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Newsletter of the Alliance of Distinguished and Titled Professors

Alliance honors new IU President

President McRobbie receives Honorary Membership

IU's 18th President, Michael McRobbie, was named an honorary member of the Alliance of Distinguished and Titled Professors at their September 24, 2007, annual dinner in Bloomington. In accepting the honor, President McRobbie was quoted as

saying "I am deeply honored and humbled to join the ranks of such accomplished members of IU's scholarly community, and I greatly look forward to working with them to continue to advance IU's excellence in research, teaching and service."

This is the first time the Alliance has awarded an honorary membership to a president while he was in office.

For more information on the story, please go to:
<http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/6417.html>

Sociology, and **Douglas R. Hofstadter** (BL), College of Arts and Sciences Professor of Cognitive Science, Comparative Literature, and Computer Science entertained the group with their presentations. Distinguished Professor **Emilio Moran** (BL), Anthropology, was out of the country and unable to attend.

Approximately 150 members and guests attended the dinner. Among those attending were Board of Trustees members Sue Talbot and Steve Ferguson.

The Alliance wishes to thank President McRobbie and Provost Hanson and their staff for a very nice event.

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2007 Fall Dinner

The Alliance 2007 Fall Dinner was held in Bloomington and hosted by President Michael McRobbie and Bloomington Provost **Karen Hanson**, Rudy Professor of Philosophy.

Following dinner, Distinguished Professors **Bernice Pescosolido** (BL),

Mark you calendars

The 2008 Fall meeting and dinner will be held in Indianapolis on **Monday, September 22, 2008** and will be hosted by President Michael

McRobbie and Chancellor Charles Bantz. The event will take place at the University Place Conference Center and Hotel. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

Call for nominations

The Alliance office is now taking nominations for Co-Chairs and members of the Steering Committee. The three year term of office will begin October 1, 2008. According to the Bylaws, each individual must receive at least two nominations to appear on the ballot. Please send your nomination to alliance@indiana.edu or mail to Alliance Office, Poplars 823, IUB.

Alliance booklets

It is time to update the Alliance membership booklets. Fred Cate, Alliance Co-Chair, announced at the Fall general meeting that this year instead of investing in the increasing cost of printing booklets, the Steering Committee has decided to stop the printing process, at least temporarily,

and to experiment using an online version only.

Beginning with the first of the year, each member will be asked to update the electronic version of their biographical information. The Alliance will also solicit electronic pictures to include on the web site as well.

The Alliance hopes to coordinate this with a general redesign of the Alliance web site.

Alliance survey results

David Malik (IN), Chancellor's Professor of Chemistry and Chemical Biology and Alliance Co-Chair, announced at the Fall meeting in September that 24% responded to the survey on priorities and obstacles which was conducted in late Fall of 2006 and early Spring 2007. The survey, a first for the Alliance Steering Committee, sought feedback on Trustee priorities for the new president and to identify perceptions on "Obstacles to Success" for faculty in their work at the University. The results of the survey have been discussed with President McRobbie together with the Alliance

Steering Committee.

Briefly, the Alliance respondents identified support with the highest priority items included Research Standing, Fund Raising, and Intellectual Environment. Also ranked high, with little disagreement were the Life Science Initiative, Communication and External Relations, Fiscal Management, Effective Efficient Management, Economic Development, and Internationalization. The lowest priority items, K-12 Outreach and Mission Differentiation, received equal levels of support at the high, medium, and low ratings.

"Obstacles to Success" highlighted various difficulties associated primarily with Institutional Review Boards, the Promotion and Tenure Process, and Salary Policies.

For a copy of the Report, please contact David Malik, dmalik@iupui.edu, or by phone 317-278-1611.

Research compliance

Steven Martin, Associate Vice President for Research Administration, gave a very informative power point

presentation on research compliance at the Fall meeting.

For those of you who were not able to attend the meeting and would like to know more about the presentation, please go to:

<http://www.ovpra.indiana.edu/OVPRAComments/Signin.asp>

Alliance members named AAAS Fellows

The American Association for the Advancement of Science recently elected five IU faculty members as fellows.

Included in the five are Alliance members **Howard J. Edenberg** (IN), Chancellor's Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, and **Thomas Kaufman** (BL), Distinguished Professor, Department of Biology. Other IU fellows for 2007 include S. Holly Stocking, Michael Wade, and Miriam E. Zolan.

For more information and brief descriptions of their work go to: <http://newinfo.iu.edu/news/page/print/6622.html>

Regenstrief Institute chosen to help design health network

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has awarded the IU School of Medicine a \$2.5 million contract to begin a trial implementation of a Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN). The Indianapolis group is one of only nine selected by HHS to work on NHIN. HHS is funding this work to create a secure foundation for health information exchange that can follow Americans throughout their lives, a goal set by President Bush. **J. Marc Overhage** (IN), Regenstrief Chair said their selection to participate recognizes Indiana's leadership in health information technology.

Professor appointed chief economist

Michael Baye (BL), Bert Elwert Professor of Business Economics, Kelly School of Business, has been named

director of the Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Economics.

