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**ABOVE** Singer-songwriter Todd Rundgren belts lyrics Saturday in Clowes Memorial Hall at Butler University. Along with releasing songs like "Bang the Drum All Day," Rundgren produced the albums "Bat Out of Hell" by Meatloaf and "We're An American Band" by Grand Funk Railroad.

**BELOW** Rundgren plays his guitar during the first song of his show Saturday at Clowes Memorial Hall. Rundgren, will speak to music professor Glenn Gass' class and will join IU faculty in late October.

## Family, 'brothers' reflect on friend lost

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Jarrod Polston, an IU freshman, was an All-American boy. He played football and baseball, was nearly a straight-A student and planned on being a biochemist.

Jarrod Polston, who was pronounced dead at Ball State University on Saturday, was affectionately known as "J" by his friends. J had a close-knit group of friends who identified themselves as brothers.

J and Patrick Mennel, a freshman at the University of Kentucky, said he and J played football together since 2nd grade and had been best friends ever since. This summer they were nearly inseparable before they went off to college.

At the end of their senior year,

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## QUICKIES

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### Night and Day?

For two similar art districts in Indiana, the difference is night and day. Read about the comparison between Broad Ripple Village in Indianapolis and the Bloomington Entertainment and Arts District on page 7.

### Changes in WTS

The most commonly taken writing class, Eng-W131, has seen many changes to its syllabus. See how these changes are effecting the Writing Tutorial Services on page 2.

### A look into Lynch's notebook

Read all about IU football from junior wide receiver Tandon Doss returning to the field, freshman running back Matt Perez being taken out for the rest of the season to how coach Bill Lynch is preparing for the second game of the season. See more on page 8.

### Ellsworth visits campus

Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Brad Ellsworth is bringing his campaign to IU. He will meet and take questions from students at 3:30 p.m. today in the Walnut Room at the Indiana Memorial Union.

# 'HELLO IT'S ME'

Todd Rundgren to perform, teach at IU

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Music professor Glenn Gass is not surprised by the number of blank stares he receives from his students when he announces that Todd Rundgren will be lecturing during class, even though Rundgren is considered one of 1970s most successful rock stars.

But the '70s producer, songwriter, overall rock star and studio wizard will be joining the IU faculty as the Class of 1963 Wells Professor in late October. Rundgren is the ninth person to have this prestigious position.

Gass said Rundgren is well qualified to talk about The Beatles because he's done many covers and tributes associated with the band. He has also toured with Ringo Starr, worked with George

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### WHO IS TODD RUNDGREN?

Rundgren is a '70s producer, songwriter, overall rock star and studio wizard, best known for his songs, "Hello It's Me" from his 1972 album "Something/Anything?" and the party anthem, "Bang the Drum All Day" from his 1983 album, "The Ever Popular Tortured Artist Effect."

### WHY IS HE HERE?

Rundgren will join IU faculty as the Class of 1963 Wells Professor in late October. He will give a public lecture, "LONGHAIR: Todd Rundgren on The Beatles Effect," at 7 p.m. Oct. 28 in Ballantine Hall 013 during Gass' The Music of The Beatles class. He will conduct a public performance, "CLUSTER: The Birth of the T Chord," at 8 p.m. Oct. 31 in Auer Hall.



## Daniels supporters urge presidency

BY EVIE SALOMON  
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There has been increased speculation as to whether Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels, to some, "My Man Mitch," will seek the GOP nomination for president in 2012.

Despite Daniel's continuous rejection of the rumors, U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., is currently not supporting any Republican presidential candidates, hoping Daniels will join the race, according to an article in Politico.

Daniels has issued several statements both on Fox News Sunday and the Louisville Courier-Journal assuring

he is not running for president in the 2012 election, but he will "think about it."

Just that comment alone has intrigued thousands of supporters, especially given Daniels' financial track record for the State of Indiana.

In 2005, Daniels balanced the state budget for the first time in eight years, turning the \$600 million deficit he inherited into an annual surplus of \$370 million.

Despite declining state revenue during a national recession, Daniels has maintained a balanced budget and has avoided raising state taxes.

"I think that he will have the most fiscally conservative

credentials of any candidates in the field if he runs," said junior Jeff Cummins, internal vice-chairman of the IU College Republicans.

On the other hand, some are skeptical about Daniels' policies and decisions made during Indiana's economic crisis.

In December, Daniels ordered \$300 million in kindergarten through 12th grade funding cuts, according to the Indiana State Teachers Association website.

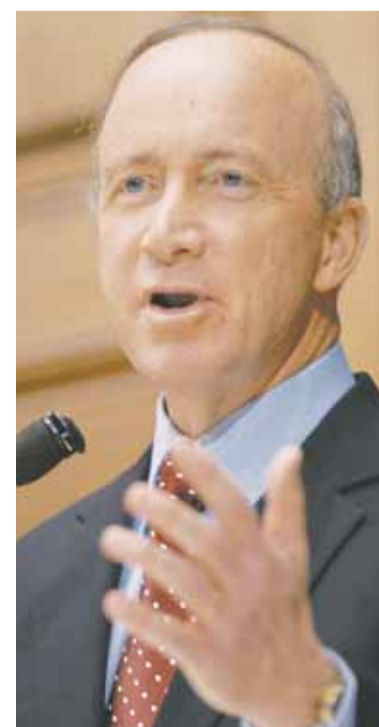
"When you don't provide for public education in the state of Indiana, you are looking at larger disparities and inequalities, higher dropout rates and the state not performing and

meeting national standards, which will affect the future leadership of the state," said senior Kelly Smith, president of IU College Democrats.

Critics also point out that before the recession Daniels leased a state toll road to a consortium in 2006 for \$3.8 billion, according to the Indiana State website.

"He may have balanced the state budget for a few years by selling a state asset, but now here we are down the road with the financial crisis, and the deficit in Indiana is not looking good, and we don't have state assets like the toll road

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## MEET MITCH DANIELS

Worked as chief of staff to Sen. Richard Lugar  
Senior advisor to President Ronald Reagan

Director of the Office of Management and Budget during President George W. Bush's term

Spent 15 years in the private sector as an executive at Eli Lilly & Co. North American Pharmaceutical Operations  
CEO of the Hudson Institute  
Became the 49th governor of Indiana in 2004

Re-elected governor in 2008