

Game room expansion continues

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The IUS Game Room is slowly attracting more and more students as the office of Campus Life prepares to put finishing touches on the new recreational area.

Students have table tennis, cards and board games at their disposal right now. Students can use their university ID cards to utilize the equipment in the game room.

Chris Gaines, computer science junior, said he enjoys utilizing the new recreational area.

"I come in here basically anytime anyone else is in here," Gaines said.

Kayla Hardin, Spanish freshman, works in the game room on a work-study program. Hardin said her job consists of making sure paddles, balls and games are returned.

"Students can bring their own paddles and balls to use if they like," she said.

Hardin said the game room is being utilized more and more as students have become aware of its existence.

"Once the pool table and TV come in I think even more people will come in here,"

Hardin said.

Kim Clemens, Director of Campus Life, said the pool table they ordered should be in the game room by the end of the week.

Clemens said they are also going to mount a TV in the game room, and it should be up by the end of the month.

"We are wiring the TV so that students can bring their game systems in and plug them into outlets in the wall," Clemens said.

All game systems will be able to be plugged into the TV. Clemens said the game systems themselves will have to be brought in by the students, but they plan to have extra cords to actually connect the systems if students need them. The game room hours are from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday and noon to 7 p.m. on Friday.

"Friday is pretty slow, but we are starting to get some regulars during the week, and some of the fraternities are in here on a regular basis," Hardin said.

Clemens said the reaction to the game room has been very positive.

"Programs like these have shown to help in the recruitment and retention of students, especially male stu-



Photo by Jerod Clapp

Nathan Pamplin, a mechanic with Diamond Billiard Products, attaches legs to the pool table in the game room in University Center South.

dents," she said.

Clemens said the game room can be reserved for table tennis, pool and video game tournaments, but the room itself can't be reserved to just one group.

"Fraternities, intramural groups and student groups can reserve a time for a ping

pong tournament, but we still want to make the room available to all students at all times," Clemens said.

Clemens said the game room had an initial budget of \$15,400 for this year. She said that cost included the initial purchase of the equipment, but the yearly budget after

this year should come down considerably.

"Everyone that works in the game room is on a federal work-study program and they are limited to 20 hours a week," she said.

Clemens said because federal money pays 75 percent of the salary to those that

work in the game room and the major components are already purchased, the annual cost to maintain the facility should be minimal. Clemens said Campus Life is going to meet in the next month to discuss sponsored events, such as a euchre, table tennis or video game tournament.

Director prepares IUS for dorms

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The new residence halls being built for IUS are on schedule and will be ready for students in Aug. 2008.

Jim Schlinsog has recently been hired as director of Residence Life and Housing. Schlinsog has been at Western Kentucky University for the past seven years where he served as assistant director of Residence Life.

Schlinsog said his office still needs to fill the position of assistant director.

"That person will really focus his or her efforts on the residence education aspect of the programs that we're going to do, the leadership components that we are going to build and also helping me with some of the administrative duties," he



'Tuition is not going to be affected and student fees are not going to increase because the new residence halls.'

Jim Schlinsog
Residence Life and Housing
director

said.

Schlinsog said an administrative assistant would also need to be hired to help run the day-to-day operations of the office and hopes to have the position of assistant director posted within the next couple of weeks.

"The new assistant director will be in charge of the recruitment and selection

process," he said.

Schlinsog said in addition to his office personnel there will be 10 resident advisers hired for the residence halls.

"The resident advisers will be student leaders in the residence halls that will help students adjust to college and residence hall living," he said.

He said he typically likes

to choose resident advisers who have lived in residence halls before, but that might not be possible in this situation. The RA positions will be open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Applications for the positions will be accepted around Jan., 2008. Schlinsog said he hopes to have the recruitment process for the

resident advisers done by early spring so the selection process and some training can take place before students leave for the summer.

The five residence halls will house 403 students. Schlinsog said they will be set up in an apartment style, with most having either two or four bedrooms. The cost will be \$2,495 per student in a four bedroom style unit per semester.

Schlinsog said the residence halls come fully furnished and that the housing costs will include utilities, basic cable services and high-speed internet connections; both hard-wired and wireless, and will also include kitchen appliances.

Schlinsog said it is important to remember that all of

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Student concerns addressed, checked by senators

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The Student Government Association assigned two senators to look into concerns raised by students.

Nick Welch, secondary education sophomore, wrote a letter to the editor last week about the new IUS coffee shop, University Grounds, and how Buffalo Madison's contract will not be renewed.

Jon Sifers, elementary education sophomore, volunteered to look into the matter.

"We're going to look into why the university didn't want to renew the contract with Buffalo Madison," Sifers said.

Sifers said SGA is trying to encourage students to come to them with concerns and complaints.

"Students can write letters in to the paper, but they can make complaints through SGA, too," Sifers said. "We might be able to do something about it."

William Roby, secondary education sophomore, was voted into the position of University Affairs chair and is going to look into over-

OneStart update simplifies site

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"Out with the old and in with the new" seems to be the theme of the new IUS Web site. IUS students and faculty are now experiencing the upgraded OneStart version 2.0.

"It's not changed hugely," Larry Mand, vice chancellor for Information Technology and community engagement, said. "It's still a place

to find information."

Mand said a tutorial helps provide information on how to use the newer version of OneStart and there is another feature called the "Launch Content Folder" that shows where the old content has been placed in OneStart 2.0.

The features of OneStart 2.0 include "My Zone," "My Groups" and services to allow students and faculty the ability to access information.

"Maybe you would like to see Myspace or Facebook on your OneStart. You can put them all right here," Mand said.

"You can customize this area and it is constantly being updated."

The "My Groups" area allows students who are in any groups that provide specialized sections in OneStart to communicate to one another and receive notifications from Indiana University.

"The 'My Groups' section is more internal to university notifications," Mand said. "We communicate to you or whatever the case may be."

The "Service" section is the part of OneStart 2.0 where students can view their classes and create a calendar to keep them on track throughout the semester.

"An interesting thing about this section is a portion of this is done through Oncourse," Mand said.

The different tabs are also

colored in red, black, blue and green. Mand said the different colors help students remember what sections are what and where the content is they are searching for.

"What we are trying to do is get the systems organized so people can find a way through themselves," Mand said. "Get rid of all the unnecessary stuff so people

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