Senators Lugar returns to campus for annual event

Jonna Jarrett
Staff Writer

Senator Richard Lugar visited the U of I campus Saturday for the 18th annual "Lugar Symposium." Six hundred of Indiana's top high school juniors convened on campus for discussions and seminars about current local and national issues.

University President G. Benjamin Lantz Jr. introduced Lugar as "a true statesman." Lugar then addressed a full house in Ransburg Auditorium on issues such as the importance of education, the nation's economy and his hopes for the future.

Lugar then fielded questions from the assembly of 600 students, teachers and parents, ranging from questions about GATT, farming, and his outlook on the 1996 presidential campaign.

After lunch, students spent the rest of the day in discussion groups on topics such as education, environmentalism, crime, the space program, health care reform, immigration, and nuclear weapons.

Residence Hall Task Force hopes to make life interesting for students

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The Residence Hall Task Force is looking for ways to keep students interested in staying on campus. The task force, which recently conducted its fourth meeting, is a new committee dedicated to improving "dorm life" for campus residents.

Its purpose is to make dorms more attractive and to implement improvements and suggestions.

"We're interested in retaining students who currently live in the residence halls, as well as attracting future residents," said Larry Bledsoe, director of student life and head of the task force.

"Our biggest losses probably occur at the semester and we ask ourselves, Why are they leaving?"

In the "retaining and attracting" process, the committee has discussed having more activities within the residence halls, installing ceiling lights in the rooms for better lighting, increasing visitation hours and adding better meal plan options for the residents.

The committee plans to send out surveys to see what students really think about living in the dorms.

Jennifer Borer, a Warren Hall RA, said that students should be very detailed and tell the truth about what they really think if they're surveyed.

"This year the administration is really trying to show they care about student life on campus. Instead of acting like everything's okay, students need to be honest about their feelings so the administration can try to make it better for students," Borer said.

William Fenemel's Technical Research and Writing class will be conducting some of the surveys and presenting results to the task force.

The Residence Hall Task Force is made up of heads of different departments on campus affecting residents' lives. It includes the residence hall directors; residence assistants; members of ISG; Kenneth Piepenbrink, director of physical plant; Mark Weigand, director of admissions; Ken Hottell, treasurer and business manager; and Ted Polk, director of food services.
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The end of the semester

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Pedestrian Peril

If police cars do not yield for pedestrians on Hanna, who else will?

Dear Editor,

I'm glad to see all the hoopla about Hanna Avenue. It is indeed a dangerous situation, and attention needs to be called to it. A few weeks ago, I was crossing Hanna on my way to Good Hall at a time when there were no other people around, and there were only a few cars driving along Hanna. As I crossed to the center median, I noticed the lone lone car coming along on the other side of the median strip appeared to be coming faster than normal, and I decided to wait on the median to play it safe. The car did not stop; it did not even slow down, although I was clearly crossing the street at a marked crosswalk. That car was a police car, no less, and it did not have lights or a siren turned on. Police cars can smash people just as easily as other vehicles can. Always be cautious crossing Hanna Avenue!

Ed Vondrak
Professor of Physics

Rumble strips on Hanna would work, student says

Dear Editor,

No, the issue is not blown out of proportion. As a student who uses a wheelchair for mobility on campus, I am particularly sensitive to the Hanna problem. I would suggest having better signs, and rumble strips might be quite useful. Found in highway repair areas and rural crossroads, rumble strips are an immediate signal to drivers to slow down. I am a commuter student and pass over rumble strips every day, near Indian Creek High School. Rumble strips on Hanna could be a part of a simple solution to a serious problem.

Jenni Clarkson

More speed patrols, better lighting would help solve it

Dear Editor,

Something definitely needs to be done. I don't believe signs will help. Added police patrols would only help if they really enforced the speed limit. I have often seen an officer there who was not stopping people. There is also a significant need for better lighting!

Melissa Carney

Just five simple words

Dear Editor,

Build a tunnel under Hanna.

Brent Daniel Strunk

Follow mother’s advice—look both ways!

Dear Editor,

Okay, look. You and I both know that crossing the street is dangerous. What was it, age two when our parents or teachers or whomever taught us to look both ways before crossing the street and to always hold hands with an adult? Well, supposedly we are all adults here, so we can hold hands together. It is simply a matter of being a little more careful when we wander across the business of Hanna Avenue. Quite honestly, I’ll be careful, but if some fool is going to hit me, let him. I need the money to pay for school. How much is it? $16,000? Oh yeah, hit me. Please. Seriously though, just be careful, look both ways, and hold hands with the person next to you. We need to be more friendly around here anyway. See you at the crosswalk!

