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INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI CHAPTER

Striving to be the foremost African–American alumni association in the nation: One that not only strengthens and unifies our community but makes a positive, indelible impact on the world.

LETTER FROM DR. DURGANS

Welcome to the first Indianapolis Chapter of the Neal-Marshall Alumni Club newsletter and greetings from the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)! Because alumni are an integral part of a university as it forges forward into the future, we want to keep you well informed. These newsletters will serve as a valuable resource for chapter, campus, and university-wide information important to you as an African-American alumnus of the Indiana University campus system and member of the university community.

The December 2008 re-chartering of the Neal-Marshall Indianapolis Alumni Chapter is symbolic of IUPUI Chancellor Charles Bantz's leadership and staunch commitment to diversity and the Indianapolis community. In addition to supporting the chapter, over the last few years, through a systemic approach to institutional transformation, the university has achieved considerable success in diversifying the campus: An Assistant Chancellor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion was hired and the DEI office

established; a new IUPUI Multicultural Center was created; 45 underrepresented faculty were hired through substantial investments in the Support for Recruiting Underrepresented Faculty (SRUF) initiative; and significant student improvements have been made - In the fall of 2009, for the first time the one year undergraduate retention rate of 73% for minority students exceeded the campus average.

All of these concrete developments, along with dedicated resources, hold promise for an even more inclusive campus that will better serve our students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Rest assured evidence is not just being seen on IUPUI's campus, but is also occurring system-wide. The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is determined to ensure that diversity remains a pervasive force in every aspect of our university.

I would like to extend my appreciation to the Indianapolis Chapter of the Neal Marshall Alumni Club members for your support of your alma mater. As you continue to grow stronger as an orga-

nization, DEI looks forward to greater collaborations with you and we stand ready to assist you in your efforts to achieve your organizational goals.

Sincerely.

Kenneth B. Durgans, Ed.D. Assistant Chancellor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

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WHO WE ARE

The Neal-Marshall Indianapolis Alumni Chapter is a member of the national Neal-Marshall Alumni Club and an affiliate group of the Indiana University Alumni Association. In honor of the first African-American graduates of Indiana University (Marcellus Neal, BA 1895 and Frances Marshall-Eagleson, BA 1919), our charge is to:

- Facilitate relationships between the university, IUPUI and all African-American alumni residing in the Indianapolis metropolitan area who are graduates of Indiana University campuses as well as facilitate relationships with current students and local prospective students.
- Provide our constituents with engaging activities targeted for professional, academic and social advancement and success.
- Strengthen and unify our community and make a positive, indelible impact on the world.

HOW WE AS A CHAPTER SUPPORT ALUMNI AND STUDENTS

We support our alumni in a more effective way through:

Services & Programs

Assisting the university in offering and promoting services and programs for alumni that enhance personal and professional development as well as life-long learning.

Networking

Partnering with key university and community stakeholders to host relevant and beneficial events for alumni as well as creating opportunities for alumni to network with students.

Civic Engagement

Providing alumni with opportunities for civic engagement that will strengthen our community.

We support our students to achieve academic excellence, degrees, and lifetime success through:

• Recruitment

Utilizing alumni to actively recruit potential students for all Indiana University campuses.

Mentoring

Collaborating and partnering with IUPUI student organizations and support programs to improve retention and graduation rates.

Networking

Partnering with key university and community stakeholders to host relevant and beneficial events for students.

ENHANCED MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership in the Neal-Marshall Indianapolis Alumni Chapter has its privileges! Along with your standard alumni benefits as a member of the IU Alumni Association or the Purdue Alumni Association, membership in our chapter provides you with additional benefits. To pay your annual fee and for a list of these special community benefits visit the chapter website at www.alumni.iupui.edu/indynmac.

