Late last fall, Indiana University Bloomington named its Honors College for Edward L. Hutton, an IU alumnus and a prominent philanthropist and businessman from Cincinnati.

Hutton, chair of Chemed Corp. in Cincinnati and chair of Omnicare Inc., grew up near Bloomington in the town of Bedford, Ind., during the Depression. After earning bachelor’s and master’s degrees from IU, he served in the U.S. Army in Germany. After the war, he worked in Berlin in the occupational government’s Export/Import Division, negotiating trade agreements with several countries to help rebuild the German economy. “The experience profoundly changed my life, so much so that I’ve always held that those years of living and working abroad were the key to my development as a person and success as a businessman,” Hutton has said.

In 2003, Hutton gave $9 million to IU to establish an endowment for the International Experiences Program. IU subsequently named the program for him. The university is matching the interest income from his gift in accordance with an initiative that provides matching funds for new gifts of scholarships and fellowships for the IU Bloomington campus.

“Ed Hutton has added new meaning to President Herman Wells’s statement that the campus of Indiana University is not just in Bloomington, not just in Indiana or in the United States, but extends around the globe,” said IU President Adam W. Herbert. “He has helped our students become citizens of the world, and for that he has our enduring gratitude.”

On behalf of students, faculty, and staff in the Hutton Honors College, Dean Karen Hanson extended appreciation for his generous support.

“He has had the vision and the generosity that have been crucial for the development of the Honors College and that will be central to our evolving goals,” Hanson said. “Public universities, including IU, can be the cradle of what Thomas Jefferson From the dean

Hutton’s generosity provides opportunities

Among the great pleasures of my job is that I have the opportunity to work with truly exceptional students, faculty, and staff, so that every year — every week, every day — there are, among the members of the Honors family, personal milestones to mark, individual accomplishments to admire, creative initiatives to applaud. This year was special, however, because this year the institution of the Honors College at IU Bloomington reached a new level of distinction. The Honors College was named the Edward L. Hutton Honors College.

State dignitaries, administrators from all the campuses of Indiana University, and friends of IU from around the world were present at a dinner last October when President Adam Herbert made the official announcement — surprising Mr. Hutton, who had come to Bloomington that afternoon to give a talk to the International Committee of the IU Foundation, not having been told about the special plans we had for the evening, not having been told — not even given a hint — that the Honors College would be named in his honor.

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called ‘the natural aristocracy,’ the grounds of which were not wealth and privilege but virtue and talents. Mr. Hutton himself is proof of that Jeffersonian faith, achieving what he did through talent and hard work, and now he is giving opportunities for development and achievement to others.”

After his Army service, Hutton moved to New York, continuing to work in international trade. In 1951, he joined W.R. Grace & Co., where he became a senior officer and director. Returning to the Midwest in the 1970s, Hutton became president, chief executive officer, and eventually chair of Chemed and Omnicare, which is the leading firm in the United States supplying pharmaceuticals to nursing home patients.

The beneficiary of an IU scholarship and of mentoring from caring faculty members, Hutton has been generous in funding other student scholarships and endowed faculty professorships at IU through the IU Foundation. He also chaired the IU Foundation’s

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The campus then celebrated the Hutton Honors College naming at a glorious party on Jan. 26. Students, faculty, staff, and friends came together in the late afternoon to chat and enjoy good food and to commemorate the importance of our new identity. The afternoon was made more festive by music — the jazz saxophone of HHDC music major Ariel Alexander in a duo with jazz guitar — and a program of tributes was highlighted by student testimonials Ariel, Matthew Yuknis, Kelly Davies, Laura Ertmer, and Alex Eble all spoke movingly of what they had learned, how they had grown, how their life plans had been reshaped as a result of their work in Honors and their travels abroad, travels made possible by their each having been awarded an E.L. Hutton International Experiences Program grant. Each had a different, distinctive story to tell, but each spoke for hundreds of other students in expressing gratitude to Mr. Hutton for his vision and generosity. The chancellor of the Bloomington campus, Kenneth Gros Louis, and Vice Chancellor Edwardo Rhodes also paid tribute to Mr. Hutton; a special video biography of Mr. Hutton was screened — a video now available on the Hutton Honors College Web site; and, finally, the entire gathering had the great pleasure of meeting Mr. Hutton.

The afternoon was a grand occasion, a success in every way. Earlier in the day there had been a smaller, quieter occasion, but it, too, was an event to be treasured. Mr. Hutton joined students for a simple sandwich lunch, an opportunity for sustained conversation. The students were thrilled to meet Mr. Hutton, and they were enthralled by his discussion of his formative years and deeply engaged by his comments on current affairs. Many of the students spoke with me after the lunch, remarking uniformly that they felt “inspired” by Mr. Hutton’s remarks. He had encouraged them to dream big, to work hard, to seize the opportunities that came their way, to be open to the world.