Jenni White

Only solution is to find a way around Hanna itself

Dear Editor,

In response to the question, “What should be done to make crossing Hanna Avenue safer,” where should I begin? The obvious thing is that crossing Hanna Avenue means taking your life into your own hands. If it’s gambling you’re looking for, this is the place. You never know just HOW close that car or truck will get to you. It would be absolutely irresponsible to drive down Hanna in the rain or on dry pavement. The crosswalk lines painted on the street only seem to raise a green flag for most drivers.

Reducing the speed to a constant 25 mph did nothing to halt the maniacs who race down Hanna in the rain or on dry pavement. The crosswalk lines painted on the street only seem to raise a green flag for most drivers.

The real fun in crossing Hanna is when the car in the nearest lane to you stops. Then, you have to guess whether or not the person in the other lane will stop because you can’t see past the car that stopped. Better signs would not do anything to prevent the mishaps that seem to happen on a yearly basis. No drivers pay attention to signs of any kind.

Nor would better lighting or increased police patrols help. The only way to prevent mishaps on Hanna is to find an alternative route across it. Perhaps a bridge for students and faculty to cross? That way we could completely avoid contact with these lunatic drivers. Perhaps redoing Hanna would help as well. In any case, something needs to be done.

Heather A. Shaw
**POWER SURGE**

**WICR plans to boost power**

Wattage increase will hopefully recruit new listeners in Indiana

Daryl Caldwell
*News Editor*

The campus radio station will soon be increasing its power. The Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. had to approve the increase.

Currently, the station has a wattage of 2,500. The power will be doubled by this April.

Adina Carr, operations manager of the station said of the increase, "We are very excited about the increase and feel that this will only broaden our options and horizons."

The radio station has talk programming in the morning and an eclectic blend of programs throughout the day. From folk music to jazz to classical, the station is heard in Indianapolis and surrounding areas as far as 60 miles away.

The power increase will clear up the sound and make the radio station more statewide instead of just citywide.

"This power increase will give the radio station a radius of 10 miles more than what we have now," said Brant Douglas, WICR sports director.

The WICR tower, which is 1,000 feet high, is shared by the radio station and television station WRTV 6 at 79th and Township Line Road on the north side of Indianapolis. With the height of the tower and the increase in wattage, the station will be considered a class B station by the FCC.

Edward Rochling, general manager of the station said in its fall/winter program guide, "The growth in the variety and quality of WICR programming has been well received by our listeners during the past two years."

**FINANCIAL SPOTLIGHT**

**New billing system to start next year**

University to offer payment plans for undergraduates

Elisabeth Gravani
*Staff Writer*

The financial aid office will offer a billing program where full-time undergraduate students will be able to pay their tuition on a 10-month plan. The program will be implemented Summer 1995. This program is offered through Academic Management Services.

Students will first have to calculate the total year's educational expenses. Then they must deduct from the expenses any kind of scholarship or financial aid source other than those from the university. The expenses left will be divided into 10 equal installments which the student will pay on a monthly basis.

The AMS plan is not a loan program. Students will not have to pay any additional charges or interest besides the monthly payment.

The academic billing program used to offer two options to U of I students. They could either pay their tuition in full, or they could pay half of it on Registration Day and the other half one month after registration.

Students who are interested in the AMS program should go to the U of I Financial Aid Office and pick up a brochure, or call toll-free at 1-800-635-0120.

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**Obituary**

Marcus Woodrow Barrett, 23, died Wednesday. He was studying music and art at U of I.

Barrett was a licensed practical nurse in the Army Reserves. He was also a jazz musician who performed regularly at the Jazz Kitchen and Embassy Suites Hotel. He is survived by Richard John and Catherine Erickson Barrett; brothers Tim and Justin Barrett; nephew Josh Barrett; grandparents Woodrow Barrett and Jeanne Erickson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the U of I music department jazz program.

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**Campus Briefs**

**Missing something?**

Campus police have recovered money lost on campus during the weekend of Nov. 18 and 19. If you have any information about this case or would like to claim the money, call Keith Smith, director of safety and police services, at 788-3386.

