Greetings from IUPUI

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When the next generation of historians writes about our city, I think they will describe the development of this campus as one of the events...as one of the critical events...which gave Indianapolis its distinctive quality of life. I can already see the shape of this future in our present. And I want you to know about our campus.

Those were the opening words of a letter sent in December 1976 by IUPUI Chancellor Glenn W. Irwin to keep our friends in the community informed about IUPUI's aspirations and achievements. Jerry Bepko continued the practice. It is a tradition that I, as the new chancellor of IUPUI, am proud to carry on. Today, I want you to know about the...

New Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies to Be Offered at IUPUI

Last month, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education authorized the Indiana University Center on Philanthropy to offer a Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies. The new program is the first Ph.D. program ever offered by our School of Liberal Arts, where the Center on Philanthropy is based. It is believed to be the first of its kind in the country dedicated to philanthropy or nonprofit management. Already, more than 200 potential students have contacted the center about the new program.

The center can offer the best such program anywhere. The philanthropic studies faculty number nearly 60 from Indianapolis, Bloomington, and other IU campuses. They represent 21 academic departments, including business, economics, history, English, law, medicine, religious studies, nursing, sociology, and public and environmental affairs. My congratulations to Executive Director Gene Tempel and my thanks to the Lilly Endowment and all who have supported the growth and development of the center's activities.

New Geography Resource Puts Indiana Life on the Map

The IUPUI-based Geography Educators' Network of Indiana (GENI) has published “Indiana in Maps: Geographic Perspectives of the Hoosier State,” by Jeffery Wilson, assistant professor in our Department of Geography. The 35-page book of color maps contains satellite images, census data, aerial photos, and geographic information system data. It was sponsored by the Lilly Endowment, Indiana Department of Education, and National Geographic Society. GENI’s goal was to develop a geography education resource for 4th- through 12th-grade teachers. The companion “Educators' Guide” incorporates interactive, standards-based classroom activities addressing not only geography but also economics, math, earth science, and history.

The atlas offers unique glimpses of the state, such as the map titled “Hoops!” which shows the locations of boy's basketball state champions from 1911 to 2001. “Indiana in Maps” is available from Amazon (www.amazon.com) or Greenleaf Book Group (www.greenleafbookgroup.com).

School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: A Restructuring

The Indiana University Board of Trustees recently approved a name change and restructuring for our School of Allied Health Sciences. Now the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, the school's programs concentrate on the graduate professional education in critical health care disciplines focused on rehabilitation (health sciences, nutrition and dietetics, occupational therapy, and physical therapy). Students entered the new Doctor of Physical Therapy degree program in 2002. Occupational therapy accepts its first graduate professional class in 2005.
With 125 million Americans living with arthritis, heart disease, diabetes, and other chronic conditions—a number expected to rise over the next 20 years—the school will be better able to address the increasing demand for rehabilitation specialists. Also planned are additional faculty and new research laboratories to compete for external funding from a national pool of more than $300 million offered yearly and specifically earmarked for rehabilitation research.

Paul Weiss Collection Arrives At University Library

The IUPUI University Library has received a donation of the books, artwork, and personal papers of the late philosopher Paul Weiss. The Weiss collection includes more than 6,500 books with an emphasis in philosophy, art, and literature. IUPUI is particularly interested in the collection because of Weiss’s authoritative commentary on the 19th century philosopher and scientist Charles Sanders Peirce. The School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI and IU Press are issuing the definitive edition of Peirce’s work, expected to run to 30 volumes. Mr. Weiss had been an advisor to the Peirce Edition Project.

His library and papers also contribute to our new Institute for American Thought, which unites the faculty, editing specialists, and research holdings of the Peirce Edition Project, the Santayana Edition, and the Frederick Douglass Papers with academic programs in American studies, professional editing, and American philosophy. The bulk of the Weiss Collection will be part of the library’s general collection, but papers and artwork will reside in the Ruth Lilly Special Collections and Archives of our University Library.

As my wife, Sandra Petronio, and I enjoy our first summer in Indiana and the pleasure of becoming acquainted with our new home and our community, I send you my very best wishes and look forward to meeting those of you whom I’ve not yet had the pleasure to know.

