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37th Annual Family Weekend

UE's 37th annual Family Weekend is coming up September 23 - 25, and you are invited to come to campus and visit your student. For many parents, it will be the first opportunity to visit since the semester began. UE's Family Weekend, coordinated by the Center for Student Engagement with support from the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations, offers social, athletic, informational and cultural activities for the entire family. See campus through your student's eyes, meet their new friends and professors, and connect with other UE parents and families who are part of the thriving University of Evansville community.

Preregistration is requested, and check-in upon arrival is required, though there is no fee to attend Family Weekend. Individual tickets and meals can be purchased separately on campus. For a complete Family Weekend schedule, as well as to register online, please visit www.evansville.edu/parents/newsevents or familyweekend.evansville.edu/. Parents Association volunteers and Parents Council members from around the country will be on hand throughout the weekend to help with check-in, host events, offer information, and welcome our UE families to campus. Join us for a variety of events and activities, from the Family Pub Olympics to the Student Talent Show and a family worship service Sunday morning. Also this year, the Family Weekend concert, held Saturday afternoon in Neu Chapel and sponsored by the Department of Music, will be followed by a family and student reception on the lawn, hosted by the Parents Council and President and Mrs. Stephen Jennings.

Preregister online today for Family Weekend at www.evansville.edu/parents/newsevents, and be sure to check in once you arrive. Area accommodations can be found on the next page, and many hotels offer discounts for UE families. We look forward to welcoming you back to campus September 23-25!

Schedule of Events

Friday, September 23

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Check-in

Foyer, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

4:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Dinner at Harper Dining Hall

7:30 p.m.

ProRehab Aces Soccer Classic

8:00 p.m.

UE Theatre Presents

Anatomy of Gray

Saturday, September 24

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Check-in

Atrium, Koch Center for Engineering and Science

9:00 a.m.

Academic Department Open Houses

10:30 a.m.

Brunch

Noon

Intramural Pub Olympics

2:00 p.m.

"My Student is Greek...What Does That Mean?"

Information Session

2:00 p.m.

Department of Music presents

Family Weekend Concert

Symphony Orchestra, Wind

Ensemble and University Choir

3:00 p.m.

Family and Student Reception, hosted by the UE Parents Council

3:00 p.m.

Harlaxton College and Study

Abroad Information Session

8:00 p.m.

UE Theatre Presents

Anatomy of Gray

8:00 p.m.

SAB Student Talent Show

9:00 p.m. - Midnight

Relax at the Underground

Sunday, September 25

9:00 a.m.

Mass with Bishop Gerald

Gettelfinger

10:30 a.m.

University Worship Service

10:30 a.m. - Noon

Newman Center Open House

10:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Brunch at Harper Dining Hall

2:00 p.m.

UE Theatre Presents

Anatomy of Gray

2:30 p.m.

ProRehab Aces Soccer Classic

7:30 p.m.

Faculty Recital, David Beem, Cello

Campus Contacts

Office of Safety and Security

Emergencies: 812-488-6911

Non-emergencies: 812-488-2051

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

Office of Career Services and

Cooperative Education

812-488-2663

Office of Financial Aid

812-488-2364

Office of the Registrar

812-488-2600

Office of Religious Life

812-488-2235

Office of Residence Life

812-488-2956

Office of Student Accounts

812-488-2565

UE Switchboard

812-488-2000

Athletics Ticket Office

812-488-2237

Shanklin Theatre Ticket Office

812-488-2031

University Bookstore

812-488-2678

Residence Life

Something New in the Laundry Room

If you are worried about your student's laundry habits (or lack thereof), improvements to the residence hall laundry rooms should help put your mind at ease. UE has upgraded all washers and dryers to new front-loading, high-capacity, high-efficiency Maytag models. Students in all residence halls (North Hall, too) now have access to "laundry view," a Web-based monitoring system that shows all open machines on campus. It can also notify students by e-mail when their laundry is done. Students may even be notified of their laundry's status via cell phone. See a sample of the Web monitoring site at demo.laundryview.com.

Campus laundry rates are now \$1 for washers and \$.75 for dryers, still considerably lower than most local laundromats. The new machines are both coin and card operated. Laundry card stations are available in McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union and in the Ridgway Center on campus. Visit residencelife.evansville.edu for more information.

Care Packages Welcome

Student care packages sent from home are always welcomed and anticipated eagerly by students each semester. When sending your student a package, simply address it to your student's residence hall postal address. UE's mail services will receive the package and contact your student via e-mail so they may collect the parcel from the mail room at their convenience.

Computer Discounts Available

Buying your student a computer does not have to break the bank. Check out these special discounts and deals available from Dell and Apple.