The Hutton Honors College as an institution is also inspired by Mr. Hutton’s vision and personal example. Mr. Hutton credits some of his own teachers with mentorship that made a difference to his life. In a cross-generational reciprocation, he is willing, in turn, to serve as a mentor for young people today. One of things he tries to convey to these receptive students is the importance of a global perspective. The students come to see the role that this broader outlook has played in Mr. Hutton’s own success, and they are profoundly impressed. Mr. Hutton makes a vivid case to our students that even in these difficult and dangerous times — perhaps particularly as the times are difficult and dangerous — we must take a broader view. We must learn about other cultures, become better acquainted with other modes of life, and come to understand other sympathies, even if our aim is only to better understand and more accurately assess our own lives and cultures.

Watch a video about Edward L. Hutton:
www.indiana.edu/~iubhonor/hutton

Students, from left, Tom Pottanat and Michael Drazer converse with Edward L. Hutton. volunteer fund-raising committee that raised $25 million for the Herman B Wells Scholars Program in the 1980s. Hutton received an honorary doctor of laws degree from IU in 1992 and the IU Foundation’s Herman B Wells Visionary Award in 2002.
Hutton International Experiences Program assists students in new campus initiatives

The Edward L. Hutton International Experiences Program continues to expand and to support students in a variety of interesting activities. This past academic year the program assisted more than 400 students to engage in study, research, or service abroad. Increased cooperation with the Office of Overseas Study has helped fuel the IEP’s growth. The current annual goal of the IEP is to help 600 students gain meaningful international experience. Awards this past year averaged $1,470 and trips ranged from one week to the full academic year. Since its inception in 2000, the program has awarded a total of $1,550,500 to 1,090 students.

The rapid growth of the IEP necessitated an addition to the program this past fall. The Hutton Honors College created a coordinator position to oversee the development of the program. Chris Clark, the new coordinator, comes to the HHCC after spending five years as a buyer in the outdoor industry and then starting a successful real-estate business. He received a bachelor of science degree in public affairs/environmental science from Indiana University in 1996. Clark has created a database to centralize program information, has mounted online grant applications, and has developed brochures for the program. He also regularly updates the IEP Web site.

“The IEP is a wonderful opportunity for students to broaden their horizons and expand their minds,” Clark says. “As the coordinator of the IEP, I hope to continue developing all aspects of this program and create a model that sets the standards for other universities.”

Among the notable new destinations and courses supported by IEP grants this year was the IU Department of Biology/SPEA Bonaire Tropical Biology class. This three-credit summer course uses a multidisciplinary approach to teach tropical biology and environmental studies. Students expand their scientific knowledge of the tropics by exploring ecosystems both above and below sea level. The class is led by two IU faculty per session and is new to IU’s curriculum this year. The IEP helped several students participate in this program.

Student travel to China and Japan also increased dramatically. Total trips to these countries climbed from 24 to 54 students in one year, in part because of an excellent joint program offered through the School of Education and the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures. Professors Heidi Ross and Richard Rubinger taught a course on education reform in China and Japan and in May took students for a two-week, first-hand look at the educational systems in Tokyo and Beijing.

Every year, IEP students display dedication, discipline, and creativity. This past year was no exception.

This past spring, Ole Brereton, an HHC student majoring in photography and telecommunications, was invited to the prestigious Cannes Film Festival in Cannes, France, after receiving a first-place award at the College Television Awards. Given by the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, this award is the college-level equivalent of an Emmy. Brereton won first place for Sign of the Times, a music video he wrote, performed, and produced. The IEP helped make Brereton’s trip to Cannes possible.

Kelly Scheffler, a Columbus, Ind., native and HHC student majoring in Near Eastern languages and culture, received a summer IEP grant to spend six weeks studying modern standard Arabic with the Arabic Language Institute at the American University in Cairo, Egypt. This intense language immersion will help Scheffler achieve her goal of attending graduate school in the Middle East.

Aaron Reddington, an Indianapolis native and HHC student majoring in accounting and finance, spent five weeks during the summer as an intern with global financial firm UBS. Reddington worked in Zurich, Switzerland, in the accounting policy department in UBS’s wealth management and business banking division.

The Semester at Sea program uses the world as a classroom. Students take a semester-long educational journey, by ship, to ports around the world. Nicole Miller, an HHC student majoring in telecommunications, spent spring semester visiting and learning about Beijing, Hong Kong, Vietnam, India, Kenya, South Africa, Brazil, and Venezuela. Korea and Japan were also part of the intended itinerary, but a large wave hit the ship in the Pacific, forcing a two-week stay in Hawaii for repairs. The IEP helped make her voyage possible.

“I learned more about the world and life than I could have ever imagined,” Miller says. “I loved all of the classes ... and the material that I learned in them was incredibly interesting and meaningful since we traveled to the countries that we learned about. I couldn’t be happier right now, and I am glad I chose the Semester at Sea.”