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"The scholarship inspires me to do even better because my efforts are being recognized and rewarded." (A student in our School of Science) "Scholarships are invaluable gifts that are enabling me to complete my degree and give back to our community." (A student in our School of Education)

Comments like those, made by students who have received scholarships at IUPUI, have been posted on banners all over campus. You can't help but stop and take a look. They are terrific reminders of the efforts of our high-achieving students and highlight the importance that contributions to scholarship programs make in their lives. We also hope that other students will be inspired to achieve honors status and qualify for scholarship themselves.

Yet Another Record Fall Enrollment at IUPUI

Our enrollment for the fall set all-time records, eclipsing previous marks both for the total number of students and total credit hours taken. The 29,860 students enrolled at IUPUI represent a 2.9 percent increase from last fall. Credit hours are up 4.1 percent from a year ago. The enrollment growth at IUPUI is good news in fighting Indiana's brain-drain. Nearly 93 percent of our students are in-state residents. If typical patterns hold, most will remain in Indiana after graduation.

IUPUI a Founding Institution for First-Year Excellence

IUPUI is 1 of 12 leadership institutions selected to develop a model for effective first-year experiences. Some 200 applicants were considered for the project, which is cosponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

The project's purpose is to synthesize information about improving first-year student learning and retention. The goals are to determine the characteristics that reflect good practice and to establish a blueprint for what other AASCU campuses can do to establish excellence in first-year experiences.

The Policy Center used external evaluators to select 12 campuses as AASCU "Foundations of Excellence™ Founding Institutions." IUPUI and the other Founding Institutions will receive an array of services and assistance from core staff and partners/consultants associated with the Policy Center. The project is funded by the Atlantic Philanthropies and the Lumina Foundation for Education.

IUPUI is also part of AASCU's American Democracy Project, which seeks to increase the number of undergraduate students who are committed to engaging in meaningful civic actions, such as voting, advocacy, and volunteerism.

Nonprofits Are Major Economic Force in Indiana

More than 222,000, or one in 13 paid employees in Indiana, works for a nonprofit, according to Kirsten Grønbjerg, a professor in the IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs who holds the Efroymson Chair in the IU Center on Philanthropy. More Hoosiers are employed in the nonprofit sector than in construction, nondurable manufacturing, or the state's entire finance, banking, insurance and real estate industry. Professor Grønbjerg hopes that this new study will aid the public and policy makers in understanding the
nonprofit sector's impact and the stake that Indiana's citizens have in its continued health.

Civic Engagement in U.S. - Deep Roots, Big Dividends

Another study by a member of our faculty shows that community service has a big impact both on volunteers and beneficiaries. *Civic Service: What Difference Does It Make?*, a new book by James Perry, Chancellor’s Professor of Public and Environmental Affairs, and Ann Marie Thomson, an associate faculty member, examined 50 years of documents and discovered that (1) civic service returns a cost-benefit ratio of about $2 for ever $1 invested and (2) the role of government in facilitating relationships and providing a service infrastructure is critical to successful service programs.

University Library Kicks Off 10th Anniversary with Gift

On September 10, we launched "SPANNING THE DECADE," our University Library's year-long celebration of its 10th Anniversary. At the opening reception, I had the pleasure of announcing the Jeannette Morrow Matthew Fund for Archival Photography. The gift from Neil Matthew in honor of his late wife, a retired archivist of the library, will digitize the library’s photography collection, so that many thousands of photos can be viewed or used for research purposes by anyone, anywhere, with access to the Web. The fund will also support the acquisition, preservation, and use of photographs in library exhibits.

IUPUI - The Making of An Urban University Published

A favorite book on my reading list this past summer was *IUPUI - The Making of An Urban University*, published by IU Press earlier this year. The author, Professor Emeritus of History Ralph Gray drew on archived university publications, maps, reports, photographs, news clippings, and oral histories to tell the engaging story of what he called, "The Miracle on Michigan Street." For purchase information, call (800) 842-6796, e-mail iuporder@indiana.edu, or visit http://www.indiana.edu/~iupress.

