

## Honors Convocation set for April 13

The University Honors Convocation will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 13, in Elliott Hall of Music.

At the convocation, the University bestows major faculty honors and names recipients of a number of student awards.

Doors open at 12:30 p.m. The convocation is free, and no tickets are required.

## Spring Fling packets due out this week

Registration packets for Spring Fling 2008 will be in campus mail this week.

Faculty, staff, retirees and graduate student staff are invited to join in the appreciation event, which will begin at 11:30 a.m. May 21 in and around the Recreational Sports Center.

The day of food and fun will include lunch (with a vegetarian option) and many activities.

Advance registration is required for the fitness walk, the vehicle show, the golf outing and Spring Fling Face Off, a trivia contest for teams of four players. Information about how to register for those events is in the packet.

Registration will be the day of Spring Fling for sand volleyball and yard games such as corn hole, hillbilly golf, washers and horseshoes.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to volunteer for an hour or so during Spring Fling 2008. Opportunities for volunteering include helping in the food line, helping serve popcorn, assisting with setup and/or cleanup.

Those who volunteer for Spring Fling get additional chances to win door prizes, which include gift cards and merchandise.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities, call Carrie Hanson at 49-47397.

## Agriculture dean to become provost as of May 1

William "Randy" Woodson, dean of Purdue Agriculture, has been named the University's next provost, effective May 1.

Woodson's appointment was announced March 26 by President France A. Córdoba.

Woodson, who has served as the Glenn W. Sample Dean of Agriculture since 2004, will succeed Victor Lechtenberg, who has been interim provost since July when Sally Mason left Purdue to become president of the University of Iowa.

"Randy Woodson is well respected internationally, as well as throughout our University," Córdoba said. "As a scholar, he has distinguished himself globally in the fields of plant science and horticulture. As an administrator, he is a proven leader with a strong

vision and the ability to work productively with faculty, staff and students."

As provost, Woodson will be responsible for oversight of all Purdue colleges and schools and related academic activities in coordination with the Office of the President. His office will oversee academic systems such as the libraries, computing center and student services (admissions, registrar, financial aid, health facilities), along with all Purdue cultural centers.

The provost's office also oversees issues of academic concern

for the University's four regional campuses and the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service.

As agriculture dean, Woodson has served as the chief executive officer for the college, the Indiana Agricultural Experiment Station and Extension. In addition, the dean oversees a number of regulatory services including the Office of the State Chemist, the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, the Indiana Wine-Grape Council and various marketing boards.

Woodson led the college's effort to hire more than 100 new faculty; partnered with the College of Science to launch the Climate Change Research Center; developed or enhanced a number of student success programs such as leadership development and

study abroad; increased sponsored research from \$41.6 million in 2003-04 to \$67 million; hired more than 100 new county educators; and created the college's Office of Multicultural Programs.

Woodson said he is looking forward to this new chapter in his service to Purdue.

"This is a very exciting time in Purdue's history," Woodson said. "We have made important strides in our quest to be a supporting public research university, and I look forward to helping our students succeed, growing the research enterprise and enhancing Purdue's reputation as a globally engaged and locally responsive university."

Woodson's appointment is subject to ratification by the Board of Trustees.



Woodson

## Documents added to women's archive



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Sally Watlington, an alumna and the first female executive officer of an NROTC unit at Purdue, speaks at a reception March 20 during which she donated items and papers from three former Purdue deans of women — Dorothy Stratton, Helen Schleman and Beverley Stone. Watlington is holding a book titled "Group Golf Instruction" written by Schleman. The items are in Purdue Libraries' Susan Bulkeley Butler Women's Archives. See story, page 6.

## Inaugural anticipation growing

### Set of events to celebrate Purdue's standing, vision

France A. Córdoba will be formally installed as Purdue's 11th president during an inauguration ceremony at 2 p.m. April 11 in Elliott Hall of Music.

Indiana Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman; former Purdue presidents Arthur Hansen, Steven Beering and Martin Jischke; and representatives of the faculty, staff, students and alumni will take part in the historic event. In addition, delegates from other universities and representatives from learned

societies, local and state government will take part.

"The inauguration and the events surrounding it are intended to mark a transition for the university,"

said Beverly Davenport Sypher, associate provost and co-chair of the inaugural committee. "They are designed to allow the global academic community and our many constituencies to recognize Purdue's defining role regionally, nationally and globally. Dr. Córdoba will use this occasion to focus on the directions the university will take in the immediate and longer-term future. She also will make several announcements



Córdoba

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## Updated Web site improves usability

Purdue's redesigned Web site offers cleaner design and stronger technology in response to the needs of its main users.

The new design, which was launched Saturday, includes a more powerful and prominent search engine, easier navigation, a simpler format, a keyword index and drop-down menus.

Pages in the redesigned format include the University home page at [www.purdue.edu](http://www.purdue.edu) and a number of key secondary pages in areas such as academics and admissions.

"The Web site is the front door to Purdue," says Melanie Hahn, assistant director and editorial manager of Purdue Marketing Communications.

"Research showed us that prospective students and their families are the top visitors to the site.

"These people are unfamiliar with the way the University is set up, so it was a top priority to make the navigation easy for them to follow."

For example, Hahn says, a user can reach information about majoring in math without having to know first that it is in the College of Science.

In addition, employment and visiting links are more prominent and easier to find.

Through May 3, the end of the final exam period, the old site will remain up and the old home page will link to the new one.

This transition period will al-

low users to adjust as time allows in a busy period, Hahn says. Also, though many new pages will simply supplant old ones at the same URL as of May 3, some reorganization of information means some new URLs. Individuals and webmasters need time to update bookmarks and links.

Purdue Marketing Communications used feedback gathered online and through focus groups to critique the old site and create a draft site. That underwent usability tests with audience groups, whose members were asked to locate information such as particular majors or employment pages. Further adjustments were

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Online at [www.purdue.edu/per](http://www.purdue.edu/per)

[www.purdue.edu/inauguration](http://www.purdue.edu/inauguration)

## Session's work affects Purdue in many ways

It may take months or years to determine the full effect of House Enrolled Act 1001 on Indiana's tax system, but one thing is certain: Legislators delivered a package on time.

"I'm proud that in the end, they came together and passed HEA 1001 and its trailer bill, HEA 1125," says Kevin Green, Purdue's director of state relations. "Through these bills, the legislature addressed the public's concern over growth in property taxes."

Although property tax reform was the centerpiece of the session, about three dozen bills were on higher education's radar, Green says.

"Our watch list was longer this year than in most short sessions, and a larger number of bills made it all the way through," he says. "We follow more issues than people would expect."

HEA1249 offers a tuition exemption for Purple Heart recipients. The bill was amended in conference committee to provide the entitlement in 2008-09, and universities will pick up the cost for that year. Effective with the next budget cycle, the State Student Assistance Commission will take over the funding.

"Rep. Sheila Klinker, Sen. Ronnie Alting, and Sen. Tom Wyss deserve all the credit for working out this compromise that provides the benefit now, but puts the future cost where it belongs," Green says.

HEA1280, which focuses on Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification of buildings, also passed. However, rather than requiring all of Purdue's projects to go through the LEED certification process, the act provides for further study of the issue between sessions.

"We're committed to building energy-efficient facilities, especially given the rise in utility costs," Green says. "However, we hope to provide input this summer to Rep. Matt Pierce when the concepts will be studied further to reach a less restrictive and less



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costly option for universities."

Another topic that will be studied further is dual credit programs for Indiana high school students, covered in HEA 1246.

"A concurrent enrollment partnership will review program offerings with the goal of increasing the number of courses available to high school students that also qualify for college credit," Green says. "Coming to campus with credits under their belt helps students get a leg up on their college degree. Rep. Terri Austin believes strongly in this proposal. We want to make sure the courses meet the same standards as those offered on campus, and the partnership seems committed to do that."

The issue of a specific building, the Student Services and Library Complex at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, was resolved. Purdue was seeking additional non-state bonding authority, which was inadvertently left out of the budget in the last session.

The bonding initially made it into HEA 1001 in the Senate, but was taken out in conference committee.

"We had some anxious moments until we found it in HEA 1125 in the last hours of the session," Green says. "The northeast Indiana delegation never gave up and got the job done."

Campus safety and security was addressed in HEA1204, which contains provisions crucial to timely responses to emergencies.

The University maintains a public safety answering point where incoming 911 calls and dispatches are routed.

"HEA1204 allows the universities to maintain their PSAPs, which are critical for rapid responses to emergencies on campus," Green says. "Having that first point of contact directly on campus allows Purdue police to coordinate all their video, call box, and patrol assets."

In earlier versions of the bill, Purdue would have had to give up its PSAP.

## Senate committee presents revised proposal on grade index adjustment

The Educational Policy Committee introduced the latest version of a grade adjustment proposal at the University Senate's March 17 meeting.

The proposal calls for the use of three grade indexes: semester, cumulative and a program GPA derived from a degree audit. All three indexes would appear on a student's transcript.

For a student going through a change of degree objective (CODO), the new college or school would calculate a program GPA based on its requirements and use that as a criterion in accepting the student. Students who have not taken any courses that apply to the new major would be considered under the same criteria for a student applying out of high school.

