Thanks to the generosity of residents of central Indiana, the Indiana Blood Center, headed by Liberal Arts alumnus, Byron Buhner, went into double-time after the terrorist attacks on the Pentagon and the World Trade Center.

His Meridian Street office was ground zero for local blood donation efforts on September 11th as Indiana residents rushed to answer the call to aid victims of the New York and Washington attacks.

"From September 11 to September 21, we collected over 10,100 units of red blood cells, which is what we normally collect in approximately a month," said Buhner, president and chief executive officer of the Indiana Blood Center. "Some of us didn't sleep for days at a time. The response has been overwhelming."

Although that increase in blood donations stressed the collection center—the wait to give blood was as long as four hours—donors demonstrated remarkable patience in the time of national tragedy.

"You know I never heard the first complaint. Not one," Buhner said.

The 1976 School of Liberal Arts graduate joined the Indiana Blood Center as assistant director almost 20 years ago. He has served as president since 1988.

Working as head of the one of the nation's top 25 blood collection, distribution and transfusion centers has allowed the speech major to build a career around his educational background and personal interests.

"I've always had an interest in medicine," said Buhner, who worked at IU hospital while earning his undergraduate degree. "I am glad I have a communications background. Every single thing that we do in life is based on solid communications and understanding of one another. I am deeply gratified by Indiana's and America's response to the attacks. This has been a tragedy beyond words, but it has brought us together in a way I wouldn't have thought possible. My dream was to make a positive contribution to the community in which I live, and through the work here, I have been able to do that."

Buhner currently serves on the School of Liberal Arts Alumni Board, the Dean's Day Committee and the Dean's Development Council.

For inquiries about donation, call the Indiana Blood Center, 317-915-5150.
Long known as advocates for students, staff, faculty, birds, and small animals, Miriam Langsam (Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the School of Liberal Arts) and Jean Oswalt (an attorney working for the state and associate faculty in Political Science and Women's Studies) have once again seen a need and turned it to inspired opportunity.

Both Langsam and Oswalt have had a long association with IUPUI. Langsam arrived in 1964 as a very young lecturer in history, becoming an assistant professor in 1967. She is among the founding faculty of the School of Liberal Arts and has been a cornerstone in the development of the IUPUI campus.

Alumni, community leaders and current students frequently credit Langsam with having "saved" their respective academic lives on numerous occasions. A recent scholarship recipient, new to the campus and fresh from high school tells how she would not have survived the scholarship interview, had it not been for Miriam's calming presence.

Oswalt, whose most recent IUPUI posting was faculty-student liaison in Adaptive Educational Services dealing with campus compliance and the Americans with Disabilities Act. She too was instrumental in improving conditions for the people who study at IUPUI.

As these two women began to consider how they wished to participate in the School's campaign, their search took them to an often overlooked faculty group—the lecturers. Lecturers are full-time, non-tenure track members of the faculty focused primarily on teaching the introductory courses such as writing, speech, and mathematics. Lecturers have many of the same interests as their professorial colleagues, but none of the advantages of time and support that can be devoted to their professional development.

Inspired by the quality of the School's lecturers and sensitive to this disparity in their professional circumstances, Langsam and Oswalt designed a summer "sabbatical" opportunity for the full time lecturers that is unique in the university.

A Message From the Dean

Representing emergency, "911" now raises the specter of the terrorist activities on September 11, 2001. Even as I write this column, the smoke still rises from "Ground Zero" at the WTC, and we carry in our hearts the scent of that smoke and the images of the planes crashing into the towers.

Where do we go from here? The historic tendency is to become like that which we fear and to retaliate with greater force, escalating the conflict and hatred, and increasing the loss of innocent lives. We rely on our leaders to know that "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it," and to develop purposeful, concerted efforts that lead to a better future. In education, that better future rest in preserving knowledge and wisdom and assuring it is passed forward to future generations.

Our dear friend, Sam Masarachia, may have said it best a few days after the attacks. He was speaking to the students who form the inaugural class of Masarachia Scholars, their families and the members of the governing board for the Masarachia Scholars Program. He noted that the scholarship program is endowed, and that long after the last of us is gone, students will continue to enroll in the program, receive critical tuition support and go on to become productive citizens in the world. First there are three. Next year there will be six, then nine, and then twelve. And each class of students will be studying in areas that will serve the larger community. "This will outlast us all."

