

E-mail prompts apology to SGA

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Some members of the Student Government Association were offended by an e-mail forwarded by Flo Gonya, SGA president and English senior.

The e-mail, which was forwarded to Gonya, expressed disapproval of a stamp commemorated by the United States Postal Service to celebrate two Muslim holidays, Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha.

The stamps, according to the e-mail, are supposed be available starting close to this Christmas season.

Gonya wrote in the e-mail how she also disapproved of the commemoration of the stamps.

Gonya issued an apology soon after some senators had responded to the e-mail and said they disapproved of her stance.

Gonya said she isn't against Muslims, but isn't sure she approves of the commemoration.

"I find it very difficult to celebrate the culture in general when our soldiers are fighting the extremists on that side," Gonya said. "My intention wasn't to offend anybody."

The e-mail Gonya received about the stamps has been in

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Free cessation program offered

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Students having difficulties complying with the new tobacco-free policy implemented at IU Southeast this semester may have a different option to learn to cope.

Felicia Essing, coordinator of Floyd County Prevention and Cessation, has been on campus the past two Tuesdays to provide students with information on coping and cessation.

"As a former smoker, I understand what it's like to have to make those changes," Essing said.

Essing said she has not had any students attend a meeting yet, but she is not discouraged.

"We want to provide all the tools for people who would be interested. It's my job to be here," Essing said.

The information sessions are free to students. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 12:20 in Hillside Hall, room 100. The final meeting will be on Nov. 6. Students are asked to contact Essing at feliciessing@lglov.com for more information or call 812-923-3400.

Renewed food court nears completion

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The IUS food court is now serving sandwiches, salads and a rotating selection of hot dishes, but the food court is not complete yet.

Ernie Gionis, director of dining and conference services, said he hoped to have everything up and running on Nov. 12.

"We would ask students to be patient and make suggestions," Gionis said.

Gionis said he and his staff are still experimenting with different food options trying to find what works. The food court has already switched to different brands of turkey and chili, Gionis said.

"We are going to try to keep it as reasonably priced as possible and still maintain quality and variety," Gionis said.

When the food court becomes fully operational students will have more options for dining on campus. On a rotating basis, two entrees, two starch items and two vegetables will be available on a daily basis. Hot grab-n-go items like hamburgers and chicken nuggets are also in the plans. Gionis said the food court will begin serving breakfast and dinner to accommodate more students.

Gionis said trays and silverware will be made available to students in the food court as soon as some sort of retrieval system is set up.

Sarah Nowlin, general studies junior, said she is happy to have the food court on campus but looks forward its completion.

"They don't have enough hot stuff available now," Nowlin said.

Gionis said more options will become available as more equipment is placed. Gionis said he was limited on hot food options right now because hot wells have not yet been delivered.

Nowlin said even though she wanted to see more options,



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Construction of the IUS residence halls continues. Jim Schlinsog, director of residence life and housing, held an open information session on Oct. 18.

Questions answered about IUS housing

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Jim Schlinsog, director of residence life and housing, led an open information session on Oct. 18, regarding the residence halls being built for IUS students.

One of the main concerns of the meeting was who would be allowed to rent a lodge and who wouldn't.

"We decided the priority would be a first come, first serve basis," Schlinsog said. "We are not going to specify only freshmen or distance and when the beds are full we will have a waiting list to utilize the process."

Families will not be allowed to live in the residence halls.

"We may have students that are married with families and who drive 60 miles away from home to attend IUS. These students may need a place to stay during the week and the residence halls will be a great place for them to stay," Schlinsog said.

There will be 12-month contracts available for students and students will be able to live in the housing during the summer.

The rates for a two-bedroom dorm room is \$2,730 per person, per semester and for a four-bedroom dorm room \$2,945 during the academic year of 2008-2009.

"When it is all said and done, how many people can we house?" Channell Barbour, academic adviser, asked.

"We are limited by policy to only be able to house 10 percent of our student body count



Despite rainy weather, construction continues on the residence halls. The halls are projected to be ready fall 2008.

which is currently 700," Schlinsog said.

Another issue that was brought up was in-dorm alcoholic privileges.

"The residence halls are going to be alcohol free just as the university is alcohol and smoke free," Schlinsog said. "I'd be foolish to think that alcohol won't be brought into the residence halls but we are going to have programs about making good decisions with alcohol. What I hope I can do is teach students to make wise decisions while drinking."

Schlinsog said if students are caught drinking in the dorms or around campus they will face disciplinary action.

Schlinsog said he wants students to learn from each other and to have a good time, but partying with alcohol will not be acceptable.

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Housing FAQs

- The residence halls are scheduled to open fall 2008.

- The halls are funded through a revenue bond approved by the State of Indiana.

- Housing will cost between \$2,945 and \$3,470 for the academic year per student, per semester.

- Three full-time staff members will be hired by the Residence Life and Housing program.

- Sound-absorbing materials and additional insulation will help reduce train noise.

Grenadiers hire Wiley Brown

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Wiley Brown

IU Southeast has hired Wiley Brown to be the fifth men's head basketball coach in the school's history. Brown will replace Walt Corbean, who left to become the director of Basketball Operations for Wake Forest University.

Brown, a native of Sylvester, Ga., played basketball for the University of Louisville on the 1980 National Championship team under Denny Crum. Brown later coached under Crum and Rick Pitino at the University of Louisville.

"I am extremely proud and excited about the opportunity to be head coach here at IU Southeast," Brown said.

basketball, I would want him to come and play for Coach Brown," Mrozowski said.

Brown's journey to his first head coaching job started at the University of Louisville as a player. Brown said when he came to Louisville on a recruiting trip he loved the community and campus. His parents wanted him to stay closer to home so they could go and watch more of his games, but they wanted him to go where he would be happy.

"Watching Darrell Griffith on TV, watching his athleticism, and the tradition of U of L basketball was really what sold me on Louisville," Brown said. "I tell everyone, Darrell Griffith was the Michael Jordan of his time."

While at Louisville,

Brown was on the teams who won the NCAA championship in 1980 and went to the Final Four in 1982.

After his playing days at Louisville, Brown played for two years in the NFL for the Philadelphia Eagles under Dick Vermeil.

"I did my research, I was projected to go somewhere in the sixth round of the draft. They don't even have six rounds in basketball anymore," Brown said.

Vermeil was at UCLA the same time Crum was there. Brown said Crum made a call to Vermeil and got him a tryout. Although he had not played since high school, he made the team.

"I knew I could always play football. I enjoyed playing football growing up in

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