The program GPA can be calculated within Banner, the student systems software, and that removes cost issues identified with an earlier proposal for three indexes.

Jim McGlothlin, chair of the EPC, says the new version of the policy provides a transparent means of reporting students' grades in a straightforward manner.

"We believe that we've now centered ourselves so that we've addressed the issues that have come up, and we'd like to be able to move forward with this proposal," said McGlothlin, who also is associate professor of industrial hygiene and ergonomics.

Senate Vice Chair Ray DeCarlo said the proposal gives the colleges and schools the autonomy to decide what works best for their students and programs.

"I believe that individual areas will do what's right for their students," said DeCarlo, professor of electrical and computer engineering. "I think this proposal gives them flexibility, but at the same time it mandates that all of the students' grades will appear in the cumulative index. It offers the kind of choice that is needed."

Several senators voiced their approval of the proposal's simplicity and transparency. Others expressed concern about the absence of an official forgiveness policy.

Mara Wasburn, associate pro-

### University Senate holds elections

The University Senate on March 17 elected Howard Zelaznik, professor of health and kinesiology, as vice chair for 2008-09. Zelaznik will become chair of the Senate for 2009-10.

The Senate also filled three vacancies on the Steering Committee with terms of service as shown: John Denton, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering technology, three years; J. Paul Robinson, professor of cytomics, one year; and Mara Wasburn, associate professor of organizational leadership and supervision, two years.

Kathryn Orvis, associate professor of youth development and agricultural education, and Melissa Remis, associate professor of anthropology, were elected to three-year terms on the Nominat-

ing Committee.

On other committee seats: ■ Elected to serve on the University Grade Appeals Committee through May 31, 2011, were George Bodner, the Arthur E. Kelly Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, Education, and Engineering; Carol Ott, assistant professor of pharmacy practice; and Sharon Solwitz, associate professor of English.

■ Elected to the University Censure and Dismissal Procedures Committee for terms ending May 31, 2011, were Linda Chezem, professor of youth development and agricultural education; Jan Lugowski, associate professor of mechanical engineering technology; Ralph Webb, professor of communication; and William Zinsmeister, professor of earth science.

fessor of organizational leadership and supervision, wondered if mistakes made early in a student's academic career could influence future success in a competitive job market.

"Many employers don't even look at the transcript of a student who has less than a 3.0 GPA," Wasburn said. "The bar for employability is rising. Students who enter in the wrong major are then saddled with this when it comes to employers looking at them. I understand transparency issues and the need for a cumulative GPA, but I'm also concerned about employers factoring in courses that have nothing to do with where a student is going."

McGlothlin said the policy does have an element of forgiveness and meets the charge given by the Senate.

"If a student finds that he's going in the wrong direction, there is an element of flexibility that is offered here by the program GPA," he said. "The system also fits within Banner and doesn't cost us anything, and there is full transparency in the transcripts."

McGlothlin also said the

policy could be revisited in the future to evaluate its effectiveness.

Bernie Tao, the Indiana Soybean Board Professor in Soybean Utilization, said future discussions also could examine ways to help students find the right fit.

"I would suggest that as the EPC moves forward in the next year that they start to look at some of the issues brought up during this discussion to find out how we can change the system other than changing a grade to try to get students to the right place," Tao said.

A vote on the proposal will be held on April 21.

### In other business

■ The Senate voted in favor of endorsing the Committee on Institutional Cooperation Statement on Publishing Agreements, which helps faculty retain rights to work submitted for publication. Senate Chair George Bodner said the statement will be available for faculty use, but will not be required.

■ The Senate voted to disband the Collective Bargaining Committee, which has not met in recent history.

## Forums scheduled for education dean finalists

Public forums for the four finalists for the position of dean of the College of Education will be held beginning today.

At each forum, a presentation of roughly 15 minutes will be followed by an opportunity for audience members to ask questions.

"Each of these four individuals are well-qualified, yet come from different backgrounds and would bring different talents to the job," said Dennis Depew, chair of the search committee and dean of the College of Technology. "We look forward to hearing what each has to say, and we invite the campus community to be active participants in the process."

Candidates and their open forum dates are:

■ April 1. 9:30-10:45 a.m. Room 218AB, Stewart Center. James Lehman, head of Purdue's Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Edu-

ca-tion. He began as an assistant professor of educational technology at Purdue in 1983, and he has since served as associate professor, co-director of the college's Technology Resources Center and as interim director of the Center for Instructional Excellence.

■ April 17. 9-10:15 a.m. Room 310, Stewart Center. Sidney Moon, associate dean for learning and engagement in Purdue's College of Education and professor in the Department of Educational Studies. She was previously director of Purdue's Gifted Education Resource Institute and was the interim associate dean for academic programs in the college. She began as an assistant professor in educational studies in 1992.

■ April 24. 2:30-3:45 p.m. Room 3082, Rawls Hall. Carolyn Shields, professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the College of Educa-

tion's Department of Educational Organization and Leadership. She has served as head of that department and previously was the founding director of the School Leadership Centre at the University of British Columbia.

■ April 30. 1:30-2:45 p.m. Room 310, Stewart Center. William Henk, dean of the School of Education and professor of education at Marquette University. He has served as chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and was a faculty member and director of the School of Behavioral Sciences and Education at Penn State Capital College.

The committee is searching for a successor to George Hynd, who was dean of the College of Education from 2003 to December 2007. Kevin Kelly, head of the Department of Educational Studies since 2002, is interim dean.

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# Faculty Fellows find common ground with students at residence halls

Some lessons on campus are happening outside of the classroom as part of University Residences' Faculty Fellows Program.

Some students are learning to make baskets, some are being taught about new library technology and others are finding out about campus computer services.

Annette Brown, residential life manager at Harrison Hall, hopes students also are learning that faculty and staff care about their experiences both in class and out.

"We want to bridge that gap between students on the development side of the University and the academic side through this program,"

Brown says. "By bringing faculty and staff into the residence halls, students have the opportunity to interact with them on a different level and get to know them personally."

Established in 1966, the Faculty Fellows Program is open to any faculty or staff member. This year, 140 people are serving as fellows for a floor or unit of one of 11 residence halls. Each hall manages its own recruitment and often tailors the program to meet its needs.

Faculty Fellows develop close ties with the students, support students in developing leadership qualities, encourage participation in the Purdue community, and serve as resource of campus information. Participants also act as role models and provide counsel-

## How to apply

Applications for the program are available at Smalley Center and the following residence halls: Cary Quad, Harrison, Meredith, Tarkington, Windsor, Earhart, Hillenbrand, McCutcheon, Owen, Shreve and Wiley.

More information about University Residences' Faculty Fellow Program is available by calling 49-41000 or online at [www.housing.purdue.edu/facultyfellows](http://www.housing.purdue.edu/facultyfellows).

ing and advice.

"That guidance is really important, especially for freshman students who are away from home and their parents for the first time," Brown says. "The students can talk to their parents on the phone, but the parents aren't here to help make difficult decisions or to have those difficult conversations. The fellow sits in in the interim until a student can get home."

David Clark, director of diversity initiatives for the College of Liberal Arts, says he often acts as a big brother to the students in Harrison Hall.

"I find that many times I am providing insight on their interesting lives," says Clark, who has served as a fellow for about six months. "I intentionally present myself as an individual that they can feel comfortable talking to even though I am a staff member."



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Zenephia Evans, director of the Multicultural Science Programs and associate director of the Science Diversity Office, receives a menu from student Mallory Parsons at the John Purdue Room. Evans works with Parsons, a resident assistant at Earhart, through University Residences' Faculty Fellow Program. Evans attended the dinner with student Jamie Jackson (right), who lives at Earhart, and other Earhart residents as part of Faculty Fellow Appreciation Day on March 19.

Faculty Fellows must complete a minimum of six interactions per semester, and they can reapply for their position each year.

Program members often attend resident-assistant and hall club programs, invite students to attend campus events and convocations, and have meals in the dining courts with the students. They also create their own programs and sometimes share information about campus, their job or personal hobbies.

Faculty Fellow Wendi Ailor

has decorated Christmas cookies, held a pizza party, and arranged a root beer float night with the students at Harrison Hall.

"Food is definitely a theme, and the response has been good," says Ailor, director of alumni relations and special events for the College of Consumer and Family Sciences. "The students come and go as their schedules allow. It seems like those who want to talk will linger and share more one-on-one. That's when I feel like I'm really making a difference and can see the importance of the

program."

Lindsey Hall, residential life graduate assistant for University Residences, says the fellows bring the floor together. Hall sees this now as committee chair for the program and experienced it while living at Harrison Hall as a freshman and sophomore.

"This is a great opportunity for people to expand outside class and stay young at heart," he says. "The program also gives staff members who don't have student interaction on a day-to-day basis the chance to stay in touch with the student population that they ultimately serve."

Zenephia E. Evans, director of Multicultural Science Programs and associate director of the Science Diversity Office, sought out the program for that interaction. Evans taught biology courses before moving into her current administrative position.

"I wanted to continue personal interactions with students and be able to communicate with students various tips for being successful in and out of the classroom," she says.