We are profoundly grateful to those who have made gifts that will "outlast us all." Endowment gifts create a permanent funding base that enhances state and tuition support. More importantly, they fund education and change lives.

In this issue of Advances, we celebrate another endowment gift: The Langsam/Oswalt Summer Fellowship for Lecturers, supporting the work of key members of our faculty family. "This will outlast us all."

The students and faculty who benefit from these gifts are members of our global community. Their education and understanding will move with them into the world, and they will make a difference in all they do.

Yes, life is fragile. But ideas, creative imagination, knowledge, wisdom and compassion extend beyond one individual, beyond generations, and enrich lives beyond our best dreams. I am confident that the endowment gifts that the school now stewards will forever touch lives and change the world—for the better.
Good Food and Great Friends: The Liberal Arts Cookbook

Lecturers to Benefit: Inspired Opportunity

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Through a gift of appreciated securities, they jointly established an endowment that will fund a summer sabbatical for one lecturer a year, allowing that individual to pursue his or her pedagogical interests, to work on research or other writing projects. (Novelists and poets may apply!)

"In a school that serves all undergraduates at some point during their college career, the School of Liberal Arts is dependent on the skills and dedication of its lecturers to deliver high quality entry level instruction. As professionals, we value their contributions more than we are usually able to demonstrate," notes Herman Saatkamp, Dean of the School. "It is this sensitivity to the real conditions of the people around them that makes what Jean and Miriam have done so outstanding."

The Langsam/Oswalt Summer Fellowship will be awarded for the first time in the summer of 2002.

Liberal Arts staff members and cookbook contributors, (l-to-r) Pat Sondgerath of Foreign Languages and Toni Griffin of the Dean's Office sample the flavors of the Liberal Arts Cookbook.

Liberal Arts faculty and staff come together numerous times a year and get to know each other. The receptions, ice cream socials, parties, and pitch-ins all have one thing in common—great food.

In fact, the food was so good that at a pitch-in, faculty and staff came up with the idea of creating a cookbook full of recipes from people in the School. A committee was quickly formed (Paul Nagy of Philosophy, Becky Vasko of Religious Studies, Michelle Simmons of Technical Services, Kelly Kuebel, Gail Plater, and Gen Shaker of the Office of Development), and the planning began.

The committee decided that proceeds should benefit staff scholarships. Many faculty and staff from Liberal Arts were great as always. The 150-recipe cookbook arrived in July, and sales have been brisk.

To purchase the Liberal Arts Cookbook for $15, or to contribute to the Liberal Arts Staff Scholarship fund call 317.278.1839 or email LibArts@iupui.edu.

ClassNotes

Jeanne Stahl, BA 1971 Sociology, is a chair of the Psychology Department at Morris Brown University in Atlanta, Georgia. She has taught there for 26 years, and in August she received a teaching award from the American Psychological Association.

Betty Lou Ems, BA 1978 English, is retired and is a volunteer interviewer for Indy Reads.

Denise G. (Hughley) Hayes, BA 1981 Speech & Theatre, lives in Greencastle, Indiana, and is the Assistant Dean of Students and the Director of Counseling and Health Services at DePauw University.

Jeanneatte Rowe, Economics

Spiced Bananas

4 green-tipped bananas
2 c. sugar
¾ c. white vinegar
¼ c. lemon juice
2 Tbsp. butter or margarine
2 sticks cinnamon
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. chopped ginger root (or ½ tsp. ground ginger)
¼ tsp. mace
1 ½ tsp. whole cloves

Peel bananas and cut into 1-inch pieces. Combine other ingredients and bring to a boil. Add bananas and simmer for 5 minutes. Remove bananas from syrup before serving, hot or cold. Serves 4 to 6 people.

Shawn Harmon, BA 1984 Economics, is the President of e-merges.com in Annapolis, Maryland. The company sells voter lists, hunting and fishing lists, donor lists and phone matching services. Shawn and wife Anne have 2 daughters.

Mary F. Schmid, BA 1987 Communication & Theatre; JD 1993, was recently elected partner at the Indianapolis law firm Stew art & Irwin.

