New season of growth begins in Glen Park Community

Weed and Seed initiative receives first installment of a $1.2 million federal grant

By Alisha Throckmartin

W hen planting new harvests, seeds must have sowers, fertile ground and water for growth to occur. During the last several years, unrelenting sowers in the Glen Park community have been working to cast seeds of prosperity and hope for their citizens while weeding out elements that deter and retard its growth. They have labored to prepare their “fertile ground” by planning and organizing programs, and by getting residents involved in reclaiming their community. And then the water came. At a press conference on June 5, the U.S. Department of Justice, represented by U.S. District Attorney General Joseph Van Bokkelen, delivered a check for $175,000 to Weed and Seed representative Mary Lee. This was the first installment of a $1.2 million grant awarded to the program in May of last year.

During the press conference, which was attended by many state, federal and local officials, Lee explained that a large portion of the funds will be used to improve communication channels between local and county law enforcement officials. Funds will also be used to ‘seed’ the community with after-school programs for children. Lee, a Glen Park resident for more than 30 years, talked of a time when the east side was the desirable part of town. “I moved here when this was the place to live. And now, it will be again,” she said.

Gary mayor, Rudy Clay pledged the support of his office and the city to the program, while several councilmen expressed their excitement for the new projects and their determination to help the community overcome the problems that have plagued the area for several years.

Members of the Glen Park community are excited about the new opportunities for positive growth in their neighborhood. June 5 was the same day the district was scheduled for the Gary Beautification and Clean-up effort (see page 2). The participation of campus members reinforces the commitment IU Northwest has to surrounding neighborhoods, and emphasizes our desire to be heavily involved in its growth.

Manoj Pardasani named 2006 Social Worker of the Year

By Alisha Throckmartin

T he Indiana State Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) has named Manoj Pardasani, Ph.D., assistant professor of social work, their 2006 Region 1 Social Worker of the Year. Pardasani received his Masters and Doctoral degrees from the Wurzweiler School of Social Work and has been a practitioner in senior centers, group homes for the developmentally delayed and community mental health centers, and has worked with homelessness/HIV/AIDS-related social services.

At IU Northwest since 2004, Pardasani has been tirelessly involved with many volunteer and social service organizations in an effort to better the lives of seniors and those in need in the region. He was instrumental in co-writing the grant application that garnered a $1.6 million grant for housing opportunities for HIV-positive individual and families. He has authored several manuals, guides and programs for a wide range of services and programs that service the elderly, the economically underprivileged, and those with HIV/AIDS. His work has provided valuable learning materials for workshops, conferences and training programs that help social workers learn how to work effectively with their clients.

All around campus, those who work with Pardasani know that they have in him, a determined and dedicated colleague whose best interest is always those whom he is serving.

For Pardasani, this honor is not about him. It’s about the opportunity to help others. He said, “I want to share this award with each and every community member, agency, academic colleagues and students with whom I have had the pleasure of working. I am extremely grateful and will use the award as a constant source of motivation to continue to promote the welfare of those in need in whatever ways that I can.”
IU Northwest is “positively” committed to helping the community

In an ongoing commitment to improving the neighborhoods surrounding the campus, members of the IU Northwest campus joined Chancellor Bergland on June 5 as they cleaned up areas along 35th Ave. in the city’s 6th district.

The clean up was part of the “Positively Gary” Cleanup and Beautification Initiative, which has been targeting a different district each week since May 22.

Many members of the administrative offices, as well as student services and physical plant, spent the morning pulling weeds, collecting trash, raking leaves and planting flowers. They were joined by members of Ivy Tech and several Weed and Seed committee members.

The clean up coincided with that day’s press conference where the Weed and Seed program received the first installment of a $1.2 million grant aimed at improving the Glen Park area.

L to R: Kathryn Lantz and Anna Rominger collect debris along sidewalks as part of the effort to make the area more beautiful for residents and those who come through the neighborhoods. They joined the Chancellor and others in the early morning effort.