**Billing statements to be sent**

Tuition statements for students preregistering between Nov. 1 and Dec. 9 will be placed in campus mailboxes by Dec. 13. Questions should be directed to the Accounting Office by calling 788-3221.

**Student/faculty fast a success**

On Nov. 21, 282 students chose to fast and send the cost of that lost meal to Gleaners Food Bank. Sponsored by the Christian Life committee of ISG, the students' fast for Gleaners netted $1,128, which the food bank will use to provide food for people in need this holiday season. Over $100 was contributed from faculty members who also fasted.

**Teaching applications due**

Are you or someone you know planning to student teach during the 1995-96 school year? Now is the time to pick up your application forms from Martha Morris, director of student teaching, in Esch 303. The deadline for applications is Dec. 16. Prospective teachers who miss this deadline cannot be assured a student teaching placement during the semester of their choice. Applicants should make an appointment with Morris to discuss their placement as soon as they return from the semester break.

**Last minute work?**

The Open Lab in the Kranmerr Memorial Library is again open 24 hours for last-minute computer work, as the semester draws to a close. The lab began its marathon hours Dec. 4 at 1 p.m. and will remain open until Dec. 11, when it closes at 8 a.m. After that date, the regular hours will be in effect.

**Library Committee seeks help**

The University Library Committee is seeking student advice and input regarding the holdings and services of Kranmerr Memorial Library. What is the library doing right or what is it doing wrong? Please write to Dr. Bill Dynes, chairman of the committee, or see him in Esch 211 to help.

**VIS offers volunteer opportunities**

Donate a stuffed toy or animal for the Baxter YMCA Giving Tree and the Indianapolis Police Department Bear Patrol. Bring your donation to Community Services in Good 108 before Dec. 16.

The Salvation Army needs help sorting toys and gifts into family groups. From Dec. 1-Dec. 19 from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. each day.

Volunteers are needed at the Salvation Army Christmas Center at 2333 N. Lafayette Rd. to select gifts for families. Volunteers can help for as little as a part of a day. For directions, call 788-3303, or stop by Good 108.

The Toy Soldiers Playground at the Indiana State Museum seeks volunteers from now through New Year's Eve.

**Etchings accepts poetry, prose, and original art work**

Full and part-time students, faculty, staff and alumni are invited to submit poetry, short stories or plays, essays and art work. You must submit three titled, typed copies of manuscripts. One titled copy of art work. Send entries through campus mail to *Etchings*. 
World of Clay opens with ‘Clayfest 9’

Erick Trueblood
Managing Editor

‘Clayfest 9,’ now being presented in the Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center art gallery, is the place to let your imagination soar.

The show brings ceramics to the world and shows what artists are now doing in the area of ceramics. The pieces have such color, form, texture and imagination that the eye has a wide variety to choose from.

This variety is seen in the works of Michael Paul Wilcox, Gerald Boyce and Clan F. Backer. Wilcox, Gerald Boyce and Clan F. Backer.

Just Plane Clay, by Wilcox, is a wood planer which is not made from molds and is 100 percent ceramic. In his work, Wilcox reaches for a level of reality that will lead the viewer into asking what kind of material the piece is made of.

Boyce, U of I professor, has two pieces on display: Poienm Road II and UDI Solitudinem Pacem III. His work looks as if it were inspired by life in a different time. The monk-like figures leave viewers wondering where they could be traveling.

Scrapes of Land by Backer is designed around texture and color on a wall hanging.

This is a show where the viewer can stand back and take the time to look into the pieces to see the message of the artist or just enjoy the craftsmanship of the individual piece.

HOLIDAY CHEER

Opportunity to boost military spirits

“Mail for Our Military” program offers chance to put smile on service men’s, women’s faces

If you are looking for something rewarding to do this holiday season, the “Mail for Our Military” program may be just what you are looking for.

“Thank you for...the Christmas cards your organization sent to us...This was an important boost to morale!” a Navy chaplain wrote.

Anyone willing to support and lift the morale of the men and women who are serving our country can get involved in this program. You may get as involved as you want according to how many letters you choose to write. Some may only write one or two, while others literally write hundreds!

Many of those writing the cards and letters receive responses. Some have even heard from every continent, willing to spend a little time to make those who are serving our country a little more cheerful this holiday season.

At the “Mail for Our Military” headquarters, the mail is painstakingly separated, sorted and mixed to ensure that each person’s mail is sent to as many places as possible and that each outgoing package of mail contains mail from many different people and places. More than 1,000 military units, bases and support locations (USOs, Armed Services YMCA’s, etc.) all across the United States and around the world receive the mail for our service men and women.