Audrey Jones-Huggins, AA 1987, BA 1997 English, is a Marketing Programs Manager for Dow Agro Sciences (DAS). She is planning to take a real estate class soon to become a realtor, but in the meantime, she says, "I have been putting my degree to good use working for DAS."
ClassNotes


Kathleen Lee, BA 1990 Political Science; JD 1994, is an attorney with Bose McKinney & Evans in Indianapolis. She was recently selected for the Sagamore American Inn of Court, an organization designed to enhance the professional and ethical quality of legal advocacy through education and mentorship.

Betty Bolte, BA 1995 English, has published a book, Hometown Heroines. It is a collection of true stories about 19th century American girls who left their mark in their hometowns through statues, historical markers, a railroad bridge, even a mountain peak. Betty writes that the book has received 5 stars from reviewers on both Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com. Information available at www.hometownheroines.com.

Jennifer E. Fisher, BA 1996 Communication/Theatre, writes via email, “I have just found the job of my dreams.” She is an instructional assistant in a self-contained special education classroom. She does most of what a teacher does and says it has been the most rewarding job of her life.

Bruce Beal, BA 1997 Political Science/Sociology, completed a master’s degree at Vanderbilt University in May 2001. He and his wife Davena, BSN 1997, live and work in the heart of Chicago. Bruce is a trial research analyst at Carlton Trial Consulting where he assists with focus groups, mock trials, and jury selections in civil and criminal trials.


Ken R. Scales, BA 1994 Political Science, works for the Intelenet Commission as the Director of the Indiana Web Academy, a new enterprise. He is the President of the IU Alumni Club of Indianapolis and has been active as a member of the IUPUI Advisory Council. Ken enjoys softball, basketball, and golf.

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Melinda L. (Chadwick) Anderson, BA 1991 English, and her husband Eric are the proud parents of Anne (4½) and Amanda (3). Melinda is working on a children's storybook and is an active volunteer with the Noblesville Preservation Alliance and the Christ Lutheran Church. Since graduating, she got married and writes, "I have kept busy caring for my two daughters and continuing to renovate and restore our 1939 Cape Cod home in Noblesville."

Kristina Kamstra (Oliver) Wilcher, AA 1992, is an Administrative Assistant at Shelter Insurance Company and was recently named Employee of the Month. She is the mother of four "twentysomethings," and pursues her interests in music and theatre with the Buck Creek Players. She says that since graduating she has continued to seek knowledge.

Upcoming Events

Brother and sister, Egan Dargatz, an English major, and Sara Dargatz, an Anthropology major, volunteers at the IUF Festival of Stars and children of Professor Gail Whitchurch of the Department of Communication Studies.

Oct 16 Seminar in Medical Ethics and Humanities "Current Crisis in the Credibility of Protection of Human Subjects." Robert Levine, M.D., co-chairman of the Yale University Interdisciplinary Bioethics Project. Cavanaugh Hall, Room 508, 12-1:00 p.m.

Oct 22 Rufus Reilberg Creative Reading Series Poet Maureen Seaton University Library Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Oct 23 The Polis Center GIS Seminar Series "How to Fund Your GIS" University Library Auditorium, 1-4:30 p.m.

Oct 27 2001 Dean’s Day Liberal Arts: Serving Indianapolis University Library & Hotel, 8:30 am-2 pm

Nov 4 Rufus Reilberg Creative Reading Series Author Jane Smiley University Library Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.

Nov 9 M.E.T.A.: Post-Secondary Hispanic Seminar (Mapping Education Towards Achievement) University Library Auditorium, 9 am -1:30 pm

Nov 28 The IUPUI Films Studies Club Presents: Thugs, Drugs and Criminal Capers Fargo, 1996 (Dir. Coen Bros.) University Library Auditorium, 6:00 p.m.

Dec 8 Retirement Reception for Professors Patrick McGeever and Richard Fredland

Dec 10 Bulen Symposium on American Politics University Conference Center, 8 am - 2:30 pm

For more information:
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Dr. Paul Mullins of the Department of Anthropology will give the keynote address at Dean's Day.

Universities contribute to the community. But how? This year’s Dean’s Day 2001 on October 27th, will show just how faculty, alumni and students in Liberal Arts have contributed to the quality of life in Indianapolis.

