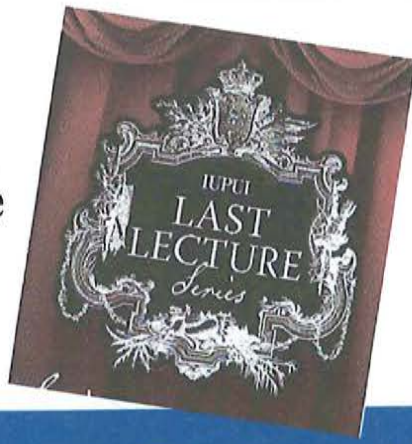


Send Your Nomination
for 2010's Last Lecture



The Last Lecture offers the university community the opportunity to hear reflections on life's lessons and meaning from a retired or current IUPUI colleague of exceptional merit.

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Changes are Coming:



Scholarship Funds Nearing Goals

In this giving season, remember that we are close to the minimum goal to endow the three scholarship funds that have helped more than a dozen students gain an IUPUI education.

President Harriet Wilkins and Art Mirsky, chair of the scholarship committee, sent a letter to all Academy members to remind them that year-end charitable giving and a tax deduction for 2009 should include a generous

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A NEW IUPUI ENVISIONED

IUPUI, already not the same place many of us knew at retirement, will get less recognizable as it prepares for 35,000 students in the next few years. There will be new buildings and new programs most of us could not fathom. There is no timetable, nor dollar cost, but the need is urgent.

In a kick-off presentation for the Senior Academy's new year in September, Roger Schmenner, Chancellor Bantz' chief of staff, told about 50 inquisitive mostly grayhaired seniors that "we've got plenty of land, we have to use it better."

That will mean the end of old landmarks: Union Building, LaRue Carter Hospital, and the Board of Health Building. These are a result of Wishard Hospital's referendum to build a new Wishard on the west end of the campus. Also to go are Cavanaugh Hall, Taylor Hall, the Lecture Hall, the Tennis Center and a replacement for the Dental School Building.

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How Will Debate on Health Reform End?

Perhaps the rancorous quandary in Congress over health reform should have been a debate over insurance reform.

That was the opinion of **David Orientlicher**, medical doctor, lawyer and state legislator, to about 30 Academy members in September.

He supposed that there will be a bill by the end of the year but it would cover only about half of the uninsured, which some accounts number about 46 million.

The far-reaching proposals would affect not only the federal budget, taxes, employers, medical professionals, and insurance companies but also the public, from the uninsured to those already satisfied with their options.

In his estimation, Orientlicher, who is on the faculty of both the medical and law schools at IUPUI, there are three models that could emerge. The VA system, which he called very good; the Medicare system which reaches those over age 65; and a voucher system. They are not part of the reform proposals, he said, but hinge on politics and the dilemma on how to equalize a system for everyone.

He traced the overtures that have been made for health reform, beginning in 1912 with Pres. Teddy Roosevelt. Other notable stabs at it have been made by FDR, Truman, and finally in the Johnson administration when Medicare and Medicaid were created in 1965. A further attempt at universal health care was not successful in the Clinton administration.

A question about whether health care could be rationed may depend on the number of doctors and other health professionals and policies on who can administer specific procedures.

Give Now to Scholarships

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contribution to the scholarship funds.

The Wilkins/Mirsky letter reminded us that "your support for education, [is] the number one priority in societal affairs after obtaining food and water".

Checks should be made to the IU Foundation and be sure to designate the scholarship fund that you wish to support: Freshman (IPS) Fund, Returning Student Fund, or the Academic (Senior) Fund.

At the end of October, the funds stood as follows: IPS Student Fund, \$34,918.69; Senior Academic Fund, \$37,175.99; and Returning Student Fund, \$39,626.27

The minimum goal is to have \$40,000 in each fund so that each can be self supporting and regular Academy funds do not have to be used to support the scholarships. Each provides \$2,000 to qualified students.

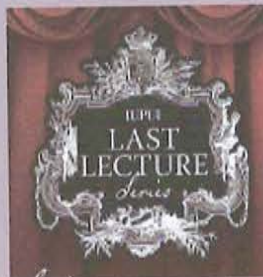
The program was part of the Academy Program Committee's plans, headed by **Carlyn Johnson**, to present topical issues by experts throughout the year.