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Mail for Our Military
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**FROM THE OTHER SIDE**

**Consumity, I mean community**

Janet Hoover  
*Contributing Writer*

Are you from the other side? Do you know where the other side is? “What is the other side?” you ask.

Sometimes the other side is the far side, and sometimes it is the underside. But usually, it is just being stuck in between. You can be stuck between home and work or stuck between home and school or stuck between being stuck in between.

Some of us already live on the other side. My guess is that someday, several someone out there will look down to see themselves on the other side. Especially, if we Americans continue to want the latest and greatest in cars, clothes and homes. We work—we consume. We work—we consume.

It is about running (sometimes literally) from one event to the next and remembering (and forgetting) six different people’s schedules. It’s about not being there for elementary school parties. It’s about not being there as a chaperone for school field trips. It’s about not being there when the kids come home from school. It’s about not being able to hear all those elementary, middle and high school stories when they are fresh and new and the kids are ready and willing to talk. It’s about not seeing a goal scored or a basketball shot.

Sometimes a farm in a desolate area sounds like a great idea. ‘The farm, as I imagine it, would have quiet fields and forests. Only the changing seasons would beckon and call us to new and different works.’

But the isolation—could I stand the isolation? And are we really called by God to live lives independent of one another? To run away from one another? To have no one around to serve or inspire or teach or love?

My conclusion is always “no.” We are not called to isolation. We are called to community. (I didn’t say consumerism; I said community.)

But nothing except life itself teaches you to survive and thrive in a community.

However, I did think of one thing that helps. It is juggling. We all need to learn how to juggle—juggle alone and with partners and in a community. Because in community (not consumerism), we have plenty of opportunities to do so.

If you feel as if you are from “the other side” or if you really are from “the other side,” write and tell us about it, including how U of I could better serve you—other than offering Juggling-101.

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**HELPING THE COMMUNITY**

**Circle K members ring their bells**

Amber Swihart  
*Feature Editor*

I’ve never seen so many people try their darndest not to look me in the eyes as I saw the night of Dec. 1.

Numerous groups of people even walked as far from me as they possibly could without looking at me or the two friends I was with.

Alyson Davis, Kari Hufnagel and I raced through the late after-work rush on U.S. 31 South toward the Greenwood Park Mall only to arrive 10 minutes late to relieve Melanie Biberstine and Brian Smith from their duty. The night of people-watching and huge, cheerful smiles began.

Groups of one, two and three Circle K members rang bells for the Salvation Army at the mall food court entrance last week, and I was one of them. After doing some bell-ringing myself, I can appreciate all of the other volunteers who stand in the cold ringing bells for a cause they believe in all through the holiday months.

As I watched men and women, young and old, shyly but hastily shuffle through the doors, avoiding ever-so-carefully any eye contact with the three of us, I realized that I am guilty of doing this myself.

There was no reason for these people to avoid looking at us if they didn’t have the change to spare or the desire to give at the time. Instead they should lift their heads high, “money in da’ bank!” I put money in da’ bank!”

Some children even reached deep in their own pockets to give to our cause. The shy, uncertain children shifted their large, round eyes hesitantly between the three of us strange bell-ringers and their coaxing parents to hear the small jingle of coins dropping in the metal bucket. One enthusiastic little kid ran out the door boasting to her father, “I put money in da’ bank! I put money in da’ bank!”

Last but certainly not least (but perhaps “littiest”), were the adorable tykes that were still too darn short to reach that big red bucket, in the sky, so their parents boosted them in the air to deposit their coins through the slot.

Before I realized it, our hour at the bell-ringing post was at its end. This time two ringers came to relieve us as reluctantly let go of my golden bell: “Not only did I have fun spending my time for a charitable cause, but I had the pleasure of enjoying some cheerful holiday spirits.”

Next time you pass a bell-ringer, think about giving him or her a good smile and kind word, if nothing else, because he or she is there spreading their holiday glee to people in need. Remember, even bell-ringers enjoy a little encouragement.
NEW PROF SPOTLIGHT

Beitman adjusts to new U of I staff ‘family’

Chad Metzger
Contributing Writer

As we all know, college life is full of changes and adjustments. Often these changes affect not only students, but professors as well. Candace Beitman is one of many professors adjusting to changes this year. Beitman is in her first year as a professor in the occupational therapy department. This is her first full-time teaching position, but she previously taught one course at IUPUI and is a Sunday school teacher as well.

