As the birthday candles are lit for the Indiana Memorial Union Board centennial, UB alumni prepare for the centennial celebration to be held Oct. 30 through Nov. 1, 2009. The weekend will be filled with activities for both alumni and their families, according to Mike Gosman (UB’99–’00), BA’01, chair of the 100th programming committee.

“There is so much new this year,” Gosman said. Activities for the Biennial UB Reunion are usually focused on Saturday, but this centennial reunion is designed as a three-day weekend with many opportunities to share memories. “People will want to be in town early!”

Union Board Through the Ages will be the first event Friday evening. This will include a panel of alumni and former staff members sharing their favorite Union Board and IMU memories. Cocktails, and hor d’oeuvres will be served during the Scholarship Award Reception.

Saturday and Sunday programs are a mix of traditional and new UB reunion events. One of the more unique elements of the weekend is a lecture on the history of rock’n’roll, highlighting key concerts Union Board has hosted. The State of the Union Board Brunch will spotlight current UB directors. Their presentations will address what UB is doing today and what the goals are for the future.

Dunn Meadow will be the site of a barbecue midday Saturday. The informal picnic provides the opportunity for former UB members sharing their favorite Union Board and IMU memories. Cocktails, and hor d’oeuvres will be served during the Scholarship Award Reception.

Saturday evening’s dinner, always the focal point of biennial weekends, will be even larger this year with more guest speakers and the debut of the Union Board DVD. Excerpts from the DVD, created as a documentary of Union Board, will be shown.

A live and silent auction during the dinner adds to the festivities. Unique items, donated by individuals and organizations, will go to the highest bidders. Proceeds benefit the Centennial Campaign.

The centennial celebration weekend isn’t just for UB alumni to reunite. It will also be a time for UB alumni to acquaint their families with the IMU.

“The Union is such an amazing place – it’s fun for kids and adults,” said Susan Paullin Nussbaum (UB’82–’84), BA’84, programming committee member. “There is something magical about it. This weekend is about bringing families together and experiencing the union.”

— Susan Paullin Nussbaum

Parents and children can enjoy activities together, or parents can drop the kids off and be free to participate in other events. Activities are designed for children ages 4 to 13.

The 100th Programming Committee has made every effort to create a memorable UB reunion weekend.

“People who have come to the biennial reunions in the past know this will be special,” Gosman said. “I think we will have a tremendous turnout.”

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Amanda Murray (’01–’02)
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# CENTENNIAL EVENTS (TENTATIVE) Visit www.jws.indiana.edu for updated information.

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<td>UNION BOARD THROUGH THE AGES</td>
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<td>Union Board Alumni and staff share their favorite stories about Union Board and the Indiana Memorial Union.</td>
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<td>SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECEPTION</td>
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<td>Cocktails and hor d’ oeuvres will be served as we recognize our Outstanding Committee Member Scholarship recipients and our Director Scholarship Recipients. Please join us in congratulating these exemplary Union Board members.</td>
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<td>AFTER–PARTY</td>
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<td>The celebration continues with an after-party event at everyone’s favorite place, Nick’s English Hut. Guests pay for their own food and beverages.</td>
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<td>Join us for breakfast and another opportunity to catch up with old friends and mingle with current Union Board members and IMU staff.</td>
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<td>11 a.m.– noon</td>
<td>HISTORY OF ROCK AND ROLL LECTURE</td>
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<td>Two of Indiana University's most beloved and knowledgeable professors of rock, Glenn Gass and Andy Hollinden, will provide a lecture covering the history of rock’n’roll. Union Board concerts will be highlighted.</td>
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<td>noon–3 p.m.</td>
<td>BARBECUE LUNCH IN DUNN MEADOW</td>
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<td>Weather permitting, an outdoor lunch in Dunn Meadow will give everyone an opportunity to relax and mingle with friends and family.</td>
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<td>ALUMNI LINK MEETING</td>
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<td>Each board's designated Alumni Link will meet to discuss new forms of communication and methods to keep in touch.</td>
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<td>5:30 – 7:00 p.m.</td>
<td>SILENT AUCTION AND RECEPTION</td>
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<td>Going once, going twice, sold! Help raise money for the Centennial Campaign by bidding on some great items donated by former Union Board members, IU, national companies, and other organizations. Interested in donating an item for the auction? For more information, visit: <a href="http://www.jws.indiana.edu/100">www.jws.indiana.edu/100</a>.</td>
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<td>STATE OF THE UNION BOARD BRUNCH</td>
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<td>Join the 2009 Union Board for a brief presentation about the current programs, news, events, and direction for the coming year. After the presentation, the audience will be able to ask questions and make brief comments.</td>
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Help Union Board celebrate 100 years at Biennial 2009. 
Dear Union Board Alumni,

On Jan. 24, 2009 the 100th Indiana Memorial Union Board of Directors was installed and began a year of continued commitment to the Indiana Memorial Union and Indiana University. Due to the storied legacy of the previous 99 boards, the Centennial Board is humbled to continue our work as one of the most professional and prominent student organizations on campus.

