It is with sadness that we share the news of the death of Austin Caswell, professor emeritus of music. Professor Caswell passed away at home on March 1, 2006, at the age of 74.

Caswell received his BA in history from Amherst College (1953), and his MA and PhD in musicology from the University of Minnesota (1957, 1964). His early years of teaching included the Vermont Academy and the University of Minnesota General College, but the bulk of his teaching career was as professor of musicology at Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music (1966-1996), where he served as chairman of the musicology department for several years. He also taught for the IU Hutton Honors College (1973-2006) and the IU Intensive Freshman Seminar program.

As an award-winning music professor, Austin Caswell specialized in women's music, U.S. popular music, the history of improvisation, and music of the Baroque. As a teacher of the HHC Ideas and Experience "great books" seminars for 33 years, he delighted in introducing gifted freshmen to texts from many different fields. "I liked teaching music, but I like honors teaching more," Caswell said last fall.

Austin Caswell loved teaching, and in 1996 he was honored with one of IU's highest and most distinguished teaching awards, the Herman Lieber Memorial Award, which included the following words of praise about Caswell from his students and colleagues: "He is a miracle, a mentor, an angel, a father figure, a true friend, Socrates with a handlebar mustache, smarter than Einstein ..." Caswell left a long-lasting legacy in those who experienced his unique teaching style in which he always encouraged students to "think for yourself." Many students describe the effect of his teaching as "life-changing," and his generosity toward helping students was further reflected in the hundreds of letters of recommendation he wrote over the years on their behalf.

Recent students also remember Austin Caswell for his dedication to teaching, his love of books, and his care for students.

"Austin’s passion for great books pushed all of us to involve ourselves with discussions, which would sometimes turn into heated debates," remembers Kimberly Harmacinski, a student in Caswell’s last H212 class in spring 2005. "He inspired me to remember how much I love to read, and his comments on our papers made me feel like he truly appreciated our work. For that, I will always remember him."

"Austin Caswell was one of the best professors I had during my undergraduate career at IU," says Aravon McCalla, BA'05, now a law student at IUB. "Austin was truly a wonderful teacher, and the experiences I had my freshman year in his H211 and H212 classes served me greatly. It’s not often that you encounter someone who is so dedicated to helping enrich your ways of thinking and writing; because of that, I’m very grateful to have met Austin."

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From the dean

Opportunities abound at home, abroad

This has been an exciting year for the Hutton Honors College, both at home and abroad. Another cohort of students has participated in the E.L. Hutton International Experiences Program, studying or doing research or service overseas, and they have returned to IU with broadened horizons and deepened perspectives on the world and their places in it. The opportunities provided by the IEP help all of us to think globally, and two additions to our HHC programs underscore that aspect of our mission.

First, we are launching an honors semester in China, with a program housed at the Beijing Foreign Studies University. The program will offer seminars on Chinese history, Chinese ethnicities, contemporary literature and film in China, and China's international relations. Classes will be conducted in English, but the program will also include intensive Chinese language training. The program has been organized by the Institute for the International Education of Students, and honors students from any of the Big Ten schools are eligible to enroll. HHC students will thus be able to meet and get to know some of their talented peers from other universities here in the United States, even as they together learn about and live in China. The partnership of the CIC (Big Ten) institutions was crucial for this initiative.

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“One of the wisest and most unique people I’ve ever had the fortune of meeting, Austin Caswell made my time in Bloomington special,” says Caitlin Taylor, the undergraduate teaching intern in Caswell’s last H212 class. “His guidance not only made people better and smarter students, but his influence also made students better and smarter people.”

Colleagues remember Austin for those reasons and more.

“I began working with Austin Caswell when I took the job of coordinating the Freshman Honors Seminar, Ideas and Experience, in 1973,” Julia Bondanella, former associate director of the Honors College, says. “Who wouldn’t have wanted to work with Austin? He was well spoken, sharply intelligent, knowledgeable about the literature of music, curious about ideas and forms beyond his field, and blessed with a sense of self Garrison Keillor could have truly appreciated. Besides, he had a great mustache! With his Minnesota roots, Austin had a genuine conviction that the arts and humanities were important to our lives, a kind of no-nonsense but deeply felt understanding of their power. Perhaps his feelings reflected in an unsurprising way the Scandinavian culture typical of small towns and big, from eastern Montana to Wisconsin.”

“Austin had nothing of the ordinary about him;” Bondanella continues. “His warmth, his subtle sense of humor, his genuine interest in other people, his wisdom, and his affection inspired those of us who so willingly worked with him. I carry many special memories of Austin, especially of those occasions we would sit down and chat — sometimes with our friend and colleague Michael Berkvam, falling sometimes uproariously into the broad accents and special cadence typical of the speech of the Scandinavian communities in which we had grown up. Learning with Austin always included laughter.”

Dean Karen Hanson reflects on the impact Caswell had, saying, “Austin was a truly remarkable teacher, wildly gifted and passionately dedicated to his students and their development. He was a peerless inspiration to all who had the great good fortune to know him and to work with him, to learn from him and enjoy his company. He was engaging and fun, to put it mildly, but absolutely serious about the things that mattered most. For many generations of students, having had a class with Austin is the most memorable, the most treasured experience they will carry with them from all their years at IU.”

See the story about Caswell’s teaching that was posted last fall at www.indiana.edu/~iubhonor/news/news0506/caswell.php. Caswell is survived by his wife, Judy, and daughters, Rachel and Sara.

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the development of this program, and we have depended also on outstanding support and cooperation from IU’s Office of Overseas Study and the IU Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures.

Our second new initiative will also be based in China. Thanks to the generosity of Simon Goe, an IU alumnus, and with the help of the IU Foundation and, again, the Office of Overseas Study, a program of paid internships — either three months or six months in Beijing — will be offered to HHC students. We are still working out the details of the program, but we hope it will be the first of many internships, particularly overseas internships, offered specifically to Hutton Honors College students.

