a lot, and we're really close anyway so it was fun," said Wells.

The UE divers were able to compete against some of the best divers in the world, as Zone C is known to produce not only national champions but also Olympic qualifiers. "I really enjoyed seeing the amazing caliber of the divers at this meet and being able to see the best of the best perform," said Balzco.

For Balzco the meet represented a second chance. "It was great that all the hard work that I have been putting into this year was going to something that didn't end at conference where I didn't do as well as I had hoped. I had the chance to try to make it up at this



The UE diving team spent their Spring Break at the NCAA Zone Championships at Purdue University.

meet. Going into zones, I knew I was there for the experience, so there was less pressure."

Diving coach Eric Blevins felt that this meet would positively influence the team as well. "I think that having the divers compete at such a high level of competition was a great learning experience and will help them improve throughout the next couple years."

The divers definitely showed Blevins that they were excited about this opportunity. "It was amazing to compete at this level and to represent the University of Evansville," said Wells.



SPORTS

USI cruises to a 14-4 win over OCU

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – The University of Southern Indiana baseball team scored nine times in the first inning and cruised to a 14-4 victory over Oakland City University Wednesday night at the USI Baseball Field. USI, which has won seven straight games, raises its record to 17-7 overall, while OCU falls to 5-8 in 2010.

USI junior catcher Dylan Mooney (St. Charles, Missouri) started the scoring by hitting a two-run blast to put the Screaming Eagles up 2-0. The home run was Mooney's third of the year and tied him for the team-lead with sophomore second baseman Brad Vance (Louisville, Kentucky).

After Mooney's home run, the Eagles sent 11 more batters to the plate and scored seven more times to lead 9-0. USI would go on to score one more in the second and four more fourth, while OCU answered with single tallies in the second and sixth and a pair of runs in the fifth.

Overall, USI was led offensively by Mooney, who was two-for-three with a run scored, three RBIs, and a home run, while Vance was two-for-three with three runs scored, three RBIs, and a triple.

On the mound, sophomore right-hander Josh Schultze (Evansville, Indiana) posted his second win of the year. Schultze (2-1) scattered seven hits and allowed four runs (one earned) in six innings of work, while striking out seven.

Junior left-hander Scott Handley (Schererville, Indiana) and senior pitcher/infielder #WandyRosario# (Boston, Massachusetts) finished the game for Schultze. Handley pitched two scoreless innings, while Rosario threw a perfect ninth.

USI resumes GLVC play this weekend when they travel to Maryville University for a four-game series Saturday and Sunday in St. Louis, Missouri. The first pitch each day is scheduled for noon.

This will be the first meeting between the Eagles and the Saints on the diamond. Maryville, currently, is 4-11 overall and 1-6 in the GLVC.



SPORTS

Softball rearranges weekend slate

The University of Southern Indiana softball team announced that its GLVC doubleheader against defending NCAA II Midwest Region champion University of Indianapolis has been moved to Friday at 1 p.m. at the USI Softball Field.

The doubleheader was originally scheduled for Sunday but was changed due to the forecast of rain. USI also hosts defending GLVC Tournament champion Northern Kentucky University in a doubleheader Saturday at noon. Live stats and audio can be access at www. gousieagles.com.

In addition, USI also announced that its doubleheader with NCAA Division I foe IUPU-Indianapolis has been rescheduled for April 27 at 2 p.m. (CDT) in Indianapolis.

USI (7-11, 6-0 GLVC) is trying to remain perfect in league play when it takes on Indianapolis Friday. The Screaming Eagles swept the Greyhounds in a conference twinbill to end the regular season a year ago.

The Eagles, who are at the top of the GLVC standings, are coming off a doubleheader sweep over Bellarmine University last Friday. Junior second baseman Amanda Brendel had a three-run triple in the first game, while junior first baseman Brittany DeWeese had a grand slam in the second game.

DeWeese leads the Eagles with a .400 batting average, six doubles, five home runs, and 23 RBIs. Brendel is second on the team with three home runs and 13 RBIs.