Despite her inexperience in the field of teaching, Beitman is more than qualified for the position.

She attended Indiana University where she studied occupational therapy and also obtained a master’s degree in counseling. She then took a position in the field of psychology as a staff therapist at Indiana University Hospital. She held this position until she came to U of I.

The position here opened up at just the right time for Beitman. “A lot of things came together at once and I felt like I wanted to get into teaching, so I took advantage of the opportunity,” she said.

Beitman has been extremely happy with her decision. The amount of student contact “is refreshing and exciting,” said Beitman. “U of I is a great school. It’s like a family.”

Beitman taught three courses this semester and will teach Ideology, Field Work Practicum, and Occupational Behavior II next semester.

SPEECH TEAM

Variety is name of game for ranked speech team

Candace Wells and Mike Sargent
Contributing Writers

They speed down the highways of Indiana and surrounding states, braving tornadoes, lost hotel reservations and multiple other hazards to compete for the honor of the University of Indianapolis. They are members of the U of I forensics team. They are 10 members strong, plus one coach and one assistant.

Most people on campus are unaware that U of I has a nationally ranked small school speech team, which holds fourth place national honors in its division. They are hoping for another big finish in this year’s nationals in April, at Eastern Michigan University.

The team is relatively young, but is very experienced. Returning members include Dan Strunk, Ryan Redmon, Troy McNall, Shariq Siddiqui, Michael Sargent, Candace Wells and Jeff Stein. First year members are Melissa Hemphill, Amy Goss and Melissa Bracht.

They compete in a wide variety of events under three main categories. In interpretation events, students assemble a program of literary material which they then perform. The competitors do not act, but interpret, the material. It can be prose, poetry, programmed oral interpretation, dramatic interpretation or duo interpretation.

The second group of events is called prepared public speaking. It includes informative speaking, persuasive speaking, rhetorical criticism and after dinner speaking. In each event, which has an eight to 10 minute time limit, the student researches a topic of his choice and prepares a speech to use in competition all year.

The final group of events is labeled limited prep. These events are impromptu and extemporaneous speaking. In impromptu, a student is given a quotation and allowed two minutes to prepare a five minute speech relating to the quotation. In extemp speaking, the student is given a list of three questions on a current event, an international affair or a domestic issue. The student then has a full-hour to research one of the questions in a file composed of magazine and newspaper articles that the team collects throughout the year.

A speech is then prepared, not exceeding seven minutes, to answer the question. Each event requires preparation. At least one member competes in 10 of the 11 events offered.

The group has competed in three tournaments this semester and plans to attend three to five competitions’ second semester, including the national tournament, as well as the Indiana Individual Events State competition.

The team is coached by Audrey Cunningham and assistant, Julie Brinson.
Women's basketball finally earns recognition in media

By Brant Douglas

Women's basketball is a sport that is finally emerging from years of being played in obscurity. Shunned by the media fans, most male sports fans laughed at the ladies' version of the hardwood game as a novelty. It was viewed as being only slightly above the level of an intramural sport. Teams played in cavernous arenas to only a few handfuls of fans.

The game started gaining at least a small amount of attention in the last 10 years. Cheryl Miller (Reggie Miller's sister, who could probably beat him one-on-one) led the 1984 U.S. team to the gold medal in the Olympics, but this flurry of interest soon subsided.

Respect continued to grow in the late 1980s as the women's NCAA Final Four was carried live by CBS for the first time. It has only been in the last five years, though, that the credit due to these women's teams has started to materialize. In fact, even many of the media members nationwide are not only recognizing women's basketball but even providing coverage greater than ever before.

Five years ago you would never have seen stories about the top-25 women's college teams in newspapers. In fact, games barely received a mention in the fine print. Now, teams such as Purdue are receiving full stories about their programs. Similarly, the Associated Press now gives stories of top 10 women's games space next to top men's contests.

Women's basketball is in fact a more pure form of the game than on the other side of the gender line. The women don't have a professional league in the United States yet, but by the turn of the century such a league should be able to survive.

The end of an era

When I started writing this column about a year ago, I hoped to continue writing it until I graduated. However, scheduling conflicts may put me in the studio at WICR and a 40-hour-a-week internship so I will be continuing this column in 1995. Just as the original Star Trek never completed its five year mission, this attempt to "boldly go where no sports column has gone before" also must prematurely end.

