



LEGACY

A MAGAZINE FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY KOKOMO



BUILDING
AN IU KOKOMO LEGACY

CELEBRATING
75 YEARS

LOOKING FORWARD
WHAT'S IN STORE

SUMMER 2019



**INDIANA UNIVERSITY
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HONORING THE IU BICENTENNIAL



You have played a role and made an
IMPORTANT
MARK
in the success of IU Kokomo.”

The start of IU Kokomo’s 75th Anniversary celebration is just around the corner, this fall to be exact, and I’m excited as I look at all that we have accomplished as well as where our campus is headed in the future.

You have played a role and made an important mark on the success of IU Kokomo. Thank you for choosing us as the place where you would learn, grow, and earn your IU degree. During my travel around the region, I have met so many alumni in our hospitals, banks, schools, and the list goes on. The accomplishments of our alumni are impressive and speak to the quality of our degree programs. In this issue you will meet some of our legacy alumni, families that have earned their degrees together.

I invite you to join in this year-long celebration, as we host a variety of activities that I hope will inspire you to engage with the campus, and reconnect with old friends. You’ll find in this issue a list of events happening during the fall semester. More information will be coming for spring semester, so be sure to stay up to date by visiting 75years.iuk.edu.

This is a wonderful time to be involved with IU Kokomo as we grow with the needs of our students in mind. Construction is underway for the new Student Activities and Events Center, our first building in 20 years; a coffee house will open in the Kelley Student Center this fall; and a state-of-the-art simulation lab is being built for our popular nurse practitioner program.

Please check the list of upcoming events and mark your calendars! It would be great to have you back on campus. I hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Susan Sciame-Giesecke
Susan Sciame-Giesecke, Ph.D.
Chancellor
Indiana University Kokomo



What's in a name?

At Indiana University Kokomo, we're all about leaving a lasting mark. On our students, on our alumni, on our community. And on our campus, it's a valiant joint effort.

Our Alumni Magazine is a small representation of what binds us all together: students, alumni, donors, and friends of our beloved alma mater. But, as we near our 75th anniversary, we felt the need for a stronger tie, a name that represents who we are and what we do.

This magazine is a small sampling of the big work we're doing to leave a lasting impact.

As such, welcome to the first issue of :

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connecting the past TO OUR FUTURE

As IU Kokomo prepares to celebrate it's 75th anniversary and IU's Bicentennial, we invite you to join us in commemorating the past, connecting with the present, and dreaming of the future.

Taking pride in our alma mater is something we all can get behind and support together, as one IU. Our beloved alma mater has touched thousands of lives. I do hope you will join us on campus and at upcoming events and help us celebrate 75 transformative years.

Benjamin A. Liechty, B.A. '06
Director of Alumni Relations & Campus Ceremonies

**NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME
TO JOIN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.**
alumni.iu.edu/join



Attend an event

Enjoy the music of the Rolling Stones at Symphony on the Prairie at Conner Prairie in Noblesville.

June 28th

Celebrate 75 years

IU Kokomo is celebrating it's 75th Anniversary and we can't do it without you! Attend any one of our events and connect with alumni and students .

Celebrations kick off September 16th

Recognize achievements

We love recognizing the accomplishments of our esteemed alumni! Nominations will open soon for our Nurses of Distinction event.

March 2020

For more information on these events and how you can engage with other alumni in our region, contact Benjamin Liechty at alumni@iuk.edu.



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Update your information at alumni@iuk.edu

The IU Alumni Association Kokomo Region serves ALL IU Kokomo alumni worldwide, and ALL IU alumni residing in Howard and Tipton counties.

A CELEBRATION

75 years in the making

We're commemorating our campus' 75th anniversary in a big way!
Join us as we celebrate you and the legacy of our wonderful campus.



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SEPT
6

First Friday Downtown Kokomo

We're joining in the First Friday fun with a celebration you'll love!
5:30 P.M. to 9 P.M.

SEPT
11

Annual Golf Outing at Wildcat Creek Golf Course

Enjoy an afternoon on beautiful Wildcat Creek Golf Course in support of IU Kokomo students and campus. Contact Cathy Clearwaters for more information at cclearwa@iuk.edu.
11:30 A.M.