Indianapolis (17-8, 9-1 GLVC) saw a 13-game winning streak come to a close before salvaging the second game of a doubleheader with Missouri University of Science & Technology last Saturday. Senior

pitcher/first baseman Megan Russell is hitting .300 and leads the Greyhounds with five home runs and a GLVC-best 30 RBIs.

Northern Kentucky (13-8, 7-2 GLVC) has won five straight games heading into its doubleheader with Ohio Dominican University on Thursday. The Norse have five players hitting better than .300, with senior infielder Rose Broderick leading the team with a .394 batting average and 20 RBIs.

Aces Tennis Gears Up For Southern Illinois, Butler

The University of Evansville women's tennis team opens up its Missouri Valley Conference season this weekend. The Aces (7-3) travel to Southern Illinois (8-5) on Friday for a 4 p.m. match, and on Saturday return home to take on non-conference rival Butler (5-8) at 1 p.m. at the Carson Center courts.

The team will head into its second MVC season under Head Coach Christine Bader. Junior Kate Chybowski is a perfect 10-0 at the No. 1 singles spot. Chybowski has already been named the MVC Tennis Player of the Week. The success in singles is matched in doubles, as

Chybowski and partner Dora Kotsiou are 8-1 on the year at the No. 1 spot. This doubles tandem advanced into the round of 16 at the ITA Ohio Valley Region Tournament in December. When talking about Pin Sorensen, Aleksandra Dzakula, and Jessica Raatz, the common denominator is winning under pressure. In Hilton Head, Raatz pulled out a three-set victory to seal the win over Slippery Rock. In matches decided by two points or less, Sorensen and Dzakula are an outstanding 8-3 in singles.

The Aces return to action after a two-week layoff following their spring trip to Hilton Head. UE's 3-0 record there included a 7-0 win over Millersville University, 5-2 win over George Mason University, and a 4-3 win over Slippery Rock.

"I'm looking forward to two very competitive matches this weekend," Bader said. "We are excited to start up the conference season with SIU and then play Butler on our home turf. Last year the matches against SIU and Butler were very close. Practices these past several weeks have been focused in trying to further prepare for this weekend and the rest of conference. The conference season goes by in a flash, and as a team we want to take advantage of each opportunity having no regrets. Each match will be a dogfight. We will have to start off strong with our aggressive doubles and continue fighting and making smart decisions in the singles."



EDUCATION

USI Business students place second in international competition

A multidisciplinary team of College of Business students from the University of Southern Indiana has placed second in an international business case competition held at Royal Roads University in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Fifteen student teams from universities in Australia, Canada, Mexico, and the United States participated March 18-20 in the Royal Roads Case Competition. The USI team was one of three advancing to the finals after three rounds of case presentations. Teams representing the University of South Carolina and Royal Roads University took first and third places, respectively.

USI team members were Courtney Mickel, senior marketing major from Evansville Jeff Alexander, senior management major from Boonville, Indiana Jamie Perry, junior accounting and professional services major from Winslow, Indiana Jacob Smith, senior finance major from Albion, Illinois and Adam Franke (alternate), junior management and computer information systems major from Evansville.

Mickel, team leader, was an alternate member of the team in 2009, the first year for the College of Business to participate in the international competition for undergraduate business students.

Jeanette Maier-Lytle, instructor in accounting Dr. Joy Peluchette, professor of management and Bryan Bourdeau, instructor in business, were faculty sponsors. Maier-Lytle and Peluchette accompanied the students on the trip.

The competition is a round-robin tournament consisting of business cases. Teams apply their analytical, decision-making, and communication skills to the issues raised in the cases. They then present strategic choices and a detailed plan of action to a panel of senior business executives from a variety of business backgrounds. A question-and-answer session follows the presentation. Teams are judged on creativity, insight, and real-world applicability of their analysis and presentations.

The students have three hours to analyze each case and create a PowerPoint presentation no longer than 20 minutes. They bring no books or documents of any kind into the preparation room and cannot use the Internet.