Visit the IEP Web site at: www.indiana.edu/~ieuphonor/hds/overseas.php. Check out the new photo section to see student travel photographs from around the world. For more information, contact hiep@indiana.edu.
Adviser wins award

Nigel Pizzini, an academic adviser and the student-programs coordinator for the Hutton Honors College, recently received the Phyllis Klotman Personal Safety Achievement Award for his commitment to sexual-assault prevention and awareness. It is one of only two such awards given each year by the Indiana University Bloomington Commission on Personal Safety.

According to its criteria, the award “recognizes achievements by members of the Indiana University community for their contribution toward improving personal safety conditions on the IU campus.” Pizzini’s contribution lies in his work with Raising Awareness of Interactions in Sexual Encounters, or RAISE, a student peer-education program based in the Office of Women’s Affairs.

RAISE uses student volunteers to facilitate rape awareness programs in dorms, Greek houses, and other student groups. Pizzini’s strong background in therapy and violence prevention work made him a natural fit for the program. “Last year I helped train the student volunteers,” Pizzini says. “This year my focus has been on cultivating and facilitating men’s involvement in sexual-assault prevention initiatives on campus.”

Pizzini has developed and implemented several different RAISE programs, many of which are targeted toward male students. This year Pizzini established “No Excuse,” a men’s organization that advocates male responsibility for sexual awareness and prevention. He is currently developing an academic course for students interested in learning about violence and sexual assault prevention. “I think the award is in recognition of all of my involvement and efforts over this past year,” Pizzini says. “Few men are taking key leadership roles on campus in the area of proactive male initiatives and sexual-assault awareness and prevention. The Commission on Personal Safety is acknowledging their value for what we are trying to achieve. “I gain a lot through my association with student volunteers and others who contribute to this work,” Pizzini says. “My involvement in RAISE empowers me to make a difference — and make society a better, safer place for all.”

— Hannah Holt, BA’05

HHC sponsors new capstone partnership awards with School of Fine Arts and IMP

Beginning last spring, the Hutton Honors College Undergraduate Grant Program offered three new grants to eligible IUB undergraduates. Graduating seniors became eligible for two new capstone awards, and freshmen and sophomores now have access to a new research grant.

In addition to the ongoing Hutton Honors College Thesis Awards, which reward students who are completing honors theses in any school or department that offers an honors degree, the HHC now offers awards to graduating students completing BFA degrees in the Henry Radford Hope School of Fine Arts and to students completing undergraduate degrees in the Individualized Major Program who are completing their IMP projects. To qualify for the new capstone awards, students must have an overall 3.3 GPA and a 3.7 GPA in their major.

“The new Hutton Honors College/School of Fine Arts BFA Capstone Award affirms Indiana University’s tradition of valuing creativity in the academic community,” says Georgia Strange, director, Henry Radford Hope School of Fine Arts. “This highly selective award initiated by the Hutton Honors College is a marvelous response to the importance of creative activity in the visual arts. I thank the Hutton Honors College for giving our students opportunities to excel at what they do.”

The School of Fine Arts graduates approximately three dozen BFA students every year.

The Individualized Major Program currently has more than 100 active majors. Thirty-five students graduated from the program in 2004 and almost 40 graduated in 2005. IMP director Ray Hedin says, “This is a wonderful way for the Hutton Honors College to demonstrate its connections to the whole university community as well as to recognize the effort and imagination that go into an individualized major. This is a huge boost for our students, and I know they will be grateful.”

Unlike the HHC’s long-established Research Grants that help support juniors and seniors pursuing specific research or scholarly activities, Research Partnership Grants are intended to encourage freshmen and sophomores to become involved in research or scholarly activities in disciplines that evoke their interest.

Freshmen and sophomores who apply for these awards must have 3.3 GPAs overall to qualify for consideration. Activities considered appropriate for these awards include: serving as a research assistant for a humanities professor; working in a science laboratory in some capacity; or helping a social sciences professor collect data.

Ultimately, what an applicant does should be determined by conversations.

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Director of advising celebrates 30 years at IU

This past summer, Barbara Edwards, the Hutton Honors College’s director of advising, celebrated 30 years of service at IU. Colleagues gathered in the Brown County Room at the end of orientation to help Edwards mark the anniversary.

Edwards graduated from DePauw University, earned an MA in English literature at the University of Pennsylvania, and then taught English at a suburban high school. After 10 years in Philadelphia, she returned to Indiana to attend IU, where she completed a master’s degree in counseling and a doctorate in education.

Edwards began working at IU as part of a pilot project that developed the concept of regular University Division advisers. In 1972, the then-Honors Division director convinced UD that honors needed its own adviser. Edwards has worked with honors students since then and became director of advising for the Honors Division in 1986.