Proud of the traditions instilled before us, we also understand the changing student needs and the evolving legacy of Union Board. I am privileged to provide some programming highlights since the last newsletter:

• Record-breaking attendance at our weekly films series, with previews of *Adventureland*, *Observe and Report*, and *Frost/Nixon*;
• Lectures by Maya Angelou, Max Brooks, Dr. Cornel West, Sen. John Edwards, and new IU men’s basketball coach Tom Crean;
• Concerts by Lupe Fiasco, Feist and Dave Matthews, and by Wilco and Flight of the Conchords;
• The revival of the destinations committee, which planned a well-attended trip to Atlanta during spring break;
• The 4th annual IU College Comedy Festival, a weekend of comedy by acts hailing from as close as Bloomington and as far as Los Angeles.

The Indiana Memorial Union has been vital to the educational and social advancement of students, and Union Board has consistently provided leadership to meet the students’ changing needs. It is difficult to address student concerns without supportive administrators. The retirement of Dean Richard McKaig this summer will leave a significant void. Dean McKaig has served as administrative representative to the board for the past 12 years and advised countless student directors for decades. His departure will be a significant loss for students on campus, but we are grateful for his unwavering commitment to Union Board during his tenure. During this administrative transition, student leadership on campus is more important than ever.

The national economic difficulties have not spared the Indiana University. During these economic tribulations, it is imperative Union Board remains well-informed of university financial support for the IMU. As students and alumni, we are uniquely positioned to ensure that the IMU is properly represented and respected for the central role it plays on campus. Further, as the University completes its master planning process — which dramatically reshapes campus around the IMU — it is crucial the university recognizes the student voice as an equal contributor to the decision-making process.

It is an exciting year for Indiana University. This excitement, however, engenders responsibility, and the centennial year is an opportunity unlike any other. I hope to see you this fall for the centennial celebrations. The demonstration of alumni support this year is absolutely critical to this organization and to the Union.

The board is honored to continue the legacy begun 100 years ago, and we are exceptionally thankful for the continued support of our loyal alumni.

Sincerely,

Andrew Dahlen
President
2009 Indiana Memorial Union Board
ubpres@indiana.edu
BORN and raised in the small southern Indiana town of Bedford, Edward L. Hutto, BS’40, MS’41, was a Union Board director in the late 1930s.

On the heels of his days as a college student, Mr. Hutton received a letter from the Office of the President of the United States requesting he serve as a junior professional economist for the Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply. He accepted the position and he then went on to voluntarily serve in the U.S. Army, for which he became a top outstanding cadet and Regimental Commander. Following World War II, Mr. Hutton was asked by the Pentagon to help manage economic strategy development for the U.S.-occupied zone in Berlin, Germany.

He went on to specialize in economic intelligence as part of the U.S./U.K. Export-Import Partnership. In the late 1940s Mr. Hutton was employed by World Commerce Corp. in New York City and became very successful in international trade. He then joined W.R. Grace Co., a large, international conglomerate. This move led to his acquisition of two companies within Grace, which then became known as Chemed located in Cincinnati, Ohio. He also built from scratch another large business called Omnicare.

Mr. Hutton served on a national level throughout his career, including providing significant input on special projects for the New York Stock Exchange and for President Ronald Reagan.

These are just a few facts from Mr. Hutton’s autobiography. They fall short of adequately describing his life, though, as it relates to his connection with Union Board. Despite many in the UB family who may have never met Mr. Hutton, within the first 100 pages of his autobiography, he tells the story about how hard he worked to garner enough votes for a Union Board directorship. He ended up with the most number of votes (1,400). The second place candidate (who was captain of the football team), received 400 less.

At that moment, Mr. Hutton writes, “I felt this (political type of democratic experience) was one way that I could make a major impact on the world.” And he did.

Mr. Hutton never forgot his alma mater, giving back generously and beyond measure. He had a deep appreciation for the world, literally, and has made it possible for Indiana University students to travel and study abroad.

In April, IU’s new Hutton Honors College building was dedicated in Bloomington. Appropriately, the magnificent campus jewel he made possible is situated adjacent to the Indiana Memorial Union — less than 100 yards from the IMU doors where he started a lifelong endeavor of reaching out to people and making an impression on the world. It is also less than 200 yards from his final resting place, next to Beck Chapel.

While his life has come full circle, Mr. Hutton made certain future generations will continue to be inspired by his commitment. For many students, as for Ed Hutton, motivations with worldly implications will begin at the corner of Indiana and 7th Street.

