

A Message from the Vice Chancellor for Information Technology

By William Yost

This opportunity to provide comments for the newsletter allows me to state how impressed I have always been with IU Kokomo's facilities and the technology available here.

I have had the opportunity to work in a similar capacity on two other campuses. My experience leads me to believe that the opportunities for IU Kokomo students to utilize information technology are greater than would normally be provided at a campus our size.

I have not said those technology opportunities are "greater than our students' expectations." Meeting these expectations is what IU Kokomo's Information

Technology staff members strive to accomplish every year.

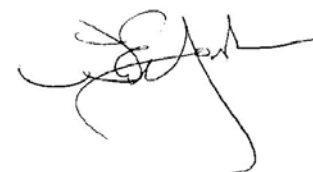
While we will have met the initial goal of providing technology to every classroom this fall, again the technology involved is a moving target. The expectations for greater wireless services and more use of technology will override the accomplishments in this area.

I will leave the next step to my replacement. I have made the decision to retire at the end of the summer and turn the leadership over to someone new and, I hope, someone with even greater understanding and skills.

I will leave the campus and the information technology

area in particular knowing that we have developed an extremely capable team of people in a structure that should allow the continual development of technology to support faculty, students, and staff in achieving their goals. They are a group of dedicated people whom I will miss and most likely never forget for all the great interactions we have been able to have these past seven years.

I know the students will make their needs known, and, to the best of their ability, the IT staff will provide technology expertise to this campus."



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border— The handoff point of any IP-enabled infrastructure. This is where a session passes from one network to another and can be defined as the edge of a carrier's network or the point between an enterprise and its carrier.

Special Points of Interest

- **Wireless Update**
- **Job Shadowing on Campus**
- **Audio Visual Update**



Helpful Technology Resource Links

Indiana University Kokomo Department of Information Technology (IT)
www.iuk.edu

IU Kokomo Student Web mail
<http://webmail.iuk.edu>

Lab Software Request Form
<http://www.iuk.edu/~kocser/pdf/softreq.pdf>

IU Knowledge Base
www.kb.iu.edu

IU Computer Buying Guide
<http://computerguide.iu.edu>

OneStart®
www.onestart.iu.edu

Oncourse
<http://oncourse.iu.edu>

IUware Online—Web-based software distribution for faculty, staff, and students
<http://iuware.iu.edu>

Faculty/Staff E-mail
www.exchange.iu.edu

IU Account Management Services
<https://itaccounts.iu.edu>

IU Passphrase Maintenance
<https://passphrase.iu.edu>

IU Information Technology Policy Office
www.itpo.iu.edu

IU Information Technology Security Office
www.itso.iu.edu

Summer Projects Include Office '07, Start of Web Redesign

By Carl Pennington

IU Kokomo is experiencing a time of significant change that requires us to engage our students and prospective students in entirely new ways. Consider that

- Prospective students and their parents use our Web site as a primary source of information about IU Kokomo and the programs we have to offer.

- Students expect that technology will pervade their entire academic life, both inside and outside of the classroom.

- Students want to engage us at the time and place of their choosing.

To compete successfully and differentiate our campus from other campuses,

- The Web site must be vibrant, engaging, and easy to navigate, as well as accurate and informative.

- The technology in use must be reliable and up-to-date.

- The foundations must be in place to support faculty, staff, and student initiatives to expand the use of technology in innovative and creative ways.

The Department of Information Technology will be taking steps toward achieving these goals with a number of summer projects. Among them are

- The preparation of an RFP for the redesign of IU Kokomo's Web site

- The deployment of Microsoft Office 2007® to all student computers

- An upgrade of the servers to provide additional capacity and functional

- An expansion of the coverage area and an upgrade to the quality of the wireless network

- A review of all IT policies and practices, with the goal of making them more flexible while still maintaining compliance with university policies and remaining fiscally responsible

If you would like more information about any of these projects, contact me at cbpennin@iuk.edu or Ext. 479.

Wireless Network Update

By Christopher Rivers

The Department of Information Technology will be working on expanding and improving IU Kokomo's wireless network (iuk-wireless) in the coming weeks and months.

A team of wireless engineers will be on campus to perform a wireless site survey of the entire campus.

From the survey, we'll generate a blueprint for the implementation of a campus-wide wireless network. The blueprint will be used as a foundation to determine

- The design of the wireless network

- Selection of wireless hardware, and

- Selection of a management system

Installation of wireless hardware and other portions of infrastructure can then take place.

Our goal is to have the campus-wide wireless network operational and providing service for the fall 2007 semester.