Evans enjoys celebrating good grades, honors and internships with the students of Earhart as well as serving as a sounding board.

"Serving as a Faculty Fellow provides the students with an opportunity to observe a different side of the campus administrator and allows the fellow to understand the life of students outside of the academic arena," she says.

## Search committee named for marketing and media VP

Purdue has formed a search advisory committee to identify candidates for vice president for marketing and media.

Chairing the committee is Richard Cosier, Krannert School dean and Leeds Professor of Management, said Murray Blackwelder, senior vice president for advancement.

"The University has recognized the importance of branding in its effort to become preeminent," Cosier said. "This position combines the marketing of Purdue along with the critical activities of working with the media."

The committee will help search for a replacement for Joseph Bennett, vice president for university relations, who announced in January he would retire June 30, in line with the university's mandatory retirement policy for senior administrators.

In addition to Cosier, the committee members are:

- Jay Akridge, professor of agricultural economics, director of the Center for Food and Agricultural Business, and interim vice provost for engagement.

- Gary Evans, Purdue police chief.

- Jay Fehnel, alumnus, vice president for entertainment products at Tribune Media Services.

- Melanie Hahn, assistant director and editorial manager of Purdue Marketing Communications.

- Pamela Horne, dean of admissions and assistant vice presi-

dent for enrollment management.

- Joseph Hornett, senior vice president, treasurer and chief operating officer of Purdue Research Foundation.

- Manohar Kalwani, professor of management.

- Sally Kay, alumna, co-chair of the Purdue President's Council.

- Laura Kightlinger, a junior in Krannert School of Management.

- Lyndsay Langbehn, a junior in the School of Health Sciences.

- Betsy Liley, director of university foundation relations.

- Nicole Reas, chief marketing officer for Purdue Alumni Association.

- Glenn Sparks, professor of communication.

- Brian Zink, associate director of Purdue News Service.

The committee members will advertise the position, identify a diverse pool of candidates, screen the candidates' credentials, narrow the pool to a short list and conduct interviews. Finalists will be presented to Blackwelder.

The vice president for marketing and media's responsibilities include communicating news and information about the university in print, photo and video; branding and advertising; the Purdue Web site; and community partnerships.

University Relations includes the Purdue News Service, Purdue Marketing and Communications, University Periodicals, Community Relations, Special Projects and Broadcast Services.

## Holocaust conference to explore 'Lives Interrupted'

The 27th annual Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Conference, titled "Lives Interrupted," will be April 4-10 at Purdue and in West Lafayette.

"The theme refers to the disruption families and individuals experienced with World War II and especially with the concentration camps of the Holocaust," says Susan Prohofsky, co-chair of the Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Committee.

A performance by Grammy-nominated pianist Mona Golabek will focus on the disruption experienced by her mother, who

was one of the 10,000 children transported to England through the Kindertransport rescue program.

Golabek will perform pieces by Chopin, Grieg and Scriabin, and talk about her book, "The Children of Willesden Lane: Beyond the Kindertransport." Golabek's book recounts her mother's journey through World War II.

Prohofsky encourages families to attend the performance.

"Golabek's presentation will be of interest to kids from about third grade and up, adults of all

ages and everyone with an interest in music," she says.

The free performance will be at 8 p.m. April 6 at Loeb Playhouse, Stewart Center.

Opening ceremonies for the Holocaust Remembrance Conference will be at 2 p.m. April 6 in Room 214, Stewart Center. President France A. Córdoba will contribute opening remarks at 2:20.

More information on the conference and a complete program are available at [www.glhrc.org](http://www.glhrc.org).

## Grad programs stay high in magazine's ranking

Purdue programs maintained high rankings in the U.S. News & World Report's survey of the nation's top graduate schools released Friday (March 28).

The colleges and schools in which programs were ranked include Liberal Arts, Science, Pharmacy, Engineering and Management.

- Liberal Arts: Two programs in the Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences rank in the top 10. The accredited master's degree program in speech-language pathology tied for second nationally, up from third in 2004. The accredited doctorate of audiology degree program is tied for ninth, down one spot from 2004. The department is part of the College of Liberal Arts.

- Science: Three programs in

the College of Science are spotlighted. Purdue's analytical chemistry program ranks second. The statistics program moved up one place to 10th, and the computer science program is 19th.

- Pharmacy: Purdue's School of Pharmacy ranks ninth.

- Engineering: The College of Engineering ranks 15th overall in the survey. Last year, it was 12th.

In engineering specialties, Purdue earned top 10 rankings in:

- Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical, No. 5, tied with University of Michigan.

- Civil, No. 7.

- Mechanical, No. 7, tied with Georgia Institute of Technology.

- Industrial/manufacturing, No. 8.

- Electrical/electronic/communications, No. 10, tied with Princeton University.

- Computer, No. 10, tied with Cornell and Princeton.

- Krannert: The Krannert School of Management placed two key areas in the top 10 in the MBA specialty rankings. Its production/operations area is rated No. 3, behind MIT and Carnegie Mellon, and its supply chain/logistics area ranks No. 8.

Krannert overall was No. 33, which ranks among the top 10 percent of all schools accredited by AACSB International — the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.

U.S. News & World Report's complete "America's Best Graduate Schools" is available on newsstands this week. The rankings and related articles also are available on the U.S. News & World Report Web site: [www.usnews.com/](http://www.usnews.com/).

# Spring Fest marking 10th year with mix of old, new

Spring Fest turns 10 this year, and the University's fun-filled campus event will mark the milestone with a handful of new stops in areas ranging from nanotechnology and nutrition to nursing and the environment.

Spring Fest 2008 will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 12-13 all across campus. First-time participants include Discovery Park, Purdue Cancer Center, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, School of Nursing, Purdue Worklife Programs, and the Purdue Repertory Dance Company.

Returning favorites include the ever-popular Bug Bowl and interactive exhibits and activities from more than 34 Purdue colleges, departments and campus organizations.

"We've been steadily adding exhibits and partners the last few years as more on campus look to become a part of this Purdue tradition," says Spring Fest event

## Gala Weekend to show alumni today's campus

Gala Weekend, the annual spring celebration that brings Purdue alumni back to campus, will take place April 11-13.

Returning alumni will have plenty of options for things to do. As in recent years, Gala Weekend intentionally coincides with Spring Fest. Also, this year it overlaps with Purdue's presidential inauguration.

Gala Weekend this year will honor the Class of 1958 with the traditional reception and dinner. All classes will march in the class parade April 13.

A complete listing of Gala Weekend events and information on how to register can be found at the Purdue Alumni Association Web site at [www.purduealum.org/gala](http://www.purduealum.org/gala).

coordinator Danica Kirkpatrick. "This also is a special year, our 10th, with a strong lineup for children and adults to experience the lighter side of higher education — from nanotechnology to nutrition."

The Purdue Cancer Center will offer a 5K walk-run fundraiser at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 12. A 4 p.m. presentation in Lynn Hall, Room 1136, will highlight

how researchers are learning from animals to improve treatments for human cancer patients.

Purdue Worklife will provide a tent for breastfeeding mothers in front of the Agriculture Administration Building.

Discovery Park will offer tours of its advanced research facilities and hands-on exhibits in biology, nanotechnology and microgravity from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday,

April 12. Highlights include demonstrations on a laser cutter that will manufacture mini-guitar key chains for visitors and an exhibit on the effects of environmental toxins on fish eggs.

The 18th annual Entomology Bug Bowl runs April 12-13 as part of the Department of Entomology's events.

The 45th annual School of Veterinary Medicine Open House will offer animal lovers a host of activities including a Vet-for-a-Day program.

In its 95th year, the annual Horticulture Show continues its tradition with the theme, Boiler Countryside.

For more Spring Fest information, including a map of the sites, go to [www.purdue.edu/springfest](http://www.purdue.edu/springfest). To download questions for scavenger hunts on Saturday or Sunday, go to: [www.ces.purdue.edu/sfest/games/scavenger.html](http://www.ces.purdue.edu/sfest/games/scavenger.html).



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Thomas Kennell of West Lafayette participates in a seismic shock and earthquake magnitude demonstration led by Gordon Emore, a Purdue doctoral student in earth and atmospheric sciences, at Spring Fest 2007.

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### Roads, walks, parking affected by projects

Stadium Mall Drive near the corner with University Street and Stadium Avenue is closed until August for the Stadium Mall Gateway project. Sidewalks are open, but the main drive is closed to pedestrians and vehicles. Vehicle access to the drive from the south, near Purdue Mall, continues.

Parking and traffic near Purdue Airport will be disrupted until August by construction of the Niswonger Aviation Technology Building addition.

The service drive from Airport Road to the Aviation Technology Building and Aerospace Science and Composite Labs will be closed to through traffic. Access to these buildings is from South Russell Drive.

No parking is available to the east of the terminal building and to the south of the railroad tracks. A few parking spaces exist at most times across from the Flight Operations Building for Budget Rent-A-Car and Truck customers and across from the Aerospace Science Lab.

CityBus service is relocated to the front entrance of the Terminal Building.

The north entrance to the Aviation Technology Building is open to foot traffic.

