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UE Parents Web Pages Keeping Connected, Informed, Involved

While on the University of Evansville's Web site, parents might be unaware of the resources available to them with just a simple click on the "Parents" link. This section of the site is full of news, information, and resources specifically geared toward parents. With the advice of the Parent Communication Committee and input from the UE Parents Council advisory board, the parents Web pages have been created and organized in a way we hope you find useful.

Through the parents Web pages, you have access to the most current events happening on campus and across the country, as well as updates and links to current campus news. Listed events are open for all alumni, parents, and friends to attend. Join us for a social or athletics event, attend a luncheon, and be sure to check back often for events in your area. News items are taken from the latest UE headlines, and a link to all current UE news stories is provided.

The parents Web pages also provide pertinent information for those who want to be more connected and involved. Choose the Parents Association link to find ways to participate, descriptions of service activities and opportunities, and association bylaws. If you are interested in association activities, fill out the volunteer interest form online. The Parents Council page describes council activities and provides meeting dates, as well as a list of current members. Members are current parents who serve as a resource and liaison for you. At the bottom of this page, members of the established Parents Council service committees are listed. The Parents' Fund page provides you with answers to frequently asked questions about the fund and explanations of the fund's use and purpose.

If you need a fast reference to important campus information, the Parents Resource page is the place to find it. This page provides you with everything from a campus map to access to the career services and other campus offices, a PDF version of the Parents' Handbook and its updates, and links to the Parents Connections newsletter archives and tuition and financial aid information.

The Parent Emergency Telephone Contacts page provides need-to-know numbers for the Office of Safety and Security, crisis intervention services, and the campus health center. The Parent Relations Staff and Contacts page is where you can determine who best to contact with questions or for additional information.

The UE parents Web pages are intended to be a valuable resource for all parents. News, information, and resources you need as a parent – topics concerning your student and the University community – are just a click away. Explore the pages today at www.evansville.edu/parents and see how UE's Web site can help you keep connected, informed, and involved.

University of Evansville : Parent News and Events

http://www.evansville.edu/parents/

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Parents News and Events

Welcome parents and families!

We strive to keep you informed and in tune. Many UE events and activities are coming up, both on campus and around the country. Click any link below for more UE community news, event details and registration information. For more information about anything found on the UE Parents site, please e-mail apaarentrelations@evansville.edu.

Things Going On Around UE

Events Around the Country

Dec 11 Chicago Area Casual Dinner

Dec 16 Hawaii Alumni Dinner and Reception

Dec 22 [Aces vs. Butler Lady Pre-Game Event](#)

Info to Know

[UE Achievements and Honors](#)

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RESIDENCE LIFE ANNOUNCES WINTER BREAK PREPARATIONS

All UE residence halls will officially close at noon on Thursday, December 14. All exterior door locks will be changed at that time. Students may leave possessions in their rooms, but ALL students are required to vacate their rooms during Winter Break. [Students may want to take very valuable items home during break to guard against unforeseen possibilities if damage or theft.]

Students must depart within 24 hours after their last final, and they should be sure to turn off all alarm clocks, close and lock windows and doors and properly

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 7 - 13
Final exams

December 10
Residence Halls
10:30 a.m.
New Chapel

December 11
Chicago Alumni Dinner
8:00 p.m.
Eschequer Pub & Restaurant
Chicago, Illinois

December 12
Winter Commencement
2 p.m.
Fitness Center Gym

New Alumni Reception
Following commencement
Spartan Gym
Carson Center

December 16
Residence Halls CLOSE
for Winter Break
Noon

December 18
Hawaii Alumni Dinner
and Reception
8:00 p.m.
Orona Beachcomber
Honolulu, Hawaii

December 22
Aces Men's Basketball



Li'l Sibs Weekend

Resident Students Association will hold their annual Li'l Sibs Weekend Friday, March 23 - Sunday, March 25.

This is a great opportunity for younger family members to come visit their cool college siblings. Registration packets will be available in the Office of Residence Life beginning in January.

Spring and Easter Break Housing

The residence halls will remain open for students during Spring Break and Easter Break. All main entrances will remain locked 24 hours a day during this time. Student room keys will provide access for students staying during these breaks. Food service will not be provided.