MEETING INFO

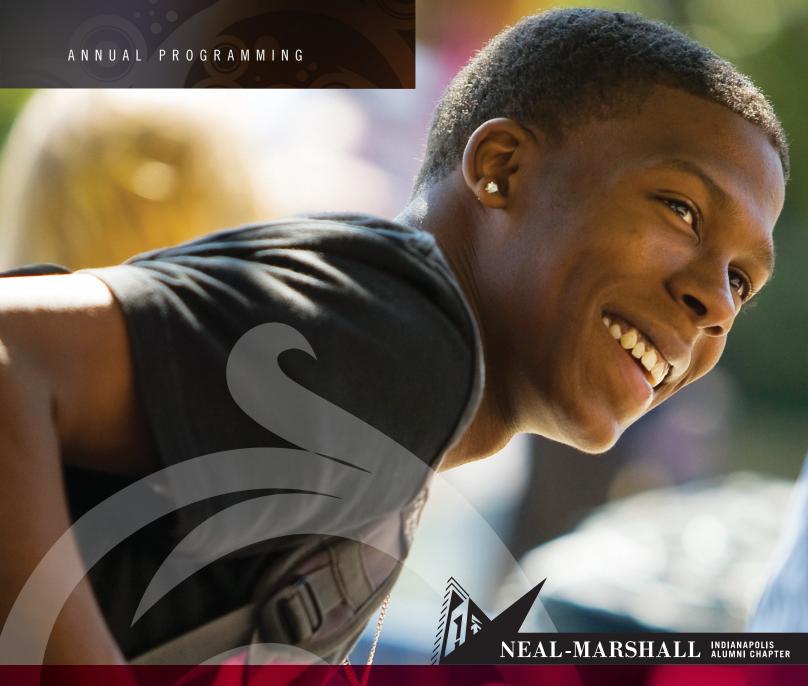
Throughout the year meetings are held to conduct chapter business. General Business Meetings, open to alumni and friends, are held twice a year in June and in December. The Executive Board and planning committees meet at other designated times.

We need you! Join us...

June 22nd to learn more about the chapter and get details on our fall elections.

General Business Meeting Tuesday, June 22, 2010 – 6 p.m. IUPUI Campus Center 420 University Boulevard Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

RSVP by Thursday, June 17th to indynmac@iupui.edu.



Q1 JANUARY

Annual MLK Dinner & Awards MLK Day of Service

FEBRUARY

Black History Month activities

Hoosiers for Higher Education @ the Statehouse

MARCH

Women's History Month activities

Q2 APRIL

IU Cares sponsored by IU Alumni Association

MAY

Black Graduates
Celebration activities

JUNE

Chapter General Business Meeting

Q3

IBE Summer Celebration - Alumni Events

AUGUST

Alumni Mentors paired with Students

"Welcome to Campus" activities for students

SEPTEMBER

Annual IUPUI Regatta (September 25, 2010)

Q4 october

Circle City Classic Tailgate & Alumni Events

NOVEMBER

Fall Minority Career Fair/Business Expo

DECEMBER

Chapter General Business Meeting & Elections

ONGOING

Year-round Programming

Career/Professional
Development & Support

Mentoring

Networking Events

Social Development & Etiquette Workshops

Speaker Series

Supporting Community & Campus Events



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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 16 – 18, 2010 Indiana Black Expo 40th Annual Summer Celebration

Our chapter will serve as the university host for the weekend. Join us at these events:

Friday, July 16 — Chapter "Welcome Party" Saturday, July 17 — "IU Alumni Reception" hosted by the National Neal-Marshall Alumni Club July 16 — 18 at the IU booth & Cultural Arts Pavilion Special alumni gifts will be given. Details coming soon.

BIO DATA REQUEST

Keep us informed!

The Chapter would like to know what is going on with you and celebrate your accomplishments. Please provide us with current contact information, recent achievements, noteworthy honors and advancements. Update your alumni profile by visiting our website at www.alumni.iupui.edu/indynmac or by contacting us at indynmac@iupui.edu.

SURVEY PARTICIPATION REQUEST

Help Us Serve You Better!

Our goal is to stay relevant and to assist our alumni, students, and our community as best we can. We need your help to determine how to do that.

Visit this website www.alumni.iupui.edu/indynmac and take a brief survey to help guide us in how to better serve you.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Current standing committees include activities & events, awards & scholarship, finance, marketing & communications, recruitment (students, alumni and membership), and service & mentorship.

Join the Indianapolis Chapter of the Neal-Marshall Alumni Club.

Make an impact! It Matters!