An area map is at [www.purdue.edu/physicalfacilities/travel/pdf/niswonger\\_aviation.pdf](http://www.purdue.edu/physicalfacilities/travel/pdf/niswonger_aviation.pdf).

Other continuing projects are affecting parking and traffic flow, as well as adding construction traffic. Among them:

- Purdue Village Community Center and the Patty Jischke Early Care and Education Center on the north side of Nimitz Drive in Purdue Village.

- Wayne T. and Mary T. Hockmeyer Hall of Structural Biology, a two-year project along Harrison Street between South Russell Drive and Martin Jischke Drive.

- Student housing at First and MacArthur streets, south of Earhart Hall, scheduled for completion in July 2009.

- Dining court project south of Wiley Hall, scheduled for

completion in August.

- Windsor Hall remodeling, scheduled for completion in July.

### Course can sharpen college-level skills

The path back to taking a class can be smoothed by letting the first steps be fee remission and a specially designed course.

GS290X: How to Survive at College will be offered this summer, which for some is a great time to gear up for college-level study.

The 3-hour course will be at 6-8:50 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for eight weeks starting June 10.

Purdue employees and their spouses can register as a nondegree student through the Office of Admissions in Schleman Hall, obtaining a fee remission that cuts two-thirds of the cost.

GS290X is intended for adults who want to return to school, whether for courses of interest or work toward a degree.

"Older students, on the whole, tend to do better than younger students," says Sally Coffman, course instructor and instructional development specialist in the Center for Instructional Excellence. "They're more motivated, more mature."

The course deals with study skills, reading, notetaking and understanding college.

To find out more, contact Coffman at [sjcoffman@purdue.edu](mailto:sjcoffman@purdue.edu).

### Voice course to aid English pronunciation

A class designed to help international students improve their English pronunciation will be offered May 12-June 6.

The course, 590K Vocal Expression: Voice and Diction for the International Student, is aimed at international teaching assistants and ESL students, but also is open to any students or instructors who want to improve or learn about voice and speech.

The two-credit course will focus on improving the individual's pronunciation and articulation

for standard American pronunciations. The course will center on the vocal instrument, breath support, articulators, and vowel placement, as well as putting those elements together to develop the individual's speech patterns.

The course will be held 9:30-11:20 a.m. Monday through Thursday. Depending on class size, private sessions may be held to work on students' specific problems in diction and clarity. The students will also learn tools they can use to help their own individual growth in this area.

Richard Sullivan Lee, associate professor of theater, will teach the course. For information, e-mail [rslee@purdue.edu](mailto:rslee@purdue.edu) or call 49-43078.

### European space leader to speak at Purdue

The former council chairman of the European Space Agency will talk about Europe's space policy April 10 in the William E. Boeing Distinguished Lecture.

Sigmar Wittig, who also is chairman emeritus of the German Aerospace Center board of directors, served as the European Space Agency's council chair in 2005-07. His 10:30 a.m. talk in Fowler Hall, Stewart Center, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics. A reception on the third floor of Neil Armstrong Hall of Engineering will follow the speech.

Wittig also was at Purdue in 1967-76 as a mechanical engineering professor, teaching thermal sciences and fluid mechanics.

"It's a great honor for Purdue to have someone of Sigmar Wittig's stature come to campus to talk with our students and faculty," says Thomas Farris, head of the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics. "His talk will center around the development of space policy as the agency brings in more nations. He will address how national goals of those countries have to be balanced with international goals and cooperation."

## Purdue joins INShape Indiana effort to promote good health

Purdue and INShape Indiana are working together to provide University employees with more ways to improve their health — and earn a purple apple in the process.

Purdue is one of more than a dozen employers statewide participating in an employer partnership program with INShape Indiana, a state initiative created two years ago to promote healthy eating, exercise and smoking cessation.

"Purdue chose to partner with INShape Indiana to share expertise, help make Indiana healthier and save health care costs," says Mindy Paulet, director of WorkLife Programs and Purdue's wellness leader for the partnership.

The first effort coming out of the partnership will be a 12-week walking program called "Ready, Set, Walk!" It starts on April 14.

Participants will receive e-mails with walking tips, advice for healthier eating, and a basic exercise schedule. The e-mails also will highlight successful efforts around the state through weekly employer profiles.

Individual participants will be able to qualify for a prize drawing by reporting on their total miles walked.

"If a person walked 10,000 steps a day for the entire 12 weeks,

they would cover more than 400 miles in that time frame," Paulet says.

The walking program will qualify for a purple apple for Healthy Purdue 2008. Participants should contact their wellness program leader to complete the appropriate paperwork for the community alternative option.

Paulet says walking is an effective way to get in shape because it is easy to incorporate and doesn't require a gym membership or special equipment.

"Lunchtime offers a great opportunity to add some physical activity," Paulet says. "You can start by taking a 10-minute walk before you eat lunch and then 10 minutes following. People could also have walking meetings or make it a team-building exercise for staff to go for a quick walk a few times a week."

For more information about using "Ready, Set, Walk!" for a purple apple in Healthy Purdue, contact your campus wellness program:

- West Lafayette: 49-45461, [worklife@purdue.edu](mailto:worklife@purdue.edu)

- Calumet: (219) 989-2709, [lowry@calumet.purdue.edu](mailto:lowry@calumet.purdue.edu)

- Fort Wayne: (260) 481-5748, [tillapau@ipfw.edu](mailto:tillapau@ipfw.edu)

- North Central: (219) 785-5519, [tlaux@pnc.edu](mailto:tlaux@pnc.edu)

### Sign up for 'Ready, Set, Walk!'

Employees interested in participating in "Ready, Set, Walk!" will need to register first with the INShape Indiana Web site at [www.inshape.in.gov](http://www.inshape.in.gov).

The registration form will ask for the name of your employer. The following codes have been determined for Purdue:

- West Lafayette campus: Purdue WL

- Purdue North Central: Purdue NC

- Purdue Calumet: Purdue Cal

- Purdue Fort Wayne: Purdue FW

Employees' spouses and same-sex partners will put in the appropriate code for the

employed spouse or partner's campus.

Once registered, participants will start receiving information about the walking program.

If you are already registered with INShape Indiana, you will need to update your profile to add the appropriate Purdue code. To do so, click on "Update Profile" at the bottom of any INShape Indiana e-mail.

By registering with INShape Indiana, participants also gain access to resources on physical activity, nutrition and tobacco cessation as well as become eligible for additional initiatives and programs.

THE INAUGURATION OF PURDUE'S ELEVENTH PRESIDENT

# Occasion, symbols carry traditions of University

As a symbolic transfer of the reins of the University to the new president, the inauguration and installation is an array of ceremony, ritual and special emblems that signify the high honor that is the office of the presidency.

The focus is on the idea of the academy as a place of teaching and learning, a place of ideas and the development of new knowledge.

Elements of the inaugural ceremony include:

\* The Academic Procession. The procession features the University marshal, marshals of student representatives, the marshal of alumni representatives, the marshal of delegates, the marshal of faculty, the marshals of staff, the marshal of the corporation, and the marshal of the presidential party as well as an honor guard from Purdue ROTC.

\* The Installation. The official ceremony begins with a call to order and the National Anthem and invocation. It continues with greetings from representatives of other institutions; student, faculty and staff representatives; and representatives of the alumni and local government.

An investiture and presentation ceremony features former presidents Arthur Hansen, Steven Beering and Martin Jischke presenting, respectively, the Presidential Medallion, University Mace and University Charter

J. Timothy McGinley, chair of the Board of Trustees, will introduce President France A. Córdova, who then will give an

inaugural address.

The ceremony will conclude with the singing of the "Purdue Hymn" and a benediction.

Music throughout the ceremony will be provided by the Purdue Symphonic Band, the combined Purdue choirs, the Purduettes, the Black Voices of Inspiration and the Purdue Varsity Glee Club.

### Purdue academic emblems

**The Seal:** The current Purdue seal was adopted in 1969 and retains elements of earlier versions, which evolved beginning in 1890. The seal features a stylized depiction of the griffin, the mythological beast with the head of an eagle and the body of a lion. In medieval heraldry, the griffin symbolized strength. The three-part shield represents Purdue's traditional aims: learning, discovery and engagement.

**The University Mace:** The mace has an ancient history as a symbol of authority and is carried before the president and other dignitaries. As a reflection of the modern vision of a truly American university, the design of the Purdue mace embraces sweeping thrusts and counterthrusts to create a vital energy within an otherwise clean, linear aesthetic. The University seal is located in the center of the mace head; bounding it are two sweeping silver wings.

**The Presidential Medallion:** Closely allied with maces and seals as symbols of authority are the collars of office worn by many



TOP: The University Mace contains the seal bounded by silver wings. BOTTOM: The Presidential Medallion.

officials, including chancellors and presidents of universities. Purdue's Presidential Medallion features the three-part "heraldic shield" and griffin, the symbol that has existed throughout Purdue's long history of University seals.

# Global University Convocation to point education forward

Leaders of academia and government from around the world will be featured in a convocation focusing on the concept of the global university.

C-SPAN President and CEO Brian Lamb, a Purdue alumnus, will moderate the convocation, which will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. April 10 in Loeb Playhouse.