SEPT
16

75 Years in Pictures at IU Kokomo Art Gallery

Enjoy a journey through IU Kokomo history.
4 P.M. to 7 P.M. OPENING RECEPTION

Student Celebration on the Quad

Our student leaders are putting together a very special event that you won't want to miss!
11:30 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Bicentennial Historical Marker Ceremony

Join us as we commemorate the Seiberling Mansion for its importance in the history of IU Kokomo at the Seiberling.
1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

SEPT
17

Community Walk and Picnic

Join IU Kokomo students and community members for a walk to Foster Park and picnic.
11 A.M. to 1 P.M.

SEPT
18

Culture Fest at IU Kokomo

Take a virtual trip around the world through food, music, and dance, all while honoring the rich cultural, ethnic, and geographic diversity on our campus.
4 P.M. to 7 P.M.

SEPT
19

Faculty and Staff Scholarship Reception at IU Kokomo Art Gallery

Join us in celebrating the accomplishments of our faculty and staff.
4 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

SEPT
20

Tailgate and Women's Volleyball vs. St. Xavier

Cheer on our Volleyball team and spend some time with friends old and new!
6 P.M. *tailgate* 7 P.M. *game start*

We've got more celebrations to come throughout the year!
Visit us at 75years.iuk.edu for all the latest info.







Indiana University Kokomo celebrated the achievements of the Class of 2019 at its 50th Commencement on Tuesday, May 7, 2019.

A record-breaking

686

degrees conferred

Chancellor Susan Sciame-Giesecke congratulated the graduating class, noting that IU Kokomo has been the main source for higher education in north central Indiana for nearly 75 years.

“In that time, we have conferred the degrees of 14,000 graduates who have gone out into our region, state, and world, to make a difference,” she said.

50th

COMMENCEMENT

Indiana University Kokomo

Deserving of HONOR

CHANCELLOR EMERITA EMITA HILL RECEIVES HONORARY DEGREE

Indiana University Kokomo's first female chancellor

received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from IU during Commencement.

Chancellor Emerita Emita Hill, received the degree from President Michael A. McRobbie, in recognition of her accomplishments supporting higher education, and making it accessible to everyone, and for her trailblazing effort for women in leadership positions.

"IU Kokomo was such an important part of my life," Hill said. "I'm already so grateful to IU, and for the university to grant this honor is extraordinary. It is like coming home."

Chancellor Susan Sciame-Giesecke said she personally benefitted from her encouragement, as a faculty member while Hill was chancellor, from April 1991 to August 1999.

"While at IU Kokomo, she not only supported women to develop their leadership skills, she was an advisor to many, including myself,"

Sciame-Giesecke said. "I, along with other female faculty and staff, had the benefit of her mentorship and her willingness to support our aspirations for growth in our careers."

Hill, who lives in New Rochelle, New York, led

a period of significant growth at IU Kokomo. She led the fund-raising effort to build the Library Building, and also championed the building of Virgil and Elizabeth Hunt Hall, the campus science building, which was constructed after her departure. She also established partnerships with several international universities, including Jesus University in South Korea, which continues today.

chair of the Education Awards Committee for the New York Women's Forum since 2010.

Hill describes herself as an author, grandmother, ballroom dancer, pianist, and scuba diver. She's proud of the accomplishments of her three children. Julie is a nurse practitioner in oncology; Christopher is a professor of biology at Coastal Carolina University; and Madeleine is a linguist, writer, chef, and entrepreneur.



Hill is the youngest of five sisters, all of whom earned graduate degrees. She grew up in Baltimore, Maryland, and earned a Bachelor of Arts from Cornell University, a Master of Arts from Middlebury College, and a Ph.D. from Harvard University, in romance languages and literatures.



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Since leaving IU Kokomo, she has worked in international university development, including serving as executive director and was a board member of the American University Central Asia Foundation, and has served as





L-R: Dean Alan Krabbenhoft, Robert E. Knowing Jr., Annette Russell, Scott Voorhis, Nathan Kring, and Chancellor Susan Sciame-Gieseke

INDIANA UNIVERSITY KOKOMO'S SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
RECENTLY HONORED THREE OF ITS ALUMNI AT ITS INAUGURAL

Business Persons of DISTINCTION

Nathan Kring, M.B.A. '16; **Annette Russell**, B.S. '14, and **Scott Voorhis**, B.S. '05, M.B.A. '07, earned the recognition for their professional achievements and community service.