In this highly prestigious position, he will supervise economic analysis at the FTC and advise on economic policy matters.

For more information on this story go to:

<http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/print/5946.html>

Alliance Co-Chair Fred Cate receives top recognition

Computerworld magazine has named Alliance co-chair **Fred H. Cate** one of the "best privacy advisers in 2007."

Cate, Distinguished Professor in the IU School of Law-Bloomington and director of the Center for Applied Cybersecurity Research at IU, is the only academic on the magazine's 25-person list of top individual privacy experts in the United States and Europe. He is number nine in a group dominated by private-practice attorneys and technology privacy consultants.

The article quotes Professor

Cate on how the privacy market changed in 2007. "Disclosures of secret government surveillance and data-mining programs sharpened attention this year on the volume and types of personal information that businesses are collecting and sharing with the government," he said.

Special Honors and Awards

The following members have received special recognition in their field. They are:

David Baker (BL), Distinguished Professor, Jacobs School of Music, was presented the Living Jazz Legend Award for lifetime achievement by the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

Kenneth Crews (IN), Samuel R. Rosen Professor of Law, IU School of Law-Indianapolis, has been commissioned by The World Intellectual Property Organization to conduct a worldwide study of copyright statutes related to libraries and library services.

Joan Haase (IN), Emily Holmquist Professor in Pediatric Oncology Nursing, was recently inducted into the

American Academy of Nursing. The prestigious award recognizes an individual's accomplishments within the nursing profession.

Hugh Hendrie (IN), Albert Eugene Sterne Professor Emeritus of Clinical Psychiatry, has been presented with the prestigious Jack Weinberg Memorial Award for Geriatric Psychiatry from the American Psychiatric Association. The award honors a psychiatrist who has demonstrated special leadership or who has done outstanding work in clinical practice, training, or research initiatives in geriatric psychiatry anywhere in the world.

George Hutchinson (BL), Booth Tarkington Chair of Literary Studies, has won the 2007 Christian Gauss Award from Phi Beta Kappa Society for his work entitled *In Search of Nella Larsen: A Biography of the Color Line*.

Menahem Pressler (BL), Distinguished Professor and founding member of the Beaux Arts Trio, Jacobs School of Music, received the Performing Artist and Arts Educator Award at the Governor's Arts Awards presentation on October 25 at the Musical Arts Center.

Albert Valdman (BL), Rudy Professor Emeritus of French

and Italian and of Linguistics, along with Alexander Rabinowitch, professor emeritus of history IUB, have been named recipients of the prestigious Andrew W. Mellon Emeritus Fellowships for 2007-08. The Mellon Foundation's Emeritus Fellowships program supports retired faculty who are still active and productive in the humanities and humanistic social sciences.

David H. Weaver (BL), Roy W. Howard Research Professor in the School of Journalism, received the 2006 Presidential Award from the Association for Education in Journalism & Mass Communication (with Professor Emeritus G. Cleveland Wilhoit) for three decades of research on American journalists.

Jeffrey Wolin (BL), Ruth N. Halls Professor of Photography, Henry Radford Hope School of Fine Arts, received the IU College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Alumni Award at their annual recognition dinner November 2. His work chronicles the lives of Holocaust survivors, Vietnam War veterans and recent immigrants to Indiana.

Douglas Zipes (IN), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, has been chosen as one of three recipients of the 2007 Duke University Medical

Center Distinguished Alumnus Award. This prestigious award is presented to Dr. Zipes because of the remarkable contributions he has made in the field of cardiac electrophysiology and the development of new laboratory techniques.

NOTE: If you wish to have your award or special recognition included in the next issue of Excellence, please email the information to alliance@indiana.edu or jlblack@indiana.edu

New members

We welcome the following new members to the Alliance since the June 2007 issue of Excellence.

Yves Brun (BL), Clyde Culbertson Professor of Biology

David F. Canal (IN), Frederic W. Taylor Professor of Surgery

Fen-Lei F. Chang (IN), Lutheran Foundation Professor of Cardiovascular Research

Peng-Sheng Chen (IN), Medtronic Zipes Chair of Cardiology

Arnaldo Cohen (BL), Rudy Professor of Piano

Barbara Flynn (IN), Richard M. and Myra Louise Buskirk Professor of Business

David Paul Fidler (BL), James L. Calamaras Professor of Law

Charles G. Geyh (BL), John Kimberling Chair of Law

Karen Kafadar (BL), Rudy Professor of Statistics

Hua Lu (IN), Daniel and Lori Efroymsen Professor of Oncology

Michael A. McRobbie, President of Indiana University and 2007 Alliance Honorary Member