Panelists from four continents will form the discussion group. The event is free and open to the public.

"Purdue draws students and faculty from throughout the world," said President France A. Córdova. "The University also has a strong tradition of research and engagement in other nations. In an era of global economics and communications, all universities are examining their roles. Purdue will use the occasion of this inaugural to engage some of the best minds in the world on these topics. This convocation will draw on a broad global talent base that will provide valuable insights for

everyone in higher education."

Panel members include:  
 ■ Jorge Allende, vice president for research and development, University of Chile.

■ Robert Berdahl, president of the Association of American Universities.

■ Zhangliang Chen, vice governor, Guangxi Province, and former president of the China Agricultural University.

■ Gebisa Ejeta, Distinguished Professor of Plant Breeding and Genetics and International Agriculture, Purdue University.

■ Nina V. Fedoroff, science and technology adviser to the U.S. secretary of state.

■ Renu Khator, chancellor of the University of Houston.

■ Maurilio Alves Moreira, dean of research and graduate studies, Federal University of Vicosa, Brazil.

■ Sigmar Wittig, rector emeritus, University of Karlsruhe; chair emeritus, European Space Agency and professor of turbomachinery, University of Karlsruhe, Germany.

# 3 faculty symposia to focus on learning, tech, health

Eighteen Purdue faculty members will participate in three faculty symposia that precede the April 11 presidential inauguration.

The symposia are from 10 a.m. to noon and are free and open to the public.

### "Serious Games for Serious Learning: Harnessing the Digital Generation"

Rusty Rueff, chief executive officer of SNOCAP Inc. and former vice president of human resources for Electronic Arts, is the moderator for this discussion, which will take place in the Commons of the Lawson Computer Science Building. Rueff earned a bachelor's degree in radio and television in 1984 and a master's degree in counseling in 1986 from Purdue.

Panelists are:  
 ■ Nicoletta Adamo-Villani, assistant professor of computer graphics.

■ Gary Bertoline, Distinguished Professor of Computer Graphics Technology, professor of computer and information technology, and assistant dean for graduate studies in the College of Technology.

■ Dan DeLaurentis, assistant professor of aeronautics and astronautics.

■ Lorraine Kisselburgh, a doctoral student in the Department of Communication.

■ Carlos Morales, associate professor of computer graphics technology.

■ Voicu Popescu, associate professor of computer science.

### "Building a New Planet"

Maira Gunn, founder and host of Public Radio's "Tech Nation" and "BioTech Nation," is the moderator for this panel, which will be in the Pfendler Hall Auditorium. Gunn earned her master's

degree in computer science in 1972 and became the first woman to earn a doctorate in mechanical engineering from Purdue in 1974.

The panelists are:

■ Kirk Alter, associate professor of building construction management technology.

■ Hugh Hillhouse, associate professor of chemical engineering.

■ Inez Hua, interim head and professor of environmental and ecological engineering

■ Paul Shepson, professor of chemistry and earth and atmospheric science, and director of the Purdue Climate Change Research Center.

■ Gerald Shively, professor of agricultural economics.

■ Robin Mills Ridgway, environmental regulatory consultant, Department of Radiological and Environmental Management.

### "Tiny Technologies for Huge Impacts on Health"

Timothy Sands, the Mary Jo and Robert L. Kirk Director of Birck Nanotechnology Center and the Basil S. Turner Professor of Engineering, will moderate the panel, which will meet in Room B071 of Neil Armstrong Hall of Engineering.

The panelists are:

■ John Hertig, director of the Alfred Mann Institute for Biomedical Development at Purdue.

■ Joseph Irudayaraj, associate professor of agricultural and biological engineering.

■ James F. Leary, professor of medical engineering and SVM Professor of Nanomedicine.

■ Alyssa Panitch, associate professor of biomedical engineering.

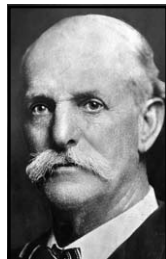
■ Jenna Rickus, assistant professor of biomedical engineering.

■ Masaru Rao, assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

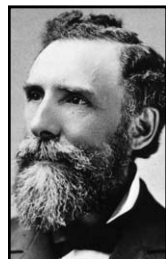
## Purdue's past presidents



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1872-1874



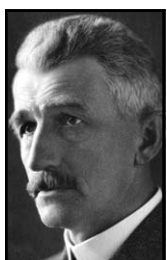
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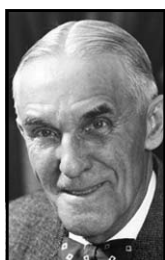
Emerson E. White  
1876-1883



James H. Smart  
1883-1900



Winthrop E. Stone  
1900-1921



Edward C. Elliott,  
1922-1945



Frederick L. Hovde  
1946-1971



Arthur G. Hansen  
1971-1982



Steven C. Beering  
1983-2000



Martin C. Jischke  
2000-2007

# Inaugural – Tickets free, required for attendance

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that will impact the university and its students."

The inauguration culminates a weeklong campus celebration that includes a Global University Convocation moderated by Purdue alumnus C-SPAN CEO Brian Lamb on April 10, three faculty symposia on April 11 and several major announcements.

The inauguration ceremony

will include an academic procession and formal installation, as well as music by the Purdue Symphonic Band, Purdue combined choirs, the Purduettes, the Black Voices of Inspiration, and the Purdue Varsity Glee Club.

The inauguration is free and open to the public, but a ticket with an assigned seat is required. Tickets can be picked up at campus box office locations in Stewart Center and Elliott Hall of

Music, or can be reserved by calling 49-43933.

Córdova became Purdue's 11th president on July 16. She had served as chancellor of University of California, Riverside, since 2002. She previously was vice chancellor for research and a physics professor at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

She also was the first woman and youngest person to hold the title as NASA chief scientist.

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Items of Special Interest to Clerical and Service Staff

For CSSAC updates, go to [www.purdue.edu/cssac](http://www.purdue.edu/cssac).

## CSSAC members add views, gain insight in strategic plan groups

Four members of the Clerical and Service Staff Advisory Committee enjoyed serving on "tiger teams" as part of the new strategic plan process.

The four CSSAC representatives were Elaine Bahler, Globalization; Cynthia Dalton, Synergies Between Science/Engineering and Liberal Arts; Jamie Hendershot, Campus Design; and Danielle Sheese, Quality of Life.

Gary Carter, CSSAC chair, is on the Steering Committee. Its work is continuing.

Bahler, who works in Hicks Undergraduate Library, said working on the Globalization working group "provided me new insight to the many international activities that Purdue has been and is currently involved with and their impact."

"It also encouraged forward thinking to identify new opportunities of global emphasis," she said. "Our group compared the global efforts of peer institutions and we conducted numerous interviews with internal and external domain experts."

Bahler said she would like to



Bahler



Dalton



Hendershot



Sheese



Carter

see more global opportunities for staff.

"I discovered there were a variety of faculty research and exchange opportunities on a global scale," she said. "Students could gain global perspectives through service learning opportunities and study abroad programs. Staff, however, had limited options for similar experiences."

"Our white paper includes recommendations for global experiences that include staff."

Dalton compared the process to baking a cake.

"The president provided some of the ingredients and we had to create the recipe," she said. "I believe we created an awesome cake!"

She said the committee worked well together.

"Our team quickly identified existing synergies on campus," she said. "This assisted us in propelling into new approaches for creating new synergies and identifying obstacles that could block the progress."

"Once we identified several key factors, we downsized our list to four major topics and began the process of building on each of these topics."

Sheese, who works in the Office of Student Services in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, described her experience as exciting.

"The committee served as a voice for my fellow colleagues and

provided a catalyst to discuss their comments, concerns and suggestions," she said.

"The committee interviewed nearly 50 experts and reviewed numer-

ous documents and surveys in an effort to better understand the perceived quality of life among clerical and service employees."

Hendershot said it was an honor to work on the Campus Design team.

"I was impressed by the enormity of this process and the scope of our team's topic," she said. "Our group met with numerous internal and external constituents to find out what they thought worked and didn't work about our current campus design and then asked them what they would like to see changed in future design."

Bahler and Dalton said their experience on the teams was "wonderful."

"I learned more about Purdue — its people, departments, strengths and weaknesses," Bahler said. "I learned why globalization is necessary for Purdue to be a leader."

Dalton said she was "excited and honored to be included in the process."

Sheese called the process "beneficial and successful."

"Working on the Quality of Life Committee was rewarding because I was able to part of a group that had the potential to influence major decision-makers as Purdue takes steps to the next strategic plan and excel to the next level," she said.

Hendershot said working on the committee gave her a different perspective about the campus.

"It really gave me an opportunity to take a fresh look at the campus and see it as a vibrant place to live, work and learn," she said.

Carter said he was not ready to share his thoughts on the process because his role has much ahead.

## Items added to women's archive

The papers of former Purdue deans of women Dorothy Stratton, Helen Schleman and Beverley Stone have taken their place in University archives.

Sally Watlington, an alumna and the first female executive officer of an NROTC unit at Purdue, donated the papers at a reception March 20.