These new programs will complement the IEP and are another manifestation of the HHC’s commitment to a global perspective. This issue of the Hutton Honors College Alumni News also highlights some academic courses, extracurricular programs, and special student initiatives that in other ways underscore the international interests of the HHC students, staff, faculty, and friends.

There is exciting news much closer to home as well. In fact, this exciting news is about our home. Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of Edward L. Hutton, the Hutton Honors College is embarked on the process of building a new home. The new HHC building will be located at Seventh and Woodlawn, directly across from Dunn Meadow and the Indiana Memorial Union. It is a great location, and it is going to be a beautiful building — collegiate gothic in style, with a limestone exterior and a slate roof. All the HHC staff will finally be together under one roof, and we will have much improved space for student programs. We will even have student lounges and study space, so honors students will feel, more than ever, that the HHC can be a home away from home. The target time for completion of the new building is in the 2007–08 academic year. We are absolutely elated about the prospects for this new home, and we will keep you posted as we make progress.

In the meantime, there are other transitions to report. We were delighted to have Richelle Brown join us this year as an academic adviser and outreach coordinator. Richelle is an experienced adviser, with two degrees from IU herself, and she brings dedication and creativity, as well as expertise, to all that she does for the HHC. Moreover, her kind and gentle manner is a balm for even the most nervous student (and a great bonus for her colleagues). There were some farewells, too. We were very sorry to lose Chris Clark, coordinator of the IEP, who had done a wonderful job organizing and publicizing the IEP and who had pitched in a variety of other ways for the HHC, always with good cheer and good sense. Chris is the proud father of a new baby girl, however, and that transformation in his personal life made a new job opportunity seem especially attractive. Twila Pickens, assistant for extracurricular programming, is also moving on for happy personal reasons — marriage and an exciting job for her husband in another state — but we will miss her terribly, too. She brought intelligence, imagination, and a quiet firmness to activities in programming, and she was a delightful colleague in every way. Two of our graduate assistants, Jan Cleaver and Nidhi Rana, have ended their studies and moved on, but Lisa Bluder and Pauline Campbell have joined us. We are grateful for the fine service of Jan and Nidhi, and we wish them well, even as we welcome Lisa and Pauline.

One transition is different from the rest. We have all been saddened by the loss of Austin Caswell. Austin was an extraordinary teacher, scholar, and human being. (Please see the feature on Austin on page 1.) He was also completely dedicated to the Hutton Honors College and truly loved his honors students. It is fitting that, in his memory, we re dedicate ourselves to the work and the students he so cherished.

— Karen Hanson
Recent courses explore globalization and its implications

The world today is smaller than it has ever been before; or at least it seems that way. You can hop on a jet and arrive in a country on the other side of the world in less than a day. With the advent of cell phones, you can talk to people from almost anywhere. You can develop a community or maintain friendships regardless of distance, thanks to the incredible power of the Internet.

Ease of communication and travel, together with rampant population growth, changing concepts of national identity, free trade, climate change, and a growing ability to pass through national boundaries, have made the meaning and implications of globalization one of the most important issues of the day. The Hutton Honors College, in addition to its Hutton International Experiences Program that helps students see the world for themselves (see related story below), has recently offered numerous courses that allow students to approach such issues from a variety of angles. In this way, the HHC hopes to help students better understand their role in an increasingly smaller world.

Here are samples of spring and fall 2006 HHC courses (as described by their instructors) that engage some of the issues raised by globalization.

• **Anthropology Today**, taught by Sara Friedman: “One of the most controversial issues in the world today is the massive movement of people across national borders. What kinds of people migrate today and why? How does immigration affect how countries define their national identity and their citizenship laws? Immigration and citizenship involve more than questions of rights and responsibilities; they also inspire debates about what it means to ‘belong’ in a society or nation. This course will look at anthropological approaches to studying citizenship and immigration around the world. We will focus on current debates about topics such as the European Union, headscarves in France, indigenous rights, post-9/11 U.S. immigration policy, multiculturalism, mail-order brides; and post-national citizenship.”

• **National and International Policy**, taught by Eugene McGregor: “Examination of the great national and international issues of U.S. public affairs, including the major policy debates, the logic and process of public problem-solving, and the techniques of policy analysis applied to public action. Discussions, readings, research, and debates are built around core reading that deals with: the democratic struggle over the current size and shape of American government as an instrument of public action, the policy choices embedded in U.S. fiscal policy; the problem of American dependence on petroleum importation, the changing nature of poverty and inequality in post-industrial societies, the American health security problem, the effects of globalization on American society and its economy, and the challenges and choices confronting American public schools. Major assignments include short papers, a research project, independent reading, and debates on resolutions defined by the class.”

• **Politics and the Internet**, taught by Jeffrey Hart: “This course identifies the issues, stakeholders, and forums for debates over political issues connected with the Internet (and related information and communications technologies). We will be reading books and articles by authors who have thought deeply about these questions and will be conducting our own research on some issues. Among the issues to be considered are: the domain name system, restrictions on the use of file-sharing software, privacy, e-commerce, and net neutrality.”

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Edward L. Hutton International Experiences Program prospering

Now in its seventh year, the Edward L. Hutton International Experiences Program, the jewel of the HHC’s Undergraduate Grant Program, continues to help facilitate student travel all over the world in pursuit of academic, service, internship, or research opportunities. Awards totaling $2,080,500, averaging about $1,416 per student, have been made to almost 1,500 students.

