Dr. Ora Pescovitz becomes President and CEO of Riley Hospital for Children

Dr. Pescovitz to continue IUSM position

On September 1, 2004, Dr. Ora Pescovitz, Edward Letzter Professor of Pediatrics, began her tenure as president and CEO of Riley Hospital for Children. She will also continue to serve as the IU School of Medicine’s executive associate dean for research affairs.

Riley Hospital is part of Clarian Health Partners, which also includes IU Hospital and Methodist Hospital.

As IUSM’s executive associate dean, she has administered IUSM’s research program which brings in more than $210 million per year in grants and contracts. We extend our congratulations to Dr. Pescovitz.

We are sure that everyone present would agree that Distinguished Professor Timothy Noble’s presentation... singing Cole Porter selections... was absolutely wonderful. If you were fortunate enough to be there, you certainly walked away with a smile on your face. Thank you, Professor Noble, for a delightful presentation.

2005 Fall Dinner

The 2005 Fall Dinner will be held in Bloomington and will be hosted by Chancellor Kenneth Gros Louis. The date will be announced later.

IU among Best Places to work

Indiana and Purdue universities are two of the nation’s 10 “Best
Places to Work in Academia,” according to an international survey of researchers published by *The Scientist* magazine in its November 8 issue.

In an accompanying article, “Best Places to Work: What’s Important to the Academic Scientist?” it is stated that American researchers are primarily interested in university health benefits and fair competitive salaries.

IU is one of Indiana’s largest employers and received a record $413 million in public and private research and teaching in the fiscal year 2004.

For more on the report go to: http://www.the-scientist.com/yr2004/nov/biobus6_041108.html

The 167,000 square foot facility will provide space for five IU programs: the Division of Children’s Health Services Research, the Center for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, the Division of Biostatistics, the Center for Bioethics and the Regenstrief Institute, Inc. The researchers are IU faculty members.

Upon completion in 2006, the building also will house restaurants and other shops to serve the occupants of the building and the general public.

Of the funding, $15 million was authorized by the Indiana General Assembly in 2003 and the remainder in private gifts, notably from Eli Lilly and Co. and the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation.

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**Life Sciences research and industry gets $42 million facility**

Ground was broken on September 1 for the Indiana University Medical Information Sciences Building, which brings Indiana a step closer to becoming a national leader in life sciences research and industry.

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**Alliance Elections**

It is time for the Alliance to elect new Steering Committee members and Co-Chairs. The ballots will be mailed out immediately following the Holiday break in early January, 2005. Those elected will serve a three year term beginning on the first day of the month following the 2005 annual meeting.

We hope that all members will take time to vote and return their ballot to the Alliance office.

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**Membership Directories**

In January, 2005, the Alliance office will be asking members to update their biographical information and to submit a recent photograph of themselves for the membership directories. Please be sure to take time to update your bio and return it to the Alliance office. The new directories will be available in early fall. A special thanks to Chancellors Kenneth Gros Louis and Charles Bantz for their contributions in funding this project.

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**Promotion of Excellence Award**

Nominations are solicited for honorary membership in the Alliance and the Alliance's Promotion of Excellence Award in 2005. The Alliance is committed to the promotion of excellence at Indiana University. In keeping with this mission, members elect from time to time individuals to honorary membership in the
Alliance and for the Promotion of Excellence Award.

To be eligible for these awards, an individual must have (1) pursued excellence in her or his own career; (2) facilitated the achievement of excellence in others; (3) created mechanisms at Indiana University that enabled others to pursue excellence; and or (4) moved an organizational unit at IU forward to achieve an outstanding reputation.

Nomination Process: Members wishing to nominate an individual to honorary membership and the Promotion of Excellence Award must submit an application that includes:

- Letter of nomination, describing in detail the candidate's accomplishments as they bear on the aforementioned criteria

- Letters of support from at least two other members of the Alliance

- Candidate's Curriculum Vitae

- Additional supporting evidence as appropriate

Nominations should be sent to Janet Black, Indiana University, Alliance Office, Poplars 823, IUB (47405) by March 1, 2005.