The reception came during the Women's History Month exhibition "Chronicle Women's History at Purdue: Selections from the Susan Bulkeley Butler Women's Archives," which continues through April 29.

The items from the former deans are a treasure trove of photos, correspondence, speeches and memorabilia, says Sammie Morris, head of Archives and Special Collections and assistant professor of library science.

"These papers document the lives of some of the most influential women in the University's history, and they wonderfully complement our existing collections on Purdue faculty," Morris said. "Dorothy Stratton, Helen Schleman, and Beverley Stone were leaders on campus at a time when there were very few female leaders, and they served as everything from academic and career counselors, to surrogate mother figures for the women students, to university administrators."

"Stratton and Schleman also were significant as early women leaders in the U.S. Coast Guard, and their papers offer a broader



PHOTO BY MARK SIMONS

Barbara Hansen, a Purdue retiree, views items in "Chronicle Women's History at Purdue: Selections from the Susan Bulkeley Butler Women's Archives" on March 20, when a reception celebrated new contributions to the archive. The exhibition continues in Special Collections in Room 279, Stewart Center.

view of their personal lives and careers beyond Purdue."

Career highlights include:

- Stratton was dean of women from 1933 to 1942, during which years female enrollment rose from 500 to 1,400. She then became a senior lieutenant, and later a Coast Guard captain. She won the Legion of Merit. She later served 10 years as national director for the Girl Scouts of America. She died in September 2006 at age 107.

- Schleman served as director of the first women's residence hall at Purdue in 1934. After serving in World War II, she became the university's dean of women from 1947 to 1968. She had served in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves, earning the rank of captain and the Navy Commendation medal. At Purdue, she is acknowledged for having fought for women's rights, including terminating the curfew for women students. She died in 1992.

- Stone succeeded Schleman

as dean of women and, during the turbulent late 1960s, helped ensure that students' voices were heard on faculty committees and the Board of Trustees. In 1974, upon the merger of the dean of women's and dean of men's offices at Purdue, she became the first woman in the Big Ten to be named dean of students. She died in 2003.

The exhibition is the first for the women's archive which was created in 2006 with a \$1 million gift from Butler. Along with President France A. Córdova, Butler was a speaker at the reception.

Other speakers were Dean of Students Emerita Betty Nelson; Watlington; and professor Fred Whitford, who wrote a biography on Virginia Claypool Meredith, Purdue's first female trustee. Meredith is called the "Queen of American Agriculture."

The exhibition is open 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday through April 29 in Room 279, Stewart Center.

## Notables

### Fischbach makes top 10 of physics news stories

A test of one of the most frequently used equations in all of science earned Ephraim Fischbach, professor of physics, a spot in the American Institute of Physics's 10 top physics stories for 2007.

Fischbach's team tested Newton's second law of motion — force equals mass multiplied by acceleration — at very low accelerations and found that it held true.

"This helps establish the constraints for new theories," he said.

The test of this law was especially important because of recent puzzling observations in space such as unexplained acceleration by satellites sent to the edge of the solar system or by stars circling the centers of some galaxies.

"The question arose of whether or not there is a new piece of physics acting on the stars in galaxies or if there are flaws in the basic accepted principles of physics," Fischbach said. "One possible resolution to the puzzle is the idea of dark matter — that something is out there that we can't see. This matter would have attractive forces that would affect the behavior of objects in space."

### Biochemistry has change of department head

Clint Chapple, a 15-year Purdue biochemistry faculty member, has been named head of the department.

Chapple plans to put particular emphasis on the department's undergraduate program and find-

ing additional research funding for the faculty through collaborations and other means.

Jim Forney, department head since February 2001, has returned to full-time teaching and research.

Chapple also will build on

some initiatives begun by Forney, said Randy Woodson, the Glenn W. Sample Dean of Agriculture, in announcing the appointment.



Chapple

To further develop the undergraduate program, Chapple said, the department will conduct a complete curricular review. The department has 17 faculty members and more than 80 undergraduate students.

Chapple's own research team focuses on plant conversion for uses such as biofuels, and particularly on lignin, a compound in cell walls that contributes to plants' structural strength but hinders conversion of plants into other materials.

### Appointments

**Sandra Howarth** is director of development for the College of Science, having been executive director of the Perry Township Education Foundation and director of development for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis. ... **Javier Magallanes** is director of development for the College of Science, having been director of development for the President's Council and the Latino Cultural Center.

# Calendar

Events are free unless noted. Ticket prices are for single events, not any series or discount offers. The online calendar for the West Lafayette campus is at <http://calendar.purdue.edu>, which has a link on the Purdue home page at [www.purdue.edu](http://www.purdue.edu).

## Athletics

For tickets, call Athletic Ticket Office, (765) 494-3194 or (800) 49-SPORT [497-7678].

### Wednesday, April 2

- **Women's tennis vs. Notre Dame.** 1 p.m. Schwartz Tennis Center.
- **Softball vs. IUPUI.** 3 and 5 p.m. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Saturday, April 5

- **Track and field.** Mike Poehlein Invitational. All day. Rankin Track and Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.
- **Men's tennis vs. Michigan.** 1 p.m. Schwartz Tennis Center.

### Sunday, April 6

- **Men's tennis vs. Penn State.** Noon. Schwartz Tennis Center.

### Wednesday, April 9

- **Baseball vs. Illinois State.** 4 p.m. Lambert Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### April 11-13

- **Baseball vs. Penn State.** Friday: 4 p.m. Saturday: 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m. Lambert Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Saturday, April 12

- **Men's tennis vs. Indiana.** 1 p.m. Schwartz Tennis Center.

### Sunday, April 13

- **Men's tennis vs. Ohio State.** Noon. Schwartz Tennis Center.
- **Softball vs. Ohio State.** Noon and 2 p.m. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Tuesday, April 15

- **Softball vs. Valparaiso.** 3 and 5 p.m. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Saturday, April 19

- **Track and field.** Dave Rankin Invitational. All day. Rankin Track and Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.
- **Women's tennis vs. Iowa.** 11 a.m. Schwartz Tennis Center.
- **Spring football game.** Noon. Ross-Ade Stadium.

### April 19-20

- **Men's golf.** Boilermaker Invitational. All day. Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex.

### Sunday, April 20

- **Women's tennis vs. Minnesota.** 11 a.m. Schwartz Tennis Center.

### Tuesday, April 22

- **Softball vs. Notre Dame.** 3 and 5 p.m. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Wednesday, April 23

- **Baseball vs. Ball State.** 4 p.m. Lambert Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### April 24-27

- **Women's tennis.** Big Ten Championships. All day. Schwartz Tennis Center.

### April 25-26

- **Softball vs. Iowa.** Friday: 4 p.m. Saturday: Noon. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### April 25-27

- **Baseball vs. Minnesota.** Friday: 4 p.m. Saturday: 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday: Noon. Lambert Field. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

### Sunday, April 27

- **Softball vs. Illinois.** Noon and 2 p.m. Varsity Softball Complex. Tickets: public, \$5; students, \$2.

## Exhibitions

### Ongoing

- **Rueff Galleries, Pao Hall.** Patti and Rusty Rueff Department of Visual and Performing Arts; Purdue University

Galleries. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. 49-62958.

- ◆ April 7-11: "Into the Body." Master of Fine Arts Graduate Exhibition by Ingrid Shults. Video installation. Brown bag lecture, noon April 8.

- ◆ April 7-11: "Handling Dissonance." Aaron Scott, graduate student in industrial design. Works exploring perception of products that incorporate dissonance and irregularity in form and function. Brown bag lecture, 1 p.m. April 9.

- ◆ April 8: Reception for the two exhibitions listed above. 6-8 p.m.

- ◆ April 14-25: Fine Arts Senior Exhibition. Annual exhibition of artworks from seniors majoring in the fine arts including painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, textiles and metals.

- ◆ April 28 - May 2: Photography and Related Media Senior Exhibition. Annual exhibition of artworks from seniors in the Photography and Related Media field.

### Through April 20

- **Purdue University Galleries.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, plus Thursday until 8 p.m.; 1-5 p.m. Sunday. Robert L. Ringel Gallery, PMU, and Stewart Center Gallery. 49-67899 or [galleries@purdue.edu](mailto:galleries@purdue.edu) or [www.purdue.edu/galleries](http://www.purdue.edu/galleries).

- ◆ "Ken Rinaldo: Robotic Installations." Includes 10 spider bots with real-time interaction with public and self-modified behavior. Rinaldo is at Ohio State Univ. Both galleries.

### Through April 29

- **Libraries - Archives and Special Collections.** "Chronicking Women's History at Purdue: Selections from the Susan Bulkeley Butler Women's Archives." 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Room 279, STEW. [www.lib.purdue.edu/spcol](http://www.lib.purdue.edu/spcol).

## Films

### Saturday, April 19

- **Sit in @ Slayter.** Film viewing by Purdue Student Union Board. 9-11 p.m. Slayter Center. Free, with food for sale. [www.union.purdue.edu/psub](http://www.union.purdue.edu/psub) or 49-48976.