The annual event is formatted like a mini-college and gives alumni an opportunity to return to campus, mingle with classmates and join in seminar style sessions with faculty. While Dean’s Day 2001 shares its location (University Library) and mission (To bring faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members together to engage in relevant and stimulating discussion), this year’s program is different from past years’ in two significant ways. The first is that panels now include faculty, alumni and student speakers, partnering to discuss their work in the Indianapolis community. And, the second is that a more significant number of students are being encouraged to attend through the “Sponsor a Student” program.

Dr. Paul Mullins of Anthropology has spent the past two summers leading students in urban archaeology projects in two neighborhoods near IUPUI. Each summer he has studied the history of the IUPUI neighborhood and gotten to know those who live in the area now. Dr. Mullins will present this year’s keynote address, “Questions that Matter: Archaeology and Community History in Ransom Place”, with guests Daisy Borel (Past President of the Ransom Place Neighborhood Association), and Thomas Ridley (Ransom Place resident).

Each panel will partner faculty, community members, students, and alumni to showcase their work in the Indianapolis community. Faculty and staff who will participate in the day’s sessions include: Robert Aponte, Department of Sociology, Professor Enrica Ardemagni, Department of Foreign Languages and Cultures, Mohammad Kaviani, Associate Director of the Center for Economic Education, Religious Studies Professor Philip Goff, Director of the Center for Religion and American Culture, Professor John Parish-Sprowl, Chair of the Department of Communication Studies, Jan Shipp, Professor Emerita of Religious Studies, Professor Brian Vargas, Department of Political Science and Director of the Public Opinion Lab, and Rick Ward, Department of Anthropology.

The day will end with lunch at the University Place Hotel and the presentation of the Distinguished Alumni Service Award.

Please join us!

Register for Dean’s Day 2001
Now at the Early Bird Rate!

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Or Fax to: (317) 274-5064   Phone (317) 274-8828   www.liberalarts.iupui.edu/dean/deansday.html

Sponsor a Student!

One of the goals of Dean’s Day is to bring the Liberal Arts community together—alumni and friends, faculty and staff, and, of course, students.

This year we have started the "Sponsor a Student" initiative to enable more students to attend.

For $15/ per student, you are invited to host a student at the event. Even if you are not able to attend, sending a student in your place is a great way to make a contribution.

It’s a great opportunity for students to meet and talk with alumni and faculty like you.

- Yes! I would like to Sponsor a Student(s).
- $15/student = Total $________
- No, I am not interested at this time.
Liberal Arts Alumni Board Formed

Planning alumni activities can be a challenge for an urban university with a very diverse alumni population. In order to be better in tune with our alumni, the School of Liberal Arts has formed its first Alumni Board since the 1980s.

The group’s first meeting was held in May prior to the school’s annual reception to celebrate graduating seniors. The role of the board is, in conjunction with the IU Alumni Association, to work on programming for Liberal Arts alumni, represent the alumni and school in the community and serve in an advisory capacity to the School.

IUPUI Launches Comprehensive Campaign with “Festival of Stars”

IUPUI went public with its 7 year, $700 million campaign on Saturday, September 8th, with the “Festival of Stars.”

The giant elephants and red carpet that greeted the 600 guests at the door signaled the event’s carnival theme.

The event, hosted by the IU Foundation and staffed by close to a hundred IUPUI faculty, staff and student volunteers in white polos, transformed the University Place Hotel and Conference Center with giant elephants, a red carpet, and even a giant midway. Activities for guests included psychic readings, caricatures, carnival games, music and indoor fireworks.

Dr. Donald L. Kinzer

Professor Emeritus of History Donald L. Kinzer passed away September 2, 2001. Dr. Kinzer served as chair of the history department in its formative years, from 1970-1980. A specialist in the history of the American west, Dr. Kinzer earned his Ph.D. from the University of Washington. He was a veteran of World War II as a member of the US Army Air Corps, serving in the United States and Africa. Upon his retirement, Dr. Kinzer and his wife, Jane, moved to Portland, Oregon. She survives. They had a son who preceeded him to death. A memorial service was held September 7 at St. Mary’s Cathedral in Portland.

Remembrances may be made to United Cerebral Palsy.