

# INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA POINTS OF PRIDE



IUP



## ALUMNI: CHANGING LIVES WITH TRANSFORMATIVE GIFTS

- Tim and Debra Cejka, members of the Class of 1973, have supported a **new sciences and mathematics building** at IUP with a \$1.25-million gift. Tim Cejka is the retired president of ExxonMobil Exploration Company. This is the first gift made toward the facility, currently in the planning stages.
- Students from **Pennsylvania's northern tier counties** (McKean, Potter, Tioga, Lycoming, Cameron, Clinton, and Elk) who have a 3.2 grade point average and sophomore status in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics or the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology are eligible for a new scholarship established by 1974 IUP graduates Paul and Susan Miller.
- A gift from the Shattuck Family Foundation, of Baltimore, has enabled the creation of a new **women's leadership program** for female students in the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology. The \$250,000 gift establishes the Molly George Shattuck '89 Leadership Fund. Shattuck, a native of Kittanning, is a former Baltimore Ravens cheerleader, a healthy-living advocate and philanthropist, and the author of *Vibrant Living*.
- Warren Martin, of Honey Brook, made a gift to IUP in memory of his wife, Eileen, intended to **help married female students** who are completing their education degree. The late Eileen Martin is a 1963 graduate of IUP who earned her teaching degree as a married mother of four.
- Alumni and friends of the IUP Geoscience Department have established the **Next Generation Field Geology Fund** to support field-based learning. Each year, the department offers a different regional field trip, and this fund will help offset costs for qualified students.

## RECOGNIZING FACULTY EXCELLENCE

- Maureen McHugh, professor of psychology, was selected as **chair of the Committee on Women in Psychology** of the American Psychological Association. McHugh also received a presidential citation from the APA.
- For the second consecutive year, Distinguished University Professor Steve Hovan, chair of the Geoscience Department, was invited to serve on the review panel that recommends awards for outstanding applicants to the **National Science Foundation's Graduate Research Fellowship Program**.

## COOKING UP SUCCESS

- Four students from the Academy of Culinary Arts brought home a bronze medal from the recent **American Culinary Federation competition** in Sarasota, New York. Competing against professional chefs, the students made up the only student team in the competition.

## MAKING GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

- Fourteen students from the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology traveled to India through the **Discover India program**, part of a partnership with Peoples Education Society institutions. More than 600 students have graduated with an MBA from IUP as part of this collaborative program, while nearly 100 undergraduates from IUP have traveled to PES institutions for study abroad trips.

## HONORING OUR LEADERS

- Pennsylvania's speaker of the House, Representative Sam Smith, has been selected to receive the 2014 **IUP President's Medal of Distinction** for public service. He will receive the award—the highest nondegree award the university presents—from President Michael Driscoll at the April 10 Leader's Circle Awards. Smith has served on the IUP Council of Trustees for the past 15 years.



## PASSING THE TORCH

- Caleb Finegan, associate professor of history, has been selected to serve as **director of the Robert E. Cook Honors College**. He replaces Janet Goebel, the founding director, who retired from the position in the fall. The Cook Honors College, which admitted its first class in 1996, was founded in 1993 as a result of a multimillion-dollar gift, the largest in university history, from 1964 graduate Robert E. Cook. Finegan formerly led IUP's Citizenship and Civic Engagement Initiative and the Center for Civic Engagement and Student Leadership.

## PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

- IUP's governing groups, the University Senate and the IUP Council of Trustees, officially endorsed ***The Vision for IUP's Future*** in December. The vision—which incorporates feedback from a daylong, university-wide summit attended by more than 400 students and faculty and staff members—will be used to chart the university's course over the next decade.

## OFFERING INSTRUMENTS OF CHOICE

- In May, IUP will receive the **Pogorzelski-Yankee Memorial Organ**, valued at \$400,000, as a result of a proposal written by the Music Department's Christine Clewell. The organ, a bequest to the American Guild of Organists from its original owners, comes to IUP via a special renewable lease.

## BUILDING BRIDGES

- Six IUP students volunteered to be part of a **university-community forum**, designed to create an open and honest dialogue between IUP and the greater community. The event also featured four Indiana Borough Council members and the borough manager and chief of police, William Sutton. The students represented organizations including the Pulse, fraternities, sororities, the IUP Ambassadors, and the Student Government Association.
- More than 30 community organizations met with hundreds of students during the semiannual **Community Involvement Fair**, organized by the Office of Service Learning. The event helps to match students with community agencies in need of volunteers. For the past five years, IUP has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition a school can receive for its commitment to service learning and civic engagement. Annually, students offer more than 150,000 hours of volunteer service to the community.
- IUP's Center for Student Life has developed the "P.S." (Party Smart) workshop, designed to help students be **responsible tenants and neighbors**. Presenters for the February workshop included representatives from IUP and Indiana law enforcement agencies.
- IUP's inaugural **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Speaker and Cultural Arts Series** presentation included a panel discussion, "He Has a Name: Trayvon Martin and the Fight to End the Criminalization and Profiling of Black Youth," featuring Sybrina Fulton, mother of the late Trayvon Martin and co-founder of the Trayvon Martin Foundation, and Michael Skolnik, a civil rights activist, writer, and producer. The event, also part of the university's Six O'Clock Series and the Black History Month keynote program, drew a standing-room-only crowd.