Maier-Lytle said the College of Business team members prepared over a two-month period during which they learned strategic models and practiced seven cases.

"Our team gave outstanding presentations," she said. "They presented with the utmost confidence and provided sound practical solutions for each of the four cases. They were phenomenal at defending their position during the 10-minute question-and-answer sessions."

Peluchette also commended the students' teamwork and performance in a pressured situation.

She said, "Although all the cases were based on real companies in Canada, one involved a small business from the local region. The business owner was there for the presentations. That made the students' recommendations even more relevant. Besides the competition, this was a wonderful opportunity for our students to travel outside the country and see a different part of the world."

Smith said participation in the competition proved to be an outstanding academic experience. "I was able to use knowledge gained in the classroom in a real-life situation where we were required to use teamwork and time management to come up with

a realistic recommendation for the company. If anything can prepare someone for the real world, this was it," he said.

Royal Roads University developed the case competition to bridge the gap between the corporate and academic worlds. The competition is designed to motivate students to strive for the highest level of business professionalism. It provides an opportunity for students to display their analytical and presentation skills and for potential employers to observe them under high-pressure situations.

Dr. Mohammed Khayum, dean of the USI College of Business, said the team's performance builds the reputation of the University and the College of Business outside the region and the state.



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by Linda Thistle

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: For men with BPH, would you recommend the Prolieve System for treatment? It involves reducing the prostate with heat. Must it be done periodically to maintain symptom improvement? Any information will be appreciated. —Anon.

ANSWER: BPH -- benign (not cancer) prostate hypertrophy (overgrowth) -- is a common condition of older men. The urethra -- the bladder's drainage tube -- runs through the prostate. A large gland acts like a vise, squeezing the urethra and making it impossible for the bladder to completely empty. Large glands make men get up many times during the night to visit the bathroom. They make it difficult to start the urinary stream, and they can reduce the stream to a dribble.

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niques, instruments are inserted into the urethra by way of the penis and passed upward to the level of the prostate gland, where the microwaves are then activated. Yes, I can recommend it. Quite often, the procedure need be done only once. However, it is possible that a repeat will be necessary to trim the gland again should it regrow to the size where it compresses the urethra.

Other procedures include the Green Light laser, in which a laser beam reduces prostate size in a similar manner. TUNA -- transure-thral needle ablation -- is another minimally invasive procedure, done in a like way. It employs radio waves to reduce prostate size. All of these methods work. The most important element in making a choice is the doctor's skill in the technique.

Medicines are another possible route for handling an overgrown gland. Drugs can relax tight muscles in the prostate and in the outflow tract of the bladder to permit better urine flow. Flomax and Uroxatral are two examples. And medicines like Proscar and Avodart shrink the gland, but they can take months to work.

The booklet on this gland and its problems discusses these issues in greater depth. To obtain a copy, write: Dr. Donohue -- No. 1001W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I always heard that one must fast before being tested for cholesterol. My doctor always told me to do so. At my last visit, he had his nurse draw my blood for a cholesterol check. I told him I had not fasted, but he said it didn't matter. Have things changed? -- D.S.

