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- Awards** Professor John McCormick (Political Science) has been awarded a Jean Monnet Chair in EU Politics. The Jean Monnet program (named for one of the founding fathers of the European Union) has made awards in support of exchanges, research and teaching since 1989. Out of thirty-five Jean Monnet Chairs in 2010 only 12 were outside Europe and just four in the United States. As well as the title of "Jean Monnet Professor," the award comes with a three-year grant of nearly \$55,000.
- Awards** Associate Professor Rosa Tezanos-Pinto (Spanish) will attend the third International Festival of Poetry in Huari, Peru, as an Extraordinary Guest. During the festival she will be awarded the title of Honorary Member and presented with a gold medal for her excellence in the fields of literary criticism and education. The International Festival of Poetry takes place September 22-25, 2010.
- Awards** Daniella Kostroun, Assistant Professor of History, along with coeditor Lisa Vollendorf, has been awarded the 2010 Society for the Study of Early Modern Women (SSEMW) Collaborative Project Award for the book "Women, Religion, and the Atlantic World (1600-1800)." The award will be presented on October 14 in Montreal during the Sixteenth Century Society and Conference.
- Alumni** Shariq Siddiqui, a 2004 graduate with an MA in Philanthropic Studies, has become a class member of the Stanley K. Lacy Leadership Series. Sponsored by the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, the series helps emerging leaders become more informed on Central Indiana issues and needs, teaches them how to get involved in the community, and allows for the building of a professional contact network.
- Community** Professor Lynn Pike (Sociology) worked this summer with two Herron School of Art and Design students on a community impact project at North United Methodist Church, documenting several of their community outreach/assistance programs and helping develop and strengthen church/neighborhood connections. The project has involved creating a photographic record, which is shared between the participants.
- Research** Dr. Jeremy Wilson (Anthropology) led an archaeology field school in Beardstown, Illinois where 13 students (including eight from IUPUI) worked to uncover a Mississippian village where agriculturalists lived between the 13th and 14th centuries. During the six-week school, a local PBS program, *Illinois Stories*, visited the site and filmed a 30-minute episode about the work the students were doing. To view the episode of *Illinois Stories*: <http://liberalarts.iupui.edu/media/videos/#> (see lower right of page)
- Students** Spanish students Natira Burton and Jennifer Smiley have been selected for the Bilingual Teaching Assistants Program through the Embassy of Spain. During the academic year Burton will teach in Castilla-La Mancha and Smiley will work in Madrid.
- Publications** This summer another great American thinker joined the ranks at the Institute for American Thought (IAT). The edition of the works and papers of Josiah Royce (1855-1916) became the fifth critical edition at the Institute and the first-ever for this American philosopher. The Josiah Royce critical edition is digital from start to finish, making it unique to IAT and among editions on the Classic American Philosophers.
- Civic Engagement** In July, twenty-four teachers assembled from all over the nation to participate in a three-week National Endowment of the Humanities summer institute entitled, "The Many and the One: Religion, Pluralism, and American History." The institute focused on religion's interaction with American history and every day life. The Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture (CSRAC), an IUPUI Signature Center, hosted the institute which was funded with a \$144,637 National Endowment for the Humanities grant.

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