Dean Alan Krabbenhoft said the honorees are "exemplary ambassadors of the School of Business," for excelling in their professions and being active in their communities.

Keynote speaker was **Robert E. Knowing Jr.**, a Kokomo native and IU honorary degree recipient. Knowing overcame poverty and racism to become a successful businessman, and promotes equity and social

justice, as well as an agenda for inclusion and diversity for women and persons of color in the workplace.

Knowing shared his story of overcoming obstacles, from a childhood in poverty, attending college as a student-athlete, and the humble beginnings of his career at Indiana Bell. He's currently chairman of Eagles Landing Partners, a strategic management consulting company. He also met with students in the School of Business to share what he's learned along his career path, including the importance of surrounding yourself with a community of support.





BUILDING A *Legacy*

They say a tiny drop leads to far-reaching, long-lasting ripples. The same could be said about Indiana University Kokomo.

As the first classes met in the Seiberling Mansion in 1945, maybe they knew they were the start of a tradition of excellence and high quality, life-changing education for north central Indiana for decades to come. As we prepare to celebrate our 75th Anniversary, let's take some time and celebrate all that our University means to us.

Whether it's a young adult with big dreams of their own following in the footsteps of his parents and grandparents, a group of siblings who can now also call each other fellow students, or a parent inspired by the brave decision of their own child to reach for more, IU Kokomo is a place where families create a new legacy for themselves and generations to come.

In this new issue – aptly renamed ***Legacy: A Magazine for Alumni and Friends*** – you'll read about the West family, from Peru, beginning with grandmother Sheryl, her daughter Alyson, and granddaughter Emily; the Jakes family, with parents Angela and Brian, and sons Bradley, Shadrach, and Jeremy; and Stephen Green, whose mother, Mimi Ford, was inspired by his success to return to college for her own degree.

Take a look through the pages of *Legacy* and see the difference our University has made in the lives of the people featured on these pages. And know that you played a role in this in some way.

LEGACY feature



in her

FOOTSTEPS

For three generations of West women, Indiana University Kokomo represents

opportunity

For Sheryl West, IU Kokomo meant she could go to college in her mid-20s, even though she had young children at home.

IU Kokomo allowed her daughter, Alyson West, to transition from a factory job to a career she loves as a middle school teacher. For her granddaughter, Emily (West) Doran, IU Kokomo is where she found her calling in law enforcement, began a fulfilling career, and met her husband, Andrew.

“The best things in my life have happened here, because of IU Kokomo,” said Emily, B.S. ’14. “I played volleyball. I got a degree, I met my husband, and I found a career. I’m so glad I came here.”

“This has been a wonderful place for our family,” said Sheryl West, B.S. ’86, M.S. ’90, who retired from Peru Community Schools as a principal, after a 25-year career. “Without IU Kokomo, I would never have had the career I had. At my age, and with a family, I could never have earned a degree anywhere else.”

Sheryl West is proud of the opportunities her daughter and granddaughter have also had, because of IU Kokomo. Even when Alyson planned to be a manager in a factory, Sheryl knew she had a gift for teaching, and is happy she could earn the degree to make that possible.

“I’ve had an opportunity to go into her classroom many times,” she said. “She fits where she is very well. She’s loved by her students. I can’t go anywhere in town without her students running up and giving her hugs, and she is just beaming. I don’t think she would have had that kind of satisfaction in a factory job.”

Emily agreed, adding that going to the grocery store with her mother is like accompanying a local celebrity.

“We really can’t go anywhere in public without meeting people she’s taught,” Emily said. “Every trip to the store gets extended because we stop and we talk, and we chat, and she runs into so many people she knows.”

IU Kokomo has been part of Emily’s life for as long as she

can remember — she attended the campus daycare as a toddler and preschooler, while her mother was a student, and even attended class occasionally.

“I remember bringing her in on my first day,” said Alyson, now a social studies teacher at Maconaquah Middle School. “It was the first time she had been anywhere other than with family members. I told her I had to go to class, and I would be back later. She was just like, ‘Bye, Mom,’ and she was ready for me to leave.”

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Emily noted that her office in the campus police department is where the daycare used to be.