Even though this column only lasted a year, it underwent many changes. It began as my way to show what is like to cover sports teams at U of I and throughout Indy. Last year's weekly format, along with a later deadline, allowed me to keep the subjects more timely. On several occasions I even had the opportunity to write from the roads I traveled with the U of I basketball teams. The management staff decided to move the publication schedule from weekly to bi-monthly, the deadline for my column suddenly moved back Friday before publication. This difference meant that I could no longer write about events that had transpired in the weekend's sports activities, such as this year's football Homecoming victory. Consequently, I charged my focus to more general topics that wouldn't be too stale.

Thanks to those of you who read this column throughout the past 12 months it has appeared, and look for me coming (hopefully) to a TV station near you.

This is Brant Douglas signing off for the final time from Within the Headset.

WRESTLING

12 grappers advance to finals in Little State competition

By Julie Bernoski

The Greyhound wrestling team had 13 grapplers qualified for quarterfinal consolations. Afterwards, 12 placed in the Little State finals. The team hopes to continue their success this weekend at MacMurray and Cal. PA.
Amarasekara aims for national javelin title, world championship

Sri Lankan javelin ace traveled literally from the other side of the globe to compete for U of I

Juli Bernoski
Sports Editor

Senior Vijitha Amarasekara came to the United States from Sri Lanka, an island southeast of India, because of a scholarship that was granted to her from U of I in track and field.

Amarasekara was the National Javelin Champion in her country, and she continued to break her own record every year.

"Back home, one of my coaches asked me to compete in javelin, so I did. I did well and broke the national record in my country," said Amarasekara.

Besides competing in Sri Lanka and the United States, Amarasekara has had many other experiences competing against other nations. "Before I came to the United States I had many experiences competing against other nations. I could throw 10-15 meters in the national competition. I did a good job even though I had tough times with the competition," she said.

Vijitha Amarasekara aims to continue her success in javelin. She hopes to break the national record and compete in the world championship.

Amarasekara's says her experiences with competing internationally has helped her improve her skills and technique.

Amarasekara moved on to Olympic competition in 1992. She got there and was unable to compete because of an arm injury she received from not properly warming up.

"I enjoyed being in the Olympic games. I couldn't compete because of an injury but somehow there is a greater experience I got (out of it)," she said.

Amarasekara then decided to attend U of I under coach Jerry England, despite other scholarship offers she received from other universities. She then quickly went on and won the national title for the Greyhounds in javelin throwing.

However, she was a little disappointed because there is not much competition in her area of track and field.

"Last year at nationals I didn't have any competition. I had no one there to really compete against. That's not so good. If there was someone, I might be a little tougher. Now I have to compete against myself to break the national record," said Amarasekara.

Now she is hoping that she will do better than last season by setting higher goals and working even harder. Amarasekara is concentrating on her technique to make her tougher.

"I think this coming year I might do better. I really want to go for the national record. Besides that, I might aim for the world championship and enter this year," said Amarasekara. "I'm trying to do better and achieve a new mark," she added.

Men's Soccer

'Hounds finish season with respectable 5-9-2 record

Up and down year should help team build for future

Erick Trueblood
Managing Editor

What a year it was for Coach Mike Moore's men's soccer team. The team won five, lost nine and tied twice.

They started the year off with a loss to Wabash and then a tie with Franklin with penalty kicks.

The next matches against Marion and St. Francis were both losses, but the team won its fifth game in a home match against Kentucky Wesleyan, the first of only four home matches.

The following game ended in a tie with Ashland in the Davis Road Cup. The second win of the season came when U of I played Baldwin-Wallace (Ohio). The next two games against Northern Kentucky and IPFW were both losses. The IPFW game went into overtime.

The next game was also a home game, but was a loss against Lewis. In the final home game of the season, U of I beat St. Joseph's in overtime. They also won the next game at Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.).

The next to last game of the season was played at Rio Grande (Ohio), and the team was victorious. This was the fifth and last win of the season. In the last game, U of I defeated Bellarmine in the GLVC playoffs.

Rich Miotke, Blaine Steinle, and Steve Klei earned All-GLVC honors. Miotke lead the team in scoring with 18 points, while Klei and Steinle finished with 17 and 14 points, respectively.