“I love my job,” she says. “Interacting with and helping motivated students pursue their interests has been and continues to be a great joy for me.”
Hutton Honors College students share reading choices

“Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body,” according to Irish writer Sir Richard Steele (1672-1729). With Steele in mind, we asked several Hutton Honors College students to recommend some “reading workouts” for you. Here’s what they had to say:

Junior Meredith Morgan, an Indianapolis native pursing degrees in comparative literature, linguistics, and international studies, recommends Reading Lolita in Tehran, by Azar Nafisi. Morgan became interested in the book after studying Arabic for a year. The book is a memoir of a literature professor, Azar Nafisi, in Tehran, Iran, in the 1980s and ’90s,” Morgan says. “As an American, I had all kinds of preconceived notions about Iranian culture. The reactions that Nafisi and her students have to the Islamic revolution and the freedoms that are suddenly taken away from them made me realize that Iran is not really all that different from the United States,” she says. “The memoir combines the facts of a history book with the narrative credibility of an intelligent woman whose humor prevails even through the discouraging atmosphere of the revolution.”

Fellow Indy resident Alex Eble, ’05, purchased If on a Winter’s Night a Traveler after a ride on the Chinatown Express. The man sitting next to him — a disc jockey from New York City — recommended the Italo Calvino book. Recent graduate Eble, a dual economics and East Asian languages and cultures major now studying at the London School of Economics, found the recommendation to be a good one. “The experience of reading this book is comparable to taking apart the world’s most interesting set of Russian nesting dolls,” Eble says. “It is a novel by means of a second-person cocoon of short stories that takes the reader through an unexpected yet surprisingly archetypal heroic trajectory. Aside from challenging my notion of the traditional narrative,” Eble continues, “it broke through my initial disposition not to suspend my disbelief. If on a Winter’s Night a Traveler is my favorite present to give any good friend who truly enjoys reading, and I am more thrilled each time I give it.”

After reading The Catcher in the Rye, freshman Christopher Chrzan wanted to read more works by J.D. Salinger. This led Chrzan to pick up the author’s Nine Stories, a collection of — you guessed it — nine separate stories. Chrzan, a native of Greenville, Ind., majoring in psychology, found the book challenging and entertaining. “Each story deals with a variety of subjects in an abstract sort of way,” Chrzan says. “The book reads nothing like Catcher and is unique. A variety of people could walk away from Nine Stories having gained totally different perspectives,” he says. “The book is incredibly intellectually stimulating and will challenge you to think on a variety of subjects.”

Katie Crank, an international studies freshman from Kirkwood, Mo., received Barbara Kingsolver’s book Small Wonder as a graduation gift from her high school mentor. “The book is a collection of essays about Sept. 11 — not about the event itself, but some of the questions Sept. 11 poses for American society,” Crank says. “I love that Kingsolver writes with a consciousness of humanity’s connection to nature. Rather than viewing Sept. 11 in a vacuum, Kingsolver weaves her ideas about sustainable living into Small Wonder,” Crank says. “This book inspired me to gain more knowledge about the ways in which I might make my daily life more sustainable, earth-friendly and people-friendly.”

Sophomore Laura Kunz read The State Boys Rebellion, by Michael D’Antonio, over spring break last March. As a political science and history double major, the Martinsville, Ind., native enjoyed reading about a part of U.S. history she knew nothing about. “This book describes a period of history in the United States that few people know about — the eugenic period,” Kunz says. “The book is a true story about the eugenic program started in this country. It describes the classification and treatment of the mentally retarded and borderline patients in institutions that continued until the 1970s,” Kunz says. “This book challenges images of the United States and shows how the eugenic craze was kept alive even after proof of the program’s failure to eliminate the mentally impaired. It opened my eyes.”

Kate Fitzgerald, a sophomore majoring in political science and Spanish, sticks with a literary classic for her recommendation. Harper Lee’s To Kill a Mockingbird first resonated with Fitzgerald during high school. Later, the Carmel, Ind., resident rediscovered the novel as a Christmas present from her mom. “This novel is considered a staple of high school literary curricula — but it’s not a ‘kid’s book’ at all,” she says. “It addresses important issues that have always presented human nature with a struggle: prejudice, violence, and hypocrisy.” Fitzgerald encourages adults to revisit this classic. “Everyone probably read To Kill a Mockingbird in high school, but that first time around doesn’t do it justice. As an adult, you can actually read it without Cliffs Notes,” she laughs. “Read it again and you’ll notice something you missed before. And you may be pleasantly surprised by the inspiration you find.”

— Hannah Holt, BAF ’05

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between the applicant and the professor for whom he or she will be working. Research Partnership Grant awardees work approximately six to 10 hours weekly during a semester. (Summer activities are flexible.) The goal of the program is to make freshman and sophomore students aware of some important aspects of the research and/or scholarly activities professors pursue and to help prepare students for more advanced research and scholarly activities as they pursue a major.

“The capstone awards give us the opportunity to reward students for work well done,” says Edward Gubar, director of the HHC Undergraduate Grant Program, “while the partnership grants allow us to help younger students discover new paths.”
Jennifer K. Crittenden, BA’81, MBA’88, is vice president of finance for Anayds Pharmaceuticals. She lives in Del Mar, Calif.

