REGISTRATION OPENS FOR MINORITY ATTAINMENT CONFERENCE

During a conference in Kokomo next month Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director of the NAACP since 1977, joins a respected group of leaders who will talk about proven programs and ideas for ensuring success among minorities pursuing higher education. IUK is sponsoring "Enhancing Minority Attainment: A Multi-Cultural Perspective" Sept. 16-17 on the Kokomo campus. Conference organizer Donald L. Lane, director of the Div. of Continuing Studies at IUK, said, "This conference came about after the observation that educators, business and minorities often come together to discuss the problems, but this time, we will deal with solutions." Other panelists and speakers will include IU President Thomas Ehrlich and IUPUI Vice Chancellor J. Herman Blake, noted minority retention authority. Also, Reginald Wilson, senior scholar of the Washington-based American Council on Education; Sonia Sanchez, noted poet, author and professor of English at Temple U., and Donald J. Alquist, president and CEO of Delco Electronics Corp. Workshop topics will include student recruitment, support programs, mentoring, retention, and campus climate. Students will present their perceptions of minority problems. A dinner and other sessions also are planned. To register or for more information, call 317/455-9427.

NET’S AWARD-WINNING FACULTY TO PRESENT PROJECTS

All faculty members are welcome to observe the interdisciplinary presentations of this year’s NET (NETwork for Excellence in Teaching) award winners on Aug. 20 from 3-5:30 p.m. in Lecture Hall 104. The Dean of Faculties Office will showcase the projects of the winners: Darrell Bailey, music; Kathleen O’Connell, Herron; John O’Loughlin, mechanical engineering; Helen Schwartz, English, and Richard Ward, anthropology and dentistry. They will describe the goals and scope of their projects, discuss content and pedagogical changes in their courses and give demonstrations and examples of the new material they developed. These presentations are intended to further build an interdisciplinary network of faculty, which is in keeping with IUPUI’s commitment to excellence in teaching. For more, call the office of Erwin Boschmann, associate dean of the faculties, 4-8880.

SEGAR HEADS CITIZENS’ COMMITTEE

Geoffrey Segar of Indianapolis is chairman of a 21-member citizens’ committee that is studying the IU School of Medicine Centers for Education. The committee, formed at the request of School of Medicine Dean Walter J. Daly and IUPUI Chancellor Gerald L. Bepko, had an organizational meeting Aug. 7. Its task is to study the School’s 22-year-old statewide program and to make recommendations on how it can best meet the needs of the school in the next 20 years of anticipated change in medical education and health care delivery. Members of the committee represent business, medicine, education and industry throughout Indiana.—P. Perry.
CHANGES MADE IN NEW EMPLOYEE TRAINING

There are three important changes involving training new IUPUI (non-hospital) employees, announces G. Chris Keeley, director of Health and Human Resources, and Richard Strong, manager of the Dept. of Environmental Health and Safety. They involve safety training, new employee orientation and health plan information.

Safety First—To eliminate the need for departments to arrange training for each new employee, the Dept. of Environmental Health and Safety will now provide ongoing training in the areas of the Hazard Communication Program and the Chemical Hygiene Plan for laboratory personnel. Training in other safety-related issues also will be provided. Sessions begin Sept. 23 and will be conducted biweekly from 10 a.m.-noon in the Union Building, Roof Lounge. Safety Training is required for all non-hospital new hires—appointed, part-time and work study. For more, call 4-2005.

New Employee Orientation—For all new full-time appointed employees, Human Resources Administration will continue New Employee Orientation, but has changed the start time. Beginning Sept. 23, orientation sessions will be from 1-3:30 p.m. This change was made so that on the same day employees can attend Safety Training, have a one-hour lunch break and begin orientation. For more, call 4-4596.

Health Plan Information—The start time of Health Plan Information sessions also is changed. Effective Sept. 30, they will be from 1-2 p.m. The time change was made to coincide with orientation sessions start time. For more, call 4-4596.

All training and sessions are in the Union Building, Roof Lounge. Upcoming dates for Safety Training and New Employee Orientation are Sept. 23, Oct. 7 and 21, Nov. 4 and 18 and Dec. 2 and 16. And for Health Plan Information Sessions they are Sept. 30, Oct. 14 and 28, Nov. 11 and 25 and Dec. 9 and 23.

NEWS 'N' NOTES FROM HERE 'N' THERE

Lawn Care’s Pesky Side—In the U.S. the ratio of the average amount of pesticide used on lawns to the amount used on cropland, per acre, is 5:1. (Harper’s Index, Aug. ’91)

Need Patient Humans—A gray and white campus cat, whose litter of kittens all died, is awaiting adoption by a patient person who can help tame her wild ways. She has been to a vet, been spayed, wormed and dipped, and is gaining back good health. Also, a black kitten which does not belong to her was found in a campus parking lot and is seeking a human. Claudia Holly has rescued and taken care of these hapless felines. If you can make a home for either of them, call her at 4-4423.

Opportunities Abound—Faculty, staff and students interested in learning about study abroad in such places as Costa Rica, Spain, Hungary, Russia, China, Italy and France can come to a forum Aug. 27, B/S 4087. To learn how you can benefit from an international experience, come anytime between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when staff from International Affairs will be glad to provide information and answer your questions.

Place of Note—The high-tech University Place Conference Center and Hotel is the only Indiana facility featured in Richard H. Penner’s new book, “Conference Center Planning and Design.” He is an architect and Cornell U. professor. John D. Short directs the conference center where more than a 1,000 meetings are held annually, and Per Moller is general manager of the 278-room hotel.