Selecting Housing for Fall 2007

The process to reserve a room, apartment, or house for the fall semester of 2007 takes place February 19 - March 23. For a full calendar of events and deadlines, see the residence life Web site at residencelife.evansville.edu.

Halls Closing

The residence halls and Village housing will close at noon on Thursday, May 10 for the summer. All students are requested to move out within 24 hours of their last final exam. There is very limited summer storage space, so it is a good idea to have your son or daughter begin to bring things home early. Each student needs to make an appointment with his or her resident assistant (RA) to check out of his or her room. The room must be clean and put back into its original condition. Remember, RAs have finals too; we ask that arrangements for checkouts be made 48 hours in advance.

Summer Housing

Students taking classes in Evansville over the summer may stay on campus at the summer housing rate. Contact the Office of Residence Life for more information at 812-488-2956.

From the Editor

This has been a whirlwind year so far, with many student and campus activities during the fall semester, including a very successful Family Weekend in September. If you came back for Family Weekend, you know that the weather certainly did not cooperate but that spirits were good. By all accounts, the weekend was enjoyable for the more than 600 family members who registered. Thank you to all who came to visit. I look forward to welcoming you back again next fall for Family Weekend at UE.

At our Parents Council meeting that same weekend, members of the Parent Communication Committee advised me on useful topics for this newsletter. Among their suggestions was our front-page feature, detailing the resources, news, and information available on the UE Web site at www.evansville.edu/parents.

The parents pages on the site were created to provide meaningful content specifically for prospective and current parents and families. New features and pages will be added frequently, so check the site often. Please let me know what you think of the parents Web pages and what new features you would like to see, both on the Web pages and in this biannual newsletter.

If you would like more information about anything found in this newsletter or online, or more information about being active with the UE Parents Association, please call 812-488-2586 or e-mail ueparentrelations@evansville.edu. I hope you and your student enjoy a great spring semester!

Cordially,

Jesika (Sanders) Ellis '96

Assistant Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

LEAGUE

Get involved today in the UE mission by becoming a LEAGUE or admission support volunteer through the Parents Association. LEAGUE is a worldwide network of alumni, parents, and friends who serve as goodwill ambassadors for the University of Evansville and assist with student recruitment.

Visit www.evansville.edu/alumni/volunteer/league.asp for more information and to register.

Honors and Achievements

Aces Win Cross Country Invitational

Nick Waninger and the University of Evansville men's cross country team took home the team title from the 2006 UE invitational meet at the UE Cross Country Course in Evansville on Saturday, October 14. Waninger came within four seconds of topping David Denny's 24-year-old record in the 8-K on Saturday, as he posted the third-fastest 8-K time on record at UE of 24:27.80. He won the men's individual title by nearly a minute.

This was the final UE invitational for seniors **Nick Waninger, Andy Eheart, Geoffrey Bush, Shane Camp, Jeremy Kemper,** and **Ryan Ferguson.** Four of the six seniors posted career-best times at the meet to help the Purple Aces win in the eight-team men's field.

Computer Science Program Accredited by ABET

UE's computer science program, a bachelor's degree program through the College of Engineering and Computer Science, is now accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET). "Accreditation is a message that a program meets the standards of the profession," said UE's dean of the College of Engineering and Computer Science, Philip Gerhart. "It is also important for acceptance into graduate schools, as well as for professional registrations ... Potential employers look for graduates who have come from programs that have been accredited."

Other ABET-accredited programs at UE include civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical engineering, and mechanical engineering.

UE Students Participate in Bilingual Storytime Program

Students **Austin Bell, Jena Mattix, Andrew Noelle, Tiffany Polly Guantong, Taryn Super, Sonya Anaya,** and **Nicholas Vasiloff** participated in the bilingual storytimes in Spanish and English at the Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library. The upper-level UE Spanish students read and animated stories in Spanish and English to local children, exposing the children to a foreign language by using activities that included vocabulary from the stories. The program ran from the beginning of school through November and was free and open to the public.

UE and EVPL partnered to offer this program to the community. Arcea Zapata de Aston, assistant professor of Spanish, and Melissa Davis, youth service coordinator at the library, coordinated the program.