Please pay attention to the dates, as they provide little slack!
Beta Gamma Sigma inducts 16 of “The Best in Business” during spring ceremony

Only the best business students in the world, and the professionals who earned the distinction of “The Best in Business” during their academic careers, can claim membership in Beta Gamma Sigma. This year’s Beta Gamma Sigma inductees from Indiana University Northwest were inducted during a ceremony May 8 at the Innsbrook Country Club in Merrillville.

While nearly 300,000 students receive bachelors or master's degrees in business each year, only about 20,000 are inducted into lifetime membership in Beta Gamma Sigma. Students ranking in the top 7 percent of the junior class, top 10 percent of the senior class, and top 20 percent of Master's programs at schools accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) are eligible for this invitation. In addition to the 15 students who have earned invitations to membership in 2006, Dr. Subir Bandyopadhyay, professor of marketing, was named the Faculty inductee, and Dr. Clarence W. Boone, Sr., Trustee of Indiana University, was honored as the Indiana University Northwest Chapter Honoree and keynote speaker at the induction ceremony.

With the expansion of accreditation by AACSB International, membership is no longer limited to those who have studied in the U.S. or Canada. These outstanding Indiana University Northwest students are now eligible for the highest recognition a business student anywhere in the world can receive in an undergraduate or master's program at a school accredited by AACSB International.

Beta Gamma Sigma was founded as a national organization on February 19, 1913. The first national honor society in business was a merger of three separate societies established to honor academic achievement in business at the University of Wisconsin, University of Illinois and the University of California.

With chapters in the United States, Canada, Hong Kong and the United Kingdom, Beta Gamma Sigma today is truly an international society that remains dedicated to recognizing the most outstanding students of business and management. The Society serves business schools accredited by AACSB International in the 21st century knowing that its membership of more than 500,000 comprises the brightest and best of the world's business leaders.

Congratulations to this year's inductees:

**Juniors**
- Donna Marie Lukasik, Lowell
- Janel L. Polster, Highland
- Shannan Leigh Sharp, Valparaiso
- Riste Vojdanoski, Crown Point

**Seniors**
- Benjamin Anthony Blair, Highland
- Michael Guritz, Crown Point
- Rachel Elizabeth Holland, Hobart
- Prakash Patel, Munster
- Michell Salazar, Hammond
- Shammy S. Schmidt, Portage
- Timothy Paul Zulich, Valparaiso

**Masters**
- Ernest Leicht III, Hobart
- Sally Ann Leicht, Hobart
- Quanica A. McClendon, Merrillville
- Tami Pae, Highland

Bert Scott, interim dean of the School of Business and Economics, gives opening remarks during the induction ceremony held May 8 at the Innsbrook Country Club.

Clarence Boone, Sr., Indiana University Trustee and honorary inductee, is congratulated by Bert Scott.

The 2006 IU Northwest Beta Gamma Sigma inductees represent the top students majoring in business at colleges and universities around the country. Of nearly 300,000 business students country-wide, only approximately 20,000 are invited to join each year. They join more than 520,000 individuals worldwide who have accepted membership into Beta Gamma Sigma Honorary Society.
**Things are coming up ROSES as new program takes root**

By Ken Coopwood, Ph.D.

The IU Northwest division of Student Services Administration has embarked on a revitalized communication process between its units called ROSES! ROSES (Reports on Student Engagement and Services) is a special internal communication tool designed to build division cohesiveness and avenues for collaborative work across units. It is also a “points of pride” venue for expose’s good works within the division, and in collaboration with units throughout the campus. ROSES are distributed bi-monthly to all SAS units, the IU Northwest cabinet and academic deans. The first issue was printed March 1, 2006 and received many compliments for its design, orientation to the division, and practical use as a communications tool. The SAS staff meets between publication times to review recent accomplishments, receive updates for each unit and determine strategies for advancing the division image and service culture for students.

