

# IUPUI Staff Council News

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## **A message to Staff from Executive Vice Chancellor, Uday Sukhatme:**

As you know the high cost of textbooks has become an issue discussed at both the national and state levels. It is especially important in these difficult times that we do all that we can to ease the financial burden on our students.

The 2008 Higher Education Act reauthorization contains provisions aimed at reducing the cost of college textbooks and supplemental materials along with making this information available to students in a timely manner. Effective July 1, 2010, the law requires that all institutions disclose "to the maximum extent practicable" the International Standard Book Numbers (ISBN) and retail price information of all required or recommended textbooks and supplemental materials in their course schedules. The legislation also encourages institutions to disseminate information on alternative textbook options such as textbook rental and buy-back programs. The campus is preparing to implement this legislation and you will hear more about this in the future.

In the immediate term there are several things that you can do to reduce the burden of textbook costs for your students.

- Consider alternative course materials particularly those that are freely available on the web.
- Encourage the used textbook market by doing the following two things:
  - (i) Adopt textbooks early, especially for large classes. If the bookstore knows that a textbook will be used in the following semester by the sixth week of the preceding semester (February for the Fall and October for the Spring), then they will plan to buy back textbooks from students at 50% of list and sell them at 75% of list (the percentages are established by the university's contract with Barnes & Noble).
  - (ii) Avoid bundles. Publishers often bundle textbooks with workbooks and web-based supplemental materials. The bundles have different ISBNs and cannot be bought or sold in the used market because the web codes that are part of the bundle are particular to the first purchaser of the bundle.

## **Panel of Vice Chancellors at the Next IUPUI Staff Council Meeting**

The IUPUI Staff Council will meet on January 21, 2009, at 3:00 p.m., in **IT 152**. The IT building is on the corner of West and Michigan Streets.

You are invited to attend this important meeting!! We will have a Panel of Vice Chancellors who will answer questions provided to them before the meeting that our members have posed. The Panel will include Dawn Rhodes (Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration), Karen Whitney (Vice Chancellor for Student Life) and Uday Sukhatme (Executive Vice Chancellor and Dean of the Faculties).

The questions are relevant and important to staff life on campus. This is the perfect time for campus administration to see staff in numbers and hear what is on our minds.

The floor will be open to additional questions if there is time. One hour is being devoted to the panel during this very important meeting.

The Staff Council meetings are open to all staff members. We hope to see you there!

**Happy New Year from the Staff Council!**



## **Another message to Staff from Dean Sukhatme:**

Dear IUPUI Colleagues,

The IUPUI Senior Academy is taking the leadership in organizing a new event called the Last Lecture. This event is described below and will take place on April 17, 2009, preceding the Chancellor's Honors Convocation. A few other universities have run similar lectures with great success. It is critical to have a good speaker, and I am requesting your help in identifying suitable names. The Deans of all Schools have also been asked for their input. Please send your suggestions soon to Prof. Golam Mannan by telephone (317-228-0324) or by e-mail ([gmannon@iupui.edu](mailto:gmannon@iupui.edu)) before February 1, 2009. Your thoughtful help is much appreciated. Thanks.

Uday Sukhatme  
Executive Vice Chancellor and Dean of the Faculties

The Last Lecture offers the university community the opportunity to hear reflections on life's lessons and meaning from a retired or current IUPUI colleague of exceptional merit. The lecturer will be asked to share with students, staff, faculty, and the general public the wisdom she or he gained through academic pursuits and life experiences – to distill a life of inquiry, reflection, and service into important guidance for successive generations.

### Nominations

Nominations originate in each school or administrative unit (University College, Senior Academy, Central Administration, etc.) with the expectation that school use internal departmental and other administrative processes. Students should have an opportunity to participate as much as possible. Schools may submit more than one nomination with the understanding that The Last Lecture is sufficiently prestigious as to warrant careful consideration of potential speakers.

### Eligibility

All current and retired IUPUI-based faculty and staff who have attained a status representing the pinnacle of their careers are eligible.

### Speech Guidelines

30-40 minute inspirational speech on the general subject of the speaker's accumulated wisdom of a lifetime.

### Date and Place

April 17, 2009, preceding the Chancellor's Honors Convocation

### Honorarium

\$2,000, plus the Chancellor's Medallion

### Sponsors

The Last Lecture Series is co-sponsored by IUPUI's Senior Academy and the offices of the Chancellor and the Dean of the Faculties

### Information

Golam Mannan, Committee Chair, by telephone (317-228-0324) or by e-mail ([gmannon@iupui.edu](mailto:gmannon@iupui.edu))

### Deadline

Nominations should be sent to:

The Last Lecture  
IUPUI Senior Academy  
355 N. Lansing Street, AO 139  
Indianapolis, IN 46202

To arrive no later than February 1, 2009

See the video nomination invitation from the President of the Senior Academy at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2H3amIOf-f0>

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## January Deals of the Month:

**ZING Restaurant:** 543 Indiana Ave., Corner of Indiana Ave. & West St.

**When:** Jan. 15-30, 2009

**What:** Receive **10% OFF** your total purchase at ZING Restaurant when you pay with your Jagtag!

\*Discount valid on non-alcoholic purchases only.

### **Au Bon Pain:**

**What:** Pay with your Jagtag and receive a free medium coffee with the purchase of a pastry. This offer is valid the month of January, Monday-Friday, 6am-10am.