Business Students Participate in Entrepreneurial Challenge

In early October, business students **Marko Kangrga, Anna Everitt, Tendai Nyatoti,** and **Tafadzwa Nyatoti,** along with faculty sponsor Peter Sherman, participated in the Edward Lowe Entrepreneurial Challenge in Michigan. The challenge was sponsored by the Indiana Venture Center located in Indianapolis. The University of Evansville became one of the center's academic partners earlier in the year.

UE Teams Win First and Second Place in Programming Contest

The University of Evansville won both first and second place in the Association of Computing Machinery Mid-Central USA Programming Contest at Murray State University on November 4. Winners selected from regional contests on six continents will advance to the ACM Programming Contest World Finals to compete for bragging rights and scholarships.

The first place team consisted of students **Evan Jones, Ted Morse, Levi Wheatcraft,** and alternate **Mark Buser.** The second place team consisted of students **Jennifer Crouse, Jeffrey Davidson,** and **Dan Langenberg.** The two UE teams, part of the University's Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, competed against 10 other teams at the Murray State location. There were a total of nine locations in the region for this competition with 126 teams competing. In the entire mid-central region, UE placed 15th and 26th respectively.

Area Accommodations

We invite you to visit campus to attend a special performance or event, participate in a Parents Association activity, or simply spend time with your student. The following list of hotels is provided to help you plan your stay while in Evansville. Many of the hotels offer discounted rates for families visiting UE; be sure to mention you are a UE parent and inquire about special rates when you make your reservation. Hotel personnel will be happy to give you detailed directions to their locations.

Establishment	Telephone Number
Baymont Inn	812-477-2677
Drury Inn & Suites Evansville East	812-471-3400
Drury Inn Evansville North	812-423-5818
Executive Inn Evansville	812-424-8000
Fairfield Inn by Marriott Evansville East	812-471-7000
Hampton Inn	812-473-5000
Holiday Inn Conference Center	812-424-6400
Holiday Inn Express East	812-473-2500
Homelife Studios & Suites	812-475-1700
Lee's Inn	812-477-6663
Quality Inn & Suites	812-471-3414
Residence Inn	812-471-7191
Signature Inn	812-476-9626

Do you have a personal review of these or other accommodations or restaurants in Evansville? E-mail your comments to ueparentrelations@evansville.edu with "reviews" in the subject line, and we may include them on our Web page as a resource for other UE parents visiting Evansville.

Parents' Fund: Envision, Engage, Empower

The UE Parents' Fund helps make possible all of the extra educational and academic opportunities that are central to your child's college experience and ensures that financial scholarships are available for students who need them. Just envision the endless possibilities of your gift and what it could mean to students campus-wide.

Did you know that revenue from tuition and other fees covers only 88 percent of the total cost to educate UE students?

Because UE is not a state-supported school, we rely on monetary gifts to help bridge the gap. Your unrestricted gift to the Parents' Fund helps provide various academic and student programs and study groups, purchases new books and periodicals, and supports scholarships. By supporting the fund, you not only impact your student's current progress, but you also invest in their future and the future of the University of Evansville.

Yes, your gift counts!

Whether you give \$10 or \$100, your gift makes a genuine difference in the level of excellence provided to our students. With your help we can empower the students of today – your children – to reach their ultimate potential.

If you would like to give a gift to the Parents' Fund, please return your pledge card today or call 812-488-2374. Give securely online at www.evansville.edu/parents/fund.asp. Thank you for your generous support and dedication to the University of Evansville.

If you would like to learn more about UE's Parents' Fund or discover how your contribution will directly affect students, please contact the Office of Annual Giving at 812-488-4065.



Open Houses

Do you know a student interested in attending UE? Encourage the entire family to visit UE's beautiful campus. Our 2007 spring Open House and Road Trip dates are:

Open House

Monday, January 15

Saturday, March 17

Saturday, April 14

Road Trip

Friday, February 16 - Sunday, February 18

For more information, please contact the Office of Admission at 812-488-2468.

Student Organization: National Society of Collegiate Scholars

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) is an interdisciplinary honors organization for students that is founded on the principles of scholarship, leadership, and service. The society recognizes outstanding academic achievement among first- and second-year college students from the top 20th percentile of their class who have a grade point average of 3.4 or higher. NSCS offers opportunities for involvement on campus, in the community, and on the national level, and it encourages members to remain involved in community service and leadership activities throughout their college career.