Andrew E. Greenberg, BA’81, is a founding partner of the Chartwell Law Offices in Valley Forge, Pa. He represents employers, insurance carriers, and third-party administrators in personal-injury litigation and is the co-author of Pennsylvania Workers’ Compensation Law & Practice. The Devon, Pa., resident can be reached at agreenberg@chartwellaw.com.

Nicholas L. Strout, BA’81, MA’86, was promoted to senior vice president and general manager of international businesses for Minntech Corp., a medical-device manufacturer based in Minneapolis. He writes, “After three years in the U.S., my wife, Susanne, who is German, has almost adapted to life in a Midwestern suburb — a far cry from Hamburg, Germany, where I first met her as an IU exchange student in 1980 and where we married in 1985!” He lives in Plymouth, Minn., and can be reached at nstrout@minntech.com.

Kathleen M. Dugan, BFA’83, was the juror for two-dimensional work in the adult division of the Indianapolis Art Center’s 2005 Annual Student Show. She is an assistant professor of art at Anderson University, where she teaches painting, drawing, and two-dimensional design. She lives in Noblesville, Ind.

Paul A. Heilfrich, BM’84, MA’86, was elected chair of the Group 3 Orchestra Managers for the American Symphony Orchestra League. He lives in Charleston, W.Va.

Denise Stoner-Barone, BA’85, CBST’85, of Batavia, Ohio, wrote a one-act children’s play, called A Moornoir, that the Cincinnati Playwrights Initiative chose to workshop in April 2005.

Stephen P. Griebel, BA’86, and his wife, Deborah, have a daughter, Olivia Mary, who was born on Aug. 19, 2004. She can be reached at hjandsarnold1@comcast.net.

Kathleen M. (Houff) Isaacson, BS’88, of Silver Spring, Md., writes, “I left active duty in summer 2000. I currently live in the Washington, D.C., area, where my husband, Christopher J. Isaacson, is stationed at the Pentagon. I am working on a Ph.D in European history at American University.” She has two daughters, Libby and Ellen, and can be reached at kis6468@american.edu.

Anne C. Zender, BA’88, MA’90, of Chicago, was named vice president of communications for the American Health Information Management Association.

In February 2005, Tina M. (Sommers) Bens, BS’89, of Valparaiso, Ind., was named a partner at the law firm of Hoeppner Wagner & Evans. She also has a commercial practice.

Jack A. Bobo, BA/BS’89, MS’96, JD’96, is deputy chief of the Biotechnology and Textile Trade Policy Division in the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs at the U.S. Department of State. He writes, “I work on trade policy, food security, and development issues related to agricultural biotechnology with a regional focus on Africa and Eastern Europe. This position requires me to draw heavily on my training and education at SPEA and the law school at IU.” He lives in Washington, D.C., with his wife, Dr. Qiao Bobo, and his daughter and son.

Errol A. Huffman, BA’89, married Elizabeth A. (Geistler) Huffman, BS’98, in October 2004, six months after his return from service in Iraq. He served as a military police captain and as a military adviser to the Coalition Provisional Authority’s Ministry of Justice. In July 2004, he returned to his job as business consultant with RPS Dining Services at IU Bloomington, and he is currently working on a book based on the journal he kept while deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Hufmans live in Elyseville, Ind.


Donovan C. James, BS’90, is a vascular surgeon at St. Mary-Corwin Medical Center in Pueblo, Colo. He is an associate fellow of the American College of Surgeons.


Svetlana (Pastukh) Boukhy, BA’91, started her own law firm, concentrating exclusively on U.S. immigration law, in Laguna Niguel, Calif. Her first son, Daniel Simon Boukhy, was born on Dec. 19, 2004. She can be reached at sboukhy@cox.net.

Heather Rose Bridger, ACLCS’91, BS’91, married her husband, Nayo Ulloa, in December 2005, the same year the CD she produced of music from the Spanish Civil War, Spain in My Heart, was released on Appleseed Records. In 2004 she produced her husband’s new CD of South American world music. She continues to work as a Spanish interpreter and translator in federal and state courts. The San Jose, Calif., resident can be reached at hbrosta@cs.com.

Maryam Fakouri, BA’91, BFA’93, MLS’03, is reference and instruction librarian for the Columbia College Chicago Library. She lives in Chicago.

Scott W. Marlow, BS’91, writes, “I recently resigned as marketing director for Cascade Bicycle Club (the largest bike club in the nation) to pursue freelance marketing opportunities.” The Seattle resident can be reached at scott@marketingbymarlow.com.

Steven W. Thalheimer, BA’91, and Andrea E. (Rahe) Thalheimer, BS’90, have a son, Luke Steven, who was born on April 16, 2004. They live in Lawrenceburg, Ind.

Christopher L. Winters, BA’91, writes, “I have been in podiatry practice for five years in Indianapolis. I have a wonderful 2-year-old boy, Nicolas, and a wife, Natalie, who is originally from Riga, Latvia. I would love to hear from others from the class of 1991.” He lives in Zionsville, Ind., and can be reached at soledoc@hotmail.com.