Dell Computers offers discounts to college students for personal computer purchases. The site to access is ots.evansville.edu/dell. A discount of up to 10 percent is available through this Web site. However, the largest discount is available when the computer is ordered with a three year maintenance contract. A smaller discount may be available with a two year contract. Additionally, the standard Dell Web site offers discounts to everyone, and sometimes these discounts are better than the site above offers. If you are considering a Dell, be sure to check their standard Web site, too.

Apple Computer also offers student discounts. For more information, go to www.apple.com/students.

Personal Property Insurance

The University is not liable for loss or damage to personal property of students. Parents and students are urged to secure insurance for such property. Families and students should determine the extent of coverage, if any, under existing insurance policies or purchase independent personal property insurance. National Student Services Inc. specializes in student personal property insurance. Find out more at www.nssinc.com.

Parents' Fund Spotlight

What is the Parents' Fund?

The Parents' Fund helps make possible all of the extra educational and academic opportunities that are integral to your child's Evansville Experience. Contributions to the fund help cover the difference between revenue from tuition and the actual cost of educating each student. Among the areas supported by unrestricted gifts to the Parents' Fund are academic programs, new books and periodicals, study groups and scholarships.

Why give to the Parents' Fund when you already pay tuition?

Tuition covers only a percentage of the real cost of educating each student. Because we are not a state-supported school, we rely on gifts and contributions to help bridge the gap between tuition and real costs, and to help us offer programs and resources each student needs to receive an excellent and competitive education. These programs may not be available without additional financial support.

Will your gift really make a difference?

Yes! All gifts to the Parents' Fund, no matter the size, are meaningful. The success of the Parents' Fund lies in numbers. Each person adds to the total, and your support, with that of others, has a significant impact on the offerings and opportunities provided to our students now and in the future.

Make your gift go further!

The UE Board of Trustees has a loyalty challenge in place that will match dollar for dollar your new or increased gift to the Parents' Fund. It is a great way to make your dollars go further. Also, many employers sponsor programs that match charitable contributions made by their employees. Ask your human resources director if your company will match your gift to the UE Parents' Fund.

A Parents' Fund committee is in place through the Parents Association, chaired by Parents Council members Terry and Barb Guiley. The committee volunteers serve as ambassadors for the UE Parents' Fund, educating families about the fund's importance and encouraging parents to give whatever they can to help continuously improve the programs and resources available to students. To become more involved with this effort, visit the UE parent Web site at www.evansville.edu/parents and click on the Parents Association link.

To give to the Parents' Fund, call 812-488-2374 or give online at our secure site: www.evansville.edu/alumni/givingtoue/givingform.asp. Every gift counts! Thank you for your contribution.

LEAGUE

You can assist with new student recruitment by becoming a LEAGUE 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



UE Engineers Sail Away with Sixth in Nation for Concrete

The concrete canoe *Lembus Durus*, or the “Boat That Endures,” and the twenty-five UE civil engineering students who built it claimed sixth place overall in the nation, and third place in construction and durability at the 18th annual American Society of Civil Engineering National Concrete Canoe Competition at Clemson University in South Carolina in June. The students spent 900 hours developing and building the 177 pound structure. The team’s final ranking was determined by scores in oral presentations, design, final presentation of the canoe, and canoe races. Student team members involved in the competition this year were **Mohamed Al-Ameri, Jennifer Blankenship, Blair Bozoarth, Rebekah Campbell, Jody Chapman, Michael Cook, Josh Culver, Julie Elpers, Brian Fillenwarth, Drew Flamion, Jaclyn Foote, Dave Haas, Kerry Hall, Brenton Hasenour, John Hunt, Russ Keller, Craig Kerkhoff, Lindsey Lenker, Amy Lochmondy, Jon Longenecker, Jason Mathias, Matt Melton, Brian Meunier, Amanda Ranck, Brent Schmitt, Ryan Sermersheim, Larry Summers, Tyler Tackett, Nick Waninger, Devan Welch and Rachel Wright.**

Vocal Music Major Lands Role in Italian Opera

Junior vocal performance music major **Emily Cox** and teacher Elizabeth Dodd (recently retired from the music faculty) traveled this summer to Rome, Italy, where Cox studied at Operafestival di Roma for the month of July and sang the role of Suora Genovieffa in the opera *Suor Angelica* by Puccini.

UE Boasts Major League Drafts

UE junior **Erik Lis** has been selected by the Minnesota Twins in the ninth round of the 2005 major league baseball first-year player draft. The Twins chose Lis with the 25th pick in the ninth round, making him the 285th overall pick in the draft.

Senior left-handed pitcher **Michael Greenhouse** became the second UE baseball player to be selected in the 2005 major league baseball first-year player draft. The Chicago Cubs drafted Greenhouse with the 20th pick in the 28th round.

