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Upcoming meeting: Wednesday, December 10 at the Terry's Conference Center at 11:30 am

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT TERRY'S OUR DECEMBER PROGRAM

Our December meeting will be the annual Christmas luncheon at Terry's Conference Center starting at 11:30 am. This year we will have a cash bar open from 11:30 until lunch is served shortly after noon. We will have a choice of two entrees on the menu this year, roast pork loin with apple stuffing or teriyaki chicken on skewers. Make your selection on the form on the back of the newsletter and return it to Harriet Pfister by December 3. We will be entertained by the a cappella singing group, Ladies First (see below), after our meal. We cannot guarantee the weather for the event, but Terry's has assured us that 17th street will be open by the time of our luncheon so you will not need to take the long detour as you did last September. Be sure to join us for the festive event and celebrate the holiday season.

LADIES FIRST TO PRESENT PROGRAM AT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Ladies First, the IU female a cappella group, will perform holiday music at our annual Christmas luncheon at Terry's Conference Center on December 10. In 1995 a men's a cappella group, Straight No Chaser, launched a very successful career under sponsorship of the IU Alumni Association. Soon people began asking "Why is there no women's a cappella group?" In 1998 a group of women students answered that question by forming Ladies First, also sponsored by the Alumni Association. The group has performed extensively at campus events and traveled widely performing for alumni gatherings around the country. The group has released two CDs and received several awards including Best Female Collegiate Album of 2001 for "Ticket to Run". Both Ladies First and Straight No Chaser were honored by inclusion on the Best of College A Cappella CD. Over 200 groups from all over the country submitted entries for inclusion on this CD and only a few were selected. This year's program promises to be as entertaining as the Straight No Chaser performance we heard at our luncheon a few years ago.

CHRIS REYNOLDS CHARMS ANNUITANTS AT NOVEMBER MEETING

Chris Reynolds, Associate Athletic Director, delighted some 50 Annuitants at our November meeting with comments about his experiences as a student athlete at IU and his hopes for the future of IU athletics. One reason Chris selected IU over other top schools who recruited him was Coach Knight's emphasis on what an IU education could do for him, not just how he could help the IU basketball team. Chris took advantage of his opportunity, earning his bachelors degree in four years while giving his all to the team. He thanked the academic counselors including our own Mary Rose and Marge Belisle, for helping to keep him on track and taking the right courses for his degree.

Chris had the opportunity of playing basketball overseas after graduation, but decided instead to stay at IU to complete a law degree (which he did in the standard three-year time). Chris emphasized the support he got from his family in Peoria, Illinois during his time at IU, and how proud they were of him, not only for his contributions on the hardwood but for being the first member of the family to earn a college degree. Chris also had good words for his college roommate, Calbert Cheaney, who resisted the temptation to leave school early for a professional basketball career.

Chris indicated that he is delighted to return to IU to "give back" something for all he received from IU. Among his main duties as Associate Athletic Director will be handling contracts and legal matters as well as serving as basketball and NCAA liaison. Chris concluded his talk with the story of the birth of his son Joshua (to wife Katrina) in his former home of South Bend the day after he arrived in Bloomington to start his new job. He only got as far as Kokomo before the baby was born, but Katrina was in good hands with a friend, perhaps in better hands than with a nervous Chris! Thank you, Chris, for renewing our faith in the student athlete and bringing your warm personality and talents back to Bloomington.

THANK YOU FOR REFRESHMENTS

We extend our thanks to Pat Mulholland and the cookie contributors for the November meeting. Fran Bell, Doris Burton, Judy Ensmen, Sharon Harrell, and Janne Overly provided those delicious cookies and other goodies. We also appreciate the good work of Chelsea Roberts at the IU Foundation for the coffee and tea and room preparation.

NINE ANNUITANTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN EMERITI ART EXHIBIT

Although it does not take place for two months, be sure to put the Emeriti Art Exhibit, which is cosponsored by the IU Annuityants, on your new 2004 calendars. The dates are February 6-27 at the Emeriti House at 1015 East Atwater (corner of Atwater and Hawthorn, one block east of the parking garage). Please join us for the opening reception, with hor d'oeuvres and wine on February 6 at 5:30-7:30 pm. Included in the exhibit are works by nine Annuityants members: Clint Chase, Dick Dever, Bob Dodd, Mary Elbert, George Gaber, Shizue Matsuda, Jerry McIntosh, Rosemary Miller, and Pat Smith.

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN BEGINS

You should have received your letter and contribution form for the United Way Campaign by now. On behalf of the United Way organization we apologize for the lateness of the start. We hope that you will be as generous (or even more so) than in

the past. The Annuityants contribute a significant portion (usually 10% or more) of the total amount given through IU. Due to the depressed economy, contributions to most charitable organizations are down. But demands on services are up. You can help support 24 Monroe County agencies and other organizations you designate with your contribution.

VISITING INTERNATIONAL FACULTY HOST PROGRAM.

Patrick O'Meara, Dean of International Programs, invites faculty emeriti to participate in a program to welcome and host international faculty who are visiting the IU campus. This hosting involves activities such as giving campus tours, answering questions, and casual interaction. Faculty and librarian emeriti interested in the program should contact the Dean of the Faculties Office by phone at 855-2809 or by email at <emeriti@indiana.edu>.

THE NEWSWATCH TEN YEARS AGO

The following item appeared in the November 1993 issue: "At the Christmas luncheon, Gary Wittlich will present the music of Hoagy Carmichael. Cost of the luncheon this year is \$12.50 per person." Can you believe that the luncheon cost for 2003 is the same as it was in 1993? What happened to inflation? "Bruce McQuigg and Dale Hall are on a committee for 'Senior Net,' an attempt to teach senior citizens as much as they want to know about computers." Did the attempt succeed?

RESERVATIONS FOR THE DECEMBER LUNCHEON AT TERRY'S CONFERENCE CENTER, 11:30 AM, DECEMBER 10, 2003

Please select one of the following entrees:

Roast pork loin with apple dressing

Teriyaki chicken skewers

The menu also will include coffee or iced tea, Caesar salad, wild rice blend, sugar snap peas and carrots, hot rolls, and raspberry or mint sherbet.

NAME (s) _____

Please enclose a check for \$12.50 for each meal and mail by December 3 to:

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Please make check payable to "IU Annuityants Association"