New Members

We welcome the following new members since the June 2004 issue of Excellence.

Sharon P. Andreoli (IN), Bryon P. and Frances D. Hollett Professor of Pediatrics

Utpal Bhattacharya (BL), James R. Hodge Eminent Scholar in Finance

Christopher M. Callahan (IN), Cornelius and Yvonne Pettinga Professor of Medicine

Steven R. Counsell (IN), Mary Elizabeth Mitchell Professor of Geriatrics

Robert R. de Ruyter van Steveninck (BL), Jack and Linda Gill Professor of Physics

Bradley N. Doebbeling (IN), Department of Medicine Professor of Health Services Research

Frank Emmert (IN), John S. Grimes Professorship, School of Law

Stephen B. Leapman (IN), Frank C. and Ruby L. Moore and George T. Lukemeyer Professor

Mary H. Mitchell (IN), Alan H. Cohen Professorship, School of Law

Special Honors and Awards

Gary M. Hieftje (BL), Distinguished Professor and Robert and Marjorie Mann Chair in the Department of Chemistry, is the recipient of the Monie A. Ferst Award from the Georgia Institute of Technology chapter of Sigma Xi. The honorarium and medal are given each year to a scientist who has inspired his or her colleagues to significant scientific achievement.

Alan Rugman (BL), L. L. Waters Chair in International Business, is the first recipient of the Booz Allen Hamilton Eminent Scholar Award presented by the Academy of Management’s International Management Division at the 2004 annual meeting. The award is in recognition of the recipient’s scholarly work and the deep impact it has had on the field of international management.

Note: If you have special honors or awards that you would like published in the Excellence newsletter, please send the information to the Alliance office: alliance@indiana.edu
Maureen Pirog (BL), Rudy Professor of Public and Environmental Affairs

A. Michael Sadowe (IN), James Joseph Harbaugh, Jr. Professor of Plastic Surgery

Michael L. Stapleton (IPFW), Chapman Distinguished Professor of English

Ruth M. Stone (BL), Laura Boulton Professor of Ethnomusicology

Michael Walker (BL), Jack and Linda Gill Chair of Psychology

Stanley Wasserman (BL), Rudy Professor of Sociology, Psychology, and Statistics

Andre Watts (BL), Jack I. and Dora B. Hamlin Endowed Chair in Music

David S. Wilkes (IN), Dr. Calvin H. English Professor

Profiles in Excellence

The following interview was conducted electronically. The Alliance wishes to thank Professor Cate for his participation.

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Member Profile

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Fred H. Cate (BL), Distinguished Professor, School of Law, works at the forefront of privacy and other information law and policy issues. His research has addressed the expansion of copyright laws, especially in the context of digital networks; freedom of expression; the impact of privacy laws and regulations; and the use of information technologies for specialized purposes, such as natural disaster mitigation and organ transplantation.

Q. What are your research interests? Your mission? Talk about your department and where it fits into your research.

A. My professional career has been one of continuing evolution. I came to Indiana University in 1990 to work in communications law. We already had a superb Journalism School and Telecommunications Department, and starting a program in the Law School in communications law and policy created many opportunities for new synergies in both teaching and research. For the first six years I was at IU, I was also a fellow, and later Director of Research and Projects, for the Annenberg Washington Program in Communications Policy Studies, which provided exceptional access to communications policymakers and industry leaders, as well as funding for research projects. In 1992, the Law School attracted the publishing contract for the Federal Communications Law Journal, which had long been published at UCLA, which both brought further opportunities for research and teaching and national visibility for our work.