She blazed trails at IU Kokomo as a student, as the campus’ first signed athlete, the volleyball team’s first libero, as the first female cadet in the IU Police Department at Kokomo, and later as its first female officer.

She also met her husband, Andrew Doran, B.S. ’13, who was a year ahead of her in the cadet program, and now is a Peru Police Department officer.

Doran found her purpose on campus, after initially enrolling only because of the chance to play volleyball. She’d considered teaching, like her mother and grandmother, but a teaching internship in high school convinced her it wasn’t for her. When she took her first criminal justice class, she knew that

was what she wanted to do.

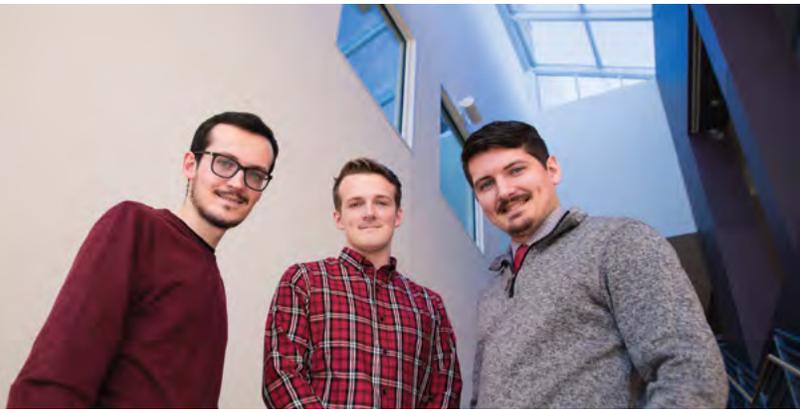
After her sophomore year, she gave up volleyball for the opportunity to be a cadet. Later, she completed the IU Police Academy, then served as a part-time officer in the campus police department, while finishing her degree — a full semester early, she is proud to note.

A full-time job opened shortly before she graduated, allowing her to begin her career on campus.

“I really have spent my whole life here,” Emily said.



ALL IN THE FAMILY



With at least one member of their family graduating from IU Kokomo every year since 2016, Brian and Angela Jakes are pros at Commencement.

And while they joke about asking for a volume discount on tuition, or having a window or bench named after them, they are proud of their tradition and accomplishments.



“It’s pretty special that we’ve all not only gone to the same school, but have done so in a relatively short period of time,” said Brian Jakes, who graduated in May with a degree in elementary education.

“I’m so proud of all of them,” added Angela Jakes, especially that they and their children have all graduated in four years, and that all graduates have jobs in their fields.

She teaches fifth graders at Kokomo’s Wallace Elementary School of Integrated Arts, while oldest son Bradley is a fifth grade teacher at North White

Elementary in Monon. Next son Shadrach is an e-commerce developer for Purdue Federal Credit Union.

Angela began their family tradition by graduating from IU Kokomo in 2016. Bradley followed in 2017, Shadrach graduated in 2018, and husband Brian recently graduated.

They'll get a break in 2020 — Angela calls it their bye year — before youngest son Jeremy completes a biology degree in 2021. By the time he graduates, the youngest family member, Molly Kate, will be a seventh grader, so they will have a few years before another Jakes goes to college.

Angela Jakes was first to enroll, waiting until Molly Kate was in kindergarten to begin her degree.

She heard about the cross country program just getting started, and thought it would be a good opportunity for her sons. Without their permission, she contacted Coach Jason VanAlstine for more information, and was impressed with what she heard.

"We're an academics first family, and he

let us know straight away our kids were going to be safe, and grades would be priority," she said. "I felt his leadership would be essential to getting our kids through college."

The team played a crucial role in the boys' success and experience, providing a family experience on campus with values similar to those at home. Study tables

were required, and team members were expected to maintain excellent grades.

"I don't believe for a second I would have done as well academically if I hadn't been on the team," he said. "There was very definite peer pressure to perform in the classroom."

Brian had started an education degree

several years ago, and, inspired by his wife's example, decided to finish it after she graduated. For now, their home routine is that he studies while Angela creates lesson plans, and Molly Kate completes her fifth grade homework.

This year is the first that only two Jakeses are enrolled at IU Kokomo, rather than three. Even with three of them in the same major, they've never been in a class together, though Angela and Shadrach were in different sections of the same math class one semester.