Already the new meeting and ROSES schedules have given spark to collaborative events and promotional activities within SAS units. Multicultural Affairs and Student Support Services recently co-sponsored an off-campus event that served more than 50 IU Northwest and community students. Occupational Development has collaborated with Multicultural Affairs, SPEA, Admissions and others to launch a Youth Summit, while the Child Care Center has announced the achievement of its accreditation and open-house celebration. There will soon be new leadership in a revitalized student government and 21st Century Scholars is off and running since its open-house in April with two significant orientation events held on campus.

Because better communication is a priority for SAS, we are now poised to eliminate duplication of scarce resources, enhance program content, and design and strengthen institutional core values of being student-centered with diversity as a critical component of academic excellence. Look for more from the division of SAS as ideas and innovations in student programming come to the table via bi-monthly meetings and distribution of ROSES!

**Send us your best diversity quote!**

The Office of Diversity and Equity is now accepting one original or two borrowed quotations for display on beautifully decorated placards at the start of the Fall 2006 semester.

The collection of placards are deemed “Diversity Landmarks” for their conspicuous placement and overt commitment to peace, collaborative, and harmonious coexistence on campus and throughout the seven counties served by IU Northwest. Landmarks will be planted along sidewalks and near buildings at/soon after the beginning of every semester to remind us of the unique purpose and vision for our institution and everyday lives. Fall 2006 landmarks will be planted during the week of August 28. **Deadline for quotation submission is July 10, 2006.**

A sample submission might look like this:  
"From many cultures come one movement.”  
Anonymous (Submitted by Joe Johnson, Physical Plant)

All IU Northwest constituents are encouraged to submit an original quotation that depicts diversity as a critical part of academic excellence. Original quotes will be collected and judged by a selection committee. The winning quote will be framed, mounted and beautifully displayed. Submit your original quotes to: Jennifer Potter, Office of Diversity & Equity, Marram Hall 118 or by email (preferred) at jerpotte@iun.edu

In effort to not duplicate last year’s quotations, a list of quotations submitted last year is available per email request. Please do not duplicate past quotations. Please contact our office at 980-6705 for further information.

Begin YOUR legacy of diversity in writing at IU Northwest!

**Indiana Black Expo**

**July 14-16, 2006**

**Indianapolis**

IU will once again be represented at this year’s Indiana Black Expo.

**IU Day**

**Sunday, July 16**

There will be an IU alumni reception, with Landon Turner as the featured speaker.

IU Northwest scholarship winners will also be recognized during the reception.

For more information, contact the Office of Diversity & Equity at 219-980-6705

**Office of Diversity & Equity offers heritage presentation series**

**July 18, 2006**, Japanese-American Heritage  
**August 9, 2006**, Korean-American Heritage   
**September 21, 2006**, Puerto Rican Heritage  
**October 17, 2006**, Central American Heritage  
**November 15, 2006**, Native American Heritage  
**December 7, 2006**, Jewish-American Heritage

**All presentations will be from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Savannah Center, Room 205/206**

The Diversity Awareness Series is open to the campus. This is an informal learning opportunity and participants are encouraged to bring their lunch and just relax. The first half hour entails a video presentation while the last half hour is dedicated to discussion. Local speakers from each heritage are invited to attend and speak on their personal experiences.

For further information, please contact The Office of Diversity and Equity at 219-980-6705.
Second annual Housing Summit Conference a roaring success!

By Manoj Pardasani, Ph.D.

The Second Annual Northwest Indiana Housing Conference was held on Wednesday, April 27 at the Genesis Convention Center in Gary. The conference is held in the month of April to coincide with the commemoration of the “Fair Housing Month” as proclaimed by the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Authority, a federal agency.

