

News You Can Use

November 21, 2008

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." -John Fitzgerald Kennedy

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IUSA's Town Hall meeting

IUSA held a town hall meeting in the IMU on Wednesday November 19th. The meeting gave students an opportunity to speak directly to executives of IUSA about any issues or concerns they may have with the university and the administration. Students in attendance asked questions to get a better understanding about fall break, tax-free textbooks, and a student section at basketball games, among other topics. Students also made suggestions for improvement, all of which were taken into consideration. If any students were unable to attend, IUSA encourages all to email iusa@indiana.edu to voice concerns or give comments and suggestions.

KING DAY 2009 ESSAY COMPETITION: **"Times of Challenge and Controversy"**

This year's theme is drawn from Dr. King's reminder that we are not to be measured by how we act in times of "comfort and convenience," but how we act in times of "challenge and controversy" (*Strength to Love*, 1963).

Dr. Calvin Mackie, in his address at the 2008 IU King Day Celebration, spoke of his disappointment in many leaders' reaction to the devastation of his hometown, New Orleans, in the wake of hurricane Katrina, and how poorly served the people of Louisiana were in this time of challenge. His recent book, *A View from the Roof: Lessons for Life and Business*, urges every person to undertake the following endeavors:

- 1) Serving others to help them grow and develop as human beings
- 2) Solving problems that prevent people from reaching their potential
- 3) Promoting and saving causes that benefit humankind

The MLK Day Essay Committee invites **graduate** and **undergraduate** students of IUB to submit an original essay that draws on their experience to respond to this question:

How have you [or someone you admire] answered Dr. Mackie's call, and begun to *take action* to fulfill the expectation Dr. King held for all people in times of "challenge and controversy"?

Successful essays will answer the question, make specific reference not only to the writer's personal experience and observations, but also to the life, times, and writings of Dr. King.

- Length:** 1,000-1,500 words (4-5 pages)
Eligibility: All IUB graduate and undergraduate students*
*previous **first-place** award winners are not eligible
Prizes: To be awarded in both graduate and undergraduate categories:
1st: 32 GB I-Touch + iHome iH9B6 Speaker
2nd: 8 GB I-Touch + iHome iH9B6 Speaker
3rd: 16 GB I-Pod Nano

Submissions:

Writers should submit six (6) copies of their completed essays **by 5:00 pm on Monday, December 8, 2008**, to the Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Multicultural Affairs, Bryan Hall, Room 115. ESSAYS SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO JUDGES OR COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED. To ensure blind judging, writers should not show drafts of final copies of their essays to committee members or judges. Writers should place their names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses on a separate sheet; their names should not appear in the text of their essays.

1) Volunteer Opportunity of the Week:

Sponsored by the City of Bloomington Volunteer Network. To subscribe to CBVN's weekly email updates on volunteer opportunities, visit www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer.

Belling for Charity

Salvation Army bell ringing is easy, and in a shift of only two hours you can raise hundreds of dollars. Grab a friend and make it fun - sing carols, dress up as elves, or wear Santa hats! Shifts run from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays, November 21 - December 24. Last year, the kettles raised \$113,000 to support charitable programs such as child care, after-school programs and emergency assistance. Teen volunteers are most welcome. You can sign up online or call or visit Peter Iversen at (812) 336-4310 ext.12 or peter_iversen@usc.salvationarmy.org. (<http://corps.salvationarmyindiana.org/bloomington/christmas/kettles/>)

Shalom at IU Donation Drive

Shalom at IU is a non-profit organization in partnership with the Shalom Community Center to promote awareness of homelessness and poverty in and around the city of Bloomington. Located downtown in the First United Methodist Church and First Christian Church, Shalom Community Center is a safe, daytime center that provides daily meals, shower/laundry facilities, financial assistance to those in need, as well as use of mail address and telephones. As an IU organization, Shalom at IU organizes fundraising activities, calls mass meetings for IU students and faculty, facilitates student volunteers, and collects various donation items.