## Lectures

### Ongoing

- **TUESDAYS. College Teaching Workshop Series I: Basics of Teaching.** For faculty, staff and grad students. Center for Instructional Excellence. Through April 1. 9:30-11 a.m. Registration required: [www.cie.purdue.edu](http://www.cie.purdue.edu).

- ◆ April 1: "Dealing with Cheating: Prevention and Response."

- **OCCASIONAL. AAO workshops.** Affirmative Action Office. To register, get more information or request a reasonable accommodation, [aaopurdue.edu](mailto:aaopurdue.edu) or 49-47253 (voice) or 49-61343 (TTY).

- ◆ April 9 (W): "Conducting Quality Interviews." 1:30-2:20 p.m. Room 214CD, STEW.

- ◆ April 9 (W): "A Guide to Reference Checking." 2:30-3:20 p.m. Room 214CD, STEW.

- ◆ April 9 (W): "Diversity in Employment." 3:30-4:20 p.m. Room 214CD, STEW.

### Wednesday, April 2

- **Jewish Studies Noon Lecture.** Alisha Heavilon, senior, creative and professional writing and winner of the 2007 Edward Simon B'nai B'rith Barzillai Lodge No. 111 Prize in Jewish Studies. "Israeli Attitudes Toward the Holocaust and Holocaust Survivors." 12:30 p.m. Room 313, STEW. [www.cl.purdue.edu/jewish-studies/](http://www.cl.purdue.edu/jewish-studies/) or 49-47965.

- **Difficult Dialogues.** Monthly presentation of research about race and society. Black Cultural Center and American Studies Program. 2-4 p.m. BCC. First Wednesday of each month. 49-43094.

- **Bioethics Seminar Series.** David Resnik, bioethicist, National Institute of Environmental Health Services and National Institutes of Health. "Conflicts of Interest in Biomedicine." 5:30-7 p.m. Room 121, Burton Morgan Center. [www.purdue.edu/bioethics](http://www.purdue.edu/bioethics).

## Calendar item deadlines

- April 8, for the April 18 issue (events of May 1-31).
- May 2, for the May 13 issue (events of June 1-30).
- Submit items at [dhowell@purdue.edu](mailto:dhowell@purdue.edu), by fax at 496-1725, or at 417 ENAD. No phone submissions, but for questions call 49-42028.

## WBAA poised for member drive

WBAA public radio at Purdue will begin its spring membership drive April 7, aiming to top a goal of \$130,000.

The station, which is on the air at 101.3-FM and 920-AM, is offering a new premium along with many familiar and appealing items at various gift levels.

The new selection, for gifts of \$120 or more, is the Radio Bookmark. Visually reminiscent of a jump drive and able to go on a keychain, the Radio Bookmark allows a listener to push a button and "save" a story as it airs.

To summon the story, the listener plugs the Radio Bookmark into their computer and

the story bookmark appears. The listener can play the story, pause it, e-mail it and sample supplemental information.

Other premiums include jackets, shirts, CDs, a book, tote bags, mugs and a WBAA member card for discounts at many participating restaurants, inns and other merchants.

The station has provided online means of giving at [www.wbaa.org](http://www.wbaa.org). It also welcomes challenge gifts and matching gifts.

Recently, in response to listener interest, WBAA has added two programs, "Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me" and "The Splendid Table."

### Sunday, April 13

- **Purdue Percussion Theater: "Under Construction."** 2:30 p.m. Loeb Playhouse, STEW. 49-66785 or [kcmatter@purdue.edu](mailto:kcmatter@purdue.edu).

### Thursday, April 17

- **Cherryholmes.** Convocations, Frets on Fire. 7:30 p.m. Loeb. \$15.

### Friday, April 18

- **Purdue Bands Showcase I.** Symphonic Band and Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. Elliott Hall of Music. 49-66785 or [kcmatter@purdue.edu](mailto:kcmatter@purdue.edu).

### Saturday, April 19

- **Purdue Bands Showcase II.** University, Varsity, Collegiate and Concert bands. 2:30 p.m. Elliott Hall of Music. 49-66785 or [kcmatter@purdue.edu](mailto:kcmatter@purdue.edu).
- **Purdue Spring Spectacular.** Purdue Musical Organizations. 7:30 p.m. Long Center, 111 N. Sixth St., Lafayette. Tickets: public, \$15; students, \$10.

### Sunday, April 20

- **Jazz on the Hill.** Purdue jazz bands. 2:30 p.m. Slayter Center. Rain location: Elliott Hall of Music. 49-66785 or [kcmatter@purdue.edu](mailto:kcmatter@purdue.edu).

- **Heart & Soul spring show.** Purdue Musical Organizations. 7 p.m. Word of Life Fellowship Church, 3650 Greenbush St., Lafayette.

### Tuesday, April 22

- **Purdue Bands' Recital.** 7 p.m. Fowler Hall, STEW. 49-66785 or [kcmatter@purdue.edu](mailto:kcmatter@purdue.edu).
- **All Campus & Community Chorale and Purdue Bells.** Purdue Musical Organizations. 7 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 1700 State Road 26 West (1/4 mile west of Airport Road).

## Special Events

### April 1-30

- **Education dean candidate forums.** Finalists for dean of the College of Education. See also story, page 2.

### April 4 & 9

- **College of Science town hall.** For ideas for 2008-13 strategic plan; all of campus welcome. Hosted by college's Pillar groups. April 4: 1:30-3:30 p.m. April 9: 2:30-4:30 p.m. Both in Commons, Lawson Computer Science Building. Ideas welcome also at <http://science.purdue.edu>; click Strategic Planning, then Feedback. Questions: [lrbertson@purdue.edu](mailto:lrbertson@purdue.edu).

### Saturday, April 5

- **Rube Goldberg national competition.** 10:30 a.m.: University division. 2 p.m.: High school division. Armory.

### April 7-11

- **Technology Week.** College of Technology. See story, page 8.

### April 12-13

- **Spring Fest.** See story, page 4.

## Theater & Dance

Tickets are available at campus box offices or at 49-43933 or (800) 914-SHOW [-7469]. Prices are given for single-show tickets; a box office handling fee may be added.

### Through April 6

- **Purdue Theatre.** "Marat/Sade" by Peter Weiss (actual title: "The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as Performed by the Inmates of the Asylum of Charenton Under the Direction of the Marquis de Sade"). Horizon Series. 7:30 April 4-5; 3 p.m. April 5-6. Mallett Theatre, Pao Hall. Tickets: public, \$10.50; students, \$8.50.

### April 4-6

- **Civic Theatre of Lafayette.** "Crowns" by Regina Taylor, presented in conjunction with Purdue Black Cultural Center. Musical celebrating African American women and their church hats. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Long Center, 111 N. Sixth St., Lafayette. Tickets: evenings, \$16; matinee, \$15. 423-7529.

- ◆ Related exhibition through April 12 at Art Museum of Greater Lafayette, Tenth and South streets; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

### April 10-19

- **Purdue Theatre.** "Hair" by James Rado, Jerome Ragni and Galt McDermott. Marquee Series. 7:30 p.m. April 10-12, 17-19; 3 p.m. April 13; midnight (end of day) April 12, 18. Nancy T. Hansen Theatre, Pao Hall. Tickets: public, \$18; 62+ seniors, \$15; students, \$12.

### Saturday, April 19

- **Jahari Dance Troupe Spring Revue.** Black Cultural Center. 7 p.m. Loeb Playhouse, STEW. Admission: public, \$7; Purdue students, \$5.

### April 25-26

- **Purdue Repertory Dance Company.** Spring Dance Works. Friday: 7:30 p.m. Saturday: 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Hansen Theatre, Pao Hall. Tickets: adults, \$12; students, \$10; children under age 12, \$6.

## University

### April 10-11

- **Presidential Inauguration events.** See story, page 1; related events, page 5.

### Saturday, April 26

- **Spring classes end.** 12:20 p.m.

### April 28 - May 3

- **Spring exam period.** Semester ends.

# Update on master plan emphasizes efficient, sustainable campus

## Traffic, pedestrian matters figure prominently

The most recent version of the master plan for West Lafayette creates a compact, connected campus that merges the University's academic, research and residential worlds.

At a public meeting on March 18, Sasaki Associates of Watertown, Mass., and Scholer Corp. of Lafayette provided an update on Phase Three (Master Plan and Implementation), which is expected to be completed by fall. Phase One (Campus Inventory and Analysis) and Phase Two (Campus Alternatives) were completed last spring and fall, respectively.

Ricardo Dumont of Sasaki Associates described a campus plan that:

- Encourages sustainable and accessible design.
- Strengthens pedestrian orientation.
- Enhances the landscape.
- Accommodates parking needs.
- Plans for and guides campus growth and development.
- Establishes a physical infrastructure that supports the campus strategic plan and enables mission realization.

"We can have 50 percent more growth within the confines of the traditional campus if we act smartly and wisely," Dumont said. "Purdue will have a more compact community, a more walkable

community, and a community that is much more integrated within the campus and with its surroundings. Ultimately, this results in a better place to learn and live."

The new plan shows the potential for 8 million square feet of new buildings. The campus currently has 16 million square feet of buildings.

One of the plan's major concepts involves turning State Street into a unifying feature.