The conference was spearheaded by the Continuum of Care of Northwest Indiana, a coalition of more than 60 governmental and non-governmental agencies committed to improving housing opportunities for residents in this region. A conference steering committee, comprised of nearly 20 members from diverse fields, worked diligently to bring this dream to fruition for a second time. The conference was co-sponsored by Indiana University Northwest’s Division of Social Work, along with a host of other organizations such as Centier Bank, Mercantile Bank, Bank Calumet, National City, Chase, Peoples Bank, Consumer Credit Counseling, Catholic Charities, Brothers Uplifting Brothers, Northwest Indiana Open Housing Center, Great Lakes Capital Fund, Homestead, and the Community Development Corporations (CDCs) of Gary, Hammond and East Chicago.

The second annual conference was attended by more than 600 participants including elected representatives, government officials and staff, for-profit organizations, social service and not-for-profit agencies, federal, state and local agencies and departments, university faculty and students, community coalitions and advocacy groups, realtors, social workers, and, most important of all, consumers living in Northwest Indiana. Approximately 33 workshops and panels were offered that covered a wide array of topics. Some of the diverse issues covered were accessing housing resources, opportunities and supports, consumer protections and rights, predatory lending, community partnerships, innovative programs and models of services, regional housing challenges and barriers, and social services associated with housing programs. The keynote speaker at the conference was Karen Newton, deputy assistant secretary for Operations and Management, U.S. Dept. of HUD, Washington, DC. Other plenary speakers were Sherry Seiwert, executive director of IHICDA and Beverly Watts, executive director of the National Fair Housing Training Academy, Washington, DC. Cal Bellamy, past chairman and president of Calumet Bank received the first “Keeper of the Dream” Award.

Nearly 25 organizations and agencies provided information at their booths and housing-related services to participants. In addition, a Housing Resource Center was established to help consumers and service providers learn more about community initiatives and programs.

The conference was successful in bringing people from varied backgrounds and beliefs together to discuss, enumerate and debate current challenges and barriers and identify potential solutions. Innovative and strategic partnerships that can benefit the region were identified. It was suggested that follow-up institutes be held to continue the dialogue and develop concrete proposals for addressing the housing issues in the region.

The Division of Social Work has a long-standing record of partnering with community organizations to provide capacity-building and technical assistance. Two faculty members (Bob Weiler and myself) have worked closely with the NWI Continuum of Care since its inception. As a result of this close partnership, member agencies have received nearly $7 million in federal and state funds for housing programs. The faculty, along with a few students, worked closely in the planning and implementation of this conference, and is thrilled at the impact it has made in the community. The Division of Social Work is proud to continue our commitment to enhancing the welfare of our community and partnering with community-based social service agencies to promote our mission of social justice and empowerment.

For more information on workshops and presenters, please log on to the Housing Conference website at www.nwihousing-summitconference.org.

IU School of Medicine-Northwest announces new research institute

The IU School of Medicine-Northwest has experienced many exciting success recently with their research, the addition of new faculty and now, the opening of the Northwest Indiana Health Research Institute (NIHRI). The institute will enable scientists to perform basic scientific bench science and will work closely with local physicians, hospitals and patients doing clinical research.

The new institute was unveiled May 15, which coincided with the naming of Dr. Roman Dziarski’s lab in memory of Joseph A. Negri, whose estate, in part, was left to further HIV and AIDS research in northwest Indiana. A portion of the estate was also used to fund new equipment, including a confocal scope, which is the only one of its kind in the region.

“This will enable us to look at cells in an entirely different way that I am sure will lead to new discoveries,” says Dr. Dziarski, to whom oversight for the project has been given. The new institute will enable scientists to perform basic scientific bench science and work closely with local physicians, hospitals and patients doing clinical research.

The Medical/Professional Education Building is the home to the new research institute, as well as Dr. Dziarski’s lab dedicated to Joseph A. Negri.