The 215 NSCS chapters can be found in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia. NSCS has 500,000 lifetime members with 70,000 new members joining each year. They distribute more than \$5 million in scholarships a year. Some distinguished members from UE include Deborah Kassenbrock, President Stephen Jennings, and Professors William Connolly, Christine McKeag, and James MacLeod.

The national office offers programs and services designed to contribute to the personal and professional development of members. Benefits of membership include scholarships, spring break service trips, NSCS career connections, the Distinguished Scholars Program, NSCS Leadership Summit, online communities and resources, and alumni programs.

Each chapter engages in service to its local community and gives members the chance to develop leadership skills in a variety of positions. UE's chapter activities include March to College Day, UE Family Weekend field day, homecoming parade and activities, Colleges Against Cancer, Make a Difference Day, book drives for Hurricane Katrina, and their signature program Preparing for College Success, in which students mentor and tutor middle school students and provide the support and resources needed to make attending college a reality.

The UE chapter currently has 363 members on campus, not including students who are currently attending Harlaxton College. The students are chosen by NSCS from a list of eligible students provided by the registrar's office. The students are sent a letter requesting their acceptance of the membership in the spring. The students pay a lifetime fee of \$75 and receive a membership diploma and press release concerning their induction, as well as an opportunity to attend the induction convocation ceremony in the fall. From that point on, the students participate in all local chapter activities.

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars is a valuable organization on UE's campus and a great way for students to get involved. For more information about NSCS, contact UE's chapter president, Debi Cradic, by telephone at 812-319-2112 or by e-mail at dc60@evansville.edu.

www.evansville.edu/parents

Save the Date

Special Events and Performances

Athletics events and schedules can be found online at www.gopurpleplaces.com.

All current University calendars can be found online at www.evansville.edu

January 2007

Monday, January 8
Harlaxton classes begin

Wednesday, January 10
Classes begin

Monday, January 15
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Campus-wide events
No classes

Open House
For more information,
call 812-488-2468

Wednesday, January 17 -
Monday, February 12
International Art Exhibition
Krannert Gallery

Friday, January 19
Last day to register or add courses

Monday, January 22
Priority deadline for Summer 2007
Harlaxton applications

Thursday, January 25
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room,
McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Friday, January 26
Last day to drop without a W

Saturday, January 27 -
Saturday, February 3
Interfraternity Council
Recruitment

February 2007

Wednesday, February 7
4:00 p.m.
Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Sunday, February 11
4:00 p.m.
Jazz Guest Artist Concert Series
Wheeler Concert Hall

Tuesday, February 13
7:30 p.m.
Wind Ensemble
Neu Chapel

Wednesday, February 14 -
Friday, March 16
Spring Selections Art Exhibition
Krannert Gallery

Friday, February 16 -
Sunday, February 18
Road Trip Weekend
8:00 p.m. (2:00 p.m. Sunday)
UE Theatre Production
1918
Shanklin Theatre

Saturday, February 18
Parents Council Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 20
7:30 p.m.
Symphony Orchestra
Neu Chapel

Thursday, February 22 -
Sunday, February 25
8:00 p.m. (2:00 p.m. Sunday)
UE Theatre Production
1918
Shanklin Theatre

Tuesday, February 27
7:00 p.m.
Patricia H. Snyder Lecture
Featuring David Brooks
Victory Theatre
Free and open to the public

Wednesday, February 28
7:30 p.m.
University Band
Neu Chapel

March 2007

Friday, March 2
Noon
Guest Recital
UE Piano Series
Ian Hominick
Wheeler Concert Hall

Saturday, March 3 - Sunday,
March 11
Spring Break

Monday, March 12
Classes Resume

Wednesday, March 14
4:00 p.m.
Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Saturday, March 17
Open House
For more information, call
812-488-2468

Sunday, March 18
4:00 p.m.
Jazz Guest Artist Concert Series
Wheeler Concert Hall

Monday, March 19 -
Friday, April 13
Annual Student Juried Art
Exhibition
Krannert Gallery

Friday, March 23 -
Sunday, March 25
RSA Li'l Sibs Weekend
8:00 p.m. (2:00 p.m. Sunday)
UE Theatre Production
The Comedy of Errors
Shanklin Theatre