Neil A. Morgan (BL), Nestlé-Hustad Professor of Marketing

Donna M. Nagy (BL), C. Ben Dutton Professor of Law

Martin J. O'Donnell (IN), Chancellor's Professor, School of Science

Eliza Pavalko (BL), Allen D. and Polly S. Grimshaw Professor of Sociology

Ann Roman (IN), Chancellor's Professor of Microbiology and Immunology

Kemal Silay (BL), Ottoman and Modern Turkish Studies Professor

Leonard Slatkin (BL), Arthur R. Metz Foundation Conductor

Jeffrey Evans Stake (BL), Lucas Chair of law

Vladimir Georgievitch Touraev (BL), Boucher Professor of Mathematics

Xiao-Ming Xu (IN), Mari Hulman George Professor of Neuroscience Research

Zhong-Yin Zhang (IN), Robert A Harris Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Members who have received new or additional titles:

Craig Bradley (BL), Robert A. Lucas Professor of Law

Douglas Hofstadter (BL), Distinguished Professor and College Professor

Emilio Moran (BL), Distinguished Professor and Rudy Professor of Anthropology

Bernice Pescosolido (BL), Distinguished Professor and Chancellor's Professor of Sociology

Roger W. Schmenner (IN), Randall L. Tobias Chair

In Memoriam

The Alliance wishes to extend their deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the following members who have passed away.

Morris H. Aprison (IN), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry and Department of Biochemistry

George J. Gaber (BL), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Jacobs School of Music

Frank R. N. Gurd (BL), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Department of Chemistry

Gerald L. Strauss (BL), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Department of History (word was just received that he passed away in 2006).

Profiles in Excellence

The Alliance wishes to thank Professor James Madison for agreeing to be interviewed for the December issue of Excellence.

Member Profile I

James Madison (BL) is the **Thomas and Kathryn Miller Professor of History**. His research areas include World War II, 20th-century U.S. history and Indiana history.

Q. What are your research interests? Your mission?

A. I've been lucky to work on research projects that interest me deeply. My books and articles are very different (from a biography of Eli Lilly to a book about a lynching), though most have some connection to Indiana.

My current interest is World War II. (I have a new book just out titled [Slinging Doughnuts for the Boys: An American Woman in World War II](#)). I'm less interested in the military and diplomatic issues than in the ways in which this war affected the lives of ordinary people. I'm especially interested in understanding the war as truly a world war--one which caused different experiences in different nations around the world.

I've been always eager to connect my research with my teaching. I've learned a great

deal from my students, including undergraduates. They help me think about audience and how a scholar can communicate complex issues to various audiences. I'm teaching this semester my world history class on World War II. While we study Americans, we try to spend more time understanding the experiences of people outside the US--Japanese, Germans, British, Russians. My goal is to use different war experiences to help students move away from their American comfort space and their easy assumptions about a "good war."

Q. Talk about your department and where it fits into your research.

A. The History Department at IUB has been among the very best in the nation for many decades. I had the opportunity to know some of the historians who moved it to high status in the 1960s and 1970s, including building strength in areas other than just American history. It was a wonderful place to "grow up," with senior colleagues (perhaps not all!) who helped me find my way in research and teaching. One of the greatest advantages of my career is that I've always worked among very smart and dedicated historians, including scholars at foreign universities where I have taught. It's been especially

useful for me, as a historian of the United States, to learn about other parts of the world from historians of Japan, Germany, Latin America, and elsewhere.

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

A. Fostering excellence among scholars is mostly about role models--knowing and working with colleagues who seek excellence. I've had that privilege, and therefore I feel some obligation to try to do the same. As department chair in the 1990s I had special opportunities, particularly in helping younger colleagues get their research and teaching moving forward. But even here, modeling excellence rather than teaching or forcing it seems sensible.

With students I push a little harder toward excellence, but even there I believe modeling is the wiser choice. I'm especially fortunate to be in my fifth year as director of IU's Liberal Arts and Management Program, where I have the opportunity to work in the classroom and outside with some of the most talented students on campus.

Q. Mention any special honors.

A. The accolades that mean the

most to me are those that come from readers of my books who feel a connection to the subject I've presented. And I value those former students I hear from years later who claim I said or did something of consequence.

Q. What are your interests outside of research?

A. I'm accused of being a workaholic—which I suspect may be charged to all of us who value scholarship and teaching. But I read for pleasure, including fiction of all kinds. I love the mystery writer Alan Furst, who sets his novels in the World War II era. I've just finished a biography of Julia Child, a woman of the same generation as the Red Cross wartime volunteer I wrote about in *Slinging Doughnuts*, so even my pleasure reading often connects to "work." My family is a very important interest; they've helped my work too, including my children, who teach me about the present as I try to understand the past.

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

A. I'm a geeky historian and certainly want my students to see me that way, but to this audience I can divulge that I

was once a three-letter varsity athlete.

Letters to the Editor

The Steering Committee invites the general membership to contribute "letters to the editor." The topics should be related to the mission of the Alliance. Given our sparse publication schedule, the letters should address concerns that will be of relevance after a delay of weeks or months. Such letters provide a means for members not on the Steering Committee to play a roll in setting policy and priorities, and we encourage you to make such a contribution. Please send letters to the Alliance office, Poplars 823, IUB, Fax: 812-855-5767 or email to alliance@indiana.edu

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Alliance Office will be closed 12/24-12/28/2007 and 12/31/2007-1/1/2008

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