“A great deal of my success in life has resulted from showing initiative and seeking work to do when everything seems to be at a standstill,” Mr. Hutton said, in one of several profound revelations. “Most people, I’ve learned, prefer to sit, waiting to be given instructions. Not I. In the philosophy I developed in early childhood, we are given only so many days, weeks, and years on this planet and it is up to us to make the most of them.”

We honor Mr. Hutton for the legacy he left as part of the Union Board family.
As the Indiana Memorial Union Board begins its 100th year, a very special group of student directors has been named to the Union Board, the governing body of the IMU. Andrew Dahlen, a junior political science and international studies major, has been selected as president of the 20-member board.

“I feel extremely honored to serve Union Board as president during its 100th year on campus,” Dahlen said. He joined the Union Board first as a committee member, moving to assistant director and then director of the Lectures Committee. He views this milestone year as an ideal opportunity to re-educate the campus about Union Board and the importance of the Indiana Memorial Union.

“We (board members) have an opportunity — and a need — to reassert our voice and communicate the role our organization has on campus during this Centennial year,” said Dahlen. “The current directors understand the responsibility of the year and realize the potential for the next 100 years for Union Board.”

The centennial board maintains the same commitment the UB has always had to programming activities for the student body, Dahlen explained. At the same time, the 100th UB will be instrumental in developing activities related to the yearlong celebration of the IMU.

Andrew Dahlen, President
Hometown: Middletown, Md.
2008 Union Board Lectures Director
Major: Political Science, International Studies
Expected Graduation: 2010
• IU Campus Tour Guide and Member, Tour Guide Council
• 2008 Summer Internship, Washington, D.C.
• Hutton Honors College mentor

Brian Holthouse, VP Programming
Hometown: St. Louis
2008 Union Board Spirits and Traditions Director
Major: Accounting, Finance
Expected Graduation: 2011
• Founder, Gray Goat Cycling (Little 500 team)
• Summer Employment, Lighthouse Productions

Anna Williams, VP Membership
Hometown: Indianapolis
2008 Union Board Committee Member, International & Cultural Events
Major: Psychology, International Studies
Expected Graduation: 2010
• Member, IUSA Student Organization Funding Board

Justine Carlotta, Canvas
Hometown: Portage, Ind.
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Canvas
Recipient, 2008 Union Board Committee Member Scholarship
Major: English, Journalism
Expected Graduation: 2011
• Hutton and Holland Scholars Program
• 21st Century Scholars Program
• Member, IU Public Relations Student Society of America
• Member, IU Student Foundation Fundraising Committee
• College Mentors for Kids

Tyler Coward, Spirit of IU
Hometown: Greenwood, Ind.
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Outreach
Major: History, Political Science
Expected Graduation: 2010
• Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity Public Relations Chairman and
• Standards Board Member

Brandon Johnson, Destinations
Hometown: Indianapolis
First year with Union Board
Major: Exercise Science
Expected Graduation: Dec 2009
• Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Parliamentarian
• Team Lioness Cycling Public Relations Chair
• National Pan Hellenic Council Second Vice President
• Campus Corner Apartments student assistant

Hannah Kinkead, Public Relations
Hometown: Bloomington, Ind.
2008 Union Board Committee Member, International & Cultural Events
Major: International Studies
Expected Graduation: 2012
• IUSA Executive Orderly
• Summer 2008 Assistant Site Leader, Amor Ministries Mission, Mexico

Caitlyn Kuhs, Concerts
Hometown: Wimberly, Texas
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Concerts
Major: Business, Marketing with a certificate in Arts
Expected Graduation: 2010
• IU Auditorium Usher
• Pledge Assessment Director, Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity
• Principal, Second Violin Section of the All Campus Orchestra
• Alternative Spring Break, IU Representative to Costa Rica

Audree Notoras, Films
Hometown: Powell, Ohio
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Films
2008 Union Board Concerts Committee Member
2008 Committee member scholarship recipient
Major: Journalism, Communications & Culture
Expected Graduation: Dec 2009
• IU Auditorium Usher
• Student Intern Reporter, The Bloomington Alternative

Faz Mahmud, Outreach
Hometown: New York City
2009 Union Board committee member Performing Arts
Major: Political Science, International Studies
Expected Graduation: 2010
• IUSA Director
• Khaki Plus Member, IU Student Foundation
• Student Organization Outreach Coordinator, Campaign for Change
• Teach for America Campus Campaign Coordinator
• Student Ethics Board

Nicole O’Neal, Live From Bloomington
Hometown: Ft. Wayne, Ind.
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Live from Bloomington (LFB)
2008 Union Board Concerts Committee Member
Major: Individualized Major Program – Music Business
Expected Graduation: 2010
• Member, Business Careers in Entertainment Club Music Committee
• DJ and Special Events Committee Member, WIUX Pure Student Radio
• Student Intern, Spirit of ‘68 Promotions
• Student Intern, Secretly Canadian Records