In order to assist the Shalom Center, Shalom at IU is organizing a donation drive during the week of November 16th through November 22nd, in recognition of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. We invite you to help us out. On Sunday, November 23 starting at 3:30 we will go out to collect donation items. Prior to leaving we will be meeting at the back of the Wells Library at 3:30 pm.

If you would like to help us with this event, or have any questions about the event or the club, feel free to contact us at shalomiu@indiana.edu. We would love to have your help!

Office of Women's Affairs Student Advisory Board

Office for Women's Affairs (OWA) is forming a Student Advisory Board to collaborate with Dean of Women's Affairs, Yvette Alex-Assensoh. The members will convene on a monthly basis to discuss issues pertaining to women on campus, and to take necessary steps to create a better campus community. Working alongside the Office for Women's Affairs, IU Student Association is seeking individuals who are actively engaged in the University to represent the student body by serving on the Student Advisory Board. If interested in attending an initial call-out meeting, please contact Abby Skinner at acskinne@indiana.edu, or call 317-501-8873.

2) Upcoming Events

Who: Burmese Student Association

What: International Coffee Hour

When: Friday, 11/21, 4 – 6 pm

Where: Leo R. Dowling International Center

Why: enjoy learning about the various Burmese cultures and traditions through an interesting exhibit. A short documentary film about Burma will be shown and the Burmese Student Association's members will share their experiences in regards to their country's military oppression with its longest civil war in the world. Don't miss this very interesting Coffee Hour, meet the Burmese students, learn about Burma's current situation, and enjoy delicious traditional food. See you then!

For More info: please email intlcent@indiana.edu

What: Donovan Knowles

When: Friday, 11/21, 5 – 7 pm

Where: Kelley School of Business room 736

Why: there will be a networking and question and answer session. All musicians, artists, managers, dancers, and entertainment moguls are invited! The guest speaker will be Donovan Knowles, cousin of Beyonce Knowles, and producer/manager in the entertainment industry. He is looking for new talent and sharing his secrets!

For more info: please contact kvelpel@indiana.edu

Who: The COMMUNITY Education Program and Residential Programs and Services invite you to:

What: GenderTalk

When: Sunday, 11/23, 3 – 5 pm

Where: CLDC at Read Center (125 S. Jordan)

For more info: Patrick Johnathan Hale, Office: (812) 856-1308 or patjhale@indiana.edu

Who: Native American Graduate Students Association and the American Indian Student Association
What: meeting
When: Tuesday, 11/25, 2 pm
Where: First Nations Education and Cultural Center, Eigenmann room 601
For more info: please email fnecc@indiana.edu

Who: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
What: 12 Days of Christmas – help wrap gift baskets
When: Tuesday, 12/9
Where: the Grand Hall of the Neal Marshall Culture Center
Why: Every year, the Zetas ask and collect contributed donations that are used to purchase basic needs items (such as socks, hats and gloves, etc.) for needy families. These twelve baskets were then divided into two groups of six. The first six were donated to the Middle way house/ Rize and the remaining six baskets were donated to the Salvation Army. However, this year the Zetas would love to help more families so we are asking for contributions to help make our goal to help more families come true.

We are requesting that on this day the campus will join us, and help us put the baskets together.

The Zetas are ecstatic to have this program this year. Therefore, we would love to have your participation and or contributions. We will be at the commons lit desk (mezzanine level of the IMU) this week with a donation box, so be on the lookout for our very personalized Christmassy-spirited poster. Thank-you for your time, contributions and patience, but most of all thank-you for your generous compassion.

For more info: please email crowlins@indiana.edu

Who: Channel 3 (CATS)
What: "Cultural Lens": a new campus-community television program focusing on diversity related events and issues
When: Wednesdays at 8 pm
Whether you're interested in festivals, lively conversations with warm-hearted people, or how to avoid stumbling blocks in intercultural communication, you will want to tune-in to "Cultural Lens." We will help you see Monroe County from a new perspective.
For more info: culturallens@gmail.com

Shalom Community Center Needs Your Help!!