James H. Arnold, BS’92, DDS’96, and Sarah M. (Fischer) Arnold, BS’92, JD’96, live in Valparaiso, Ind. He has a dental practice and teaches cosmetic dentistry to dentists throughout the country. She is an avid runner and “supermom.” They can be reached at jandarnold1@comcast.net.
Benjamin D. Kern, BA’92, was promoted to partner at Gordon & Glickson, an information technology law firm in Chicago. In November 2004, he launched his own technology company, Canary Wireless. He lives in Chicago.

Stacy E. Maugans, BA’92, BM’92, DM’00, is assistant dean of Valparaiso University’s College of Arts and Sciences. An assistant professor of music, she is an accomplished saxophonist and a scholar on the history of the saxophone in Russia and the former Soviet Union. She lives in Valparaiso, Ind.

Kathryn J. McGrath, BA’92, is instructor of English basic skills at Bergen Community College in Paramus, N.J. She lives in New York City.

Julia Cunnings O’Hara, BS’92, MA’96, PhD’04, writes, “After graduating from the School of Music, I traveled and studied in Latin America, then returned to IU to earn my PhD in Latin American history. I am now an assistant professor of history at Xavier University in Cincinnati and, though not a professional musician, continue to enjoy music as an avocation.”

Hilary White Reis, BA’92, married Steven Reis on Aug. 15, 2004. They live in New York City, where she teaches at Washington Irving High School, a large public school. She writes, “I’m teaching history and theory of knowledge in an international baccalaureate program. Our program offers German as well. In my previous school in Massachusetts, I started an exchange program with Germany and created a curriculum for the German program; my work is continued there.” She can be reached at hilary_e_white@hotmail.com.

Joanna Rossi, BS’92, lives in Cyprus, where she is an account manager for a bank. She writes, “I still play tennis, though much less than I used to. Most of my time is spent raising my two daughters, ages 4 and 3. My memories of IU will forever hold a special place in my heart.” She can be reached at marijojo@spidernet.com.cy.

Ross D. Silverman, BA’92, was awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. He lives in Springfield, Ill., with his wife, Tami Shields Silverman, BS’93, and their children, Miranda, 3, and Maxwell, 1. He can be reached at rdsilverman@att.net.

Tiffany L. Buller-Schussler, BS’94, DDS’98, is practicing dentistry in Metairie, La., while her husband, Thomas S. Schussler, BS’94, MS’95, MD’99, finishes a gastroenterology fellowship at Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans. She can be reached at doctorT@yahoo.com.

Richard B. Dietz, BS’94, BA’94, MS’02, is director of information and technology services for the city of Bloomington, Ind. He founded Oacea Inc., which specializes in Web development, Web site hosting, and technology consulting, and co-founded the Humanetrix Foundation Inc., a not-for-profit organization that supports technology in the public interest. He lives in Bloomington.


Todd J. Gemmer, BS’94, of San Francisco, writes, “I am proud to announce the birth of Henry Arden Gemmer on Dec. 10, 2004. Henry and mom, Karen, are doing well.” Todd is a financial analyst for Morgan Stanley and president of the Kelley School of Business Alumni Club of San Francisco and the South San Francisco Bay Area. He can be reached at todd.gemmer@morganstanley.com.

Julie Gossman Sapper, BS’94, lives in Rockville, Md., with her husband, Darren J. Sapper, and her son, Noah Robert Sapper, who was born on Feb. 17, 2004. She is an attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., and can be reached at jeogossma@hotmail.com.

Jonathan T. Tempel, BA’94, left the private practice of law to become senior counsel for Thomson S.A., a French consumer-electronics company with its North American headquarters in Indianapolis. He lives in Indianapolis and can be reached at jonathan.tempel@thomson.net.

Julie A. DiCaro, BA’95, writes, “I took a position with Pro Bono Advocates, an organization that provides legal services to battered women. I am working on writing my first novel.” She lives in Aurora, Ill., and can be reached at jdicaro@ameritech.net.

Kristen E. Kirkham, BA’95, MBA’02, of Indianapolis, has been appointed a Six Sigma Black Belt for sales and marketing at Eli Lilly. Dr. Scott L. Baylin, BS’96, practices dentistry in Catonsville, Md. He and his wife have a child, Brandon, born in August 2004. The family lives in Owings Mills, Md., and Baylin can be reached at sbaylin@catonsvilledentalcare.com.

William B. Berndt, BA’96, of Chicago, is an associate for Schopf & Weiss, a business-litigation firm. Joseph D. Greenberg, BS’96, MS’97, has been promoted to senior associate for CB Richard Ellis. He lives in Beachwood, Ohio.

Jennifer B. Hashley, BS’96, completed a master’s degree in public policy at Tufts University in Boston. She lives in Concord, Mass., and can be reached at jhashley@hotmail.com.

Kristin M. Johnson, BA’96, married Pedro Martinez Aguina on June 19, 2004, in Villavieja de Lozoya, Spain. She works for Orchestra Systems Translation Agency in Madrid and can be reached at krisjohnson@orchestra.es.