Help Find Our Next Last Lecturer

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The lecturer will be asked to share with students, staff, faculty and the general public the wisdom she or he gained through academic pursuits and life experiences and to distill a life of inquiry, reflection and service into guidelines for successive generations.

Nominations: All IUPUI faculty, retired faculty, staff and students are invited to submit nominations for the Last Lecture speaker. Nominators should submit a brief



(paragraph or two) justification why his/her nominee deserves the consideration.

Eligibility: All current and retired IUPUI-based faculty and staff who attained a status representing the pinnacle of their careers are eligible.

Speech Guidelines: 30-40 minute speech on the general subject of the speaker's accumulated wisdom of a lifetime.

Date and Place: April 16, 2010 preceding the Chancellor's Honors Convocation

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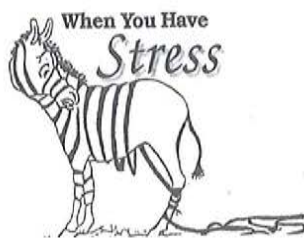
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Holiday Stress Relief



Do You Think Its Serious?

During the holidays, some may feel guilt and anxiety over a variety of things – gift giving, planning and preparation of holiday meals, interactions with relatives, shopping, etc. One way to handle some of these anxiety-causing things is to relax our expectations. Each item at those holiday meals doesn't have to be homemade,

Senior Academy Activities

Board

Spring semester programs for the Academy are now being formed. According to **Carlyn Johnson**, of the program committee, they tentatively include a January meeting titled "The Millenials are Coming," by Tom DeCoster of SPEA, and a March meeting on local government by Marilyn Schulz.

The social committee has scheduled a February luncheon marking the 15th anniversary of the Senior Academy. On March 17, the Academy will attend the Ensemble Music Society International Chamber Concert, featuring Sergio and Adair Assad, famed artists from Brazil. It will be at the Indiana History Center. There is a charge of \$25. In April or May, a tentative overnight is being planned at a state park

Details are sent to all members in a monthly mailing from the Academy office.

The Academy Board meets regularly on the second Thursday of each month at 10:15 am in the Glendale Library auditorium. Members are invited to all meetings.

so buy an item or two instead of making it yourself, cut back on the number of dishes at the meal or ask others to bring the side dishes to make it easier on yourself. In regard to gifts, just do your best and don't worry about whether you gave the absolute best item. Shop at off hours when crowds are smaller to reduce stress and take a list so you can use your time well. It's YOUR holiday, too; give yourself a break and ignore those who ignore your good efforts

The Groves at Work in Exotic Places

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IUPUI Senior Academy Newsletter

By Mary and Mark Grove

Since our retirement from IUPUI in 2004, we've had opportunities to work in countries we may otherwise never have visited. Our assignments were at universities in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Kosovo, Liberia, and Macedonia.

Our most in-depth experience was in Macedonia, where we spent three months over four visits, working at a new university created to provide multi-lingual and multi-ethnic instruction in South East Europe.

Our work was performed under the auspices of IU's Center for International Education and Development Assistance and funded by the U. S.

Agency for International Development (USAID), World Learning, and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

IU receives institution-building grants to help new universities and those rebuilding after civil war or other dramatic shifts, such as the dissolution of the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia. IU provides instructional, technical, and administrative consulting, sending faculty and staff to work with their counterparts on the latest methods of teaching, computer support, and organizational management.

See the full account of the Grove's work on the Academy webpage

THE **NEW** IUPUI IN PLANNERS' HEADS *(From Page 1)*

That also will mean new traffic patterns, new street boulevards, and "lots more trees." Schemmner said Michigan and New York Streets need to be two-way, and north-south Blackford and Union Drive need to be expanded as major north-south arteries. The campus will "look like an urban campus" when compared with a host of other central city urban universities such as in Denver, Chicago, Detroit, and Cleveland.

The central blocks between Michigan and New York will be devoted to an expanded academic core with housing, parking garages and even retail. A new Dental School building will go on the present Dental School parking lot. *See the full account of the proposed plan on the Academy webpage*

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