Students have traveled to Central America, South America, the Caribbean, Asia, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, the Middle East, and Europe with the help of IEP grants. “Mr. Hutton’s generosity is encouraging students to think about the tremendous transformations awaiting them if they study abroad,” says Kathleen Sideli, associate dean, international programs and director of the Office of Overseas Study. The number of students applying for awards continues to grow. ‘Thanks to Mr. Hutton’s vision, we will soon be able to provide grants to every Hutton Honors College student who wishes to make international experience part of his or her education at IU,” says Dean Karen Hanson.

Here are excerpts from some recent essays by returning students.

I knew when I came to IU that I wanted to get an education so that I could work in a facility helping significantly less fortunate children. This experience with the orphans in Romania has strengthened this desire and has given me the encouragement I need to work hard in my classes and in my life in general, even when I feel like letting off. I can do this because I know that what I do every day does not just affect the outcome of my life, but it affects the lives of so many other people, and I want to make that effect a positive one for everyone.

— Hillary Marlatt, psychology major; summer 2005; Tutova, Romania

I felt like I was a part of the culture, for the good and the bad, meaning that I had to deal with the nuances as well as the enjoyment of living in a Caribbean, underdeveloped country, just as Dominicans did. As one who lives in the United States, one always bears the plight and problems in underdeveloped countries, but to live with these problems gives one a new perspective. Simply, the infrastructure of the Dominican Republic is deficient in many areas, no clean water, poor health care, frequent power outages, and poor education. Even now, as I am in the United States, I feel like I can connect with Dominicans and their struggles. This is probably one of the greatest things I gained while there, that is, the ability to sympathize and understand the struggles of others.

— Megan Alvarez, political science and international studies majors; fall 2005–06; Dominican Republic
Extracurricular programs: Community, identity, individuality

During the 2005–06 academic year, the Hutton Honors College sponsored, co-sponsored, or supported more than 50 extracurricular programs, including many small-group undergraduate discussion events of the kind for which the HHC has become particularly known over the years. With many remarkable visitors coming to campus, students had opportunities to share meals and conversation with Nobel Prize-winning physicist Frank Wilczek, PBS “history detective” and University of Pennsylvania professor of sociology Tukufu Zuberi, European Union security expert Richard Whitman, Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer David Levering Lewis, concert pianist and arts scholar Charles Rosen, and University of Cambridge classicist Mary Beard, among others.

Some of the HHC programs were planned as part of a year-long focus on the theme “Community, Identity, Individuality” and addressed the central questions, Who are we? Who do we want to be? If we are what we eat, who are we? On a perfect Saturday morning last September, students joined IU political science professor and food writer Christine Barbour and Bloomington restaurant owner and chef Dave Talent for an excursion to the Bloomington Farmers Market. In a program designed to give students a local perspective on the growing and harvesting of food and the chance to consider the slow-food alternative to the fast-food world, students visited with local farmers and the market director and then prepared and enjoyed a lunch made almost entirely from locally grown and raised vegetables, meats, cheeses, and fruits.

Shape-notes shape community: Through a collaboration with Bloomington’s Lotus World Music Festival, the HHC and the Wells Scholars Program co-sponsored a lunch with Lotus performer Tim Eriksen, a versatile musician who has a passion for shape-note music, a form of old American music in which each note of the musical scale has a distinct shape, e.g., triangle, diamond, square. Eriksen and others performed shape-note music in Cold Mountain, a movie set in the period of the Civil War, and at the 2003 Academy Awards ceremony. At the lunch, he taught the students, many of whom had just met each other, how to “read” and sing a shape-note song “in community,” a square in which sopranos, altos, basses, and tenors each provide a side.

If we can design our babies, should we? In a program with Ronald Green, who was on campus to deliver the Matthew Vandivier Sims Memorial Lecture, students had a chance to explore the ethics of gene enhancement. If we can, should we design a baby to be healthier? smarter? more attractive? Professor Green directs the Ethics Institute at Dartmouth College and is on the faculty of the religion department and in the community and family medicine department within the Dartmouth Medical School.

Students also explored the theme in programs on dress, blogging, portrait painting, artificial intelligence, international perceptions, and other intriguing topics.

The HHC joined with Union Board and others to bring Islam scholar and author Reza Aslan to campus to deliver a public

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• As the World Turns, taught by Herb Terry: This seminar will simultaneously explore two things: contemporary international affairs and how media (especially electronic media) differ across nations. At the start of the semester, we’ll (1) identify five or six “big issues” that we’d expect will be significant for the following four or five months (for example, developments in Iraq) and (2) determine countries that are of special interest to class participants (and for which, perhaps, they have useful foreign language skills). During the semester, we’ll track the identified issues (and probably others) in U.S. electronic and print media that cover international affairs, and individual class members will track those issues in the media of their country. This will permit us, through the semester, to consider how and why coverage of international affairs varies across national media systems. Look at the class as one where you’ll combine learning about contemporary world events with learning about the national (and transnational — like the Internet) media that bring us information about them.”

• Constructing Culture: Discovering the Value of Diversity, taught by Jack Rol- lins: “This course will not be a simple transfer-of-knowledge class; rather, it will be one in which you will be challenged to deconstruct aspects of the American mainstream culture, compare them to another similarly modeled culture, and then create a ‘class culture’ based on the same cultural model. More specifically, we will be looking at ‘culture’ as a ‘collective consciousness,’ a way of looking at the world, chiefly by organizing and expressing experience in a unique way. The course will propose that, although human genetics generally can make a difference in how people act, on balance, people are patterned by culture after birth. And further that ‘essential identities,’ or what are frequently simply described as diversity, are the legs of ‘collective consciousness,’ without which the latter would become a monolithic, mediocre mass, destined for extinction.”

