Happy New Year! I hope that your holiday vacation was relaxing and rejuvenating. The FASE Mentoring Program is looking forward to another exciting spring semester. This New Year, FASE will continue on its course in providing quality programs and services for all of our students. The activities that the FASE peer mentors are coordinating will continue to provide students with opportunities to remain engaged in the University, and no doubt assist them on their quest towards graduation.

This spring, FASE will once again host its Black History Month Art Fair in February. This year’s fair will have a theme that all artists can really focus their energies upon. “Expressions of the Soul” is a theme that will encourage all who participate to share works that were produced from deep within the heart, that is, works which are reflective of the artist’s personal experience, or those of their community. Submissions may include ceramic art, paintings, photography, conscious rap, dance, spoken word, singing, and musical performances.

In March, FASE will host a birthday bash that will bring students and faculty alike together to celebrate their special day. All peer mentors will be encouraging their protégés to invite their instructors out for the party! There will be more on this activity later on.

In addition to these activities, the FASE Mentoring Program is encouraging students to partake in the Martin Luther King Jr. Day activities that will be taking place throughout the University on Monday, January 18, 2010. There will be several activities that will be going on not just on that day, but throughout the month of January. Participating in any of these activities will enlighten you to his work and vision as a human rights activist. For more information on MLK day activities visit [http://www.indiana.edu/~nmbcc/MLK%202010. pdf](http://www.indiana.edu/~nmbcc/MLK%202010. pdf).

If you have ideas for any activity that you would like to see FASE put on, please contact your FASE peer mentor and share it with them. They have been instrumental in coordinating FASE activities and will make sure that your comments are shared. Have an outstanding spring semester!
**Student Spotlight**

**Mentor**

Proteges,
Do you think your mentor deserves to be Mentor of the Month? If so, submit nominations to latplumm@indiana.edu by Monday, January 25, 2010.

*Nominations should include the name, year, major and the reason you believe your mentor deserves the title.

**Protege**

Mentors,
Do you think your Protege deserves to be Protege of the Month? If so, submit nominations to latplumm@indiana.edu by Monday, January 25, 2010.

*Nominations should include the name, year, major and the reason you believe your protege deserves the title.

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**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration**

Rev. Jesse Jackson - Keynote Speaker

Location: Buskirk Chumley Theatre
When: Monday, January 18, 2010
Time: 7p.m.

Find more information at http://bloomington.in.gov/mlk