Dewey E. McLin III, BS’96, is the medical science liaison for Forest Laboratory’s CNS division in Los Angeles. He and his wife,
Students key to successful extracurricular programs

Led by members of the Hutton Honors College extracurricular programs committee, more than 70 students helped plan, publicize, or host the more than 30 programs the HHC sponsored or supported this past year. Student imagination, creativity, leadership, effort, and time were essential to the success of programs that ranged from an evening concert by and reception for the exciting University of Namibia Choir, to a visit to a local water treatment plant to learn how the government and the community have addressed environmental issues, to an evening in which students and faculty challenged each other in games of Set.

Some of the programs were organized to address the yearlong theme, Asking the Tough Questions, and tackled such controversial issues as the nature and purpose of marriage, the role of political advertising in the 2004 presidential election, and the need for UN reform. One evening, guests took on roles and tried to solve a “whodunit” murder mystery.

Many programs introduced students to interesting Indiana University faculty and members of the local community. Others gave them opportunities to ask tough questions of campus visitors whose research and responsibilities ranged from finding planets beyond the solar system to helping to organize relief efforts after last December’s Indian Ocean tsunami disaster. Included among those visitors were:

- astronomer Geoffrey Marcy
- social psychologist Claude Steele
- bioethicist James Childress
- philosopher Gareth Mathews
- authors Linda and Michael Hutcheon, who have written a number of books about opera, including *Opera: The Art of Dying* • 1997 Nobel Laureate in physics William Phillips
- former U.S. Congressman and vice chair of the 9/11 commission Lee Hamilton
- Coleen Rowley, a former FBI agent and one of three whistleblowers named 2002 People of the Year by *Time* magazine
- Bruce Rashkow, director of the United Nations’ General Legal Division, Office of Legal Affairs
- Peter Kovach, the director of the Office of Public Diplomacy in the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs

Students also attended special cultural events and programs on campus, including a master class with artist Robert Colescott; an after-hours tour at the IU Art Museum focused on “Pressure Points;” an exhibit of contemporary, challenging art that included a piece by Colescott; IU performances of *Dracula* and *La Boîme*; and a national touring company performance of *Les Misérables* that included an informal curtain talk with members of the cast.

Students involved in the Honors Student Association also developed new programming ideas, including a spring Honors Professors 101 open house at which students could meet and mingle with faculty who are scheduled to teach honors courses this coming fall, and the Succinct Saga Society, which met three times this past semester and will continue to meet in the fall to read and talk about short stories.

The theme for 2005–06 focuses on community, identity, and individuality, and programs will address such questions as, Who are we? Who do we want to be? Programs will consider the role that food plays in who we are as individuals and how we connect within communities, the role that language plays in identifying groups and their roles in society; the roles that religion and science play; the use of tests and various forms of self-expression (whether journaling, blogging, drawing, or dancing) to figure out who we are or want to be, the American idea and identity, and other topics of interest. Among the special events on IU’s and the HHC’s calendars this coming year will be the world premiere of *Our Town*, an opera by Indiana-born composer Ned Rorem that is based on Thornton Wilder’s Pulitzer Prize-winning play.

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Justin T. Stieler, BS’96, works at the Los Angeles field office of the U.S. Secret Service. He lives in Santa Monica, Calif., and can be reached at jstie1er@yahoo.com.

Ryan J. Otten, BA’98, MD’04, graduated from the IU School of Medicine in May 2004 and is an anesthesiology resident at IU. He lives in Indianapolis and can be reached at rjotten@iuipui.edu.

Charles F. Prestinari, BME’98, MM’00, of Flanders, N.J., is assistant choral director for the New York City Opera, where he works for another IU alumnus, Gary T. Wedow, BM’72.

Mary Ann H. (Mckavitt) East, BME’99, graduated from George Mason University in May 2005 with two master’s degrees in music, one in choral conducting and one in vocal performance. She studied with the University of Miami Frost School of Music program in Salzburg, Austria, in summer 2004, and she was the conducting intern for the Washington Women’s Chorus for the 2004–05 season. The Manassas, Va., resident is the choral director at George C. Marshall High School in Falls Church, Va. She can be reached at maryann@eastbrothers.com.

Suzanne M. Godby, BME’99, of Columbus, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in library science at IU Bloomington’s School of Library and Information Science.

Jared A. Hershenson, BS’99, ACJS’99, graduated from the Washington University School of Medicine and is doing his residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. He and his wife, Jessica, have a son, Samuel, who was born on Jan. 12, 2004. Hershenson can be reached at jhershenson@hotmail.com.

Anton K. Neff, BA’99, is a licensed insurance agent for Bloomington Insurance Agency. The Spencer, Ind., resident is chair of the Owen County Democratic Party and an elected official on the Owen County Council.

Kimberly M. (Craig) Norris, BS’99, MS’02, married Matthew W. Norris, JD’04, in July 2003. Their son, Jacob William, was born in December 2004. They live in Noblesville, Ind.

