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**Next meeting: Kyle Bunn at 2 p.m., Wednesday, November 12**

**Peterson Room, Showalter House, IU Foundation, SR46 Bypass**

**Ushering in IU baseball’s next chapter:**

**Bunn to speak; facility tour an option**

Pitching coach **Kyle Bunn**, the first recruit on the team of new coach **Chris Lemonis**, will tell retirees about the new era in IU baseball when they gather Nov. 12 at 2 p.m. at the IU Foundation.

On July 2 Athletics Director **Fred Glass** announced Lemonis, at the time assistant coach at the University of Louisville and 2013 ABCA/Baseball America Assistant Coach of the Year, as the Hoosiers’ 24th head coach. Less than 10 days later Lemonis announced his first hire: Kyle Bunn**.** “He has a proven track record of producing elite pitchers at the highest level of college baseball,” said Lemonis. “He has mentored numerous big leaguers, and he has a wealth of experience winning and advancing in the postseason.”

Bunn spent two years as assistant coach at East Tennessee State University. In 2012, his first year at ETSU, he guided pitchers to four school records, and in 2013 he helped ETSU advance to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1981.

Bunn will be pinch-hitting for Lemonis on Nov. 12. IURA program chairman **Dick McKaig** reported that Lemonis apologized for the last-minute change. “Dad duties intervened when his daughter, a high school senior who is still living in Louisville, was selected for a college scholar day,” Dick explained. “Many of us can recall the pressure to help our kids find that right college fit.”

Before moving to ETSU, Bunn was assistant coach at Ole Miss, Clemson, and Alabama. From 2007 to 2010 his pitching staffs helped guide three different universities to the NCAA Super Regionals, an accomplishment unmatched by any other college baseball pitching coach. His teams have appeared in eight NCAA regionals and five NCAA super regionals. The MLB has drafted 43 of Bunn’s pitchers, 15 of them in the first round.

Bunn graduated in 1999 from the Citadel with a bachelor’s degree in business administration. Under Lemonis, then the Citadel’s assistant coach, he lettered for three years. He helped the Citadel to back-to-back Southern Conference Tournament titles and a regular-season championship.

After Bunn’s presentation **Don Weaver**, of IURA’s program committee, is arranging a guided tour for people who are interested in seeing the new baseball facilities. “The fans I’ve talked to think Chris has the perfect team to continue IU’s baseball success,” Don says. “We are all very optimistic.” In 2014 the Hoosiers were the No. 4 seed in the NCAA tournament.

**HR assigns point person for retirees**

**Dee Dee Koenigs** is the “go-to” person for retirees with questions about benefits. Her position, as retiree liaison specialist and accounting representative, is a new one within University Human Resources. Her email is dkoenigs@iu.edu, and her telephone number is (812) 855-6186.

“My main role will be to assist retirees and to establish a connection to and collaborate with the IU Retirees Association regarding all questions or concerns,” Dee Dee says. “I look forward to assisting all retirees with their needs.” She was introduced to people attending the Oct. 8 IURA meeting, where copies of the new HR brochure for retirees were also distributed.

**IURA takes on new United Way challenge**

At the Oct. 8 meeting, **Harriet Pfister** reiterated the IURA goal for the 2015 United Way campaign: $135,000. “True to form,” she said, “many of you return your form immediately, so we have nearly $20,000 in pledges already.”

“Don’t feel guilty if you haven’t returned your pledge yet,” **Wain Martin** added. Wain, Harriet, and **Doris Burton** are IURA United Way team leaders and are happy to answer any questions. They remind retirees to be sure to designate the IURA as your giving unit.

**University Club still going strong**

With varied programming and elegant facilities, the University Club is a valuable resource for retirees -- and, for many of us, it's free.

Dating back to 1912, the University Club is rich in tradition, and many IURA members participate in its activities and leadership. **Kate Kroll**, IURA president in 2004-2005, is co-president, **Don Gading** is vice president, and **April Legler** is president-elect of the University Women's Club.

Membership is open to all, and faculty and staff with official retiree status can receive life membership upon retirement. Check with the club manager to see if you are eligible for this benefit.

The club hosts an array of stimulating programs, special event speaker luncheons, interests groups, sports event parties, an annual Oktoberfest, and a costumed madrigal dinner in December.

Membership also provides deep discounts on well-appointed banquet rooms. The Presidents’ Room holds up to 100 for private parties. The Faculty Room can accommodate up to 75 people and offers a 62-inch television set with a DVD player and VCR. Both rooms have grand pianos. Membership also gives you access to three “members-only” rooms: the billiard room, the reading room, and the library. Members can use computers both upstairs and downstairs and a private telephone line in the library. The members-only rooms will accommodate up to 12 people for small gatherings.

“After many, many years, the University Club continues to be a special place,” says IURA member **Lou Moir**. “The friendliness of the staff makes planning an event easy.”

The University Club is available anytime to members. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays.

Through the Association of College and University Clubs, members also have access to 93 other university clubs across the nation. Several offer overnight accommodation, so you can coordinate your travels accordingly. Reciprocity with IUPUI means you can enjoy lunch at the Faculty Club in the University Place Conference Center in Indianapolis.

For more information, contact University Club Manager **Deb Cordrey** at (812) 855-1325, email [uclub@indiana.edu](https://www.exchange.iu.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=YMFzqXDnB02hMHRr8ZuTmoxujot1xdEId-N-9aZwLq6WG9tKCVJWh9I-PlPgyDQJgs2I7sLGu2w.&URL=mailto%3auclub%40indiana.edu), or check the website, [www.indiana.edu/~uclub](https://www.exchange.iu.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=YMFzqXDnB02hMHRr8ZuTmoxujot1xdEId-N-9aZwLq6WG9tKCVJWh9I-PlPgyDQJgs2I7sLGu2w.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.indiana.edu%2f%7euclub)**.**

**Gladys DeVane makes history come alive**

“I’ll never forget how sweet them words sounded: Elizabeth, a free woman.”