### **Ray's Campus Salon:**

**When:** Month of January

**What:** Deal #1 - Pedicures and manicures only \$30 when you pay with your Jagtag. Offer valid for new clients only. Call 274-8518 and ask for Chrissy.

**What:** Deal #2 - For both existing and new clients, pay with your Jagtag and receive \$10 OFF a cut and color **OR** pay only \$50 for partial highlights. Call 274-8518 and ask for Roxy.

### **NIFS – National Institute for Fitness and Sport**

**When:** Month of January

**What:** Present your Jagtag at the NIFS service desk receive a FREE Hydrive Energy Drink, while supplies last!\* Visit [www.nifs.org](http://www.nifs.org) today for more info and to sign up for your free 14 day trial membership! \*Patrons can receive one free Hydrive drink per visit, while supplies last.

## Gift Card Central...Still with Delivery!

The convenience continues! Jagtag is happy to continue offering an **on-campus** delivery service for any Gift Cards or ZooBooks purchased with your Jagtag or credit card from the Jagtag Office. Simply fax in a completed order form found at [www.jagtag.iupui.edu](http://www.jagtag.iupui.edu) under the JagPerks heading to 274-7761. A flat delivery fee of \$3.00 will be added to each order. Please allow up to 2 days for delivery!

## Newest Vendors Accepting Jagtag:

TheTextbookAlternative.Com-222 W. Michigan St.

ZING Restaurant-543 Indiana Ave.

Red Eye Café-250 S. Meridian St.

Jimmy John's - 605 W. 11th St.

Indy's College Bookstore- 601 11th St.

Au Bon Pain-901 Indiana Ave.

Judge's Bar-B-Que - 2104 W. Michigan St.

NIFS Service Desk

Simon Cancer Center Bistro

Simon Cancer Center Gift Shop

**Comina Soon!**

Mo'Joe Coffee House - 222 W. Michigan St.

Hardee's - /10 W. 10th St.

Hot Box Pizza - 923 Indiana Ave.

Creation Café & Euphoria - 337 W. 11th St.

## **Weight Watchers at Work**

Did you make a promise to yourself to lose a little weight in 2009? If so, below is a wonderful opportunity to join a Weight Watchers At Work Program. The first meeting has already taken place, but they allow for latecomers. FMI contact Felicia Crittenden at 963-5994.

**Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at Methodist Hospital in room B364**

One session will begin at 11am with weigh in starting at 10:45am. The second session will begin at 12pm with weigh in starting at 11:45.

After attending the weigh in, you will be able to register. 15 participants are needed for the class to proceed. If that number is not met, then the second session beginning at 12pm will be canceled. The cost is \$144 for the 12 week session. If you are a Clarian employee, you have the option of payroll deduction (if you register during weeks 1 and 2). IUPUI employees cannot do payroll deduction. They will meet every Wednesday.

## **Jagathon!**

Dear IUPUI Faculty and Staff,

Greetings from the IUPUI Student Foundation! We have a great opportunity to fulfill our responsibility under the civic engagement component of our campus mission statement while helping raise funds for the Riley Hospital for Children.

On Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm, the IUPUI Student Foundation Jagathon committee will be hosting a guest griller event at BD Mongolian Barbeque 3838 E. 82nd St. Indianapolis, IN. On January 13th committee members will be visiting the Faculty Council meeting to sell tickets to this amazing event. Provided in the cost of the ticket is All You Can Eat Stir-fry, Soup, Salad, Soft Drink, a Chocolate Mousse Dessert, Tax & Tip. Adult tickets are \$27, Student tickets are \$23, and Children's tickets (age 3-11) are \$15. Cash and Checks will be accepted. Proceeds will go toward Riley Hospital for Children. We hope you will consider participating in this event and know that your generosity will help "Make Kids Feel Better".

If you have any questions in advance of our visit please contact Taylor Rhodes, Fundraising Chair, at [tcrhodes@iupui.edu](mailto:tcrhodes@iupui.edu) or 419-367-8794.

Respectfully,

Jagathon Executive Council  
IUPUI Student Foundation



# Deadlines

## EVENTS/DEADLINES

### STAFF COUNCIL MEETING DATES (3:00 – 5:00 P.M.)

January 21, 2009 – IT 152  
February 18, 2009 – Campus Center (CE) 409  
March 18, 2009 – Campus Center (CE) 409  
April 15, 2009 – Campus Center (CE) 409  
May 20, 2009 – Campus Center (CE) 409  
June 17, 2009 – Campus Center (CE) 409

### AWARDS

# Events

The Staff Council Newsletter is published every Friday. Articles or items for inclusion may be submitted to Karen Eckert at [keekert@iupui.edu](mailto:keekert@iupui.edu). Deadline for submission is Thursday at 5:00 p.m. Let's spread the word about Staff Council! Permission is not needed to forward the newsletter.

Karen Eckert

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Nominate a student now to be recognized as one of IUPUI's Top 100 students. For more information, please see <http://www.alumni.iupui.edu/top100.html>.

**IUPUI**  
10th Annual

**DEADLINE**  
Tuesday, January 27, 2009

**Top**  
**100**  
**Awards**

Nomination form is available at:  
[www.alumni.iupui.edu](http://www.alumni.iupui.edu)

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