

# Feather Notes

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## Upper Iowa to Host RAGBRAI Team

Upper Iowa University will host Team Peacock 2005 in this year's RAGBRAI (Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa), July 23-30. Anyone 21 years or older, or a child with a parent, is invited to join Team Peacock 2005, which will leave from the Fayette campus for LeMars, Iowa, on Saturday, July 23, at 8:00 a.m.

Space is limited and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. The deadline to register for RAGBRAI is April 1. UIU will provide throughout the week transportation, two evening meals, water, grills, coolers, tents and sleeping bags for the riders. Riders will be required to set up and take down their tents.

To register, please go to [www.uiu.edu/teampeacock](http://www.uiu.edu/teampeacock) to download a RAGBRAI registration form and waiver and a UIU waiver. Forms and the \$110 application fee can be sent to Upper Iowa University/RAGBRAI, Attention Cindy Carpenter, P.O. Box 1857, Fayette, IA 52142. Day passes are available for \$25 per day.

As part of Team Peacock 2005, Dr. Alan Walker, Upper Iowa's 20th president, is taking pledges to raise funds for scholarships for the Fayette Campus students and Extended University students. RAGBRAI is 485 miles this year (starting at LeMars and ending with the traditional bicycle dip in the Mississippi River at

Guttenberg). Pledges can be made for 1¢, 5¢ and 10¢ – \$1.00 per mile, or a one-time gift can be made to challenge Dr. Walker to ride the entire distance.

"It is because of Upper Iowa University's great tradition of providing students with opportunities for a bright future, especially those first-generation students attending college, that I have decided to make a personal commitment to riding in this year's RAGBRAI," said Dr. Walker. "UIU scholarships play a critical role in keeping this tradition going and making higher

education affordable. Therefore, I am asking you to join Team Peacock to help UIU invest in the future by simply making a pledge for every mile I ride or by giving a set donation. My RAGBRAI progress will be updated daily on our website! Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you."

Please log on to our web site at [www.uiu.edu/teampeacock](http://www.uiu.edu/teampeacock) to make your pledge or one-time gift. ■



## Andres Center Update

Our thanks to the nearly 200 alumni who pledged their support for the Andres Center for Business and Education during our 2005 winter phonathon. Fourteen Fayette Campus students raised over \$22,000 in pledges over five weeks toward this building project. Since the Fund-a-Foot Campaign began a year ago, alumni, matching gift companies, foundations, estate gifts, faculty

and staff have contributed \$316,516 toward the Andres Center. An additional \$28,806 has been pledged to date.

Fayette Campus students and staff have seen remarkable daily progress, thanks to milder temperatures and recent calm weather. The roof trusses have been installed on most of the roof, and the exterior walls are mostly erected and sheeted. The interior first level is now being heated in preparation for pouring cement in early March. The exterior limestone and brick work will begin in

early March and take three months to finish. Windows will be installed soon, and the interior wall construction will begin about mid March.

The \$4.5 million project is expected to be completed later this summer in time for classes to be held there in the fall. The main entrance on the east side of the building will open up to the main campus with an impressive two-story lobby.

The 27,330 square-foot building will house the education and business divisions on two floors. Students and faculty will enjoy 11 new classrooms, two computer labs, 21 offices, two conference rooms and two multi-purpose rooms.

Your gift of \$170 will "fund a foot" of the Andres Center for Business and Education. Pledges of this amount or more can be paid in annual or monthly install-

ments over a period of up to five years. Contributors at the \$170 "Fund-a-Foot" level will receive permanent recognition in the building as a lasting measure of our gratitude. Other naming opportunities remain for classrooms and offices. For more information, contact Cindy Carpenter, director of alumni relations and planned giving, at 563-425-5388 or [carpenterc@uiu.edu](mailto:carpenterc@uiu.edu). ■



Progress on the Andres Center as of February 18, 2005

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## Faculty & Staff Notes

**Duane Harper**, assistant professor of accounting, was recently named a Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®) by The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). The CIA designation is awarded to internal audit professionals who have met the rigorous requirements of the IIA's CIA program, including a four-part examination, as well as high standards of character, education and experience.

Administered twice each year in several languages, the CIA exam was given in November 2004 to over 21,000 candidates at 258 sites in 81 countries around the world. Of these candidates, approximately 3,300 have completed the examination requirement and are eligible to become Certified Internal Auditors. The CIA exam reflects the current state of the art in internal auditing and evaluates technical competence in important subject areas related to internal auditing.