Robby Racette, Union Live
Hometown: West Lafayette, Ind.
2009 Union Board Assistant Director Live from Bloomington (LFB)
Major: German, Mathematics
Expected Graduation: 2011
• IU Hip Hop Congress Vice President
• Student Intern, Spirit of ‘68 Promotions

Jasmine Starks, International & Cultural Events
Hometown: Indianapolis
2008 Union Board Assistant Director International and Cultural Events
Major: African American & African Diaspora Studies, Pre-Med
Expected Graduation: 2011
• IU Black Student Union Secretary, Co-Chair Publicity Committee
• 21st Century Scholars Ambassador
• Peer Mentor, Office of Mentoring Services & Leadership Development
• Member, IU NAACP Planning Committee

Nicole St. Pierre, Advertising
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Public Relations
Recipient, 2009 Union Board Committee Member Scholarship
Major: Journalism, Business
Expected Graduation: Dec 2009
• Ernie Pyle Scholars Honors Journalism Program
• IDS Student Writer
• Fundraising Events Chair, IU Public Relations Student Society of America
• Freshmen Orientation Leader
• Manager, Bloomington Bagel Company

Julie Singer, Performing Arts & Comedy
Hometown: Carmel, Ind.
2008 Union Board Assistant Director Performing Arts
Recipient, 2009 Union Board Edward J. Pinto Scholarship
Major: Sociology, Religious Studies
Expected Graduation: 2010
• Member, College of Arts and Sciences Student Advisory Board
• Academic Tutor, IU Athletic Department
• Member, Collins Living Learning Center Judicial Board
• IUSA Congress

Caitlin Van Kooten, Lectures
Hometown: Bloomington, Ind.
2008 Union Board Graphic Design Director
Major: History, Liberal Arts Management Program (LAMP)
Expected Graduation: 2011
• Wells Scholar
• Member, IMU Review and Recommendation Committee
• Teter Hall Little 500 cycling team
• Member, VOICE Project
• Group Leader, dyCycles (annual three-week, cross-country bike trip)
JWS Endowment provides scholarships

Union Board alumni know that serving as a UB director is a significant commitment. It requires time and energy that might otherwise have been spent on a part-time job to pay for school expenses. The John Whittenberger Society Endowment exists to ensure students can continue to serve and fund their education.

“It’s not always easy to not have a part-time job,” said Trena Depel, a member of the JWS advisory board that evaluates proceeds from funds and determines scholarship awards. Fortunately, the JWS membership recognizes that dilemma and contributes generously. “JWS has the highest giving rate of any alumni association,” Depel said. “This speaks to the level of appreciation alumni have to the organization.”

2009 Scholarship Recipients

Each year, scholarships are awarded to UB directors and committee members meeting specified criteria. In 2009, 18 scholarships were awarded for a total of $25,000.

Read about the impact of these awards on page 8, where students write firsthand notes of thanks.

Committee Member Scholarship

Whittenberger Society Outstanding Committee Member Scholarships

Justine Carlotta – Portage, Ind.
Kathryn Malone – Crown Point, Ind.
James Still – Lancaster, Pa.
Samantha Grimes – Delphi, Ind.
Maria Srour – Indianapolis
Marisa A. Markovich – Whiting, Ind.
Audree Notoras – Powell, Ind.
Spencer A. Hansen – Fort Wayne, Ind.

Edward J. Pinto Scholarship

Julie Singer – Carmel, Ind.

Dr. Robert H. Shaffer Senior Service Award

Brandon Haffner – Fort Wayne, Ind.

Director Scholarship

Union Board Alumni Scholarship
Kathleen Cook – Spencer, Ind.

Milton J. Fineberg Scholarship
Anne M. Kostyo – Dyer, Ind.

Eugene D. Fletchall Scholarship
Andrew Dahlen – Knoxville, Md.

Claude Rich Scholarship
Meghan Krueger – Indianapolis
Rachel A. Elman – Chicago, Ill.

Rosemary V. Tanner Scholarship
Elizabeth A. Retana – Oakland City, Ind.
Rachael Tunick – Sewickley, Pa.

JWS Endowment Fund

The endowment includes the following:

JWS Endowment
An unrestricted account that provides for scholarships and other expenses, approved by the JWS advisory board

Union Board Past Presidents’ Fund
An unrestricted account for expenses for the UB president and IMU director

Union Board Scholarship Endowment
Funds scholarships for UB directors and committee members

Edward J. Pinto Indiana Memorial Union Scholarship
Funds a scholarship for Union Board committee members

Milton J. Fineberg Scholarship
Funds a scholarship for Union Board directors

Eugene D. Fletchall Union Board Scholarship
Funds a scholarship for an outstanding male director

Rosemary V. Tanner Scholarship
Funds a scholarship for most outstanding female director
The Whittenberger Society’s 2009 scholarship winners — including recipients Andrew Dahlen, Kathleen Cook, Marisa Markovich, and Julie Singer, whose notes are featured here — sent words of thanks to alumni and friends of the Union Board. Some $25,000 in scholarships was awarded this year.