UE Student Crowned 500 Festival Queen

UE junior **Deven Wayman** was crowned the 2005 Indianapolis 500 Festival Queen. Wayman is majoring in mass communication and legal studies at UE. She was one of 33 young women selected for the 500 Festival Princess program, serving as an ambassador for the 500 Festival and Indianapolis 500.

As 500 Festival Queen, Wayman is the recipient of a \$2,500 educational scholarship. She will continue to represent the 500 Festival at various functions throughout the year.



Education Student Awarded National Award

Hannah Sitzman, a senior in elementary education, has been awarded the National Education Association’s Outstanding Local Student Leader Award. She was installed as the new 2005-2006 Indiana Student Education Association president in October, and she served as co-president of the University of Evansville Student Education Association chapter during 2004. Her enthusiasm, diligence and commitment helped increase the membership of the local chapter to the largest number in history.

In her role as co-president, Sitzman helped develop a number of new programs locally to improve teacher quality and to reach out to the larger community. She was also actively involved in the planning and organization for the very first Indiana Outreach to Teach service project at Lyons Elementary School in Greene County, Indiana.

Area Accommodations

We would love to have you visit for Family Weekend, participate in a Parents Association activity, attend a special performance or event, or come back to campus to spend time with your student for any reason at all. Be sure to mention you are a UE parent and inquire about special UE family rates when you make your reservation. All of these hotels will be happy to give you detailed directions to their locations.

Hotel/Motel	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
Starkey Inn Bed & Breakfast	800-580-0305

Resident Student Association Offers Opportunities

A valuable part of the college experience for your student at the University of Evansville is involvement in campus and community organizations. The Resident Students Association (RSA) is a great way for students to meet people, become involved in campus life, and gain important professional and social skills.

Explore the Campus

RSA sponsors academic and social programs for students living in the residence halls. RSA exposes your student to a diverse student population with diverse interests and offers students the opportunity to connect with different departments across campus.

By becoming involved with RSA, students develop a clear sense of what naturally motivates them and begin to identify their own skills, talents and interests. Often, this kind of insight through experience helps to focus a student's major and career emphasis. To assist in this, the Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education has established an easily accessible mobile office, which rotates to different residence halls each semester.

Develop Valuable Skills

RSA provides students with opportunities to develop key professional and personal traits that employers and graduate schools are looking for, such as decision making, problem solving and leadership skills. The skills students develop during their involvement in RSA transfer directly to their studies and the work world.

Cultivate a Network

RSA puts your student in touch with a valuable network of student leaders, faculty members and administrators. By developing a campus network through RSA, your student will quickly feel at home. Numerous leadership positions are available in many areas of this organization: marketing, organizing special events, increasing student participation and more. Encourage your student to get involved with RSA and make a mark!

Questions?

Contact Beth Dinslage, assistant director of career outreach, at bd54@evansville.edu or 812-488-2663.

Parents Association News

From the Editor

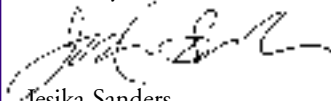
This fall one of the most academically distinguished freshman classes to date has entered the University of Evansville. We constantly strive to make UE well-respected and a stand-out among our peer institutions; the Class of 2009 certainly continues our long tradition of excellence.

Parents also help continue this tradition of excellence. A partnership this spring between the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations and the Office of Admission connected current parents with prospective families from many regions of the country through personal calls and conversations. Parents Council and Parents Association volunteers put their enthusiasm for UE to work by answering questions and encouraging parents who were considering UE for their own child's education. Thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped us reach out to these families. Your efforts helped contribute to this exceptional freshman class!

Finally, I am pleased to invite you to UE's annual Family Weekend, coming up September 23 - 25, 2005. Parent Association volunteers will be on hand to greet you at check-in Friday and Saturday, to host activities, and to offer information and friendly conversation. Please plan to join us! Registration information and a complete schedule of events for Family Weekend can be found online at www.evansville.edu/parents/newsevents or familyweekend.evansville.edu/. Registration is recommended.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call me at 812-488-2900 or e-mail me at js379@evansville.edu. I look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially,



Jesika Sanders

Assistant Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

PIEE Kicks Off Student-Alumni Mentoring Experience

PIEE has developed an opportunity for students, alumni, parents and friends of UE to take part in a mentoring experience. The goal of the mentoring program is to directly connect current juniors and seniors with alumni, parents and friends of UE in order to establish a professional support network.

Objectives of the Program

- Provide insight into career opportunities through students' interaction with alumni in the state of Indiana
- Promote student leadership and encourage experiential education involvement
- Offer contacts and networking opportunities throughout the country in the students' fields of interest

Parents, if you would like to participate in this program or know somebody that would enjoy mentoring students, please refer them to the PIEE Web site: www.evansville.edu/alumni/volunteer/piee. You may also call 812-488-2663 for more details. Encourage your student to participate in this great networking and professional development opportunity.