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""At IUPUI, we know the power of two. Two world-renowned universities supporting excellence. We know that a committed partnership, shared values and vision, can double the aspirations and accomplishments of a university. Today, it’s time to invoke the power of two—again—and double our achievements in teaching and learning; in research, scholarship, and creative activity; and in civic engagement."

With those words, excerpted from the address I gave earlier this month at my Installation Ceremony, I have urged my colleagues at IUPUI to join me in making a new commitment to our city, state, and nation. IUPUI has come farther than anyone could ever have imagined in just 35 years, but I am convinced that we can do even more. I am so convinced that I have made it a pledge that IUPUI will redouble its efforts and double its impact by 2010—across the board—from degree completion rates to external funding for research, from the number of students in service learning courses to the number of interns placed, while reaffirming our commitment to diversity, collaboration, and best practices. We will keep you posted as we launch this campuswide effort to take IUPUI into a new era of success and accomplishment.

IUPUI to Share in Lilly Endowment’s Brain Drain Effort

According to some estimates, Indiana loses about 10,000 college graduates to out-of-state employers each year. That’s why the Lilly Endowment challenged Indiana’s seven public universities and 31 private colleges to develop educational strategies to keep more well-educated people in Indiana. The Lilly Endowment committed $38.9 million to this effort, and IU’s campuses will share $5.5 million.

IUPUI’s strategy in this effort centers around the IUPUI Solution Center. Business and civic leaders who met with a task force of IUPUI faculty and staff to discuss ways to approach the talent development and retention issue made it clear that IUPUI is large and complex. It needs to be more accessible. The Solution Center will be a single point of contact for business and community organizations to develop partnerships, create internships, and expand linkages between the community and IUPUI. The larger goal is to link this with other initiatives in a coordinated effort to develop a pipeline of talented students who will stay in Indiana (or return to Indiana), assume leadership roles in business and industry, and help create new jobs for graduating Hoosiers.

Strengthening ties between students and employers in central Indiana is a key part of IUPUI’s efforts. Thus, in addition to coordinating and collaborating with sister IU campuses, IUPUI will work with five other partners in central Indiana to form a referral network. It includes Indiana INTERNnet, IU’s Alumni Association, Purdue’s Technology Assistance Program, the Indiana Venture Center, and Ivy Tech State College.

“The Herron Chronicle” Details Art School’s History

For more than 100 years, the Herron School of Art has educated painters, sculptors, printmakers, furniture designers and other artists. The Herron Chronicle, written by Harriet G. Warkel, Martin F. Krause, and S. L. Berry, is the first comprehensive history of the art school. It is a richly illustrated, year-by-year account based on long-overlooked archives, unpublished manuscripts, and personal recollections that provides a captivating record of the school’s rich history and legacy. The book also includes illustrations of more than 200 historic photographs and
rediscovered paintings.

We owe very special thanks to Marianne Tobias, who provided funding for the book as a tribute to her stepfather, Donald Mattison, the director of the John Herron Art School from 1933 to 1970. The book is available from the Indiana University Press, 1 (800) 842-6796.

IU Medical School, Merck Vaccinating Kenyan Children

Half the children born in sub-Saharan Africa each year do not receive routine vaccinations to protect them from debilitating or deadly diseases such as tuberculosis, diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, hepatitis, and influenza. About 10 percent of Kenyan children die before reaching the age of five, according to the World Health Organization—many due to such preventable diseases.

With a $200,000 grant from pharmaceutical firm Merck & Company, our Indiana University School of Medicine will work with the Moi University Faculty of Health Sciences in Eldoret, Kenya, to help fight the problem. The Merck Vaccine Network-Africa grant will allow the School of Medicine to establish a vaccination services training program for health-care workers and create a sustainable workforce of professionals skilled in vaccine management.

In This Season of Giving . . .

In recognition of the generosity of the individuals, corporations, and endowments, mentioned in this month’s newsletter, won’t you consider giving to a college or university of your choice this holiday season? Indiana taxpayers can reward themselves with a tax credit, which can be reported on the CC-40 form we have enclosed for your convenience. Happy holidays to all!

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