To the JWS Advisory Board —
As the recipient of the Eugene D. Fitchall Scholarship, I wanted to express my sincere gratitude for your efforts to provide numerous director and committee member scholarship. These awards are extremely beneficial during the year, and I appreciate your support of Union Board. As we enter our centennial year, I am looking forward to working with you this year with Union Board. Thank you again for your continued support and commitment to Union Board and the IMF.

Best,
Andrew Dahlen

To the members of JWS,
Thank you so much for the Union Board Alumni Scholarship. Adam’s willingness to give back so generously is a true testament to the organization. I’m thrilled to have been a part of Union Board and honored to receive this award. I hope to see you all this October for the centennial celebration!

Sincerely,
Kathleen Cook

Dear John Whittenberger Society Alumni group,
I am writing to express my gratitude for the Union Board Committee Member Scholarship. The funds will help me with room and board expenses for the upcoming semester. Additionally, I am grateful for being recognized as a dedicated and hard-working member of Union Board.

During the upcoming spring semester, I hope to continue to succeed academically while remaining involved with Union Board. I absolutely love the organization and plan to remain involved throughout my college career.

Sincerely,
Marisa A. Markovich

Dear Mr. Pieper,
Thank you so much for all of your hard work as President of the John Ward Scholarship of the Whittenberger Society. The scholarship has been very much received from the local and is very much appreciated. I look forward to future involvement with Union Board as an incoming member. The organization has and will continue to be a very positive impact on my personal and professional development and college experience.

Thank you very much,
Julie D. Singer
Tour hits West Coast and East Coast

The centennial tour has officially gone full circle, with events from coast to coast and Midwest cities in between. It’s possible a reception in Bloomington this summer will be added to the schedule. Stay tuned.

Thanks to everyone who attended the special events. It turned out to be a great way to get more of our alumni connected and build up excitement for the centennial weekend. Almost everyone we talked to on the tour plans to be in Bloomington next October!

A big thank you and note of gratitude to our hosts. It was through the generosity of these alumni and friends that we were able to organize the receptions: Mickey and Susan Baer; Steve Sanders; Carol (Gray) and Troy Kurimsky; Richards and Mary Jane Barger; Trena Depel; Troy Gilbert and John Wright; Sarah McDonough; Randy Slovin; Chris and Kathy Klapheke; Jerry and Madeline Abramson; Michael Littenberg; John Malkin; Rosemary (Mathews) and Gene Tanner; and Beth (Loeb) and Kevin Davies.
Shhhh ... it’s a silent auction!

But the Centennial Live and Silent Auction is still guaranteed to generate a lot of noise, so don’t keep quiet!

A Live and Silent Auction will complement the Biennial Reunion dinner festivities on Saturday, Oct. 31. The auction, which supports the Centennial Campaign, will feature unique items donated by individuals, companies and organizations from Union Board, IU and locales from across the country.

Alumni can plan to raise paddles that evening or donate items now to make the event a success. From gift certificates for national restaurants and retail stores, to IU or professional sporting tickets, no item is too big or small!

Package hotel or airfare miles to fashion a travel package. Team up with other alumni to make a larger group donation like a Broadway weekend in New York City, a Cubs game in Chicago, or a sampling of Napa Valley wine.

Get creative and competitive with the Board Basket Challenge — a chance to team up with friends from your board years! For example, the 1995 Board is sponsoring a collection of new T-shirts from favorite Bloomington eateries and establishments (Who doesn’t need an updated T-shirt wardrobe, complete with a few new Nick’s, Village Deli, and even Pizza Express T-shirts?).

Visit the John Whittenberger Society Web site — www.jws.indiana.edu/100 — for a complete list of auction ideas or information about participating in the board basket challenge. Sign up before Aug. 31, 2009.

For more information regarding the Centennial Live & Silent Auction, go to the Web site, or e-mail ub100_auction@yahoo.com.
It’s been a busy year at the IMU. Under the direction of Indiana University President Michael McRobbie, the campus is bursting with activity and the IMU takes a prominent role in it. IMU Executive Director Bruce Jacobs sat down to answer a few questions to give the John Whittenberger Society an update on what has been happening at the IMU and his reflections on the upcoming Centennial Celebration.

JWS: Over the last year IU has been involved in a very large scale master planning process for the Bloomington campus. What role has the IMU played in the process?

Jacobs: The IMU has been represented at the meetings by members of the staff and Union Board directors. We were involved in two planning meetings (called charrettes) with the University Architect’s Office to provide input to the master planning process. Additionally, we had an Internal Review Team that studied the question: What do we need to change in order to stay the same? In essence, what services, programs, and food options should we be providing in order to continue to serve the role of unifying the campus? This team was also comprised of members of Union Board and IMU staff.