"The 1925 plan existed off a main spine that ran north-south with a series of major open spaces — the Purdue Mall, Memorial Mall and Agricultural Mall," Dumont said. "Today we believe in the same devices. Major open spaces will form great community centers across campus, but also will be a uniter off either side of State Street."

To augment those larger open spaces, a group of small quadrangles would form corridors of green space to lead people back to State Street.

Growth from the academic and research cores also would intersect at State Street. Dumont said the academic core around Purdue Mall would expand to the southwest, while the research core represented by Discovery Park would expand to the east.

State Street also could offer mixed-use buildings to unite the academic, research and residential aspects of campus.

"One of the things we heard

## Purdue Calumet plan to go before trustees

The final campus master plan for Purdue Calumet will be presented to the Board of Trustees Physical Facilities Committee for its consideration at the April 10 meeting.

Sasaki Associates of Massachusetts created the plan over the past year with input from the Calumet campus community.

Key elements of the plan include adding green spaces; connecting the residential/recre-

ational section of campus with the academic section; breaking up surface lots with landscaping elements; establishing a formal, symbolic campus entrance; providing outdoor space for learning; and expanding the residential district.

The recommendations are intended to be implemented in phases as campus growth indicates need and as financial resources become available.

from many of our educators here is, how do we get the different worlds together?" he said. "State Street is a major player in bridging that gap."

State Street's transformation would involve downgrading the busy thoroughfare from a state highway to a pedestrian-friendly two-lane city street, which would help establish its development as a vibrant center for campus life and activity. This concept is contingent on the relocation of U.S. 231 around the south and west sides of campus, which also would reroute Indiana 26 away from State Street.

In addition, the plan suggests parking garages set on the perimeter and the creation of a shuttle system, which would allow for easier movement through campus and cut down traffic.

Residential living, now

relegated to the western part of campus, could surround core academic and research areas. The plan recommends improving or rebuilding existing housing as well as adding new residential housing in the southeast area of campus.

Dumont said the southeast development also could benefit from the addition of dining options and a recreational center.

"The southeast area is extremely underserved," he says. "More than 6,000 students live in campus and private housing in the area, and 10,000 faculty and staff are within a 10-minute walk. The mixed-use idea of new housing and perhaps a dining and recreational facility along with the addition of major green space could better serve the faculty, staff and students."

To meet sustainability goals,

the plan proposes a "greenbelt" around campus. Former agricultural lands to the west could be allowed to revert to forest, and areas around the Purdue golf courses and Purdue University Airport could be meadows.

"The goal is to protect these resources," Dumont said. "We are preaching a long-term growth strategy that is fairly compact within the campus core so that we can create better environments for ourselves."

John Collier, director of campus planning, said the idea of a compact campus resonated with the individuals and groups the planning team spoke with throughout the process.

"The big idea that we heard in our meetings was that people like the fact that campus is compact," Collier said. "They want it to stay that way. This is also consistent with the concept of sustainability. If we keep the campus as compact as possible, it will be less necessary for people to get in a car and drive from one part of campus to another."

Collier added that the ideas presented at the forum are part of a long-range plan that will help guide the physical development of nearly 2,300 acres of University land over the next 20 to 30 years.

"The plan is flexible," he said, "and can be changed as the needs of the University change. Ideally, the master plan should be reviewed and updated every five years."

## Web – New

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made based on user feedback. The testing included current and prospective students, as well as groups from across the campus community.

The new site will feature fewer items per page and drop-down menus to organize and quicken access to information with minimal clutter.

"Our old site had so much information competing for space that users couldn't find what they needed," Hahn says. "They had to read through too many links. The new design is much cleaner and simpler."

In addition, Hahn says, the custom-designed Google search engine will provide a powerful tool for finding information.

"It will allow people to type in what they are looking for and find the link that will take them straight to their destination," Hahn says. "If they aren't sure what to search for, they can always use the new A-to-Z keyword index to look for topics similar to what they want."

The search engine, which will be prominently displayed at the top of the major pages, will become even more efficient as time goes by, she says.

"This search engine actually learns from experience," Hahn says. "Over time, it will track which results users click on the most in relation to specific search keywords, and it will display the most popular results at the top of the page when similar searches are performed."

Hahn says the new site will continually be monitored

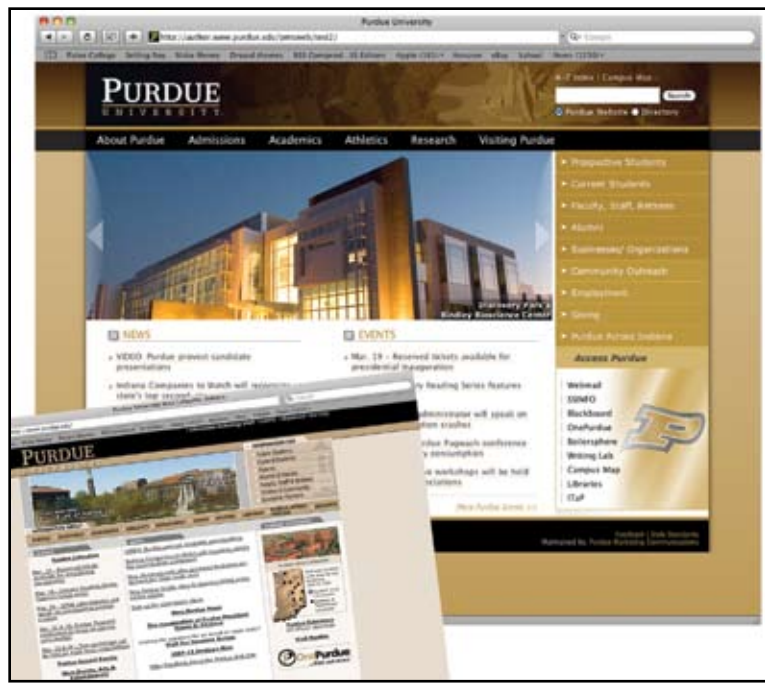


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The new Purdue home page (larger image) streamlines the process of determining how to navigate the site. It also boasts a stronger and smarter search engine.

## Design templates available to campus units

Departments and colleges within Purdue will be able to access templates to design pages that use the organization and design of the new home page by going to the Purdue Developer Blog at [www.purdue.edu/globals/blog](http://www.purdue.edu/globals/blog).

"We are not telling people they must completely redesign their pages," says Melanie Hahn, assistant director and editorial manager of Purdue Marketing Communications. "The goal here is to present pages that

are consistent in navigation and look so that visitors can easily tell as they navigate around the site that they are still within the Purdue system.

"We're providing templates to help others who want to make their sites more audience-friendly in relation to the main pages, but the templates can be customized by the area using them."

For more information on templates, contact Ramzy Yazback at 49-42029 or e-mail [yazback@purdue.edu](mailto:yazback@purdue.edu).

through tracking and a built-in feedback feature that will allow users to submit suggestions.

"We want the new design to

continue to reflect the needs of users, and we're open to suggestions about how to keep it current and well-organized," she says.

## Energy outlook to be Technology Week focus

The head of one of the nation's largest utility companies will speak and listen to students' ideas about the future of energy as part of Purdue's second annual Technology Week on April 7-11.

Michael Morris, chairman, president and CEO of American Electric Power, will speak at 3-4:30 p.m. April 9 in Fowler Hall, Stewart Center. The talk is free and open to the public. He is this year's featured speaker for the College of Technology's Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series.

The purpose of the week is to highlight how technology affects lives, provide a glimpse of tomorrow's innovations, and recognize the accomplishments of College of Technology faculty, students and alumni.

"Technology is so integral to nearly every part of our lives today that it's easy to take for granted," says Dennis Depew, dean of the College of Technology. "We are proud to take a week to highlight the ideas, research and people that make technology advancement possible."

Other events planned for the week include a student open gallery featuring graphics work from members of SIGGRAPH. The gallery will be open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 9 in the Materials and Electrical Engineering Building. This prize competition will include 2-D and 3-D images, print, video and interactive displays.

A list of events is at [www.tech.purdue.edu/techWeek/Events/](http://www.tech.purdue.edu/techWeek/Events/).

## Deaths

**Timothy R. Almon**, 50, died March 8 in West Lafayette. He worked as a computer analyst/programmer at Purdue.

**Carol A. Miner**, 68, died March 10 in Mulberry. She worked for the Purdue Alumni Association.

**Virginia C. Messick**, 69, died March 12 in Rossville. She worked as a secretary in the physics department at Purdue. Memorials: Milner Community Health Care, Rossville.

**Dennis E. Brown**, 57, died March 20 in West Lafayette. He had been facilities manager at Owen Hall, retiring in 2007.

**Elizabeth E. Davis**, 81, died March 21 in Lafayette. She worked in administration at the Physical Plant from 1970 until 1988. Memorials: Battle Ground United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 30, Battle Ground, IN 47920; or American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

**William J. Whalen**, 82, died March 25 in West Lafayette. He was director emeritus of university publications and professor emeritus of communication, serving at Purdue from 1950 to 1992. In 1960, he helped found Purdue University Press and directed it for many years. Memorials: Lafayette Urban Ministry; or The Catholic Worker, 36 E. First St., New York, NY 10003.