Four Greyhound football players have been named to the All-MIAC football squad as honorable mentions. Tailback/kick returner Dean Harding and receiver Craig Thomas represent the offense, while linebacker Matt Porter and defensive tackle Brian Campbell were selected for their defensive work.
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Lady 'Hounds hope returning coach, intense practice help win conference

Daryl Caldwell
News Editor

The U of I women's basketball team should please a lot of fans this season.

Last year the ladies worked under new coach Lisa Hicks for a 14-13 record. She came to U of I from Manchester, and under her tenure that team earned its first placements in national polls.

In Hicks' second year, she has returning starters Ann Hensley and all-academic team member Sharyl Truty at forward.

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Last year's record was 14-13 overall and 9-9 in the GLVC. Adaptation to a new system and coach may have played a factor into the season, but this Lady Metros Classic with an exciting 95-90 overtime win over Northeast Missouri State University.

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"This year is going really well so far," Lelenko said. "Our practices are intense and hopefully we can carry this intensity throughout the season and have a winning record."

Returning starters and a strong bench should boost the team's record.

Junior Julie Comer adds depth in the backcourt, as do senior Lora Hottell and first-year player Gina Stebing. Returning sophomores Jessica Spitznogle and Allison Tindall will help in the frontcourt, as will Sarah James, Kenja Kendrick, and freshman Amanda Updegraff. Assistant coaches Kim Eiler and DeAnn Booth will help from the bench.

The team opened the year in the Lady 'Hound Tipoff Classic Nov. 22 with a 88-83 overtime victory. Hensley led scorers with 26, while Graham added 24. In the championship game, the team lost a 37-32 halftime lead and eventually lost the game 76-74. Three-pointers from Hensley and Graham brought the Lady 'Hounds even at 74-74 with 11 seconds to play, but Franklin pulled out the win.

Last Friday, Hicks' squad opened the IUPUI Lady Metros Classic with an exciting 95-90 overtime win over Northeast Missouri State University.

Hensley led all scores with 31 in a foul-plagued championship game, U of I beat Indiana State 88-83. Three-pointers from Hensley and all-academic team member Shrjl Hovarth joined 76-14. Three-pointers from Hensley and all-academic team member Shrjl Hovarth joined 76-14. Three-pointers from Hensley and all-academic team member Shrjl Hovarth joined 76-14. Daryl Caldwell
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

'Hounds earn 3-1 record, but come up short in final Peach Basket Classic game

Heidi Alexander
Staff Writer

The 11th and final Peach Basket Classic championship between the Greyhounds and Marian took place Nov. 28 in Nicoson Hall as the Knights upset the 'Hounds 63-49.

"There's no sugar-coating about it. We're disappointed," said Coach Royce Waltman.

Indianapolis captured possession at the tip-off, but Marian took control of the game soon after. Marian never let up, taking a 29-20 lead into the locker room at halftime.

"Marian did a good job getting the basketball to the best player. We forced too many outside shots," said Waltman.

Trading scores during the first half, were Michael Brooks with five points, Bart Holubar with four points, (67 percent from the line), and Perrell Lucas with three points, (50 percent from the line).

Defensive leaders were Lucas, Chad Pate, Holubar and Jay Koeller, each with two rebounds.

Indianapolis started the second half with possession, and both teams came out ready to play. But NAIA Marian never gave up its lead, which was as great as 17 points.

Brooks and David Wiese dominated in scoring the second half with eight points each. Lucas scored five. However the 'Hounds were only 11 for 27 from the field and two for 11 from the three-point range.

"We're going to work on scoring in the post and not rely on the outside shot to get ready to play Central State," said coach Waltman of U of I's next home game Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Marian's coach John Grimes commented on the tournament saying, "It's too bad [this is the last tournament] because it's a nice tournament for us and for Indianapolis. Our kids enjoy playing in it, and I've enjoyed it too."

Indianapolis falls to 3-1 while Marian improved its record to 5-1.

The 'Hounds advanced to the championship with a 88-71 victory over Franklin. Lucas led scorers with 25 points. Noi Chay added 18 including four three-pointers, and Brooks chipped in 15 as U of I eliminated Division III Franklin.

Tiffany Griffin

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Whatever your pleasure, this holiday season offers many joyous possibilities in Indy

Heidi Alexander
Staff Writer

Get into the holiday spirit by taking advantage of some of the many opportunities in the Indianapolis area during the month of December.