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JWS: As you have traveled around the country on the Centennial Tour, what has been the reaction from alumni?

Jacobs: The consistent message from our trips is how important Union Board and the IMU were for members when they were in school and what it represents to them as alumni. Story after story speaks to the lessons learned, the friendships formed, and the high quality of the out-of-classroom experience.

JWS: What are you looking most forward to during this centennial year?

Jacobs: I am looking forward to meeting more alumni than I currently know. I look forward to learning their stories and hearing about their experiences. I am a student of culture, and meeting the alumni and hearing from them will help me learn more about the wonderful culture of Union Board and the IMU.

JWS: What plans are on tap for this summer?

Jacobs: Rob Meyer and his staff are working on training programs for employees of the IMU. They recently surveyed the staff to find out what areas of training would be most helpful for employees’ job success. The programs will be offered over the course of the summer.

In mid-June through mid-July, the IMU will host many of the new freshmen and their parents as they visit the campus for IU Orientation.

Also, I plan to work with the staff of several IMU departments this summer: maintenance, housekeeping, and custodial. We have an amazing group of people who work in each of these areas. I am looking forward to getting to know them better. I also want to learn more about the work they do that keeps the IMU the best college union in the country.
Mike Gosman is a poker player. Not just a casual poker player, but one who played in the World Series of Poker twice.

“Poker was always a fun hobby,” Gosman said. As a child, he played poker with his grandparents after family dinners. His enjoyment of the game grew as he progressed from middle school to high school to college. When poker became wildly popular, Gosman was already reading books about poker and really studying its intricacies. He came to realize he could make enough money at the game to support himself.

“Basically a fun hobby became lucrative enough to be a job for a few years,” Gosman said. He played year round, online and traveling to tournaments. He wasn’t a huge success but it was fun and the flexibility was great. “I’m glad I took advantage of such an unusual opportunity, but I was ready to return it to its rightful place as a hobby.”

Last fall, Gosman ended his professional poker days and returned to finish his law degree, begun in 2004, at the University of Chicago. He will receive his law degree this spring.

When Gosman graduated from Indiana University in 2001 with a degree in liberal arts management, he didn’t really know what his career path would be.

“I moved out to New York to take on the world,” he chuckled. Luckily through the connections of fellow UB alumni, Gosman landed a job in advertising sales for A&E Television and The History Channel. After a time, he transferred to the paralegal department to explore his interest in law. In 2004 he enrolled in law school at the University of Chicago. After two years of full-time study, he left to explore his options in New York City. He worked at a hedge fund, a law firm, and at poker.

“The leadership opportunities (with UB) gave me so much confidence,” Gosman said, “both the success and failures. Even if the results weren’t good, we were given credit for trying.”

Gosman decided to study law because he knew it would be an excellent education, not because he necessarily intends to practice law for the remainder of his days. “I wanted to be a better thinker,” Gosman said. “I like learning new things, and I don’t see myself in one field for my whole career. Whether or not I spend my career practicing law, the legal education I received at Chicago will have been time well spent.”

Lately, much of Gosman’s time has been spent preparing for the UB centennial weekend. He is leading the activities committee. “It’s a chance to be a part of something special,” he said. “I like giving back.”

This UB alumnus has found another way to give back. Three years ago Chris Neumeyer (UB ‘01), BS’02, approached Gosman seeking assistance to endow a scholarship in honor of Gene Fletchall (UB ‘32–’34), BS’32, JD’37. Fletchall, an IMU icon and mentor to decades of UB leaders passed away on Feb. 1, 2006 at the age of 97. During their UB days, Gosman and Neumeyer were fortunate to have weekly lunch meetings with Fletchall. “He was incredibly sharp and engaged with students,” Gosman said. “It was a special relationship, and I have been able to help ensure he is remembered by future directors.”

Mike Gosman may also be remembered by future directors. Gosman’s work on the Fletchall Endowment, his role as a John Whittenberger Society Advisory Board member, and his ongoing visits to campus to confer with Union Board directors are certainly in the spirit of his mentor. Mr. Fletchall would be proud of Gosman’s continued contributions.
Rob Meyer has always had a love for event planning and production. He remembers spending his childhood summers organizing the neighborhood kids into a little theater company, presenting two plays every summer. He didn’t stop at scripting, casting, and producing, though. He also oversaw the refreshment stand (lemonade) and theater seating (benches on the grass). In high school he was involved in the music programs and volunteered to be an usher so he could attend every event. At Wright State University he sat on the union programming board and organized live bands in the union basement. He upgraded refreshments for those events to nachos, pretzels, and beer.

“I have a natural sense of event production,” Meyer explained. “Even as a little kid, I was organizing the troops and making something happen. My mind thinks how to organize.”