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**Notes of Distinction**

**Chuck Gallmeier, Ph.D.**, professor and chair of sociology/anthropology, presented a paper titled, “Deaners, Nat-Packers, and Others: The Subculture of Gravers,” at the annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association (NCSA) in Omaha, Nebraska, April 2006. Stephanie Shanks-Meile, Professor of Sociology was a co-author of the paper. Gallmeier was invited to present a paper titled, “The Art of Teaching Introduction to Sociology,” at the same meeting. Gallmeier also organized and presided over two sessions, “Sociology of Work and Occupations,” and “Sociology of Popular Culture,” at the annual meeting of the NCSA.

**Ana Osan, Ph.D.,** associate professor of Spanish, delivered the paper titled, “_Mujer sin Edén_, de Carmen Conde: la Caída desde una perspectiva femenina,” on May 24, 2006, at the Fourth International Congress of the Hispanic Poetry of Europe and the Americas, which took place at the University of British Columbia, in Vancouver, Canada.

**Subir Bandyopadhyay, Ph.D.,** professor of marketing, has been awarded the General Education Course Development grant to develop a new course titled, Marketing and Society. He also made two presentations at the Marketing Science conference in Pittsburgh, June 7-10, 2006. The first paper (co-authored with Subir Chakrabarti) is titled “Profit Impacts of Optimal Retail Pricing and Merchandising Decisions”. The second paper titled “A Critical Review of Online Affiliate Models” is co-authored with **Ranjan Kini, Ph.D.,** professor of management, and **Julie Wolfe**, graduate intern in the School of Business and Economics. Dr. Bandyopadhyay has also been invited by the Idea Group Publishing to edit a book, *Contemporary Research in eMarketing*. The book is expected to be published in 2007.

**Dorothy Ige, Ph.D.,** dean of arts and sciences, participated in Junior Achievement on April 27, 2006 at Banneker Elementary School in Gary, Indiana. She taught a fourth grade class on “Communicating in an Economic Environment.” Ige joined IVCAA Rominger and Kenneth Coopwood to speak during Orientation/Open House. The topic was “Success in College.”

**Carrie Cate-Clements, Ed.D., and Karen Venditti, Ph.D.,** had their article “The Role of Education in the Reproduction of Society” published in the April 2006 *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*.

Five Twenty-First Century County Parent Leaders and Regional Parent Coordinators, including **Sandra Smith**, recently graduated from Indiana Academy for Parent Leadership (IAPL). IAPL is a leadership series that provides parents, guardians, concerned community members and school staff with the skills necessary to increase parent leadership and involvement in the school/district. IAPL is facilitated by the Indiana Partnership Center, a Parent information & Resource Center funded primarily by the U. S. Department of Education. More information on this leadership program can be obtained by visiting www.fscp.org.

**Gianluca DiMuzio, Ph.D.,** assistant professor of philosophy, had his paper “The Immorality of Horror Films” accepted for publication in the fall issue of the *International Journal of Applied Philosophy*.

**Psi Chi celebrates induction of newest members**

The IU Northwest Chapter of Psi Chi inducted its newest members this spring during a ceremony at the Library Conference Center. Psi Chi is the national honor society for psychology students. These students proved to be excellent leaders in their classes and maintained a high academic standard with a B average in all psychology courses and total GPA, as well as ranking in the top 1/3 of their class. We congratulate these new members on a job well done!

2006 **Psi Chi Inductees**

**Dominic Albano,** Crown Point
**Kimberly Alonzo,** Valparaiso
**Kristina Childress,** Chesterton
**Erika Jones,** Crown Point
**Kate Kessel,** Hobart
**Noe Lopez,** East Chicago

**Jennifer McCollum,** Hobart
**Noreen Mohit,** Schererville
**Stephanie Murphy,** Portage
**Theresa Petruska,** Gary
**Michelle Prewitt,** Griffith
**Tracy Traut,** Valparaiso
**Alexander Vasileski,** Merrillville

Psi Chi inductees from L to R: Dominic Albano, Kimberly Alonzo, Kristina Childress, Erika Jones, Kate Kessel, Noe Lopez, Noreen Mohit, Theresa Petruska and Alexander Vasileski. Not pictured: Jennifer McCollum, Michelle Prewitt and Tracy Traut.
The Strategic Planning Team (SPT) held their spring retreat in South Bend, May 30 through June 1, 2006. The following is a summary, in part, of issues addressed during the retreat, as reported by Kathryn Lantz:

2006 Outcomes

On the first day of the retreat the 2006 Outcomes were reviewed. All outcome chairs reported that work was progressing on schedule. The SPT urges all faculty, staff and administration members to review these reports. The team would also like to point out the following additions and changes to the outcomes.