To Clarify—MAX*WELL, the campus wellness program, recently moved—not from one building to another as we said, but from one room (PE 260) to another (PE 043) in the School of Physical Education. MAX*WELL has been in PE for two years and is supported by Administrative Affairs, PE and the Dept. of Recreational Sports.
VARGUS POLL SETS STAGE FOR POLITICAL PARLIANCE

The attention of media and politicians was captured last week as veteran IUPUI pollster Brian Vargus fired Indiana's political wars of words with statistics from a statewide poll that indicated a sharp drop in the popularity of Gov. Evan Bayh. The poll, which also indicated a general uneasiness with the overall direction of the state and nation, gave Bayh an approval rating of 40 percent, down from 64 percent last fall. President George Bush did better with generally solid support for his conduct in office. (Last November's poll surveyed 1204 registered voters. This poll queried 800 adults in Indiana.) The margin of error was +/- 3.2 percent.--R. Burrous

DEFAZIO SPEAKING IN "SHORTCHANGING GIRLS"

A program is set for October that will focus on a disturbing study that says girls' interest in math and science as both school subjects and as professions declines after elementary school. "Shortchanging Girls, Shortchanging America" will feature Jacquelyn DeFazio, national director of public policy for the American Association of University Women (AAUW), which commissioned the study in 1990. Sponsored by Friends of Women's Studies at IUPUI, the program is Oct. 18, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Indiana Roof Ballroom. It will focus on identifying obstacles that prevent girls from pursuing math or science academic tracks and how best to overcome those hurdles. For information about the program and lunch, call Women's Studies, 4-4784 or 4-7611.--R. Burrous

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Program, Riley Hospital. Will join a team of physicians, nurses and social workers directly involved in the care of children with brain tumors. Will include coordinating clinical research studies, patient monitoring and data management. Send resume and letters of inquiry to Philip P. Breitfeld, M.D., Riley Children's Hospital, Room 2720, 702 Barnhill Dr., Indianapolis 46202

RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, Herman B Wells Center for Pediatric Research at Riley Hospital. Will join research teams involved in the cell and molecular biology of hematopoiesis. Will be expected to contribute to the scientific and technical aspects of the lab. A master's degree in microbiology, biochemistry, molecular biology or related field is required. Send CV and letters of inquiry to David Williams, Room 2612 at the address above.

CHAIRMAN, Dept. of Dermatology, IU School of Medicine. Tenure-track position of professor/chairman. Must be board certified dermatologist experienced in medical education, research and administration. Send CV and references to Eugene C. Klatte, M.D., Search and Screen Committee, Fesler Hall 302, 1120 S. Drive, Indianapolis 46202.

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Taking a holiday Because of the Labor Day holiday, the Science and Engineering and Herron libraries will be closed Aug. 31-Sept. 2. On Sept. 2 University Library and other offices about campus will be closed and there will be no classes. Hospitals, telecommunications, police and other personnel will take a holiday at some other time. To labor: Salud!
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS NOTES DEADLINES AND NEW FELLOWSHIP

The deadline for filing applications for the 1991-93 Institute of International Education Fulbright Grants for graduate study abroad is Sept. 16, 1991. Also, there is a new fellowship program for young researchers interested in developing specialized knowledge of East Central Europe in professional-, policy- and public administration-related fields, announces International Programs at IUB. The deadline to apply for the new fellowship is Oct. 15. Guidelines and requirements for these programs and others are available through International Affairs at IUPUI, 4-2081, or by calling Susan Carty, 5-8669.

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES IS WEDNESDAY
OR
COME EARLY AND WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES

Appearances and folklore notwithstanding, you and our students will be able to find a parking spot within a 50-mile radius of campus when classes begin Aug. 21. Some things that you should know, however: The big parking east of the natatorium is gone and is a construction site for a new 1,000 vehicle garage set to open in January. All summer, workers laid out new gravel lots and enlarged some existing ones. East, they are near the Mary Cable Building where there are some A sticker places, south of Sigma Theta Tau headquarters and between Michigan and New York Streets across from Engineering Technology. And west, the south lawn of the Administration Building just off Lansing Street has been graveled for a new lot. And don't forget, there is always the South Garage which is the westernmost garage on campus, south of Michigan, and the East Garage, which is easternmost, but north of Michigan.

The IUMC is seeking generally healthy people ages 18-70 with diabetes, who are interested in a research study. Participants will receive free medical testing and care. All studies involve new medications which may prevent, treat or control problems with blood sugars, eyes and kidneys. Please call 317/630-6987.

BOOKSTORES CAMPUS FEST IS AUG. 21-22 Free food and product samples, games and fun are planned for the second annual IUPUI Bookstores Campus Fest, Aug. 21-22 on the Library Courtyard, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Among the participants in the "extravaganza" are Stanley H. Kaplan with win the ball toss game and receive info on the Kaplan grad school prep courses; Sunshine Biscuits with free cookies; American Express with special student offers; Camay with free soap and more local and national advertisers. Radio station Q-95 will broadcast, free lunch will be served and everyone is invited.

FINALLY...
...attorneys from throughout the state plan to attend the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, "Indiana Law Update--1991" at University Place, Sept. 5-6. It will be followed by the annual law alumni dinner where Vice President Dan Quayle will be honored.
...a carpool between Martinsville and the Medical Center is forming. If you can take a turn driving, call 4-8622.