There are many more career development and networking opportunities planned throughout the year. For more information visit the PIEE Web site or contact the Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education at 812-488-2663.

Save the Date

Special Events and Performances

September 2005

Wednesday, September 7
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Thursday, September 8
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Tuesday, September 13
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Thursday, September 15
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. International Speaker Series
presents Robert Koch II, President and Chief
Executive Officer of Koch Enterprises,
"International Inroads"
The Centre

Monday, September 19 -
Sunday, September 25
Hispanidad

Tuesday, September 20
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Alumni Recital
in Memory of Paul Nolte
Wheeler Concert Hall

For more information contact the Office of
Alumni and Parent Relations at 812-488-ALUM
or e-mail alumni@evansville.edu.

Friday, September 23 -
Sunday, September 25
Family Weekend

Saturday, September 24
Admission Open House
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

Tuesday, September 27
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Patricia H. Snyder Concert and
Lecture Series presents Michael Medved
Dunigan Hall, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union
Michael Medved is a film critic, best-selling
author and nationally syndicated radio talk show
host. This lecture is free and open to the public.
For more information, please contact the Office
of University Relations at 812-488-2263.

October 2005

Wednesday, October 5
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Wednesday, October 12
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. International Speaker Series
presents Steve Forbes, Author, Editor,
Entrepreneur and Sometimes Presidential
Candidate, "Hope, Growth and Opportunity:
America in the Global Economy"
Victory Theatre

Saturday, October 15
Admission Open House
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

Thursday, October 20
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Friday, October 21
UE's Fall Fridays
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

Friday, October 21 -
Sunday, October 23
Homecoming Weekend
For more information, visit
www.evansville.edu/alumni/homecoming.

Tuesday, October 25
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Friday, October 28
UE's Fall Fridays
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

November 2005

Friday, November 4
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Thomas C. Fiddick Memorial
Lecture
Vectren Lecture Hall, Koch Center for
Engineering and Science

Saturday, November 5
Admission Open House
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

Wednesday, November 9
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis Alumni Networking Luncheon
Series

For more information contact the Office of
Alumni and Parent Relations at 812-488-2586
or e-mail alumni@evansville.edu.

Wednesday, November 9
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Thursday, November 17
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Tuesday, November 29
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

December 2005

Thursday, December 1
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Candlelight Vespers
Neu Chapel

Wednesday, December 14
2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Winter Commencement
Dunigan Hall, McCurdy Alumni Memorial
Union

January 2006

Wednesday, January 11
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Religious Life Dinner
Newman Catholic Center

Monday, January 16
12:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration
Programs
Campus-Wide

Tuesday, January 24
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

February 2006

Thursday, February 2
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. English Coffee Hour
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

Wednesday, February 8
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Andiron Lecture
Room 200, McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union

Saturday, February 11
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Patricia H. Snyder Concert and
Lecture Series presents Sweet Honey in the Rock
Victory Theatre

Sunday, February 12
Founders Day Events

Friday, February 17 -
Sunday, February 19
Admission Road Trip
For more information, please call 812-488-2460.

Tuesday, February 28
4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
Bower-Suhrheinrich Room, McCurdy Alumni
Memorial Union

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Fall 2005-Spring 2006 Academic Calendar

August

Wednesday, August 24
Classes Begin

September

Friday, September 2
Last Day to Register or Add Courses

Friday, September 9
Last Day to Drop a Course without a W

Friday, September 23 - Sunday, September 25
Family Weekend

October

Saturday, October 8 - Tuesday, October 11
Fall Break

Wednesday, October 12
Classes Resume

November

Friday, November 11
Last Day to Drop a Course and Receive a W

Wednesday, November 23 - Sunday, November 27
Thanksgiving Break

Monday, November 28
Classes Resume

December

Wednesday, December 7
Reading and Study Day

Thursday, December 8 - Wednesday, December 14
Final Examinations

Friday, December 15 - Tuesday, January 10
Winter Break

January

Wednesday, January 11
Classes Begin

Monday, January 16
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No Classes

Friday, January 13
Last day to Register or Add Courses

Friday, January 20
Last Day to Drop a Course without a W

March

Saturday, March 4 - Sunday, March 12
Spring Break

Monday, March 13
Classes Resume

Open Houses

Do you know someone interested in attending UE? The dates for our fall and spring Open Houses and UE's Fall Fridays are:

Open Houses

Saturday, September 24
(Family Weekend)

Saturday, October 15

Saturday, November 5

Saturday, November 19

Monday, January 16
(Martin Luther King Day)

Saturday, March 18

Saturday, April 22

UE's Fall Fridays

Friday, October 21
(Homecoming Weekend)

Friday, October 28

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