• Political Representation, Political Parties, and the European Union, taught by Richard Rohrschneider: “Political representation is at the center of democratic politics. However, it appears that political parties in Europe are no longer able to represent citizens. Among the reasons are the changing expectations of citizens, the greater complexity of problems, the fall of the Berlin Wall, and the rise of the European Union. This class will discuss the role of political parties in Europe and study the reasons why they are no longer able to represent citizens. What is the role of political parties? How does the process of European integration affect the process of representation? How do other factors, such as citizens’ changing expectations, affect their evaluation of parties? These are the questions that are at the core of the seminar.”

• Global Identities, taught by Edward Gubar: “Globalization and free trade erase national boundaries. Transnational corporate policy outgoverns governments. Growing international migration and urbanization continue to complicate world demographic issues. Such ongoing changes alter, inform, infect, enhance, diminish, ruin, ennoble, make possible, or impossible, the lives of individuals. Such changes have also influenced the subjects and themes of fiction, especially during the last 25 or so years.


See descriptions of all the honors courses offered by the Hutton Honors College this fall on the HHC Web site: www.indiana.edu/~iubhonors. Click on “Course Descriptions” at left.

— Matthew Laird
HHC students chosen for science and humanities awards

Six Hutton Honors College undergraduate students have received awards totaling $95,000 in the sciences and humanities. The group of students includes two recipients of the Guidant Foundation Scholarships in the Life Sciences, two recipients of the Beckman Scholarships for scientific research, and two winners of the Palmer-Brandon Prize for excellence in the humanities.

Guidant Life Sciences Scholarship
Alec Sexton of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Jordan Raynor of Seymour, Ind., will receive $10,000 each as winners of the Guidant Foundation Scholarships in the Life Sciences. The awards are given to high-merit students who are seeking degrees in the life sciences and intend to pursue careers in the health-care industry.

Sexton is majoring in biology and French with a minor in chemistry. He is a member of the IU Science, Technology, and Research Scholars Program and recently studied abroad in France. A graduate of Homestead High School in Fort Wayne, he has conducted research in Professor Joseph Farley’s psychological and brain sciences laboratory at IUB. Sexton is an avid wilderness hiker and loves international travel. He plans to pursue a PhD degree in biology and continue his biomedical research.

Raynor, a graduate of Seymour High School, is working toward a bachelor of science degree in psychology, with a certificate in neuroscience and minors in biology and religious studies. He also conducts research in Farley’s laboratory. He plans to pursue a PhD degree in neuroscience and hopes to include research and teaching in his career. He is an enthusiastic gardener and said that his early gardening experiences sparked the desire to understand how things work in nature.

Indianapolis-based Guidant is a world leader in the design and development of cardiovascular medical products. Guidant was incorporated in 1994 and has since grown to $3.6 billion in revenue and more than 12,000 employees. It established the Guidant Foundation in 1995 to support communities where it has employees and charitable and educational programs that fulfill its philanthropic mission. This is the second year that the Guidant Foundation has funded scholarships for students in the IU College of Arts and Sciences.

Beckman Scholars Award
The College of Arts and Sciences received support from the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation for a total of six Beckman Scholarships, to be awarded in 2004, 2005, and 2006. The scholarships are among the most highly sought-after undergraduate research awards in the nation.

The 2006 Beckman Scholars are Charles Haitjema of Bloomington and Aaron DeLoughery of New Castle, Ind. Each scholar will receive a total of $17,600 to support two semesters plus two summers of scientific research.

Haitjema graduated from Bloomington High School South and joined the IU STARS program as a freshman at IUB. He is majoring in microbiology and works in the laboratory of Professor Clay Fuqua. His Beckman-funded research will focus on the plant pathogen Agrobacterium tumefaciens.

DeLoughery, a graduate of New Castle High School, is a sophomore majoring in biochemistry with a minor in mathematics. His research mentor is Professor of Biology Yves Brun. His Beckman-funded research will focus on a regulatory bacterial protein that coordinates many functions related to bacterial adhesion to surfaces.

Palmer-Brandon Prize
Kristin Michelle Smith, a graduate of Lawrence Central High School in Indianapolis, and Zachariah Overley of Zionsville, Ind., have been selected as winners of the 2006 Palmer-Brandon Prize competition. The prize is given annually to outstanding full-time students who are majoring in the humanities.

Smith is pursuing a bachelor of fine arts degree in studio art—photography and a bachelor of arts degree with minors in history and French and a minor in art history. She spent the 2003–04 academic year at the IU Study Abroad program in Aix-en-Provence, France. She plans to continue studying and producing art, and she hopes to earn a master of fine arts degree in photography or a master’s degree in conservation.

Overley, a graduate of Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis, is pursuing majors in Spanish, anthropology, and Portuguese and a certificate in Latin American studies. Last spring, he studied abroad in Santiago de Chile. Following graduation from IU, Overley plans to pursue a graduate degree in anthropology.

The Palmer-Brandon Prize is named for the late Ralph Graham Palmer of Washington, Ind., and his wife, the late Barbara Brandon Palmer, both IU alumni. Each student will receive $20,000 to be used for further educational experiences. The award was made possible by a gift made to the College of Arts and Sciences in the 1980s.

Two win Goldwater Scholarships
Elizabeth Adams and Robert Koffie, both Hutton Honors College students, have been named Goldwater Scholars for the 2006–07 academic year.

Adams and Koffie were among 323 scholars selected by the Goldwater Foundation from a field of 1,081 mathematics, science, and engineering students nationwide. The foundation awards one- and two-year scholarships to sophomores and juniors on the basis of academic merit. The scholarship can be used to cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board, up to a maximum of $7,500 per year.