MITH 2007 Provides a Look at Campus Technology

By Craig Swoverland

Students, faculty, and staff at Indiana University Kokomo enjoyed food, prizes, and cool demonstrations of today's technology in use at the annual Making IT Happen (MITH) Fair on March 28. IU Kokomo Information Technology and other campus units highlighted their services and programs and were joined by groups from University Information Technology Services and many national technology vendors.

IU Kokomo's Department of Information Technology sponsored tables offering free popcorn and

soft drinks. Our corporate sponsors provided product demonstrations, information, and doorprize giveaways. These national vendors included Dell™, Apple®,

Microsoft®, Adobe®/Bell Tech.logix, Cingular®.

Representatives from Career Services, Disability Services, the IU Kokomo Library, the Division of Education, Informatics, and the ACCEratered Evening College program took advantage of the opportunity to show the campus community what their areas offer and how technology is used to fulfill their missions.

A tremendous effort on everyone's part resulted in a successful fair and a fun day for students, faculty, and staff. Our thanks to those who helped us make this event a hit.



Students scoop up cool, free stuff at the MITH Fair.



Ninth Graders Shadow IT Professionals on Campus

By Shirley Sellers

Clinton Central High School ninth graders Steven Amos and Kegan Davis visited the Indiana University Kokomo campus to job shadow the Information Technology staff on Wednesday, April 18. They visited the Helpdesk, Information Commons, AV rooms, CTLA lab, and Network Operation Center, and took a tour of campus. They saw various software packages used on campus such as Onestart, e-mail, Vista, Falcon to track jobs at the Helpdesk, Vendprint for tracking student print balances. They also were shown the Web site and how to do some troubleshooting.

Both Amos and Davis are considering careers in computer programming and graphic design. They participated in the job shadowing as part of a Life and

Careers class at Clinton Central, taught by Janet Thorley.

Steven Amos said he liked watching networking, CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) development, and learning about troubleshooting.

"I have learned a lot of interesting things that have stimulated my pursuit of IT and interest in computers," he said. "I had a lot of fun today and I am hoping to do something like this again."

Kegan Davis enjoyed "getting to see all the cool things and teachers this school has. I know this is a good school to come to and learn at, and I'm thinking of going here for college."



Steven Amos, left, and Kegan Davis

CTLA Summer Training Schedule

By Chérie Dodd

Three Ways to Update Your Skills This Summer

1. Workshops in Office 2007 and Oncourse CL

Eight Office 2007 sessions will be offered between May 16 and July 24. Find out what's new in Word, PowerPoint, Outlook, Excel, and Access. Over four Fridays (scheduled June 1–August 8), faculty and staff can learn 10 different Oncourse functions, from basic course management to using Gradebook and Post'Em tools.

2. Open Lab

Update your skills by attending any of CTLA's 10 Open Lab sessions. The CTLA Staff will be available during the Open Lab times to assist you. Bring in your own materials to work on. Test to see if your PowerPoints will run in Office 2007 or convert your course materials to the Oncourse CL environment.

3. Work on Your Own

We have updated our faculty laptops to Office 2007. Faculty can borrow one of our laptops for up to five days to familiarize themselves with Office 2007.

For more information and to reserve a place in a workshops, go to <http://www.iuk.edu/~kocsla/technology/Schedule.shtml>

Beginning of Summer Specials from CTLA

May 14–17 ONLY **FREE** service to faculty

Still got everything stored on floppy disk? Still hanging on to your 35mm slides?

Bring your floppies to CTLA, and our student worker will burn all your old files to either a CD or DVD for you. Bring your old 35mm slides to CTLA, and we will digitize them for you and save them to a DVD.

We will convert materials on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to those materials related to your teaching. We will convert only those materials related to your professional responsibilities as an IU Kokomo faculty member.

You will receive an e-mail when your materials are ready for collection.

To take advantage of this FREE service:

- Materials can be delivered to Chérie, Kathy, or Saad (our Student Lab tech).
- You must provide your own DVD or CD on which to store the converted files.
- Your materials must be in a container that is clearly marked with your name and contact information.

Audio/Visual Services Summer Projects

By Carl Pennington

This summer, IU Kokomo will upgrade audio/visual equipment in

- Kresge Auditorium (primarily the sound system)
- Main Building, Room 214
- Bogle Conference Room (addition of polycom capability)

Permanent AV equipment will be installed in

- Kelley Student Center, Rooms 130A and 130C
- The new East Building lecture hall (after construction is completed)
- The Observatory (after renovations are completed)

- Havens Conference Room (after renovations are completed)
- East Building, Room 103 (provided that this room is renovated)

Additional summer projects proposed include

- Removal and reinstallation of equipment in Main Building, Room 211 (for asbestos abatement)
- Switching the locations of the screen and podium in Main Building, Room 100 (pending approval)
- Installation of Office 2007 on all instructor workstations

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