Outcome #5: has been revised slightly, with the word individual being added, so that it reads: “Relevant staff, faculty and administrators have aligned current standards for individual recognition, reward and evaluation with the Academic Excellence Standards adopted by the campus in 2005 and have revised recognition, reward and evaluation documents to reflect that alignment.

Outcome #4: has been revised to read as follows: “IU Northwest has increased its efforts to recruit, hire, and retain a more ethnically and racially diverse faculty, staff, and administrative workforce; in order to be more reflective of our campus community, the primary focus for these recruitment, hiring, and retention efforts in 2006 will be African American and Hispanic/Latinos.”

Outcome #5: which initially had no deliverable in 2006, now has the following deliverable: “IU Northwest demonstrates fiscal responsibility and flexibility to sustain excellence in its programs and services, and to respond to new opportunities for funding of programs that support the Vision, by reviewing its organizational structure and proposing a plan for revision of that structure.”

This outcome was added as a result of President Herbert’s directive to the campus to “operationalize a strong health and human services initiative” and “to work toward a comprehensive reorganization”. See the campus email on the Reorganization Retreat dated May 22, 2006. That reorganization group is planning five meetings between now and early August.

Facilities Planning Report

Vice Chancellor Marilyn Vasquez distributed the Facilities Planning Report to the team and summarized the new process. Marilyn explained that the Facilities Planning Team finished their first year using the new process to evaluate requests for facilities. She said that the process is significantly different than it once was. Facilities requests will be collected and reviewed yearly, rather than one by one as they come to the committee. This allows the committee to evaluate all requests together and ensures that decisions are made in a more strategic manner.

Draft IT Strategic Plan

Vice Chancellor Marilyn Vasquez reviewed the new Draft IT Strategic Plan. It is based on the Principles and Guidelines formulated by the Strategic Planning team last year as well as the High Priority Action Items identified by the SPT. The IT Strategic Plan is very aggressive and all are encouraged to browse through it.

AQIP and Our Campus Accreditation

As most of you are aware the campus has elected to move to AQIP (Academic Quality Improvement Program), a new accreditation process used to maintain accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission of NCA. Interim Associate Vice Chancellor Robin Hass Birky and Professor Linda Delunas gave us a detailed summary of the AQIP Systems Appraisal Feedback Report which we received from the Higher Learning Commission of NCA. This is the report the campus received in response to the Systems Portfolio report which was submitted in the fall.

The report highlighted our areas of “opportunities” and “outstanding opportunities” or, the areas that need some improvement. There is much work that needs to be done prior to our onsite Quality Check Up that will occur in the spring semester of 2007. The Quality Check Up is a visit by a team from the Higher Learning Commission of NCA. The team will come to campus to verify what is in our Systems Portfolio and to review our progress. Using language that most are familiar with, this Quality Check Up is our very critical accreditation site visit.

To get an update on the details of AQIP please visit the AQIP website and read the Summary of the AQIP response to our Systems Portfolio.

Human Capital Plan

Mary Ellen McCann, a University Consultant from IU Human Resource Services, introduced us to the concept of a Human Capital Plan. Human Capital refers to our employees and their skills, talent, and knowledge. Mary Ellen explained the purpose of a Human Capital Plan is to provide “a proactive and purposeful approach to addressing the strategic management of an organization’s human capital over the next five to ten years.”