Adams, who is from LaPorte, Ind., is now a senior pursuing bachelor of science degrees in astronomy/astrophysics and mathematics. She has been a participant in the IU Science, Technology, and Research Scholars Program (IU STARS) since her freshman year at IU; her current area of research is in dwarf irregular galaxies. At IU, Adams has worked under the guidance of professors Caty Pilarowski and Liese van Zee. During time spent studying in Australia, Adams conducted research at Mt. Stromlo Observatory, examining binary star systems. She plans to continue studying astronomy and astrophysics in a PhD program.

Koffie is a native of Ghana, Africa, and is in the process of applying for U.S. citizenship. He is currently a junior at IU and is pursuing bachelor of science degrees in physics and biochemistry, with a minor in mathematics. He plans to enter an M.D./PhD program and also looks forward to a research and teaching career in medical physics. He expects to focus his research on neural networks, complex biological processes, and neurodegenerative diseases.

Throughout its 18-year history, the Goldwater Scholars Program has garnered the attention of postgraduate fellowship programs. Recent Goldwater Scholars have been awarded 63 Rhodes Scholarships and 80 Marshall Awards. Eight of the 40 Marshall Awards given in 2006 were to Goldwater Scholars.

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation was established in 1986 in honor of Sen. Barry M. Goldwater to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering.
1970s
Therese M. Loncaric, BA’77, received a first place award from the Illinois Press Association for an interview she did with comedian Richard Lewis. A resident of Palatine, Ill., Loncaric regularly contributes to Footlights, a Chicago theater magazine, and the entertainment sections of a number of newspapers. She inaugurated Columbia College’s course on writing reviews, and she has lectured on entertainment writing at a national conference of the Society of Professional Journalists.

James W. Wolfe, BS’77, MBA’79, JD’81, is the entrepreneur in residence and an assistant professor in the School of Management at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. At George Mason, whose team advanced to the 2006 college men’s basketball Final Four, he teaches MBA-level courses in entrepreneurship, business planning, and managing entrepreneurial growth. “I realized that all the hoopla about Mason probably meant I should share this with you,” he reported as he was getting ready to watch the Final Four. He has previously taught at the University of Maryland. Wolfe, who served as an IU student trustee from 1977–79, lives in Reston.

Eileen E. Cravens, BA’79, MD’82, is a gastroenterologist in Richmond, Ind. In her free time, she shows horses on the national quarter-horse circuit. Her husband, Dana H. Reihman, BA’76, MD’79, is a physician in Richmond.

Independent, professional artist and photographer Susan H. Wides, BA’78, exhibited a solo show, “Kaaterskill,” in September 2005 at the Kim Foster Gallery in Chelsea, N.Y. The photographs revisit sites painted by the Hudson River School, she writes, and are to be reviewed in Art in America magazine. A solo show of this work opened in the summer at the Samuel Dorsky Museum, State University of New York in New Paltz. She has also been commissioned by New York magazine to make new, fine art views of New York City. View her photographs at www.nymetro.com/nymetro/news/reasonstolovely/15394/index.html.

1980s
“I may be living in Texas, but Indiana is still my home and IU is the only school,” writes Greta Gerberding Cowart, BS’82, JD’85, of Dallas. She was one of 20 employee-benefits attorneys nationwide to be selected as fellows of the American College of Employee Benefits Counsel in 2005. Cowart is a partner at Haynes and Boone, where she works in the employee benefits and executive compensation practice. She is chair-elect of the employee benefits committee of the tax section of the American Bar Association.


David T. Pfenninger, BA’83, chair and CEO of Performance Assesment Network in Carmel, Ind., has been inducted into the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Hall of Fame.

Kathleen M. Stine, BA’81, is editor in chief and co-publisher of Mystery Scene Magazine, along with her husband, Brian Skupin. They have owned the magazine since 2002. The pair received the Ellery Queen Award from the Mystery Writers of America on April 27. In 2004, Mystery Scene won the Anthony Award for Best Mystery Magazine. Writer Stephen B. Hockensmith, BA’90, was recently featured in Mystery Scene as the author of the article “The Eternal Detective: The Undying Appeal of Sherlock Holmes.” Hockensmith is the author of Holmes on the Range, published by St. Martin’s Press in February.

Emily Beard Christman, BA’84, of Chesapeake, Va., was promoted to captain in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps. She is commanding officer of the NOAA ship Thomas Jefferson.

Phil Cox, BS’84, has been named a director in the managed accounts team at Turner Investment Partners, an investment management firm headquartered in Berwyn, Penn. Cox is based in Indianapolis, where he lives.

John Fisher Gray, BA’84, writes that he continues to enjoy his assignment outside his company’s law department. He is working in Brussels as the head of human resources for Basell Polyolefins Europe and Basell’s global Advanced Polyolefins business. His son attends a Flemish school for children with autism and other developmental disabilities. His daughters attend the International School of Brussels. They are all enjoying life in Europe. Gray and his wife were founding members several years ago of the Autism Society of Delaware, and they continue their support from abroad.

After 21 years in public and corporate accounting, Dianne MorrisPerlman, BS’84, has changed careers. She is an executive recruiter specializing in accounting and finance in the New York City metro area. Perlman lives in Westchester County and has a daughter, 13, and a son, 11. Her address is dperlman@abacusny.com.

Anne Hoehner Scialabba, BA’84, of Chicago, is vice president of Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services in Itasca. Her address is anne_scialabba@ag.com.

Kathleen A. McFarland Kennedy, Cert/BA’85, is an adjunct history faculty member at Sauk Valley Community College in Dixon, III. She lives in Sterling.

Jonathan A. Grant, BA’86, MA’89, MA’90, is an associate professor of modern Russian history at Florida State University in Tallahassee. In March 2005, he received an award for being an outstanding graduate faculty mentor from the university.

“My book Riders, Guns, and Money: The Global Arms Trade in the Age of Imperialism 1860–1914 has been accepted for publication by Harvard University Press and should come out in spring 2007,” he reports.