Each year, Shalom Community Center sponsors an Adopt-A-Family Holiday Wish Fulfillment Program, and this year we have more needy and deserving families than ever signed up to receive gifts for their children. We're asking you, as student organizations, to step up to the challenge and adopt a family to sponsor and help provide gifts for. We have all the wish forms completed, the rest is up to you!

If you're interested in sponsoring a needy family either as an organization or as an individual, please contact myself (information below) or Pam Kinnaman at (812) 334-5734 or pam@shalomcommunitycenter.org

Let's work together to make this holiday season a great success!

Warm Regards,
Nicole R. Holderman
Advocate for Community Engagement

Shalom Community Center

QUESTIONS??? Respond to nicole@shalomcommunitycenter.org -or- nholderm@uemail.iu.edu

November 16-22 is National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week

Shalom Community Center, Stepping Stones, Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard, and Martha’s House are partnering to bring our city’s attention to the poverty-related difficulties that many in our community are facing. [Click here for a calendar](#). Multiple events are planned:

Bloomington Food Stamp Challenge / Panel

Saturday, November 22nd, 11:00am-12:30pm, Council Chambers

Mayor Mark Kruzan, Bob Zaltsberg, Valerie Haughton, Charlotte Zietlow, Jim Regester, Shari Woodbury, and Julie Ponce will live on the equivalent of the average food stamp allotment for a week (\$21 per person, per week). Participants in the Bloomington Food Stamp Challenge may spend only \$21 on food and beverages for the entire week. Join the food stamp challenge, read participants’ blogs on the Herald Times website about their experience, listen to radio interviews, or attend the Panel on Hunger and Homelessness held in the Council Chambers on Saturday, November 22nd.

Food for Thought – A Week of Dining-Out Benefits

Sunday, November 16th-Saturday November 22nd

The Bloomington community is invited to dine out at local restaurants during Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. During our "Food for Thought" fundraiser, each restaurant has agreed to donate a portion of their profits to the participating agencies. The restaurants and dates are as follows:

- **Sunday** – The Laughing Planet
- **Monday thru Friday** – Bloomington Sandwich Co. from 3-7pm
- **Monday** – The Village Deli (all day) & D’Angelos [from 5-cl (inform wait staff you’re with “Shalom”)]
- **Tuesday** – Soma Coffee House and Limestone Grille
- **Wednesday** – Mother Bear’s Pizza and Max’s Place (all day) & Truffles Restaurant from 5-9 pm
- **Friday** – Anatolia

BLOOMINGTON, STAND UP!

Saturday, November 22nd, doors open at 6:45pm for wine reception, and show starts at 7:30pm

The culminating event for Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is an [evening of comedy with Drew Hastings at the Buskirk-Chumley](#). Drew Hastings is a raconteur with a lot of stories to tell.

Tickets on sale at Sunrise Box Office: \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. (See this link to Drew’s material if you’re interested in checking him out in advance: www.drewhastings.com).

If you want more information about the agencies or the events, please visit:

<http://bloomingtonpoverty.wordpress.com/>

4) Cultural News

ASIAN CULTURAL CENTER

APIA U 101 is coming to IU February 7!

Limited to a number of 60 participants only and it's free! You do not have to be a member of any Asian student groups on campus to join. So check your calendars and reserve a spot now by emailing Mai-Lin Poon at acc@indiana.edu. Open to all APA college students in Indiana and nearby campuses outside of Indiana.

The Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), an advocacy group based in Washington, D.C., has chosen the IU Asian Culture Center to be a host school for Asian/Pacific Islander American College Leadership Training this coming February 7!

February 7, 2009

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Venue: State Room East, Indiana Memorial Union

Lunch and breakfast provided. Dinner at the ACC, 807 E. 10th Street to all registered participants only after the workshop.

February 8, 2009, 9 a.m. to 12 noon – Meeting with OCA workshop presenters for registered participants. This is optional and by appointment.