Friday, March 23 -
Saturday, March 31
International Week

Sunday, March 25
4:00 p.m.
Harlaxton Quintet
Wheeler Concert Hall

Tuesday, March 27
7:30 p.m.
Eykamp String Quartet
Wheeler Concert Hall

Thursday, March 29 -
Sunday, April 1
8:00 p.m. (2:00 p.m. Sunday)
UE Theatre Production
The Comedy of Errors
Shanklin Theatre

Thursday, March 29
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room,
McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Friday, March 30
Last day to withdraw with a W
8:00 p.m.
Classical Guitar Society
Carlos Perez
Wheeler Concert Hall

April 2007

Sunday, April 1
4:00 p.m.
Jazz Ensembles
Wheeler Concert Hall

Wednesday, April 4
4:00 p.m.
Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Friday, April 6 - Sunday, April 8
Easter Break

Monday, April 9
5:00 p.m.
Classes Resume

Tuesday, April 10
7:30 p.m.
Wind Ensemble
Neu Chapel

Thursday, April 12
Last Day of Classes at Harlaxton

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Campus Contacts

Office of Safety and Security
Emergencies: 812-471-6911
Office: 812-488-2051
Web: safetyandsecurity.evansville.edu

Crayton E. and
Ellen Mann Health Center
812-488-2033

Center for Student Engagement
812-488-2371

Office of Alumni and
Parent Relations
812-488-2586
Web: www.evansville.edu/parents

Office of Career Services and
Cooperative Education
812-488-2663
Web: careerservices.evansville.edu

Office of Financial Aid
812-488-2364

Office of the Registrar
812-488-2600

Office of Religious Life
812-488-2260
Web: religiouslife.evansville.edu

Office of Residence Life
812-488-2956
Web: residencelife.evansville.edu

Office of Student Accounts
812-488-2565

UE Switchboard
812-488-2000

Athletics Ticket Office
812-488-2237
Web: www.gopurpleplaces.com

Shanklin Theatre Ticket Office
812-488-2031

University Bookstore
812-488-2678

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Save the Date (continued)

Saturday, April 14
Open House
For more information, call
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Saturday, April 14 -
Wednesday, April 18
Final Exams at Harlaxton

Monday, April 16 -
Friday, April 20
Greek Week

Tuesday, April 17 -
Friday, May 11
Senior Art Exhibition
Krannert Gallery

Tuesday, April 17
7:30 p.m.
University Choir
Neu Chapel

Wednesday, April 18
Noon
University Band Outdoor Pops
Memorial Plaza (Rain, Neu Chapel)
6:00 p.m.
Student Leadership Awards Banquet
Dunigan Hall, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Friday, April 20
Sunset Concert

Saturday, April 21
Bike Race

Monday, April 23 -
Sunday, April 29
8:00 p.m. (2:00 p.m. Sunday
showing only)
May Studio Production
Dancing at Lughnasa
by Brian Friel

Tuesday, April 24
7:30 p.m.
Symphony Orchestra
Wheeler Concert Hall

Wednesday, April 25
4:00 p.m.
Annual Outdoor Jazz Concert
Memorial Plaza (Rain, Wheeler
Concert Hall)

Thursday, April 26
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
English Coffee Hour
Senior Reading
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room,
McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

May 2007

Wednesday, May 2
Reading/Study Day

Thursday, May 3 -
Wednesday, May 9
Final Examinations

Saturday, May 12
10:00 a.m.
Baccalaureate
Neu Chapel
1:30 p.m.
Commencement
Roberts Stadium

Monday, May 21
Summer Session I Begins
Harlaxton Summer Classes Begin

Monday, May 28
Memorial Day
No Classes

Thursday, May 31
Close of Annual, Alumni, and
Parents' Fund Fiscal Year

June 2007

Saturday, June 9
UE Day at Holiday World
Santa Claus, Indiana

Thursday, June 21
Harlaxton Summer Classes End

Friday, June 22
Summer Session I Ends

Monday, June 25
Summer Session II Begins

Wednesday, June 27 -
Thursday, July 5
Harlaxton Alumni and Family Trip
Contact alumni@evansville.edu for
details

July 2007

Friday, July 27
Summer Session II Ends

August 2007

Wednesday, August 29
Classes Begin

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