That innate ability to organize events both large and small has led Meyer on a career path bringing him to the position of assistant director of activities and events for the IMU. His primary role is support and guidance for the department. He is involved with leadership development, event planning, and the Union Board’s 150 student volunteers. It’s a good fit.

“I’m very excited to be here,” said Meyer. “I see some really fun challenges working with a young staff, new program coordinator, and graduate students who want to be in this career. It’s exciting to have that energy.”

Meyer applied for the position at IU last spring on a whim. The campus is a comfortable drive from Cincinnati, where his parents live, and he knew that the IMU is considered the grand student union of the nation.

Now that he is a part of the IMU, he realizes what makes the place so special: the extent of alumni involvement. He sees the passion that alumni have for what they learned at IU and how much they want to be involved at various levels, particularly as UB turns 100. As part of the programming board for the centennial celebration, Meyer has had a crash course on IMUB history.

“Being involved in the IMUB centennial is a monumental task for someone who has been here less than a year,” Meyer admitted. But he is doing his best to understand the past while he plans for the future. “I will be a part of its next century,” he said.

As the next century begins, Meyer wants to be certain that UB regains its position as the leading organization on campus. He would like for the staff to be involved with advisory staff of other entities and to initiate peer-to-peer and peer-to-advisor evaluation. He also wants to track learning outcomes to ensure students are gaining key core competencies.

“Watching, reinforcing those learning pieces in every interaction helps individual students reflect while they are in the learning,” he explained. “In both the positive and the negative experiences, they need to understand what they have learned. We need to have those candid conversations. It is an evolution.”

While Meyer helps to grow student leaders through his work with UB, he is also growing his love for Bloomington. He enjoys its small-town feel with easy access to urban centers. A classic car buff and avid traveler, you just might see him zipping around in his white 1969 Olds Cutlass convertible on these warm spring days.
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BEFORE

1950

EMIL C. BECK, BS ’42, is a retired minister from Needham, Mass. Of his days at IU, he writes, “The Union was ‘home’ to me. When I became a member of the Union Board, I took on the responsibility to increase the ‘at home-ness’ of the Union. I am proud that I contributed to that. Keep up a great tradition.”

On Oct. 23, the Indiana University Foundation presented its IU Partners in Philanthropy Awards. IU President Michael A. McRobbie and IU Foundation President Gene Tempel, MA ’73, EdD ’85, presented the awards as part of Celebrate IU month. Awardees included HARRIET SIMMONS INSKEEP, BA ’48, MA ’55, LHD ’96, and her husband, Richard, BS ’50, LHD ’06, who jointly received the Herman B Wells Visionary Award, recognizing their lifetime of commitment to philanthropy at IU. Natives of Bluffton, Ind., the Inskeepes have worked to strengthen IU’s presence in Fort Wayne.

1960s

WILLIAM J. SENG, BS ’61, MBA ’66, has retired after spending many years helping companies throughout North America and Europe return to profitability. He writes,

“I will never forget 9/11. I went through the World Trade Center a half-hour before the first attack.” Seng lives in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

In July 2008, STEPHEN C. MOBERLY, BA ’63, LLB ’66, became national chairman of the IU Alumni Association for a term of one year. He and his wife, Sandy, BS ’63, are both retired and he writes that they enjoy living in Bloomington.

1970s

JAN BATES WHEELER, BME ’71, MBA ’76, is the assistant director for accreditation at the University of Georgia. Her doctoral dissertation, which she completed in 2007, focused in part on the efforts of two white civil rights activists who sought to desegregate SAT testing centers in the South. Wheeler lives and works in Athens, Ga.

In September, LISA M. BROWAR, BA ’73, MLS ’78, MA ’05, became president of the Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering, and Technology in Kansas City, Mo. She served as university librarian at the New School in New York City from 2002 to 2008. Browar lives in Leawood, Kan.

F. RICHARD SUTTON, ’76, is a commercial title officer with Stewart Title Services of Indiana. He writes that his first grandchild, Nicholas Aaron Parks, was born in February 2008. “Both parents are Purdue folks,” Sutton adds, “but I’ll work on him!” Sutton lives and works in Indianapolis.

In November, MICHAEL C. FLYNN, BA ’78, was named acting general counsel for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C. He previously served as general deputy counsel to the department. Flynn oversees approximately 370 attorneys and 320 staff at HUD serving as chief legal advisor to the secretary, deputy and other principal staff.

1980s

DONNA VOGEL SICILIANI, BS ’83, is an asset manager with Newmark Knight Frank global real estate advisors in New York City, where she lives.

In November, the law firm Barnes & Thornburg named its company management and office-managing partners for 2008–2009. ANDREW J. DETHERAGE, BA ’87, JD ’90, a partner in the Indianapolis office and co-chairman of the firm’s insurance recovery and litigation group, joined the firm’s management committee. His practice concentrates on insurance coverage matters for policyholders, complex commercial disputes, and toxic tort defense. Detherage lives in Zionsville, Ind.