"It was my last math class, and his entry level," Angela said. "I struggled, and he got straight A's. He helped me a lot."

They appreciate the opportunity for their family to earn college degrees close to home.

"It's meant everything to me," Angela said, not only as a student, but as a parent.

"I knew my kids were in an instructive and educational environment, where they were able to enjoy their abilities to the fullest extent. I never felt like they were so far away. We never lost that connection."

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Photo by
Matthew Baltimore,
Lake Forest College

A DRIVING FORC

Two days rank as among the most memorable of Stephen Green's life.

One was the day he graduated from Indiana University Kokomo, in 2014. The other was in 2017, when his mother, Mimi Ford, crossed the stage to receive her own degree.

"Being able to see that was an incredibly proud moment for me," said Green, who is now the Chicago Program coordinator for Lake Forest College. "I was glad I was able to be there in that moment, which was 26 years in the making."

Those graduation days are now cherished memories, as Ford passed away just eight months after graduating, at age 51. She was in the process of applying to Ph.D. programs in English.

"She still had a lot left to do and accomplish in the world," he said. "We were on the cusp of something new and exciting."

It was a hard loss for Green, because for years, he and his mother only had each other.

"I think anyone who loses a parent knows it never gets easier," he said. "For the majority of my life, it was just me and my mom navigating the world together. We had a parent and child relationship, but I also would consider her a friend and confidant."

Graduation from college wasn't a given for either of them. Just a few years earlier, Green was blowing off high school classes, and barely earned a general diploma, while Ford had briefly attended college in the 1980s before dropping out.

"For both of us, IU Kokomo was a fresh start," he said. "It was our opportunity to make our lives better, in a way we never thought was possible. IU Kokomo allowed us to flourish and thrive in an academic environment, and to reach our goals."

Neither of them would have had the chance to improve their lives without the opportunities and support they both received on campus, he said.

"Mom would never have dreamed about applying to Ph.D. programs if it hadn't been for IU Kokomo," he said. "I would never have imagined I would go to graduate school, or I would be dedicating my

career to working in higher education. The fact we had access to it close to home, in an environment that allowed us to stay afloat financially, was a testament to what IU Kokomo meant to us and our journey."

She was one of the first to encourage him to go to college, even after his less-than-stellar high school performance. Green figured he would go for a semester or two, and anticipated dropping out when it got too hard.

His first academic advisor, Catherine Barnes, set him straight.

"She told me, 'You are going to graduate, you are going to graduate school, and you are going to study abroad,'" he said, and having someone who believed in him made a difference.

"There was someone on my side supporting me, and who was going to hold me accountable, and believed I could achieve all these things," he said. "Something clicked inside me, and I thought, 'Maybe I can do this.'"

Buoyed by his newfound confidence, he excelled, making the dean's list every semester, serving as a student orientation leader, working the front desk in the student activities office, and also was an assistant teacher in a motivation and self-management course.

As a senior, he earned admission to his top choice school, Colorado State University's master's program in Student Affairs and Higher Education. His career aspiration is to be a dean of students.

Along the way, Ford was his biggest cheerleader — and his success provided the push she needed to restart her own degree.

"She was the driving force for me to stay with it," he said, adding that they had some hard times, including Ford losing her job.

"I wasn't sure that staying in school was the right decision for us, financially," he said. "She encouraged me to stay and keep with it and to graduate. When she saw me excelling and thriving in that environment, it relit the passion and fire she had for learning before she had to stop out."

Ford began working on her degree during Green's senior year at IU Kokomo

"I remember how proud I was of her and honored that she would confide in me and ask me for advice," he said. "She had been such a mentor for me in a number of ways, and it was a way I could give back to her."



Legacy Families

OF I U K O K O M O

The legacy we are building here at IU Kokomo wouldn't be as rich without our alumni and their families. As we dive into our 75th year, we are eager to identify and celebrate families sharing a tradition of graduating from IU Kokomo. While there are many ways to create and define a legacy, the families we are listing share the following unique qualities: 2 or more graduates within an immediate family, spouses who met and graduated from IU Kokomo, multiple siblings within a family, and parents who have graduated and have students currently attending IU Kokomo. We're excited to be hosting our very first Legacy Luncheon in late spring/early summer of 2020, so stay tuned for more information!

