Greetings.

The spring semester is underway which means winter must be almost over. I’m looking forward to the campus turning green and beautiful in the coming months. IU South Bend is a dynamic place in the winter as classes and activities are in full swing. There is a lot of news I want to share with you in this newsletter. So, let’s get started.

**Upcoming Events at IU South Bend**

**March 8**  
Alexander Toradze, piano  
Campus Auditorium at 8 p.m.

**March 17**  
Toradze Piano Studio  
Campus Auditorium at 8 p.m.

**March 19**  
Avalon String Quartet  
Campus Auditorium at 4 p.m.

**April 7,8,13,14,15**  
IUSB Theatre Performance  
Private Eyes  
Campus Auditorium at 8 p.m.  
April 9 at 2 p.m.

**May 9**  
Commencement  
Notre Dame Joyce Center at 6 p.m.

**School of Education to Receive NCATE Accreditation**

The School of Education at IU South Bend has received good news from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). NCATE is the accrediting body for colleges and universities that prepare teachers and other educational personnel. After completing its site visit and reviewing the full report submitted by the School of Education, NCATE gave IU South Bend high marks. The accreditation process focuses on standards determined by NCATE including unit evaluation, field experience, clinical practice, diversity, faculty qualifications, governance and resources. The official accreditation announcement is expected in April.

**Students Converge on Statehouse**

Nearly 100 IU South Bend students joined their classmates from other IU campuses to visit with legislators at the Indiana Statehouse. The annual “Get on the Bus” event sponsored by Hoosiers for Higher Education was held on February 21. Students, faculty and alumni from across Indiana gathered together to talk to their local legislators about issues concerning higher education. The IU South Bend contingent also used the opportunity to discuss the need for state funding for renovation of the Associates Building on campus into a modern classroom facility. A highlight of the trip was a pep talk by Indiana head football coach Terry Hoeppner in the capitol rotunda.

**Reznik First Recipient of Talbot Award**

Longtime IU South Bend supporter Emil “Lucky” Reznik was honored by Hoosiers for Higher Education (HHE) during the Statehouse visit. Reznik was presented with the inaugural Sue H. Talbot Distinguished HHE Member Award. The honor is bestowed on an HHE member whose dedication and volunteer work for HHE exemplifies Sue Talbot’s generous spirit and loving support of Indiana University. Talbot was the founder of HHE in 1991. Reznik is a member of the IU South Bend Advisory Board and has been active on university legislative issues for many years.

**Elkhart Center Project Grows**

The IU South Bend – Elkhart Center has grown larger thanks to the generosity of Elkhart civic and business leaders. A private fundraising drive led by Art Decio and Bob Deputy has now reached $3 million, surpassing the $2.5 million goal. The additional funds have allowed architects to expand the facility from 16,000 square feet to 25,000. The new facility will be built at 125 E. Franklin St. in downtown Elkhart. A groundbreaking ceremony will be scheduled this spring.
Bridgecam Provides Look at Construction

For those of you who want to watch history in the making, IU South Bend has installed a Webcam on the third floor of the Franklin D. Schurz Library that provides a view of the construction of the pedestrian bridge. The photo is updated every 30 seconds. The camera can be viewed by going to www.iusb.edu/bridgecam/ or following the prompts under the Popular Links category on the IU South Bend homepage at www.iusb.edu/.

Campus Surpasses United Way Campaign Goal

IU South Bend once again demonstrated its commitment to the community through donations to the United Way campaign. Employees pledged $29,115 which was 108 percent of the campus goal. Thank you to Jennifer Klein, associate professor of dental hygiene and Rob Ducoffe, dean of the School of Business and Economics for their leadership. Thanks to all who contributed.

IU President to Visit South Bend

Indiana University President Adam Herbert will be visiting South Bend on April 13. The centerpiece of his trip will be delivering the keynote address at the annual South Bend Human Rights Commission luncheon. For ticket information for the luncheon call (574) 235-9355. Herbert will also be on campus for an alumni reception and dinner with the IU South Bend advisory board. Included in his visit is a meeting with the editorial board of the South Bend Tribune.

Campus Campaign to Begin March 14

The inaugural IU South Bend Campus Campaign will begin on March 14 and run through April 14. The new giving program is an opportunity for employees to make a contribution to the university and designate where they would like their donation to go. The Campus Campaign will be an annual event that will benefit IU South Bend students and programs. For more information contact Jan Halperin, director of development, at (574) 520-4801.

Lectures Honor and Showcase Faculty

Two upcoming lectures demonstrate the level of academic excellence at IU South Bend. Professor Andrew Schnabel will present the Distinguished Research Lecture at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 9, in Room 1001, Wiekamp Hall. Schnabel will take participants on a computer journey to Kenya to learn about pollination, natural selection and acacia trees during his talk “Pollination and Paternity of the African Acacia.” The lecture is free and open to the public. Fred Naffziger, professor of business law, received the award last year.

The annual Eldon F. Lundquist Faculty Fellowship Lecture will examine privacy issues and our changing world. Professor Mike Keen’s topic is “Extraordinary Individuality and the End of Privacy.” Keen, who is a professor of sociology and director of the Masters of Liberal Studies program, will speak on privacy and surveillance. The lecture is free and open to the public. It will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 24, in Room 1001, Wiekamp Hall. Past recipients of the Lundquist Fellowship include David K. Barton, professor of music; Lester Lamon, professor of history; and Tuck Langland, professor of art.

As you can see, exciting things are happening at IU South Bend. Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions as IU South Bend continues its mission as the only public, bachelor’s and master’s degree granting institution of higher education in Michiana.

Sincerely,

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