Sharon Persinger Shriver, BA’86, is a biology instructor at Penn State and was selected as a recipient of the C.I. Noll Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Patricia L. Wellingher, BA’86, MLS’92, is the reference services coordinator of the University of Denver’s Westminster Law Library. She was awarded the university’s Red and Gold Award for 2005. Wellingher volunteers for the Colorado Association of Law Libraries and the American Association of Law Libraries. She is the chair of the AALL Call for Papers writing competition and is the AALL library school recruitment liaison for CoALL.

James D. Fielding, BA’87, was promoted to executive vice president of global retail sales and marketing for Walt Disney Consumer Products. Based in Burbank, Calif., he is responsible for key account management, marketing, creative product development, and brand management for Disney licensed and vertical businesses worldwide. He lives in Pasadena, Calif., and can be reached at james.fielding@disney.com.

Julie B. Friedman, BSN’87, is associate director of biomarker project planning for clinical discovery at Bristol-Myers Squibb. She lives in Pennington, N.J.

Laura J. Smail Bowen, BA’88, MA’95, reports that she and her husband, Brett, ’89, have been married for almost eight years. “I stay home with the girls,” she writes, “and work part time, teaching English as a second language online.” Brett works in private banking for Fifth Third Bank. The Bowens live in Holland, Mich.

Michael R. Baber, Cert/BA’89, of Woodland, Calif., is a music editor for motion pictures and single-camera television shows.

Violinist Joshua D. Bell, ArtD’89, is staying busy. His CD Tchaikovsky, released September 20, 2005, debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard classical chart. Bell is featured on the soundtrack of the movie Dreamer, and his recent performances include the Winter’s Eve celebration in New York City in November 2005 and shows with the New York Philharmonic in January. A recipient of IU’s Distinguished Alumni Service Award, Bell lives in New York City. His Web site is www.joshuabell.com.

Frank M. “Bud” DeCleene III, BS’89, OD’91, is the Kokomo-Howard County (Ind.) Chamber of Commerce Small-Business Person of the Year for 2005. He lives with his wife, Catherine (Schneider), BS’89, OD’91, in Kokomo.

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Judith R. Wasko Chiu, BA’90, DDS’94, gave birth to her son, Christian Joseph Chiu, on Aug. 11, 2005. “Future IU class of 2027?” she writes. Chiu is an assistant professor in the Department of Preventive and Community Dentistry and the Department of Oral Facial Development at the IU School of Dentistry in Indianapolis. She lives in Carmel.

Rebecca Winder Lyne, BA’90, BS’91, of Chicago, is corporate controller for CareerBuilder.com. Her address is rwinder@gmail.com.

In the fall of 2005, Hilary H. Brandt, Cert/BA’91, served in a two-month assignment in the public (continued on page 7)
Alumni notebook

When Michael Denner first came to Indiana University in the fall of 1989, he didn’t have the slightest idea what he was going to be doing in four years, much less a decade and a half later. He probably didn’t expect to find himself an assistant professor of Russian studies, the editor of the *Tolstoy Studies Journal*, and the director of the Stetson University Honors Program in Deland, Fla.

But that’s exactly where he ended up.

Denner grew up in southern Indiana, and it was his inability to determine what he was going to do with himself that brought him to IU. “I chose Indiana University chiefly because I didn’t have a clue what it was that I wanted to do, and I figured a large university would offer the most opportunities for exploring my options. In retrospect, this presumption was very true.”

Denner went on to double major in Slavic languages and literatures as well as political science. He lived in Collins LLC while on campus, an experience that, along with his Honors College classes, helped him form a deep commitment to the idea of an intellectual community. “Some of the best courses I had at IU were in the Honors College,” he says, and he cites a course that was taught by then-chancellor Kenneth R.R. Gros Louis on philosophy and politics as particularly exciting and memorable. He didn’t realize it at the time, but these experiences would be particularly useful later on.

Perhaps his most interesting college experience was during a Collins course taught by doctoral student Charles Byrd on Russian/Soviet education. Considering how recently Eastern Europe had begun to de-communize, this was an especially volatile but also interesting time to be investigating that subject. Amazingly, it was as a class project that Denner and the other students organized IU-NEW (Network for East-West) Exchange. Over the course of the semester, they managed to establish an official exchange program with the Ministry of Education in Moscow. They brought students and faculty from Moscow to Bloomington and sent people from IU to teach English at Russian schools.

While his time at IU was an enriching experience and had helped him develop some new and diverse interests, he still hadn’t settled on a single direction for his life. After graduation, Denner “spent a couple of years knocking around Bloomington,” and working at a Department of Education-run program with the Educational Resources and Information Clearinghouse. There he acquired a thorough background in publishing, in many of its varied forms, along with marketing and editing. Although this experience was both interesting and practical, it was insufficiently challenging to hold his interest for long. At this point, Denner decided to leave his college town, his home state, and his country as well.

Through the IU-NEW Exchange, Denner took the opportunity to see what a “very cold semester teaching English to 15-year-olds in Moscow Special School #10” would be like. His experience in Russia helped crystallize what his future would be. When he returned to the United States, he was determined to further his knowledge of Russian language and literature. He enrolled at Northwestern University, and he earned his doctorate in 2001.

From there, Denner went to Stetson University in Florida (home of the aptly named Hatters) where he has since worked as a faculty member in the Russian studies program. Denner’s research includes an article on Tolstoy’s representation in modern media, which will be published in the *Journal of Popular Culture*. He became director of the Stetson Honors Program, which is one of the oldest in the nation, in 2004. He achieved his most recent laurel, the position of editor at the *Tolstoy Studies Journal*, in 2005.

