GREETINGS FROM IUPUI

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The summer brings several changes in campus leadership.

Our Purdue **School of Science** has a new dean, effective July 1. **Simon Rhodes** is returning to the school having served as associate dean for graduate studies in the IU School of Medicine, where he has also been professor of cellular and integrative physiology, biochemistry, and molecular biology. A productive researcher, Simon explores the molecular basis of pediatric pituitary hormone deficiency. Having served at IUPUI since 1995, he brings tremendous collaborative leadership and experience gained in both our Schools of Science and Medicine. His deanship will enhance natural linkages and interdisciplinary partnerships in support of IUPUI's role as Indiana's health and life sciences campus.

The acting dean of the School of Science, **Bart Ng**, is retiring from IUPUI on September 30, 2011, but is not retiring. Bart has been named the dean of the **College of Science** at **Benedictine University**. Bart joined the Department of Mathematical Sciences at IUPUI in 1975 and served as chair of the department from 1986 to 1997. He became a member of the Founding Faculty of University College at IUPUI in 1997 and was appointed the M. L. Bittinger Professor of Mathematics in 2004.

Kathy Johnson succeeds Scott Evenbeck as dean of University College and associate vice chancellor for undergraduate education at IUPUI. Kathy has been professor and chair of the Department of Psychology in the School of Science and will start her new position on July 1. Since arriving at IUPUI in 1994, Kathy's research program has focused on language and cognitive development in children. Active in faculty governance, she led the committee that successfully proposed we establish the IUPUI Honors College.

Rick Ward, who has been serving as interim dean of University College since September 1 of last year will become executive director of the **Center for Research and Learning** at IUPUI. Rick has been on our faculty since 1985 with joint appointments in the Schools of Liberal Arts and Dentistry as a professor of anthropology. He also has served as associate dean of student affairs in the School of Liberal Arts since 2003.

Scott Evenbeck, the founding dean of University College, retired from IUPUI and was appointed founding president of the **City University of New York's New Community College** as of January 2011.

Scott was one of two campus leaders who assumed CEO duties out of state last year. The other was **Karen Whitney**, who had been our vice chancellor for student life from 1999 to 2010. Last month, she was inaugurated as president of **Clarion University** in Pennsylvania.

Zebulun Davenport will be Karen's successor as **vice chancellor for student life**. Zeb has been the vice president for student affairs at Northern Kentucky University since 2007 and will join IUPUI on July 5. While the search was under way, we benefited from the services of **Norleen Pomerantz** as interim vice chancellor. Norleen retired in 2010 from Radford University and came to us through a program that places retired executives in interim roles.

The Division of Student Life at IUPUI will also have a new director of Housing and Residence

Life. Aaron Hart has been the general manager of University Village-American Campus Communities at Prairie View A&M University in Texas. He will assume his new position on July 25. After eight years at IUPUI, the former director, **Hayward Guenard**, is returning to his native south to become director of housing at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, La.

Susan Buck Sutton who had led international affairs at IUPUI for many years is also returning to familiar haunts. The Bryn Mawr College alumna, scheduled to retire from IUPUI in August 2011, has been on leave serving as senior advisor for international initiatives at her alma mater. In the meantime, Linda Haas, professor of sociology and adjunct professor of women's studies, has been serving as interim, followed by Sara Kurtz Allaei, assistant dean for international affairs and director of international enrollment and services, who will serve until January 1, 2012. That is when Gil Latz of Portland State University will assume the role of IUPUI associate vice chancellor for international affairs. Gil has been vice provost for international affairs at PSU since 2002 and on its geography faculty since 1993.

As you see, we are experiencing a very dynamic period of growth and change! IUPUI's national reputation as a vibrant, innovative urban university has proven to be a fertile ground for developing and attracting strong academic leaders.

We look forward to your meeting these new members of the campus leadership team.

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