Venue: IU Asian Culture Center,

This will be the first time that APIA U will be hosted in Indiana; former host sites include Cornell University, Boston College, U Penn, and Yale University. APIA student leaders from colleges and universities all over Indiana and nearby States will be invited to take part in this intensive training. APIA U: Leadership 101 is a hands-on program that concentrates on the development of leadership and organization skills that are pertinent to all campuses and communities. The workshop will focused on self-awareness, team building, and taking action. The training hopes to give students tools to become catalysts for change by empowering them to develop their identities as strong APIA leaders and advocates. This training also hopes to build bridges between student groups, foster a sense of unity, and camaraderie while striving to impact others.

More details to follow.

FIRST NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL CENTER

Sovereign Nations Exhibit

All November

During open hours at the Showers City Hall Exhibit Area ~ American Indian tribes are not simply ethnic groups. Rather, they are sovereign dependent nations within the United States. Visit this exhibit at city hall. Exhibit Organizers: American Indian Student Association, City of Bloomington, Native American Community Center of Bloomington, & Native American Graduate Students' Association.

5) Additional Opportunities

The CLDC is Hiring!

We are hiring student staff in the CLDC for the spring semester. If you know are an enthusiastic, motivated, responsible student who is looking for employment, this could be the job for you!

Quick Facts about the CLDC and the Leadership Specialist position:

- The CLDC is part of the LEAD IU program and is located in Read Residence Center

- We offer programs, bulletin boards, meeting space, and technology and other resources to students and student organizations
- The Leadership Specialists perform administrative duties as well as facilitate workshops for student groups

Email Autumn Harrell at atharrel@indiana.edu for more information!

Volunteer Abroad, Be Part of Global Problem Solving
Unite For Sight: Recruiting and Training New Leaders in Global Health

<http://www.uniteforsight.org/volunteer-abroad>

Unite For Sight has been featured weekly on CNN International and in The New York Times
 Unite For Sight engages, inspires, and trains volunteers to support and assist eye clinics globally. Volunteers receive hands-on training in international community-based eye care, public health, and international development, and while immersed in effective Unite For Sight programs, they gain skills to become new leaders in global health dedicated to creating lasting solutions.

With the assistance of volunteers like you, Unite For Sight has restored sight to 18,500 patients and provided eye care to more than 600,000. Unite For Sight supports eye clinics by investing human and financial resources in their social ventures to eliminate patient barriers to eye care. Unite For Sight programs are sustainable, apply best practice principles in global health and development, and achieve effective change. Unite For Sight's programs also demonstrate the highest standards in social entrepreneurship.

- Experience the thrill of contributing to change on the highest level
- Be part of global problem solving
- Receive training in community-based program delivery
- Be immersed in effective global health and eye care programs
- Be inspired to become a leader in global health
- Join a movement of social innovators committed to global health and sustainable development
- Be engaged in ethical, high quality and high impact volunteerism

Contact: volunteers@uniteforsight.org, <http://www.uniteforsight.org/volunteer-abroad>

'Tis the season for giving and sharing!

At Hoosier Hills Food Bank, we need YOUR help to sustain us throughout the holiday season when our volunteer supply shrinks, but the need increases!
 Help us during our Repack sessions to package prepared foods into freezer bags rescued from local restaurants and cafeterias.

Below is a list of dates we could use your help. Please let me know as soon as possible if you can join us!

- Wednesday, November 26 @ 5pm
- Monday, December 1 @ 6:30pm
- Wednesday, December 3 @ 5pm
- Monday, December 8 @ 5:30pm
- Monday, December 15 @ 5:30pm
- Monday, December 22 @ 5:30pm
- Monday, December 29 @ 5:30pm

All Repacks take place in the kitchen of Hoosier Hills Food Bank at 2333 W. Industrial Park Dr. Repacks last about an hour to hour and a half. You will be oriented when you arrive for the shift. Bring your family! Bring your friends! Classmates! Members of your faith! Civic Group! Or, come by yourself!

We hope you can join us.

Thanks,
Kim

volunteer@hhfoodbank.org

Etiquette Dinner - Make a fabulous first impression!