Joe & Liz Douglass
Kyle Douglass
Clayton Douglass

Amy (Schlotterbeck) Lucas
Brittany Lucas

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Claudia Lowry
Kara Keppel
Lori Davis

Nicole Purcell
Rachell Purcell

Joseph & Carly Meck

Brian & Angela Jakes
Bradley Jakes
Shadrach Jakes
Jeremy Jakes

Cheryl Schlemmer
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Cheryl Swoverland
Craig Swoverland
Olivia Williford
Sarah Williford

Usman, Rabia Ummad
Nida, & Maheen Zia

Brandon & Lael (Burrus) Larrick

Marthann Greeman
Kathleen Deboy
Nolan Deboy

Stephen Green
Mimi Ford

Micah & Micayla (Speidel) Pier

Donna Hembree
Ashley Lay
Jacob Ridgeway

Alisha (Willett) Referda
John Willett

Andrew & Emily (West) Doran

Kim (Barnes) LaFollette
Kiersten Lambert

Dr. Marley Griffin
Mason Griffin

Lora Brown
Wendy Brown

Lindsey Mongosa
Megan King

Jerome Humphrey
Morgan Humphrey

Dave Van Baalen
Ben Van Baalen

Joe & Tracy Martino
Nick Martino

Starr & Dennis McNally
Danyelle Peebles

Cayte Hiers
Cheryl Zabel-Easley

Josh & Tiffani Barnes
Whitnie Christner

Anna Owens
Abby Feller

Lesla Beals
Stephanie Killings

Karly (Sprouse) Lucas

Shanon Lusher
Tara Lusher

Lori Collins
Tiffani Collins

Megan Mathews-Wine
Stephanie Tinkel

Pamela (McGuire) Maurer
April (Maurer) Name

Susie Weaver
Joshua Walden

Mike and Amanda Dunn

Kandi Lucas
Tyler Lucas
AJ Lucas

We are always updating our alumni information! **Don't see your name or have something to add or adjust?** Email Ben Liechty at alumni@iuk.edu.



2018-2019
season highlights

WOMEN'S TEAMS

BASKETBALL

West Division Champions
River States Conference
Program record 112 points
in a single game

GOLF

2 team event wins

VOLLEYBALL

Conference Champions
River States Conference
Undeclared in regular season
Conference games

TENNIS

4th Place Regular Season Finish
1st Post-Season victory

TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY

4th Place finish in
River States Conference
2 qualifiers for
NAIA National Championship

MEN'S TEAMS

BASKETBALL

West Division Champions
River States Conference
Sweet 16 round in
NAIA National Tournament

BASEBALL

2nd Place finish in
River States Conference
2nd straight 30-win season

GOLF

Fall Tournament Champions
River States Conference

TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY

8th Place finish in the
River States Conference

WOMEN'S SOCCER

begins this fall at IU Kokomo

The IU Kokomo women's soccer program kicks off its inaugural season in August at Kokomo Municipal Stadium. Coach Terry Stewart talks about the first team, and what Cougar fans can expect from this first season.

Q. What's your vision for the first season of IU Kokomo women's soccer?

Our goals are to develop some team chemistry, and get everybody on the same page as far as what we expect on the field, off the field, in the classroom, and in the community. We want to win some games and qualify for the conference tournament. That would be a good measuring stick for the first year, and put us in a good spot moving forward.

Q. What are your expectations for the team in the community?

We've set a goal of 300 hours of community service the first year, which is about 15 hours per athlete, balanced with going to class, studying, playing, and traveling. We're going to get into some elementary schools. Talking with some of the principals, they've said many of these kids are potential first-generation college students, and they need someone to look up to. A college athlete might be a good start. We want to do what we can to make Kokomo better.

Q. Why is community service part of your coaching philosophy?

I think it's an important part of creating a well-rounded student, so when they graduate, they know there are people in need, and they can help. Growing up in England, our teams would go into hospitals at Christmas time and spend time with the kids. When we came back, that's all the players talked about for weeks. You could see the kids' faces light up when we walked in.

