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- Students** Support from the campus and school enabled over thirty students and four faculty members to attend the **Associated Writing Programs** conference in Chicago in February 11-14. The students reported that as young writers and editors, the experience was educational, motivational, and even inspirational.
- Service** Members of **Lambda Pi Eta**, the Communication Studies Service Society, and Professor Kristy Sheeler's C395 Gender and Communication course joined forces with other IUPUI students, Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, and local residents to plant over 40 trees and create a garden area in the Phoenix Apartments.
- Awards** **Tiffany Kyser**, a School of Liberal Arts graduate student in English, was one of six IUPUI students honored at the Outstanding Women Leadership Awards sponsored by the IUPUI Office for Women and Campus & Community Life.
- Research** Five faculty members in the School of Liberal Arts have received **New Frontiers Exploration Travel Fellowship grants** of \$2,500 each. The recipients are
- **Jon Eller**, Center for Ray Bradbury Studies in the Institute for American Thought. "Center for Ray Bradbury Studies On-Line Archive."
 - **Jason Kelly**, History. "In the Wake of Abolition: Citizenship in the British Atlantic, 1807-1921."
 - **Kim Lovejoy**, English. "Linguistic Diversity in Written Texts."
 - **Elizabeth Brand Monroe**, History. "Settling New Frontiers to Eliminate Slavery."
 - **Jennifer Thorington Springer**, English. "Under Siege: Local Culture in the Age of Globalization."
- Events** Each spring at **Japanese Speech Night** second semester students present remarks on the topic of their choice in Japanese. This year marked the 18th annual event. The 1st prize winners and their speeches were:
- J132: First Year Japanese II: **Jacob Williams**, "How I Met Your Mother"
 - J202: Second Year Japanese II: **John Mondragon**, "My Home Country, Colombia"
 - J302: Third Year Japanese II: **Sirida Hamilton**, "Gentle Ghost"
- Internships** Over the last year numerous Liberal Arts students participated in **internships at Walt Disney World** in Orlando, Florida and its Anaheim, California location, Disneyland. Students from various fields of study ranging from English and Communication Studies to Political Science and Economics have completed the program in which they are able to design their own learning curriculum.
- Publications** **Larry Zimmerman**, Professor of Anthropology and Museum Studies/Public Scholar of Native American Representation, has contributed to two new books, coauthoring **The Archaeologist's Field Handbook: North American Edition** and editing **Kennewick Man: Perspectives on the Ancient One**. The former publication is a field manual for students, offering guidance in seeking funding, researching projects, and other archaeological concerns. Kennewick Man: Perspectives on the Ancient One focuses on the legal difficulties encountered by scientists in relation to the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act.
- Teaching** **David Ford**, Professor of Sociology and Associate Dean of Research & Graduate Programs, is using Facebook to connect his class to students from around the globe. Ford created an invitation only group allowing his class access to pages focused on the class theme-globalization creates similar problems for everyone everywhere-and recruited students and faculty from IUPUI's strategic partners, such as Moi University in Eldoret, Kenya, Sun Yat Sen in Guangzhou, China, and the Autonomous University of the State of Hidalgo in Pachuca, Mexico.
- Publications** **The Santayana Edition**, part of the Institute for American Thought, has released the edited volume, **The Essential Santayana: Selected Writings**, featuring philosopher George Santayana's most important and influential literary and philosophical work. **Martin Coleman**, Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Associate Editor of the Edition, provided a critical introduction to the book.