When: Monday, 12/1, 6 pm

Where: DeVault Alumni Center

One of the BEST membership benefits we offer! Learn to use the correct fork, how to place your napkin and make a fabulous first impression – it is harder than it looks. This five course meal and program is FREE to SAA members. Formal business attire is required for this event. Seating is limited. Register now at: <https://alumni.indiana.edu/reserve/index.php?r=53>

For more info: bds2@indiana.edu

Sponsored by the Student Alumni Association

LIFE A HOUSE BUILT: THE JIMMY & ROSALYNN CARTER WORK PROJECT

When: Monday, December 22nd, 11 pm

Where: WTIU

This documentary film tells the extraordinary story of Jimmy and Rosalynn Carters' 25-year involvement with Habitat for Humanity. Using the massive 2008 Blitz Build along the Gulf Coast as the centerpiece, the film celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project from its humble origins in New York City to the global reach it has today. It is an inspiring story of how one man's inability to ignore the vast need he encountered has since brought thousands of strangers together from across the globe and changed the lives of thousands more.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED? ENHANCE YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS? APPLY TO BE A CAREER AMBASSADOR

Career Ambassadors will serve as Career Development Center and Arts & Sciences (CDC/ASCS) goodwill representatives and providers of quality outreach support for their peers.

Responsibilities

- Promote the CDC/ASCS by educating your peers about the resources and services available to help them achieve their career goals
- Attend events, career fairs, and career programs
- Conduct career-related presentations at the CDC/ASCS, residence halls, classrooms, and student organization meetings
- Propose ideas from a student perspective to areas/teams in the CDC/ASCS
- Develop a comprehensive understanding of the career development process and CDC/ASCS services

- Increase campus awareness of services and events
- Assist in the training of future Career Ambassadors

What are the Benefits to you?

- Building professional and transferable skills to add to your resume
- Developing job search skills and strategies to achieve career goals
- Expanding networking opportunities with employers who come to campus
- Increasing leadership, presentation, and advising skills that employers will find impressive
- Learning more about your own career development process and how to effectively market your experiences and degree
- Be an integral part in helping to develop and improve CDC/ASCS programming currently and in the future
- Acquiring first-hand knowledge of a career in the field of higher education or student services
- Free food and employer freebies as available

Apply through your myIUCareers account at IUCareers.com

Indiana University Career Development Center and Arts & Sciences Career Services For more information, contact **Crystal Smith at 812-856-3128 or smith838@indiana.edu**

Hello IU Student Groups, Greek Organizations, and Academic Departments!

Please join us for the **GREATEST** event taking place on Martin Luther King’s Birthday (your day off of school, EVERYONE’s day on for service):

The Hoosier Hills Food Bank Block Walk Challenge!!!
Monday, January 19, 2009

Sign up a team from your organization and TAKE THE CHALLENGE. How much food can your group collect for the Food Bank? More than any other organization? Put your team to the test!!! Set up food drive barrels, collect from your classmates and neighbors, organize a fundraiser and buy the food, or choose a BLOCK and WALK door to door asking for food. However you get your food is up to you!

Join us on MLK Day (January 19) for a culminating celebration with all organizations involved to celebrate MLK’s life, discuss hunger in Bloomington, and weigh in all the food. The team with the greatest amount of food collected (based on pounds) will win an award, media recognition, and a picture on our Block Walk Wall of Fame!!

This event is an incredible philanthropic opportunity to rally your fraternity, sorority, or student group, and advocate for those in need on this historic day of service!

If you are interested in joining this INCREDIBLE event, SIGN UP NOW!
(remember, January 19 is just a week into spring semester. Don’t wait until after the holiday break!)

Reply to this email (volunteer@hhfoodbank.org) or email our ACE, Jenn Jameson at jamesonj@indiana.edu.

And

Join us for a brief **Block Walk Orientation** (at least one leader per team required to attend) **Sunday, December 6 at 6pm in the Oak Room of IMU.**

See you there!

Kim Kanney
Hoosier Hills Food Bank
Volunteer Coordinator
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