The more than 50,000 Certified Internal Auditors world-

wide are members of a recognized professional group and benefit from rapid career advancement and greater acceptance in the role as advisor to management.

*"Working toward and studying for the certificate in internal auditing is available for all Upper Iowa University students who are enrolled in their final year of school," stated Harper. "Senior status is required. No particular major is required; in fact, all majors are encouraged to consider this*

*certification. Its breadth involves all aspects of improving business environments."*

**Shirley Clapp**, instructor in ESL, will be attending the international TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) conference at San Antonio, Texas, from March 29-April 2. The theme this year is "Teaching Learning, Learning Teaching." This international conference program is "full of professional development opportunities for every

English language teacher, enables greater interaction with experts in various high-interest areas, and includes up-to-date knowledge about the structure and functions of the English language and best teaching and learning practices."

**Thomas Parish**, associate professor of psychology, has been included in the International Biographical Center's (IBC) 2000 Outstanding Intellectuals of the 21st Century for 2004 in Cambridge, England.

Parish also received the IBC Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his lifetime of endeavors in psychology and the social sciences. This award is only bestowed upon one in a thousand biographies from all of the IBC publications on an annual basis.

In addition, Parish was recently selected for membership within the IBC Order of International Fellowship. This honor is only bestowed upon 500 individuals worldwide and is also intended to recognize outstand-

ing achievements in psychology and the social sciences.



Duane Harper



Thomas Parish

**Louise Scott**, dean of students, attended a national conference called "Effective Interventions for Student Mental Health On Campus: Collaboration and Community," January 6-8 in Newport, R.I. Guest speaker was Richard Kadison, M.D., chief of mental health services at Harvard University and author of *College of the Overwhelmed: The Campus Mental Health Crisis and What We Must Do About It*.

**Nick Serra**, assistant professor of English, has had his article, "Examining Yeats's Colon: The Magical and Philosophical Progression of Ideas in 'Among School Children,'" accepted for fall publication in the *Yeats-Eliot Review*.

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### Important Dates

- March 5 Washington D.C./Richmond Area Alumni Reception
- March 6 Charleston, S.C., Area Alumni/Student Reception
- April 29 Des Moines Area Alumni Reception
- April 29 Des Moines Center Graduation Reception
- May 7 Commencement

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Lead groundskeeper **Jesse Pleggenkuhle** has constructed an all-steel combination UIU sign and backpack rack for the cafeteria in Garbee Hall. This work of art was completed and hung in February. Pleggenkuhle has been instrumental in creating and repairing many functional and ornamental metal items on campus. He has made hand rails, repaired the peacock outside Dorman Gym and made the sleeves for the new volleyball stanchions in the new Dorman Gym floor. Pleggenkuhle has also used his advanced welding talents to construct utility trailers, make equipment, and maintain and repair equipment for the UIU physical plant. ■



Jesse Pleggenkuhle

## The Logo Store has a new look!



You can now shop the Logo Store online with our **NEW** secure shopping cart system.

A selection of T-shirts, sweatshirts, polo shirts and workout apparel is already available online. Look for many more items to be added in coming weeks as we continue building our site.

[www.uiu.edu/logostore](http://www.uiu.edu/logostore)  
[logostore@uiu.edu](mailto:logostore@uiu.edu)  
563-425-5248

## Welcome! to our newest employees!!

### Andrea Cockrell

Administrative Assistant, Fort Riley Center, 785-784-5225

### Stacey Conaway

Spirit Squad Coach and Assistant Recreation Center Director

### Sybil Delevan

MPA Coordinator, Online

### Jean Erikson

Financial Aid Assistant, 563-425-5824

### Seth Gage

Financial Aid Counselor, 563-425-5663

### Rebecca Godwin

Online Recruiter, Des Moines Center, 515-369-7777

### Laurie Kirkpatrick

Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Counseling  
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### Mike Knoll

Head Football Coach, 563-425-5313

### Jaclyn Lyon

Regional Recruiter/Marketing Assistant  
Milwaukee Center, 414-475-4848

### Gina Meyer

Financial Aid Assistant, 563-425-5343

### Diane Michael

Custodial Staff

### Christina Missildine

Assistant Softball Coach and Instructor in HPER,  
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### Laura Shaner

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### Brandi Shrubbs

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### Holly Wolff

Custodial Staff

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signees on the web:  
[www.uiu.edu/athletics](http://www.uiu.edu/athletics)