That work tended to focus on legal and policy issues in mass and electronic communications, not just in traditional settings (e.g., journalism), but also in novel applications, such as the use of satellites and other telecommunications equipment for natural disaster mitigation and relief. For six years I traveled throughout the world for the United Nations as chair of the drafting committee of the UN Working Group on

In Memoriam

Dr. J. Stanley Battersby (IN), Willis D. Gatch Professor Emeritus of Surgery, passed away on September 3, 2004. The Alliance expresses their sincere sympathy to the family.
Emergency Telecommunications that created the 1998 Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations.

But 1990 also marked the first year of commercial availability of the World Wide Web, and so my work, as well as the Law School’s program, has evolved from “conduit” to “content”—to focusing more on the broad range of issues surrounding information content, such as liability for harmful information, intellectual property, and privacy. These issues are always challenging, but especially so in the context of the Internet, where they are intrinsically global, evolve rapidly, evade easy regulation, and affect broad segments of both the population and the economy.

Since the late 1990s, these have been the primary focus of my research, and I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to address them in many settings. For example, I directed the Electronic Information Privacy and Commerce Study for the Brookings Institution, chaired the International Telecommunication Union’s High-Level Experts on Electronic Signatures and Certification Authorities, and served as counsel to the Department of Defense Technology and Privacy Advisory Committee.

The most recent evolutionary step in my professional interests has been an increased focus on information security issues, both technical and behavioral. In 2003, Vice President Michael McRobbie created the Center for Applied Cybersecurity and invited me to serve as its founding director. In that role, I work with superb researchers and practitioners in cybersecurity from across the University in trying to predict, understand, and respond to future threats to information security. I also work with researchers outside of IU, for example, as a member of Microsoft’s Trustworthy Computing Academic Advisory Board and of the Federal Trade Commission’s Advisory Committee on Online Access and Security.

IU in general, and the Law School in particular, have provided me with considerable support, including the freedom and the flexibility to evolve research and teaching interests, however odd they may at the time have appeared. This has been especially critical in allowing me to work effectively with organizations and scholars outside of IU. The evolutionary nature of my work has yielded both institutional and individual benefits. It informs the substance of my research. For example, because I came to privacy from a background in First Amendment and journalism law, I am often skeptical of many privacy claims, unlike my colleagues who only focus on privacy. Similarly, because I worked in privacy before security, I am often more sensitive to the privacy implications of potential security tools. I should also add that coping with constant change is never dull.

Q. Speak to the meaning of excellence in your life and work and how you foster excellence in your associates and colleagues.

A. “Excellence,” of course, means many things, but to me, two seem most important. First, there is excellence in research and teaching in terms of honesty, integrity, and relevance. The political debates about many of the legal issues I study are marked by the widespread absence of these characteristics and, unfortunately, a growing amount of research that is prompted or funded as a result of those debates seems to suffer the same fate. When faculty research or teaching is affected by desired outcomes, we in the
academy not only lose credibility, but also the legitimacy of our claim to being different than industry, government, or special interest groups. I hasten to add that the fact that I am sensitive to this concept of excellence does not mean that I always succeed in achieving it.

But excellence is not just a matter of personal aspiration or accomplishment, it is also a matter of institutional reputation and mission. It is not achieved just through hard work and self-examination, but through rigorous standards, fair and open processes, and the strategic investment of scarce resources. I may be unduly preoccupied with this after two years chairing the Strategic Planning Committee, but it is an enormous challenge and one that is exacerbated by the increasing scarcity of financial and other resources. How we meet that challenge will determine IU’s future.

Q. Mention any special honors.

A. I am a member of the American Law Institute and a Fellow and Senator of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and am listed in Who’s Who in America and Who’s Who in American Law.

Q. What are your interests outside or research?

A. Travel, photography, and reading.

Q. Finally, is there anything of human interest that you may want to share with the members?

A. My wife, Beth, and I adopted an African elephant, Tombi, who resides at the Indianapolis Zoo. She is a source of great delight and joy to us both, as well as a critical part of the Zoo’s world-renowned research on elephant reproduction. She is far less trouble and considerably more accomplished than most children, and pound-for-pound gave our parents more in the way of grandchildren than have all of our siblings combined.