At the Oct. 8 meeting of the IURA, actress and storyteller **Gladys DeVane** transported her audience back 200 years into the heart and soul of an indentured servant who finally found freedom in Indiana. With a storyteller’s skill and an actress’s magic, Gladys became Elizabeth, recalling and recreating a historical personage whose last name remains unknown.

Elizabeth remembered Master Simmons and the Big House, from which she was loaded into a cart at age 13 – “that was the last time I seen my mama” – and transported from Bullitt County, Ky., to Louisville. “I felt right filthy,” she said, being examined like an animal before Benjamin Weathers of Meade County, Ky., purchased her. On Jan. 13, 1814, she signed an indentured servitude agreement: “I heard that man had bought my freedom – but I had to work until I paid off my debt to him.” Later she found out she would have to provide services until she was 52 – “and he promised to treat me kindly.”

The Northwest Ordinance of 1787 declared that holding servants against their will was illegal – “but a lot of important people ignored that law,” said Elizabeth. One night, when he was drunk, Weathers beat her. “That was the night I knew I was going to leave that man,” she said.

After her harrowing escape, she hid with Miss Lady and Sir. She never knew their real names. “That was so, not matter how much they beat me, I couldn’t tell ‘em who had helped me,” she said. Three men paid $500 to guarantee she wouldn’t run away before the Harrison County Court in Indiana Territory heard her petition. In April 1815 a jury of 12 white men ruled in her favor and freed her, awarding her $14 in damages.

With minimal props Gladys brought Elizabeth’s story to life. Two women are known to have petitioned the Indiana Supreme Court for release from indentured servitude. They were Mary Bateman Clark and Polly Strong. Before them came a woman known only as Elizabeth, originally from Bullitt County.

Gladys’s research revealed that a family of slave owners in thatcounty was named Simmons, that slaves were auctioned in Louisville, and that Meade County in Kentucky was right across the river from Indiana. Court documents state that Elizabeth entered

into an indentured servitude agreement with Weathers. From those facts Gladys constructed a dramatic monologue that tells Elizabeth’s story.

In introducing her, **Carol Stokes** said Gladys had spent all summer in Holland, Mich., performing in “A Raisin in the Sun” at the Knickerbocker Theater. Gladys, who is retired from the department of speech and hearing science and from the Kelley School of Business, also has appeared at BPP, Cardinal Stage, and Brown County Playhouse.

While many retirees crowded around Gladys after the meeting – **Becky and Jim Buher**, for example, were doing research for an exhibition at the Lawrence County Museum of History – others sampled the delicious cookies provided by **Libby DeVoe**, **Judy Ensman**, and **Doris Wittenburg**.

**A fan of IU basketball? Volunteer!**

Do you enjoy talking about Indiana basketball and sharing your passion for everything that is IU? Cook Hall offers a great volunteer opportunity at the welcome center. Serve as a front desk greeter for Indiana men’s and women’s basketball. Please contact **Kurt Pangborn** at (812) 855-9370 or by email at [kpangbor@indiana.edu](https://www.exchange.iu.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=YMFzqXDnB02hMHRr8ZuTmoxujot1xdEId-N-9aZwLq6WG9tKCVJWh9I-PlPgyDQJgs2I7sLGu2w.&URL=mailto%3akpangbor%40indiana.edu) for more information or to schedule a visit.

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**IU Retirees Association**

**2014-2015 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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**A peek at the future: coming attractions**

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Thanks you Dick I think that is a good suggestion about listing topics. It may generate some more ideas. Thank you and your cmmittee for getting this going. I'm out of town July 12 until July 19 but am accessible at leat by cell phone 812-325-4348 and infrequently

Thu 7:37 AM

* Dec. 10, the holiday luncheon with **Steve** **Zegree**, director of the Singing Hoosiers
* Jan. 14 at 2 p.m., **Dan Smith**, president, IU Foundation
* Feb. 11 at 2 p.m., **Jennifer Vaughan**, chancellor at Ivy Tech
* April 8 at 2 p.m., TBA
* May 13 at 5 p.m., the annual pitch-in dinner

**Cardinal offers deal on Streetcar tickets**

For the first weekend performances of Tennessee Williams’ classic “A Streetcar Named Desire,” Cardinal Stage is offering IURA members a special $3 discount. The discount is for performances at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 7 and 8 and for 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. performances on Nov. 9. The event takes place at Ivy Tech John Waldron Auditorium, 122 S. Walnut St.

For tickets, go to www.cardinalstage.org and use promo code RETIREE to receive your discount, or call the Cardinal Stage box office at (812) 336-9300. The offer does not apply to previously purchased tickets and is subject to availability.

**Why is my newsletter late?**

The fault, dear reader, is not in the stars nor in the postal service. Your October newsletter is arriving in November because a last-minute switch in speakers delayed its publication. Our apologies.

You are receiving this newsletter for one of three reasons:

1. You are an IURA member and help pay the costs of printing and mailing *Newswatch* in hopes that others will join IURA. Thank you.

2. You are among the 259 people whom Human Resources identify as having retired during the last year. You will be mailed the newsletter during this academic year.

3. You were a member in 2012 or 2013. You will receive the newsletter through November. If you don’t renew your membership by then (see form on reverse side), you will be dropped from the list.

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