Fall classes are now available!

As the days shorten and cooler temperatures return, we’re happy to provide new learning opportunities to welcome you back indoors. Some of the classes offered this fall are:

- Traveling the French Wine Roads
- Basic Jewelry … and More!
- Introduction to Limestone Carving
- Search Engine and Internet Marketing
- eBay: Advanced Selling
- Homesteading: Sheep and Goat Production
- A History of Stargazing

For a complete listing of fall 2008 courses, visit: www.ivytech.edu/bloomington/CLL
August 25 marked the official start of the school year for Ivy Tech Community College, where more than 5,500 students began classes. The Office of Student Life and Leadership organized Welcome Week events including cookouts, poster sales, a climbing wall, and inflatable games.

Ivy Tech-Bloomington has seen record enrollment every semester since 2004, and the college has kept that tradition with the start of the 08-09 academic year. Enrollment projections from six years ago showed that the school wouldn’t have 5,000 registered students until the year 2011.

Welcome Week activities took place at both the Main campus and the Liberty Drive building for students.

MAIN CAMPUS:
200 Daniels Way
LIBERTY DRIVE BUILDING:
1907 S. Liberty Drive

Among various activities, the Inflatable Games (above) and Climbing Wall (at right) have always been popular during Welcome Week.

See the next issue of Campus Highlights for official fall enrollment figures and to view more photos of Welcome Week events.

Discover the Limestone Duet!

While walking across campus this September, you may suddenly find yourself watching two sculptors carving art out of limestone. That would be Amy Brier, a local limestone artist, and Patrick Berthaud, a French internationally-known sculptor.

The two will create sculptures that will permanently remain on display at Ivy Tech - Bloomington. Both artists shared that they will use the human figure as their inspiration.

The artists will begin their project, which will last four weeks, on Sept. 12. Be sure to stop by and chat with them, ask questions, or simply admire their work!

Campus Common Reading invites you to a Fall Kickoff Celebration

Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington is launching the brand new Campus Common Reading project this fall. Together, the campus will read Barbara Ehrenreich’s book, Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America.

The common reading experience is designed to raise awareness of diversity issues, create a platform for examining values and ethics, and encourage critical thinking.

The Fall Kickoff Celebration is scheduled for September 24th in the Student Commons. Activities are designed to bring attention to the issues raised in Nickel and Dimed, and may include: a free meal inspired by the book, selected passage readings, and opportunities to donate food. Community organizations will attend the celebration to provide resources and information about relevant topics.

Other planned events for Campus Common Reading include book discussions, speech and essay contests, and various events throughout the year. For the most current information about upcoming activities, visit: http://thecenter.ivytech.edu/read

Campus Common Reading is organized through the Center for Civic Engagement.

Welcome Back Students!
Ivy Tech Honors Graduates During Nurse Pinning Ceremony

Chancellor John Whikehart and Division Chair for Health Sciences Kay Leach presided over a nurse pinning ceremony for 19 graduates of the Practical Nursing program on Friday, July 25. The keynote speaker for the event was Martha Sparks, PhD, RN, GCNS, FNGNA, and Professor of Nursing at the University of Southern Indiana.

Chancellor Whikehart says that the Pinning Ceremony is continued proof that Ivy Tech plays a major role in the health and life sciences in central Indiana. “Our nursing graduates fill vital roles in providing healthcare to our local communities. We are proud of the students being recognized during this ceremony, and know that they will soon be employed as healthcare professionals in local hospitals, physician offices, and clinics.”

From left to right: Shannon Parker, Hillary Deckard, and Patricia Andralliski

Kay Leach, School of Health Sciences Program Chair, carries the ceremonial pins

From front to back: Ryan Huber, Jennifer Hamblen Caitlin Galligan, Dana Cobb, Patricia Andralliski Shannon Parker

The class of July 2007 with Chair of the ASN nursing program, Linda Arnold, RN, MSN (center) during her last pinning ceremony with the college. Congratulations to Linda on her retirement and 24 years of dedicated service.
BLOOMINGTON CAMPUS LIBRARY DIRECTOR APPOINTED TO REPRESENT IVY TECH

Two Ivy Tech Community College Librarians have recently been appointed by Ivy Tech President Tom Snyder to represent Ivy Tech on the Academic Libraries of Indiana (ALI) Board of Directors.

Academic Libraries of Indiana (ALI) represents all academic libraries in accredited non-profit institutions of higher education in Indiana.

Included among the 72 ALI members are major research, law, medical, theological school, and undergraduate libraries.

Congratulations to Susan Catt, Library Director at Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington, and Susan Clark, Library Director of Ivy Tech Community College - East Central Indiana for achieving this appointment.

Susan Catt
Library Director,
Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ACCREDITED

Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington is proud to announce that the Health Information Technology program in the School of Health Sciences has been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). The accreditation is effective August 14, 2008.

CAHIIM accredits degree-granting programs in Health Informatics and Information Management that have undergone a rigorous process of voluntary peer review and have met or exceeded the minimum accreditation standards as set by the professional association in cooperation with CAHIIM.

The Health Information Technology program at Ivy Tech - Bloomington offers an Associate of Science degree, which prepares students to work in the field of health information and medical record management.

VIVA IVY TECH!

Volunteers from Ivy Tech - Bloomington had fun giving their time to the VIVA WonderLab! event on Saturday, July 26.

Volunteers showed WonderLab visitors how to create “slime” using simple ingredients and how to make very noisy paper cup chickens that demonstrated sound waves in action!