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Connections

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A word from Chancellor Ruth J. Person

Welcome to the first edition of our new publication, *Connections*. This newsletter will be mailed six times a year to all of our campus friends and supporters who previously received *Bridges*. Through *Connections* and the campus Web site (www.iuk.edu), we hope you will be fully informed about what is happening at IU Kokomo.



Photo by Heather Hill

Chancellor Ruth J. Person

The beginning of our academic year in August is traditionally a busy time for us, and this year is no exception. It's always great to welcome new students, faculty, and staff, as well as those who are returning. This year, for the first time ever, we will be welcoming our new freshmen with a special ceremony before classes begin. New Student Convocation will emphasize the importance of college graduation and will help our new students become a part of the IU family. We're hoping to create a brand-new IU Kokomo tradition with this event.

Also in the next few weeks, we'll all be going to the Indiana State Fair for IU Day (August 10) and the IU Boulevard (August 9-20), Senator Evan Bayh will host a job fair on campus, and President Herbert will make a campus visit. Those activities, coupled with all of the back-to-school events we always host will make August a busy, busy month.

Please join me in celebrating yet another great "kick-off" for the '06-'07 academic year.

Ruth J. Person

Herbert's message to IBE: Education creates opportunity

IU Kokomo and the Kokomo Chapter of Indiana Black Expo (IBE) have partnered to bring Indiana University President Adam Herbert, Ph.D., to speak with community leaders at IBE's annual corporate luncheon on August 31 at 11:30 a.m. in the Continental Ballroom, 920 Millbrook Lane.

President Herbert will talk about education as the key to opportunity for all races, but particularly for African Americans.

"Dr. Herbert has tackled some of the most serious problems facing education in the United States," said IBE chapter president and IU Kokomo alumnus Robert Hayes said. "It is our hope that he can share some insight on how to make our community and families better." For tickets, contact Hayes at (765) 457-1790.

Director of Campus Climate Catherine Barnes will bring several students to the luncheon. "What a great opportunity for these young people to see examples of successful minority business and civic leaders, and an outstanding African American educator such as Dr. Herbert," she said.



Courtesy of Indiana University

President Adam Herbert

Senator Bayh's Job Fair comes to campus

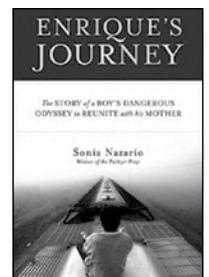
Regional businesses will be looking for potential employees in IU Kokomo's Alumni Hall, Friday, August 11, when U.S. Senator Evan Bayh brings his North Central Indiana Job Fair and Small Business Summit to campus. The free fair is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Senator Bayh will be present at 9:30 a.m. to honor Kokomo-based company Frontline Logic as a local small business success story.

In 2005, Senator Bayh's six job fairs brought together 300 companies seeking to fill more than 6,500 jobs statewide. "We look for employers who pay decent wages and who offer the people they hire a place to grow in job responsibility and status," said Hodge Patel, Senator Bayh's regional director.

A member of the U.S. Senate Small Business Committee, Senator Bayh has sponsored job fairs at numerous Hoosier sites since 2002. This marks the first job fair set in Kokomo.

Campus reads *Enrique's Journey*

Enrique's Journey, the non-fiction work chosen for a common reading program this fall at IU Kokomo, looks at issues of illegal immigration, family relationships, and hard choices driven by economic need. Author Sonia Nazario's campus visit November 13 and 14 will include a public lecture. Read more in the Fall/Winter 2006 issue of IU Kokomo's alumni magazine, *Messenger*.



Visit www.iuk.edu for more information on Indiana University Kokomo.



- The Phoenix sculpture in front of the Main Building is made of stainless steel, an alloy invented in Kokomo.
- IU Kokomo awards students more than \$5.7 million annually in scholarships, grants, and loans.



IU at the State Fair August 9–20

Come enjoy a parade, pep rally, kid’s games, and 65 booths marking Thursday, August 10, as Indiana University Day at the Indiana State Fair. And, the fair will continue to celebrate IU campuses and programs throughout its 12-day run in Indianapolis.

IU Kokomo shares the spotlight on the first full day of the fair, Wednesday, August 9, along with the university’s four other regional campuses. August 14 and 16 are devoted to IUPUI. Other days August 11–20 will highlight IU’s programs in business, public and environmental affairs, medicine, education, science, informatics, the arts, and near eastern languages,

Open August 9 and 10, IU Kokomo’s state fair booth will feature research on drinking water quality conducted by Associate Professor of Biology Christian Chauret, Ph.D. IU Kokomo students will present Tom Stoppard’s *The 15-Minute Hamlet* August 10 at 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. on the Expo Street Minstrel Stage and madrigal singing August 19 at 2 and 3 p.m. along IU Boulevard.



Saddle up for good eats

Ride ‘em, cowpokes! Will you be the top bull rider—mechanical bull, that is—at this year’s all campus barbeque on Thursday, August 24? The Student Union Board (SUB) will sponsor free rides from 2–6 p.m. in the IU Kokomo Quad. Some buckaroos at the 2005



barbeque stuck in the saddle close to 30 seconds, according to SUB “wrangler” Kyle Etherington. “Many people, myself included, thought that all you had to do was hang on, and the bull could

be defeated. It wasn’t that easy. You have to be ready for sudden movements and to be able to shift your weight very quickly.” Cushy padding is provided for abrupt landings.

The outdoor buffet line is open from 5–7 p.m., also in the Quad, with picnic seating. All campus students, alumni, staff, and faculty, along with their family members, are welcome.

Calendar of Events Visit www.iuk.edu/events for details.

August 4

New Economy Seminar
8:30–9:30 a.m. Main Building,
Room 111.

August 8 & 10

New Student Orientation
8:30 a.m.–1 p.m. Kelley Student
Center.

August 9–20

Indiana University Boulevard at the
Indiana State Fair
Sun.–Thur. 10 a.m.–10 p.m.,
Fri. and Sat. to 11 p.m.
Indianapolis.
(August 10 is IU Day at the fair.)

August 11

Senator Bayh’s North Central
Indiana Job Fair and Small Business
Summit
9 a.m.–1 p.m. Alumni Hall.

August 19

New Student Convocation
4 p.m. Havens Auditorium.

August 20–September 17

Comic Book Art/Cartoon
Cel Exhibition

Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.;
Wednesdays, until 8 p.m.;
Saturdays and Sundays, noon–
4 p.m. IU Kokomo Art Gallery.

August 21

Fall Semester Classes Begin

August 24

Campus Barbeque
5–7 p.m. Campus Quad.

August 31

Adam Herbert Campus and
Community Visit
See story on reverse.

September 1

New Economy Seminar
8:30–9:30 a.m. Main Building,
Room 111.

September 4

Labor Day, Campus Closed

September 6

Great College Drive-In Movie
8 p.m. Earth Stage. Film to be
announced.

September 11

Remembering September 11
Ceremony

11 a.m. Front entrance of Main
Building

Tunes@Noon

Noon. Kelley Student Center
Commons.

September 24–October 29

Body In Question Art Exhibition
Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.;
Wednesdays, until 8 p.m.;
Saturdays and Sundays, noon–
4 p.m. IU Kokomo Art Gallery.

September 27

Comedian Owen Smith
11:30 a.m. Kelley Student Center
Commons.

October 3 & 4

Digital Caricature Artist
10 a.m.–2 p.m. Kelley Student
Center Commons.

October 6

New Economy Seminar
8:30–9:30 a.m. Main Building,
Room 111.
Recycled Percussion Concert
8 p.m. Havens Auditorium.



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