Devin B. Thomas, BS’99, is executive director for the Norwalk Symphony Orchestra in Norwalk, Conn. He accepted the position after completing a yearlong orchestra management fellowship with the American Symphony Orchestra League. He lives in Westport, Conn., and can be reached at dthomas@norwalksymphony.org.

In May 2004, Terry J. Alexandrou, BA’00, received a medical degree and the Alfred S. Maschke Award for excellence in the art and practice of medicine from the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. He lives in Broadview Heights, Ohio.

Tracy A. Beckham, BA’00, has joined Evans & Dixon as an associate in its workers’ compensation practice. She holds a doctorate of law from Saint Louis University School of Law and has served as an alumni student recruiter for IU. She lives in St. Louis.

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HHC alumna wins Soros fellowship

Indiana University and Hutton Honors College alumna Kathleen Tran, who in 2002 became the 14th IU student and second woman from IU to be named a Rhodes Scholar, has been named as one of 30 winners of the 2005 Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans. She will receive up to a $20,000 stipend plus half tuition for as many as two years of graduate study at any institution of higher learning in the United States.

Now in their eighth year, the Soros fellowships are among the most highly recognized and sought-after awards for graduate study in the United States. This year’s competition included nearly 1,000 applicants who are naturalized citizens, children of naturalized citizens, or resident aliens. They represented 141 countries of national origin and came from 360 colleges and universities.

Tran’s father and mother came to the United States from Vietnam in 1964 and 1972, respectively, and now work in Bloomington. Tran recently completed a master’s degree in medical anthropology and is currently a candidate for a master’s degree in comparative social policy at Oxford University, where she is a Rhodes Scholar. In 2003, she earned a bachelor’s degree with a triple major (music, biochemistry, and biology) from IU Bloomington, where she was Phi Beta Kappa and a Wells Scholar. Tran was born in Fayetteville, Ark., and moved to Bloomington when she was 5 months old. She began taking classes at IU at age 11, studying piano with Luba Edlina-Dubinski of the IU School of Music.

While at IU, Tran was spokesperson for the Vietnamese Student Association and competed on the tae kwon do team. She also worked as a volunteer at the dialysis center at Bloomington Hospital.

Not alone

Kathleen Tran is the third IU Hutton Honors College graduate in the last three years to win a Soros award. Raju Raval in 2004 and Michael Pacold in 2005 also received Soros Fellowships for New Americans. All three were Wells Scholars at IU.

Raju Raval is an MD candidate at the University of Pennsylvania. He recently completed a DPhil in clinical medicine at the University of Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. He graduated with majors in biochemistry, biology, Spanish, and religious studies. He also received a Truman Scholarship for public service. After graduation, he plans to pursue a career in medicine, cancer research, and health policy.

Michael Pacold is a student in the Harvard Medical School/MIT Health Sciences and Technology MD program. He also has a PhD in molecular biology from the University of Cambridge and dual BS degrees in chemistry and biology from Indiana University. Pacold held a British Marshall Scholarship and a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship during his time in England. As a physician-scientist, he plans to direct his research toward the improvement of human health. He also hopes to teach at an academic medical center.
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sue Film” award in the International Student Documentary Competition of the Chicago International Documentary Festival. He lives in Los Angeles.

Melanie A. (Pikul) Carter, BS’01, received an MBA with a finance concentration from Southern Methodist University. A senior consultant with Countrywide Financial Corp., she lives with her husband, Nathan A. Carter, BS’01, in Dallas. She can be reached at melanie.carter@att.net.

Todd V. Jerles, BA’01, ACL&M’01, married Lisa Dean-Kluger on Jan. 15, 2005, in Miami. He is an associate in the investment banking group at Leerink Swann & Co., a boutique health-care investment bank in New York City. He lives in New York City and can be reached at toddj@leerink.com.

Ying Wang, BS’01, of Bennington, Vt., writes, “I feel like the lone Hoosier up here in the Northeast. If any Kelley graduates end up coming to Yale, please drop me a note. I’d love to reminisce over the glorious I-Core experience … especially now that I am officially pursuing medicine instead.” She can be reached at yingwang_1@yahoo.com.

Tiffany R. Benjamin, BA’02, graduated from Harvard Law School in June, married William J. Dwenger, BG5/CBusF’02, in Beck Chapel at IU Bloomington on Aug. 13, and joined the law firm of King & Spalding in Washington, D.C., as an associate in September.

Donald W. Buck II, BS’02, married Jennifer A. Lazarus, BA’02, on May 29 in St. Louis. He writes, “Everything went extremely well — it was a truly incredible ceremony!” They live in Baltimore, and he can be reached at dbuck2@jhmi.edu.

Charlene M. Hernandez, BS’02, is an assistant brand manager on the Febreze account for Proctor & Gamble. She lives in Cincinnati and can be reached at chernandez@cinci.rr.com.

Sheila B. Lalwani, BA’02, is a reporter at the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. She lives in Milwaukee.