1990s

CHRISTIAN M. CARROLL, BA ’91, is a senior buyer for Amazon. com in Seattle, where he lives. He writes, “Presently, I am working on a DVD project that will be part of the 100th anniversary of the Indiana Memorial Union. I was president of the Union Board in 1990.” Carroll’s blog, The Online Ramblings of a Hoosier, can be seen at www.christiancarroll.com.

MARK E. SCHNEIDER, BA ’96, of Evansville, has been an assistant attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice since 2004. He currently serves as the Deputy Rule of Law Coordinator at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq, where he helps to oversee U.S. efforts to improve the capacity and performance of the Iraqi justice system.

2000s

CARRIE SMITH MCHALEY, BAJ ’01, is the development director of The Bridge Youth & Family Services in Palatine, Ill. Her husband, James, BS ’01, is the marketing manager of the Norris University Center at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. The couple lives in Des Plaines, Ill.

STACY B. KAPLOWITZ, BA ’02, recently relocated from Washington, D.C., to Austin, Texas, where she joined DMA Development Co., an affordable housing real estate development company.

ELIZABETH LEWIS BANEY, Cert/BA ’04, JD ’07, works for the law firm Baker & Daniels in Washington, D.C. Her husband, Nathan, JD ’07, is an associate with the law firm Cyron & Miller in Alexandria, Va. The couple lives in Alexandria.
FORMER SENIOR PROGRAMMING COORDINATOR

Brett Perozzi (UB ’92–’96), PhD’98, is associate vice president for student affairs at Weber State University, which is located just north of Salt Lake City. He oversees contracted services and auxiliary areas, as well as serving as staff advisor for the student fees allocations process.

Perozzi served as an advisor to IMUB. Having worked at several institutions since leaving IU, he has had the opportunity to observe other student programming boards closely and knows firsthand that both the passion and organization of UB is outstanding.

“IMUB is one of the best known (programming boards) in the country,” Perozzi said. He attributes that status to the strong relationship with IU’s top higher education program and the quality of the students that IMUB attracts.

While Perozzi was staff advisor to UB, there was a resurgence of major concerts on campus. He remembers a seven-week span with seven big name concerts that included Indigo Girls, Tori Amos, Toad the Wet Sprocket, and Hootie & the Blowfish. It was also the first time in nearly 20 years for Assembly Hall to host a concert — Smashing Pumpkins.

“I have really fond memories of the environment at IU. It was so upbeat and energetic,” Perozzi said. “I’m really excited about the 100th celebration. It is a great time to be in Bloomington, and I think people we never imagined will come back for this.”

FORMER FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE

James Capshew (UB ’96–’99), BA’79, is a faculty member in the Department of History & Philosophy of Science at Indiana University. He teaches courses in the history of psychology, the history of science in the 20th century, environmental history, and the history of IU.

Union Board is, of course, an integral part of the IU history he teaches. Capshew served the UB as a faculty representative in the late ’90s, providing his insight and expertise to the student directors as they carried out their responsibilities.

“They didn’t need a whole lot of help,” Capshew recalled of the directors he advised. “They were confident, energetic, followed protocol — and had a good time.”

Capshew enjoyed his years as a faculty representative and believes he learned as much from the experience as the students did. Attending a board retreat, he witnessed the sincerity and dedication of the members as they learned the organization’s history and worked to build the team for the coming year. He gently advised as they made programming decisions, some good and some not-so-good. He watched as the students learned they could make mistakes, fall down, and get back up. Capshew is pleased to have been a part of that.

“It’s a good context for leadership development,” said Capshew. “It is that student-centric value that really sets (our) UB apart.”

FORMER SENIOR PROGRAMMING COORDINATOR

Susan Ashe (UB ’02–’05), MS’04, serves as associate director of recreation, programs and marketing within the student center at California State Polytechnic University – Pomona.

Along with her marketing responsibilities, Ashe oversees intramural sports, she helps advise student government, and she directly advises the 13-student programming board. The programming board is an arm of student government and is similar to IMUB in that it is the largest programming group on campus.

Ashe regularly draws on her past experiences as a UB program advisor. She has fond memories of those days. “My favorite part of advising the board was the one-on-one weekly sessions with the student directors,” she said. “At first I didn’t know the impact our relationships would have on each other.”

She recalled that students would refer to conversations she had with them months prior, and how she saw those conversations still influencing student growth, student leadership, and student development. Likewise, the UB students Ashe advised continue to influence her work.

Ashe looks forward to returning to IU for the UB Centennial Celebration.

“I think it will be fun to look retrospectively at 1909–2009 and pay homage to the tradition through the years. You don’t find that longevity or tradition at many other schools,” she said. “It is unique and wonderful.”
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