Downtown Indy is lit up in festive holiday colors to welcome the season. The Soldiers and Sailors monument has been turned into a huge Christmas tree, and surrounding trees have been decorated with bright, white lights.

What better way to see these lights than by taking a carriage ride? Carriage rides begin in front of Union Station and the Omni Hotel. The cost is $25 for a half-hour ride.

WTHR, Channel 13, is offering a unique way to see the lights around Indianapolis. It is sponsoring a bus tour where tour guides are WTHR news anchors. The free tour runs Thursday through Saturday. Pick up your tickets from the visitor center in Union Station and meet the bus at the Jackson Street exit.

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The Pacers are playing well at Market Square Arena. Reserve your seats today by calling 639-2112. Also at MSA, the Ice is guaranteed to entertain. Call 639-2112 for information.

If you’re in an active mood this holiday season, Ski World offers skiing enjoyment for all ages. Ski World is located in Nashville (Brown County) on Highway 46. Call (812) 988-6693 for weather information. Sledding is enjoyable for all ages. Garfield Park is located about three miles from campus, north on Shelby Street. Dig out the sled from the garage and wait for snow.

Ice skating is always holiday fun for students. Pan Am Plaza, across from the RCA Dome, offers skating from 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. on weekends. Call 237-5555 for information.

Whatever you do this holiday season, even if it is simply curling up with a good book, make it enjoyable.

Indy Reflections

Mary Perren
Contributing Writer

Indy Reflections is a column of events taking place on the U of I campus and the Indianapolis area. It deals with but is not limited to musical and theatrical performances and shows. Anyone wishing to contribute to Indy Reflections may send items to Mary Perren through campus mail.

■ Indiana Repertory Theatre continues the comedy On The Razzle through Dec. 18. The show is billed as “an evening of non-stop hilarity.” For more information call 635-5252.

■ Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat returns to the Edyvean Repertory Theatre at CTS for the holiday season. The show opened Dec. 2 and runs through Dec. 18. With music by Andrew Lloyd Weber and lyrics by Tim Rice, the show set attendance records at the theatre during its last run in the 1986-87 season. Call 923-1516 for information.

■ American Cabaret Theatre will present its holiday offering, A Cabaret Christmas for only 12 performances Dec. 12-18. It features many well-known performers and traditional and contemporary Christmas songs. For tickets, call 631-0334. The theatre also offers dinner packages for groups of 20 or more which include dinner, the show, tax and gratuity. Call 631-0334 for more information.

■ American Cabaret Theatre is also looking for volunteers. If you can sew a seam, tap a hammer, wield a paintbrush, answer a telephone or tear a ticket in two, American Cabaret Theatre would welcome you. Call Rodney Tolliver at 631-0334 for more information.

Attention U of I ladies!

U of I women students are invited to attend an informal meeting Dec. 8, regarding the 1995 Indy 500 Princess competition. The meeting will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Krafth Conference Room, Kranert Library.

The competition is open to all single women students between the ages of 19 and 23 who attend Indiana colleges and universities.

Each candidate must be enrolled as a full-time student taking a minimum of 12 academic hours, in good standing and not on scholastic probation and able to participate in each designated 500 Festival event.

A queen and court will be chosen from among the 33 princesses during a later competition.

At the Dec. 8 meeting, Amanda Bailey, a current junior who was a member of last year’s court, will share her experiences about the competition. Wendy Barth, 1986 Indy 500 Queen, will also be present.

There is no obligation to compete if one attends the Dec. 8 meeting and students may apply to compete without attending the meeting.

All applications must be postmarked by Dec. 31, 1994. For additional information, students may call ext. 3295 or 3298.

■ Indianapolis Ballet Theatre will present Tchaikovsky’s The Nutcracker Dec. 22-24 at the Warren Performing Arts Center. The Nutcracker is a full-length ballet that tells the story of Clara and her adventures that begin on Christmas Eve with a magical nutcracker. For more information call 637-8979. For tickets call TicketMaster at 239-5151.

■ Don’t miss Marsh Jolly Days at the Children’s Museum through Jan. 2. The Children’s Museum will be transformed into Jolly TOWI, a storybook village featuring hundreds of animated toy bears observing traditional holiday customs from all around the world. A variety of other special holiday events are planned. For more information call the museum at 924-5431.

■ Indianapolis Civic Theatre will be giving 14 performances of L. Frank Baum’s The Wizard of Oz starting Dec. 26-Jan. 8. Call 924-6770 for tickets.