Greetings,
I always enjoy commencement because it allows us to see the fruits of our labors – students receiving their diplomas. In my graduation address, I highlight students who represent the success of the class of 2010. I am pleased to share some of those stories and other news with you in this edition of Notes from the Chancellor. -Una Mae Reck // Chancellor, IU South Bend

Graduates Celebrate at Commencement

Indiana University President Michael McRobbie presided over commencement as more than 1,000 students graduated in the class of 2010. Former state senator Robert Meeks was presented with an honorary degree for his life of public service and his support of higher education during his 20 years in the State House. Michael Wargo received the distinguished alumni award. President of the Student Alumni Association Julienne Turner gave the first-ever student address as part of commencement. Here are some of the graduates I recognized during my address:

**Roy Saenz** graduated with a bachelor’s degrees in sociology, a minor in Latin American Studies and an associate’s degree in business. Prior to coming to IU South Bend he served two tours of duty as a Marine in Iraq. Roy will be continuing his education next fall in the MBA program at Arizona University.

**Gregory Warrell** graduated with a bachelor’s science degree in physics. He participated in research projects on nuclear physics at IU South Bend and IU Bloomington. He will continue his studies in the Medical Physics program at Purdue University this fall.

**Chloe VanDenBrink** graduated with a degree in sociology. During her studies she visited Haiti four times, including just after the earthquake in January. She helps run a program for severely malnourished children under the age of five. She plans on continuing her work in Haiti and going to graduate school next year.

**Amra Delic** graduated with a degree in nursing. She was five years old when her family fied Bosnia. They received care from a nurse in a refugee camp. When she was 13 years old her family came to South Bend. She learned English at Clay Middle School and graduated from Adams High School. With her degree, she honors a nurse who changed her life.

Congratulations to these outstanding students and all the graduates of the Class of 2010.

Campus Campaign Surpasses Goal

The 2010 campus campaign has raised nearly $50,000, surpassing its goal for the year. The campaign asked for contributions from campus administrators, faculty and staff to help support programs, scholarships, research and activities at IU South Bend. This year’s campaign was called “Reflect on Our Campus, Be Proud of Our Growth” and featured a Web site with video testimonials. The campus campaign is five years old and contributions have increased about ten percent each year. Thank you to everyone who participated.
Community Celebrates Dedication of Natatorium

More than 400 people braved sweltering heat to celebrate the opening of the renovated Engman Natatorium at 1044 West Washington Street in South Bend. The program began outside at the Center for History as speakers reflected on the historical significance of the building and its re-opening. The natatorium was built in 1922 but African Americans were not allowed in the building to use the swimming pool. In 1936, a court ruled that African Americans could use the pool but not at the same time as the general public and only once a week. The natatorium remained segregated until 1950. Because of the long struggle, the natatorium remains a powerful symbol of the civil rights movement in South Bend. IU South Bend’s Civil Rights Heritage Center will conduct educational outreach from the natatorium. The dedication recognized the past but focused on celebrating the future of the natatorium. I want to thank the City of South Bend, the South Bend Heritage Foundation, Memorial Hospital and everyone who helped with this important project for the university and the community.

New Director of Student Housing

Paul Krikau has been named the new director of student housing and residence life. Paul comes to IU South Bend from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia where he served as area director for 1,800 residential students. Paul has a master's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and a bachelor's degree in English from Central Michigan University. He has previous student housing management experience at the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire, University of Wisconsin-Platteville and Augustana College in Illinois. Welcome to campus, Paul. Student housing is an important part of IU South Bend. We are all looking forward to working with you.

New Men’s Basketball Coach

Chad Tapp has been hired at the new men’s basketball coach. Chad has served as head assistant coach at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana for the past six seasons. During that time, the Trojans captured three Mid-Central Collegiate Conference basketball championships. Chad was a member of the 2003-2004 NAIA National Tournament team that was ranked as high as number two in the country. Chad has a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and a master's degree in sports management from Taylor University. Welcome, Chad. The upcoming season should be exciting.

New Women’s Volleyball Coach

La Porte native Jamie Ashmore has been named the new head women’s volleyball coach at IU South Bend. Ashmore will lead the new Titans women’s volleyball program as it transitions to the intercollegiate varsity level next year. Ashmore comes to IU South Bend after graduating from Grand Valley State University in Michigan where she was a standout player. At La Porte High School, Ashmore was named MVP her junior and senior years and holds school records in assists, service aces, set attempts and games played. Volleyball is a great addition to IU South Bend athletics. Welcome to campus, Jamie.

Recognition

Congratulations to the following faculty members on their retirement. Thank you for your service to IU South Bend:

David Barton, Professor of Music
David joined the faculty in 1976. His specialty was computer assisted electronic music and he is well-known for his ensemble Plato & the Western Tradition.

Eileen Bender, Professor of English
Eileen came to IU South Bend as an adjunct professor in 1975. She held a number of campus administrative and faculty positions. She was the founder of the Faculty Colloquium on Excellence in Teaching (FACET).

Jennifer Klein, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene
Jennifer joined the faculty in 1980. In addition to teaching, she was the director of the University Center of Excellence in Teaching (UCET) from 2002-09.

Brenda Knowles, Professor of Business Law
Brenda joined the faculty in 1977. She co-authored two business law textbooks and was director of the Honors Program for twelve years.

Fred Naffziger, Professor of Business Law
Fred joined the faculty in 1975. He was an expert in bankruptcy and the Catholic Church and was widely quoted in the news media in the case concerning the Boston Archdiocese.

Michele Russo, Dean of Library and Media Services
Michele came to IU South Bend in 1982. She was named Director of the Franklin D. Schurz Library in 1990 and became its Dean in 2007.

The Euclid Quartet has released a new CD featuring the string quartets of Bela Bartok (#2,4,6). A review in All Music Guide said “The Euclid Quartet has demonstrated that it is pure gold in these spectacular performances.” The CD is available on Amazon.com and iTunes.