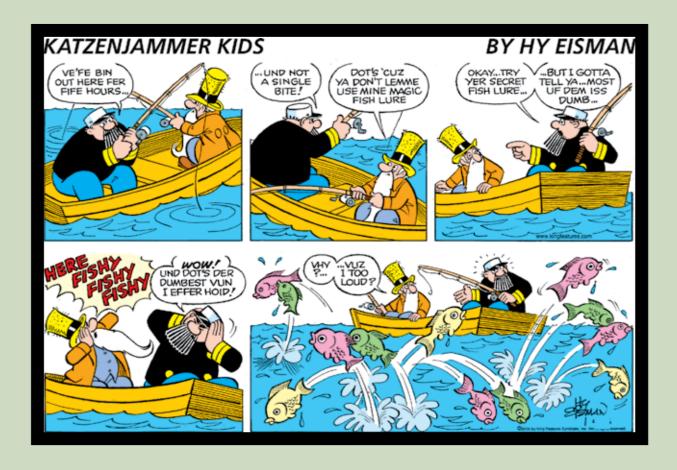
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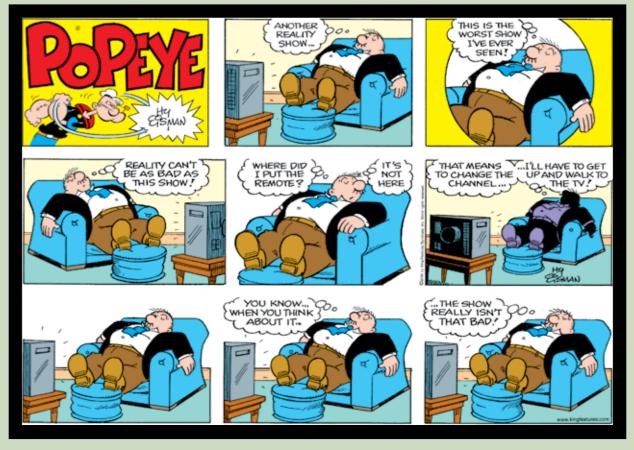
A new trend is developing for triglycerides. Many now feel that a more accurate picture of triglycerides is obtained by not fasting before blood is drawn. Whether this technique wins universal approval is something we'll have to wait to see.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

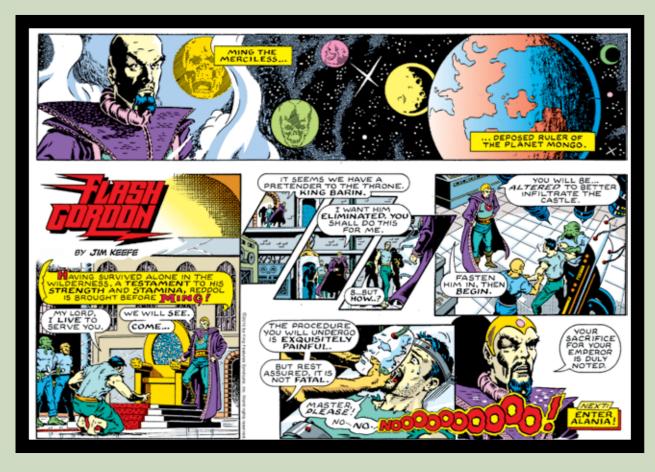
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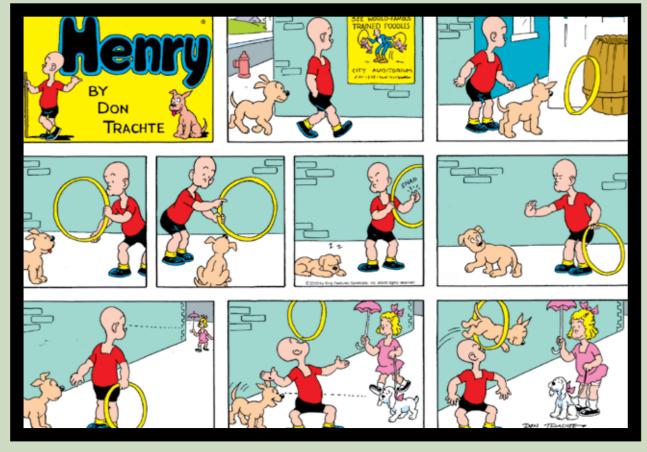
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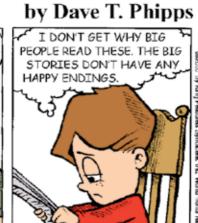














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Keynote Speaker. Kirk Cameron, is an American actor best-known for his role as Mike Seaver on the television situation comedy *Growing Pains*. Recently, he portrayed the lead roles in the *Left Behind* film series and in the 2008 drama film, *Fireproof*. Cameron is also an active Christian evangelist, currently partnering with Ray Comfort in the evangelical ministry, The Way of the Master, and has co-founded The Firefly Foundation, a camp for children with special needs. Kirk has a very personal pro-life story to share and has a tremendous passion for adoption.

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