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THE LAW SCHOOL NDLS Update

NDLS Update is a weekly email newsletter of news, events, and opportunities for Law School faculty and staff. For daily NDLS news and updates, please visit **Today@NDLS**.

News and Notes

Congratulations to our Graduates!

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Clint Brown received his Associate Degree of Applied Science in Business Administration, *magna cum laude,* from Ivy Tech Community College. **Wendy Barnes** and **Wendy Noecker** both received their Technical Certificates, *summa cum laude*. A reception was held in the Monogram Room on May 4th honoring their achievements. Clint, Wendy, and Wendy are all participating in the **Learning at Work Skills Academy** for Notre Dame employees.

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A big congrats to **Julie Shook** and **Terri Welty,** who sold 11% of all the "feet" that were sold on campus for the ND Relay for Life fundraiser this year. They were second only to the Huddle in the number of feet sold, with their final tally of six hundred and sixty-six!

You may register for the Notre Dame Law School's **Bike to Work team** anytime before the competition begins on Monday, May 21st, but if you wish to receive a free t-shirt please join (**click to register here!**) and **e-mail Beth Given** with your size request before midnight tonight. Human Resources is sponsoring free shirts for all campus teams again this year but they need size requests by Wednesday (tomorrow). The **Bike to Work Week Challenge** is a friendly competition to encourage commuting to work by bike. Last year, the Law School team included 30 cyclists (including NDLS faculty, staff, and students!) who helped the overall University of Notre Dame team place 1st in front of teams from Bosch, Memorial Health, IUSB, and more. With 162 total riders for Notre Dame last year, the Law School's sub-team was one of the biggest and most active on campus – let's do it again this year!

Lisa Cruces Welty has been selected as the next Librarian-in-Residence. The

Librarian-in-Residence program is a joint venture between Hesburgh Libraries and the Kresge Law Library, "intended to recruit a recent library school graduate who can contribute effectively to the diversity of the profession and the university while developing career interests in various aspects of academic librarianship." Lisa will be joining the Notre Dame community after she graduates with her Masters of Science in Information Studies from the University of Texas at Austin this summer.

Events

SBA President Wendy Tran invites all NDLS faculty and staff to the following events: The **3L Class Potluck** will take place this **Saturday, May 12th** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Law School Commons. The SBA will provide the main course and beverages and students are free to bring side dishes and desserts. Families of students, faculty, and staff are also welcome. **Please RSVP by Friday, May 11th to Wendy Tran.** On **Thursday, May 17th,** the **3L Class Banquet** will be held in the Notre Dame Stadium Press Box from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. The SBA would like to welcome all faculty and staff to a banquet celebrating this year's graduating class. Dinner will be served buffet style. The Banquet cost is $25 per ticket, which covers dinner and dessert. A cash bar will be available for non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages. Awards will presented and class gifts will be distributed at this time. **Click here to purchase tickets.**
Please Note: The above link is for all 3L week events. To purchase 3L banquet tickets, add "1" to in the quantity box at the bottom of the page. You will then be directed to a screen that allows you to select from individual events and options. You must select "not attending" for each event other than the banquet in order to complete the transaction. If you plan to purchase additional tickets for a spouse or significant other, please complete the purchases individually. If you have questions please contact **Wendy Tran**.

Looking ahead … don't forget that the final **Faculty Meeting** of the spring semester will be held next **Wednesday, May 16th.** The meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Faculty Meeting Room, and continental breakfast will be available beginning at 8:40 a.m.

Don't miss the Hands-on Workshops for **Concourse in Sakai.** Several **Sakai tools** will be introduced at a basic level – including syllabus, grade book, and assignments. These workshops will be offered in the B002 Training Lab in DeBartolo Hall at the following times:

- Monday, May 14, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 15, 8:30-10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 22, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

From the Library

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Did you know the library recently expanded its DVD collection? **View the list** and ask for them at the Circulation desk! DVDs are free for law school faculty, staff, and students, and available for 3-day rental periods.

Green Tips

More about Bike commuting

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Last week we offered some ways to "green" your commute to work, including carpooling, taking public transit, or biking to work. This week, with the Michiana Bike to Work Week Challenge just around the corner, we'd like to share some more about bike commuting!

- According to the **Environmental Defense Fund,** "[T]he payoffs of pedaling to work are many: saving money on gas, avoiding traffic, getting exercise, helping curb pollution and often saving time, too. **If everyone who lives within 5 miles of their workplace left their car at home just one day a week and cycled to work, nearly 5 million tons of pollution would be saved every year — like taking about a million cars off the road.**"
- Have you ever wondered just how much money you spend on gas for your commute? Here's a handy fuel calculator to give you an **estimate.**
- Don't forget to **sign up for the law school team** for the Michiana Bike to Work Week Challenge! Click the link and scroll to the bottom to find the NDLS team listed, and simply click the "Join this Team" link. If you know any law students that will still be on campus, feel free to ask them to join, too!

Have a submission for *The NDLS Update?* Send an email by noon on Thursday for inclusion the following Tuesday, to **libnews@nd.edu**, or contact *NDLS Update* editors **Susan Good** or **Beth Given**.

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