Q. What is exciting about the first season of women's soccer?

Whatever happens is a positive. The first win is the first win ever, the first goal is the first goal ever. When that happens all season, there's a buzz about it. The girls are buying into it, and the parents are buying into it. The campus is excited, and I think the community will be too. Everything is a first, and a lot of excitement comes with that.

Q. Why is soccer a good fit as IU Kokomo's next sport?

Everybody plays soccer. It's the world's game. In America, everybody plays soccer at some point in their life. Whether they are 3 or 30, at some point, everybody will have played. Kokomo has had soccer, and has some very good school teams and leagues. We've had everything else, and soccer was the missing piece.

For more information about all IU Kokomo athletic teams, go to iukougars.com.



Brian and Angela Shockney



Greg Aaron



Dr. Benjamin Chiu

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Dr. Benjamin Chiu, Kokomo (Bottom Right)

Dr. Benjamin Chiu, B.S. '88, honors his parents' legacy with the Dr. Liang-Hwang Chiu and Fusiang Chiu Scholarship.

His father had a distinguished career in the School of Education, and both parents played a role in preparing their son to succeed in his career.

“The scholarship is a way I can thank him for helping with my success,” said Chiu, a general surgeon in Kokomo. “I wanted to give back to show my parents how much I appreciated what they

did. It was a team effort.”

Income from his gift provides two scholarships for incoming freshmen each year, to students from underrepresented minority groups, and those from the School of Education.

“I hope it helps students who don't have the opportunity or means to succeed despite having all the other criteria for success in place,” Dr. Chiu said.

Brian and Angela Shockney, Martinsville (Opposite far left)

While working their way through IU Kokomo, Brian and Angela Shockney could never have imagined that one day, they would be able to endow a scholarship.

“We’ve been very much blessed,” said Brian Shockney, B.S. ’90, M.H.A. ’94, president of IU Health South Central Region. “It’s a joy to be able to give. We would never have thought as students we would have the resources to endow a scholarship. That’s why IU Kokomo is special to us. We wouldn’t be here without it.”

The couple established the Shockney Family Scholarship, which will be given to students with financial need, from one of the 14 counties in IU Kokomo’s service region. Preference will be given to first-generation college students, and to those from Tipton County.

Angela, B.S.N. ’91, said they both had scholarships, and it is important to them to help first-generation college students have the opportunities they had.

“It’s just about helping out,” she said

Greg Aaron, Community Foundation of Howard County (Opposite top right)

Greg Aaron, A.G.S. ’90, graduate certificate in public management ’03, is CEO of the Community Foundation of Howard County, which has granted a \$100,000 dollar-for-dollar match to support the Student Activities and Event Center.

“Our board members considered all that IU Kokomo provides for this community, and they were excited to provide the grant,” he said. “They wanted to draw attention to the campus and the promise an IU Kokomo education offers.”

The grant is especially meaningful to him as an alumnus.

“It’s rewarding to watch how the campus has grown over the years from the time I went there. It’s awesome to see this kind of growth, and I’m proud to be part of it.”

If you’d like more information about giving to IU Kokomo, please contact Jan C. Halperin, CFRE Vice Chancellor, Office for University Advancement 765-455-9415 or jhalperi@iuk.edu.

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DREAMING

of the future

Current students share their hopes for the next 75 years of IU Kokomo.



"I am seeing a future where IU Kokomo would expand into a college where master's degrees are offered in more departments. Students would be able to enjoy campus and its activities even more with the new activities and events center being built.

Khoi Nguyen, nursing, senior



"I see more sports programs and campus activity. We have a beautiful campus already with room to grow, so the future is looking bright!"

Tavon Lindsay, exercise science, senior



"I think that as we grow in student numbers and our campus grows in size, there will be more student life and excitement to stick around after class and hang out with friends at events. I also already see a change in attitude surrounding university pride on our campus. I believe that now, and even more so in the future, IU Kokomo will be seen with an equal respect and admiration that people have for Bloomington."

Emily Harsh, hospitality and tourism management, senior



"I see IU Kokomo continuing to be a close-knit environment, where students and faculty know one another, even as the campus expands and grows."

Chelsea Howard, nursing, junior



"I think the next 75 years for IU Kokomo look bright! I imagine expansion of learning space and that it will continue to grow as a well-respected campus in the IU system and will draw students from all over the world."

Liam Ireland, sports and recreation management, sophomore

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