

Take Five

November 2023

Join us for a concert & more



In the inaugural issue of this special *Take Five* for friends of IU Kokomo, I explained that I wanted to keep you all abreast of the activities on our wonderful campus.

This month, I want to highlight two especially noteworthy ones with the hope that many of you will join us for one or both. First, on November 18, our campus will play host to a concert by several IU Jacobs School of Music performers, including students from South Korea. The construction of a massive StarPlus battery plant (to be followed by a second plant) here will mean the influx of more international friends, especially those from South Korea, since StarPlus is a joint venture of Samsung and Stellantis. This concert, which will feature a performance of traditional Korean music, as well as Western music, is an excellent opportunity for us to open our arms (and our ears) to our new global partners. The concert is free, but we ask you take a minute to [register](#). See the calendar at the right for details. In early 2024, IU Kokomo will set its sights even higher (literally) as we prepare for the solar eclipse coming on April 8. IUK astronomer Patrick Motl will present a KEY Academy Immersive Experience featuring lectures, demonstrations, and a visit from Phil Plait, famous for exposing “Bad Astronomy.” The total eclipse is a once-in-a-lifetime event for Kokomo, and Dr. Motl’s Immersive Experience is an ideal way to dive deeper into the experience. E-mail Leah Nellis (lmnellis@iu.edu) for more information.



Staff Council donated \$500 worth of snacks and food to the Welcome Center, the campus police, and the Office of Student Success and Advising for students. Left to right are Sharon Johnson, Tom Remender, Tina Robinson, Jake Hobbs, and Kevin Summers.

Upcoming Public Events

- 11/8: [Women’s Soccer Match](#) (7 p.m., Kokomo Municipal Stadium)
- 11/10: [Women’s Volleyball Match](#) (5 p.m., Student Activities and Events Center)
- 11/11: [Women’s Basketball Game](#) (6 p.m., Student Activities and Events Center)
- 11/14: [Light the Trident](#) (7 p.m., Hunt Hall)
- 11/18: [Concert by IU Jacobs School of Music Musicians](#) (4 p.m., Havens Auditorium; [register online](#) or email KORSVP@iuk.edu).

Spotlight on You

Since graduating from IU Kokomo, Brian Shockney has been serving his alma mater and the entire state of Indiana in countless ways. Last month, IU recognized him with a Distinguished Alumni Service Award. Congratulations, Brian, and thank you!