Denner is relatively nonchalant about acquiring these varied responsibilities. “It’s hard to say exactly how I became the director of the University Honors Program and the editor of the *Tolstoy Studies Journal,*” he says. “I’ve always worked in interesting jobs while an undergraduate and graduate student, and I developed a broad background in large-project management and, almost accidentally, in digital technologies. That, combined with my hands-on experience in the publishing industry and a strong research portfolio, led to my selection as the editor of the *Journal*. I’ve also always worked, in some capacity or another, with high-achieving students. That likely made me a good candidate for the directorship of the University Honors Program.”

The Stetson Honors Program is similar to the one at IU, in that it offers intense, interdisciplinary courses that run parallel to departmental honors programs, giving students a wider range of intellectual experience to complement the deeper focus of a particular department’s honors projects. He hopes his involvement with the Honors Program and the journal will “foster, in very different ways, an intellectual community that will ultimately pay rich dividends for things I care deeply about.”

— Matthew Laird
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at Thomas Nelson Publishers in Nashville, Tenn., and an adjunct professor of church history at Asbury Theological Seminary. He received a PhD in American religious history from Vanderbilt University in December 2004. Stephens and his wife, Heather Harris, have been married for ten years and are the parents of Daniel and Emma Anne.

Derek Bowen, BS’92, MBA’98, is marketing director at Sara Lee in Chicago. His wife, Christina, BSN’94, is taking time off from her nursing career to stay at home with their children, Megan and Danielle, who was born in November 2005. The Bowens live in Downers Grove, Ill.

Martin W. McManaman, BA’92, was promoted from associate attorney to partner at the Chicago law office of Lowis & Gellen. He counsels and represents manufacturing companies, service firms, and financial institutions in business disputes. He has served as an instructor for Loyola Law School’s London Comparative Trial Advocacy Program.

Julie A. Stillabower Rosenwinkel, BA’92, JD’94, has been named a partner at the law firm of Krieg DeVault. She joined the Hammond, Ind., office as an associate in May 2002 and is a member of the firm’s health care and litigation practice groups. Rosenwinkel lives in Schererville, Ind., with her husband Edward T., Cert/BS’94, and their two children, Tara and Jake. Andrew U.D. Straw, BA’92, MS’95, JD’97, is a research assistant in the education faculty of the University of Otago in Dunedin, New Zealand. He researches and writes on critical literacy from a post-structuralist perspective. He has two children, Ava and Manu, with his wife, Paola Voci, MA’97, PhD’02, who teaches Chinese at the University of Otago. He can be reached at andrewustraw@yahoo.com.

Amy R. Burkhedt Wolverton, BA’92, joined T-Mobile USA as senior corporate counsel of federal regulatory affairs. Working out of T-Mobile’s Washington, D.C., office, she represents the company in regulatory matters before the Federal Communications Commission and supports its legislative team on Capitol Hill. She also handles Internet-related issues for the company. Wolverton was elected as a trustee of the Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation. She writes that she is looking forward to continuing the foundation’s philanthropic efforts in the remainder of her three-year term.

A cheerleading coach for 15 years, Mark A. Krockover, BA’93, also teaches chemistry at Maine East High School in Park Ridge, Ill. In each of the past 11 years, his coed cheerleading team has placed in the top 10 in the Illinois High School Association competition.

Janette L. Wilkin, BA’93, is a speechwriter for U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow of Michigan. Wilkin lives in Washington, D.C.

Lucas R. Allbrook, BFA’94, was the “tour artist” who accompanied Prince Charles and his wife, Camilla, on their U.S. visit in early November 2005. Allbrook was charged with the task of sketching and painting scenes from the prince’s tour, which included stops at organic farms and farmers’ markets. Allbrook lives in Waynesville, N.C., and is an adjunct professor of drawing at the University of North Carolina, Asheville.

Andrea E. Leap, BA/BL’94, performed in Too Many Sophronos last summer with Light Opera Oklahoma in Tulsa.

Heather Dickerson Wright, Cert/BA’94, MLS’99, works for ASRC Aerospace Corp. as the manager of the Andrew W. Breidenbach Environmental Research Center Library for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She also reviews Slavic fiction in translation for Library Journal. The Cincinnati resident can be reached at wright.heather@epa.gov.

In January, Jeffrey D. Jones, BS’95, was promoted from vice president to associate director of investment banking at Sandler O’Neill & Partners. He and his wife, Alexa (Brill), BA’96, MSW’98, live in Chicago.

Brian P. Poi, BA’95, is a senior economist at StatCorp, a provider of statistical analysis software, in College Station, Texas. He received a PhD in economics from the University of Michigan in 2002. He can be reached at brian@poiholdings.com.

Rebecca C. Rastetter, BS’95, is a pediatrician in Milford, Ohio. She and her husband, Jonathan Puchal, MD’92, have two young children, Reese and Corinne June. The family lives in Cincinnati and can be reached at rrastetter@hotmail.com.

Katie A. Lauer Waddington, BA’95, is the assistant news editor for the Asheville Citizen-Times in Asheville, N.C. She and her husband, Brad, BS’94, moved to Arden, N.C., in March 2005. He is a podiatrist at Mountain Podiatry PA in Hendersonville, N.C. She writes, “We’re enjoying living in the mountains with Sarah, 6, and John, 3, after a decade in Chicago.”

John W. Mervilde, BA’96, lives in Indianapolis and is an attorney with Meils Thompson Dietz & Berish. His address is jmervilde@sbcglobal.net.

Brian D. Yeley, BS’96, JD’99, and Susan Barker Yeley, BA’99, have moved back to Bloomington, Ind., where he works for the IU Foundation. Their daughter, Anna Grace Yeley, was born on Aug. 24, 2005. Susan planned to look for work in interior design in early 2006 and can be reached at sbyley@yahoo.com.

