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In this special edition we, the student editors, have compiled stories from the past academic year that we want to share with you.

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Inside, you will find a range of content. Coverage of IU's Big Ten athletic teams and the upcoming presidential race.

You will get a look at our investigative reporting into topics not otherwise talked about.

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The band Risk Watch sets up before its Tiny Dorm Room performance Oct. 25 in Briscoe Residence Hall. The performance was Tiny Dorm Concert's second show. CLAIRE LIVINGSTON | IDS

## Tiny dorm, big idea

A summer's worth of binge watching NPR's Tiny Desk inspired a student to create

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In the midst of Bloomington's sticky, boozed-soaked venue floors, sweat-filled crowds and concert tickets sits a cozy room in a residence hall, packed with equipment and video cameras.

The small room may feel just as crowded as a concert would — though when the concert is released online for all to see, like NPR's Tiny Desk, it can be streamed from the comfort of a sofa or a bed in an apartment across town.

Sophomore Natalia Almanza, the aesthetics director of Tiny Dorm, came up with the idea to bring Tiny Desk to IU in a different style — a dorm room. She said she binge-watched Tiny Desk over the summer and decided that moving

the event into her room in Briscoe Quad would prove to be something interesting on campus.

"I was like 'Oh, this would be really fun to do in a dorm room,'" Almanza said. "Initially we were thinking we could bring people in to watch concerts in a dorm, and then we were like 'Oh, duh, we can do so much more with this.'"

She said she texted sophomore Eric Ashby, the booking director of Tiny Dorm who she knew from living together in the Civic Leaders LLC in Briscoe Quad, and he was all in. After Almanza and Ashby involved juniors Linnea Holt, marketing and media director, and Matt Lyko, film, audio and

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## SWIMMING AND DIVING

### Hoosiers win 27th Big Ten title

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IU men's swim and dive won its 27th Big Ten championship in program history.

This marks the first Big Ten three-peat since 1983-85, as well as the first time IU has ever won both the men's and women's Big Ten swim and dive championships in the same year.

"To see both genders do well is just a real blessing and real humbling," Swim Coach Ray Looze said. "It's such a competitive conference and it's not something I take lightly."

IU was led by senior Vini Lanza and senior James Connor. Lanza earned his third Swimmer of the Championships award, the only man in Big Ten history to do so.

Connor earned the Diver of the Championships honors and contributed to IU's 13 first place finishes throughout the meet.

"He gave an inspired perfor-

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## Racist trustee's name removed

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The tangled legacies of two men who shaped IU's history collide in one campus gymnasium.

Legendary basketball player Bill Garrett set records for scoring and rebounding in the Fieldhouse. Under that same roof, he also broke the Big Ten's color barrier that barred black players.

At the same time that the 6-foot-2 center was transforming IU and Big Ten basketball, another campus figure, trustee Ora Wildermuth, wanted to stop integration.

"I am and shall always remain absolutely and utterly opposed to social intermingling of the colored race with the white," Wildermuth wrote in a letter in 1945. "I belong to the white race and shall remain loyal to it. It always has been the dominant and leading race."

Garrett was honored as an All-American his senior year. At his final game with a crowd of 10,000 fans, he received a standing ovation.

Twenty years later, the Fieldhouse was renamed. It was named not for the trailblazing player that integrated its courts, but for the white trustee who wanted to block progress — Ora L. Wildermuth Intramural Center.

IU has long grappled with how to untangle the mistake. The Board of Trustees voted in October to strip the building of Wildermuth's name, shortening it to the Intramural Center.

This week, IU's men's and women's basketball teams will take to the court in special uniforms to honor the 70th anniversary of Garrett's historic start at IU. The men's shooting shirts will feature his silhouette. But some of Garrett's supporters say more can be done.

The old Fieldhouse, they say, ought to bear his name.

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## ASK IDS

### Are there tunnels under IU's campus?

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One reader asked: "Are the tunnels under IU real or not?"

The answer: Yes, they are.

If you're walking on campus, there's a chance you're walking over a complex underground tunnel system that most people at IU will never see.

The tunnels were created for utility purposes, and there are now 618,000 cubic feet of utility tunnels running underneath campus.

The tunnels are physically unsafe for would-be wanderers, said now-retired IU Physical Plant engineer Jeff Kaden in a 2007 Indiana Daily Student article.

"These tunnels are extremely dangerous and are in no way meant for pedestrian use," he said. "It's extremely hot, and the air is full of asbestos. There are sharp corners of piping and support. There are some places where the piping isn't even covered, and you could easily get burns or other injuries."

The tunnels carry resources such as electricity and chilled water for air conditioning throughout campus. Most of the tunnels underground are used for steam to travel from heating plants to on-campus buildings, with 75 percent of IU's academic buildings heated through the Central Heating Plant on North Walnut Grove Street, according to the IU Energy Management and Utilities website.

It's hot in the tunnels, too. Because of the steam, some areas

can reach temperatures of 286 degrees.

"It scares me, and I go down there as little as possible," Kaden said in the 2007 article.

If you've ever seen a manhole billowing smoke on campus, you can thank the tunnels, according to Mark Meneffe, assistant director of utility services at IU Facility Operations.

When it rains, water percolates and collects at limestone, which doesn't let water go through it. The water flows underground until it enters a steam tunnel, and the extreme heat turns it into the steam that billows from manholes.

Videos of the tunnels online show a low, curved ceiling and graffiti on the walls. There's no light in the tunnels, save for the flashlights of those heading into them or the occasional drainpipe letting in light from the campus above.

At points, the tunnels become narrower and more difficult to move through, and turning a corner means walking into pure darkness. There's water in sections of the tunnel as well, at times coming up to knee height.

There are legends in the tunnels, of course.

The ghost of a circus elephant who died during an accident and mysteriously disappeared is said to haunt the tunnels, as well as the spirit of a vengeful girl in a yellow nightgown who was murdered by her boyfriend, the 2007 article states.

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Pete Buttigieg, mayor of South Bend, Indiana, announces April 14 in South Bend, Indiana, that he is officially running for president of the United States. "It's not about winning an election," Buttigieg said. "It's about winning an era." ALEX DERYN | IDS

## Buttigieg officially enters 2020 presidential race

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SOUTH BEND, Ind. — South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg officially announced he is running for president of the United States on Sunday to a hometown crowd waving small American flags, chanting "Pete," and sounding out "Boot edge edge."

About 4,500 people cheered as rain fell through the ceiling of the Studebaker Building 84, a retired manufacturing building revitalized as a technology hub representing South Bend's revival since Buttigieg took office in 2012.

"This city's story is such a big part of why I'm doing this," he told the crowd.

Buttigieg's announcement makes him the eighteenth Democrat to enter the 2020 race, which is one of the largest and most diverse fields in modern political history.

If elected, the 37 year old would be the youngest and first openly gay president.

His speech drew from personal experience to emphasize how decisions in Washington affect individuals. Medicaid helped his father when he was in the hospital and a single Supreme Court vote allowed his marriage to exist.

Buttigieg said three principles will guide his campaign: freedom, security and democracy.

"Simple enough to fit on a bumper sticker," he said.

Regarding freedom, he spoke about racial justice, empowering teachers, women's equality, organized labor and living life as one chooses.

"Take it from Chasten and me," he said, gesturing to his husband in the audience who has been a prom-

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