The SPT tackled the assignment of creating a Preamble and a set of Principles that will be used to guide the process of creating a campus Human Capital Plan. Chancellor Bergland and Vice Chancellor Vasquez reported that the Chancellor’s Cabinet will hold further discussions to determine who will create the Human Capital Plan.

Undergraduate Admission Policy

Interim Vice Chancellor Anna Rominger gave an update on the status of our campus undergraduate admissions policies. The new policies were passed by the IU Northwest Faculty Organization this past spring and were approved by the IU Trustees on June 8, 2006. These policies will go into effect for applicants admitted for the fall of 2007 with noted increased academic requirements to be implemented for high school students graduating in 2011. These increased academic preparation requirements correspond to the changes being made to the state high school graduation and CORE 40 requirements.

Campus Reorganization

The group dealing with the academic structure of IU Northwest created two task forces, each dealing with a separate issue.

Task Force 1 will address how to create a School of Health and Human Services (SHHS).

Task Force 2 will address two issues. The first is whether the creation of a SHHS would lead to reconsidering the organization of any other academic units. To this end the Task Force will consult with faculty and academic administrators across the campus, both to solicit opinions about whether any additional reorganization would be beneficial, and to solicit suggestions for such a reorganization.

The second issue is to facilitate a response of the work of Task Force 1 on the structure of a School of Health and Human Services. The structure of the proposed SHHS has yet to be determined, and as options for that structure are developed, Task Force 2 will consider what implications such proposals might have for the structure or organization of other academic units.
July Calendar

Summer II session begins
July 3

4th of July Holiday
Campus Closed

Skill Building Workshop: Embracing Change
July 13, 12:30- 5:00pm
Library Conference Center, rm. 110
An installment of the summer skill building workshops presented by the Institute for Innovative Leadership. Pre-registration is required. $50 fee for community and non-members. Contact Regina Demeter at jzorn@iun.edu or call the institute at 219-981-5631.

Thrill of the Grill
July 13, 11:00am- 2:00pm
Come have lunch with us in the Quadrangle! Contact Tameka Edwards at 981-4275 to get your ticket for good food!

ODE Diversity Awareness Series Presentation
July 18, 11:30am- 12:30pm
Savannah Center, rm. 205/206
This month’s presentation will highlight Japanese-American heritage. This is an informal learning opportunity. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch and enjoy the program. The series is open to everyone. For more information contact Jennifer Potter at 219-980-6705 or email jerpotte@iun.edu.

Porter County Fair
July 19-29
IU Northwest will again be present to distribute materials, answer questions and meet the public to increase awareness of our programs and all we have to offer at IU Northwest. Volunteers will be needed. For more information, contact Alisha Throckmartin at 219-981-4242.

New Student Orientation
August 3 & 7 12:30pm
New enrollees have the opportunity to tour the campus, check out student activities and organizations, get picture ID’s, learn about IT services, help with financial aid questions and learn important information to help make their new college experience as stress-free as possible. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at 219-980-6823.

Comings & Goings
The IU Northwest family said goodbye to several faculty and staff members who retired or took new positions elsewhere. We wish them the best in their new ventures:

Carmen Kent Bruner, Advancement
Felicia Barrett, Library
Roberta Wollons, History

We also want to welcome the newest additions to our campus:

Kwesi Aggrey, Academic Affairs
Cynthia M. Sabo, Financial Aid & Scholarships
Samuel Ingram, IT
Chris Sheid, Marketing and Communications
Deepali Deka, Medical Ed.
Jean Marie Szostek, Education

Congratuations!
Shareese Dudley has been named the new Director of the Office of Career Services.
Paulette Lafata-Johnson has been named the new Director of Alumni Relations.
Linda Sharma has been named the new Donor & Alumni Relations Event Coordinator.

Coming in the August NW NEWS

New Medical/Professional Building Dedication
Sculpture Garden Unveiling
Meet Dr. Kwesi Aggrey
IU Northwest named South Shore Arts Patron of the Year