Andrea Kumler, BS’97, of Lafayette, Ind., is a physical therapist at Howard Regional Health System West Campus in Kokomo. She earned a doctor of physical therapy degree from the Kranert School of Physical Therapy at the University of Indianapolis. Her address is akumler@yahoo.com.

Matthew S. Menzie, BA’97, earned a JD in 2000 from UCLA and is an attorney for Katten Muchin Rosenman in Los Angeles.

D. Tyson Joniny, BS’98, graduated with an MBA from the University of Chicago in 2004. He works in corporate finance for an oil field services company in Houston. He lives in Kingwood, Texas, and can be reached at tjoniny@hotmail.com.

Amy Silver-Judd, BA’98, writes, “My husband, Jason, and I are living in Columbus, Ohio, where I’m still working as a speech therapist and as a mother of one great 2-year-old, Samson. I still do theater on the side. Currently, I’m in a semi-professional production of Fiddler on the Roof, in which I’m playing Teyce’s oldest daughter, Tzeitel. It’s a lot of fun. Hi to all the former Hoosiers out there!”

Eve L. Shapiro, Cert/BA’98, received a PhD in sociology from the University of California, Santa Barbara, in December 2005. She now lectures at the University of San Francisco.

Bradley J. Preamble, BA’99, of Washington, D.C., is an attorney in the chief counsel office of the Federal Aviation Administration, where he litigates cases involving aircraft accidents. He also does pro bono work for the Whitman-Walker clinic, providing estate-planning services for persons living with HIV. His address is brad.preamble@gmail.com.

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Sarah C. Bauer, BS’00, and her husband, Cristopher D. Kennedy, BS’00, report that they are happily married and living in Chicago.

Bryan S. Cameron, BA’00, has begun work on a dotorate in Spanish at the University of Pennsylvania. He can be reached at bryancameron@sas.upenn.edu.

Erla L. Hall Beck, BA’00, is a translator at Science Application International Corp., in McLean, Va. She is pursuing a master of science degree in foreign language education through IU’s School of Education Distance Education: Language Education Program. She has previously worked as a translator for the U.S. Army in California, Arizona, and Georgia. Beck lives in Norristown, Pa.

Jennifer L. Hess, BA’00, JD’03, is an attorney at Petit Hess Harlow Petit & Slack in Carmel, Ind. She works with her father, John Hess, BA’65, JD’68.

Jeremiah C. Jordan, BA’00, of Los Angeles, worked as a producer on the independent film Joshua with three other IU alumni. He is currently producing DVD special features for Jerry Bruckheimer, Disney, Fox, Warner Brothers, and more.

Marc A. Passo, BA’00, graduated first in his class from the Norm (Conn.) Community College Paramedic Program, worked for a time as a paramedic in both Connecticut and Massachusetts, and is currently a medical student at Tufts University in Boston.

How do you prove to yourself that you’ve recovered from a near-fatal accident? If you’re Dawn M. Reiss, BA’90, you participate in a triathlon. An F-Woman in crew and an alternate to the United States’ Olympic rowing camp in 2000, Reiss accepted a job with The Sporting News in the autumn of 2000 to drive with two other reporters to every NFL city and write about the games and the experience. On Dec. 5, 2000, near the end of the road trip, the three were in a serious car accident.

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Kathleen Claussen named Mitchell Scholar

May graduate, Kathleen Claussen, a Wells Scholar and member of the IU Hutton Honors College, was named one of 12 national recipients of the 2006–07 George J. Mitchell Scholarship. The fourth IU student to be named a Mitchell Scholar, Claussen will seek a graduate degree in international politics at Queen’s University in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Launched in 1998, the Mitchell Scholarship recognizes outstanding young Americans who exhibit the highest standards of academic excellence, leadership, and service. The scholarship, which is administered by the U.S.—Ireland Alliance, is named in honor of former U.S. Senator Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, who chaired the historic Northern Ireland peace process in the mid- to late 1990s. It is supported by an endowment established by the government of Ireland.

Though still relatively new, the Mitchell Scholarships have become one of the most prestigious, intensely competitive fellowship programs in the United States. Many recipients have withdrawn from the long-established Rhodes, Marshall, and Fulbright competitions to pursue a Mitchell Scholarship. This year’s competition included 236 applicants from 171 colleges and universities across the nation.

A resident of Bethlehem, Pa., Claussen received a bachelor of arts degree in May with a double major in comparative social policy and ideology (through IU’s Individualized Major Program) and Spanish. She has a double minor in political science and West European studies. At IU, she founded Conversations About Service and Engagement, an international videoconference program that connects IU students with their peers around the world for the purpose of discussing international politics, global affairs, and public service.

Actively involved in community-service activities, Claussen frequently represents IU at national and international civic engagement conferences. She has conducted research and interned in various countries, including Belgium, Denmark, Mexico, and Trinidad and Tobago. In 2005 she was awarded IU’s Palmer-Brandon Prize, which she used to fund a study of civil society in Kosovo.

At Queen’s University, she will study the topics of citizenship and conflict resolution as they relate to the concept of identity. Then she plans to attend a U.S. law school with the goal of one day becoming an international judge.

As a legal scholar in the field of human rights and humanitarian law, Claussen said she will strive to further international justice.

“The affirmation of universal rights and the simultaneous acknowledgment of sweeping disparities throughout the world have compelled me to want to marry my passion for knowledge and commitment to action,” Claussen said. “I aspire to live up to former Senator Mitchell’s example: not only serve the public good but to assertively realize positive change. I’ll contribute my experience, hoping to inspire others to join in our collective vision as a result.”
The HHC will be tackling the theme “Living Outside the Box: Imagination, Exploration, Innovation,” as well as offering programs on any topic likely to interest undergraduates. We are always glad to hear from alumni and welcome your ideas.

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