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**News and Notes**

Julian Velasco received “The Hammer” from Bob Blakey at the NDLS hooding/diploma ceremony on Saturday. Julian is the fourth holder of “The Hammer.” The list of holders began with Charlie Rice, who received it from someone outside NDLS; at Charlie’s retirement, he passed it onto Jeff Morgan; at Jeff’s retirement, he passed it to Bob; Bob announced his retirement, then passed it on to Julian.

On Monday, May 21st the annual Staff Recognition Dinner was held in the Joyce Center. The law school had numerous honorees in attendance, including Bonnie Grimslid (30 years, retiree), Jody Klontz (10 years), Barb Ritty (30 years, retiree), Susan Good (25 years), Deb Fox (25 years), Beth Klein (15 years) and Susan Hamilton (10 years). Also in attendance were many of the supervisors of the staff members being honored, including Dean Newton, Dwight King, Dan Manier, Joe Thomas, Laurel Cochrane, Sandra Klein, Sean O’Brien, and Paolo Carozza. Congratulations to all the honorees and thank you for your service to the University!

Today, Tuesday May 22nd, is the University’s annual Faculty Recognition Dinner, which will take place in the Joyce Center from 6:30 to 11:00 p.m.

Professor O. Carter Snead has been named a Fellow of the Notre Dame Reilly Center for Science, Technology, and Values.

Deb Fox and Laurel Cochrane both celebrate service anniversaries this May. Congrats and thank you to Deb for 25 years with the law library, and to Laurel for 10 years.
It is Michiana’s annual **Bike to Work Week** this week. 19 members of the NDLS community formed a team to participate again this year in the Bike to Work Week Challenge. As of Tuesday morning, the team has already logged more than 37 miles! If you are interested in joining the team, registration is still open, simply click the “Join this team” link next to the Notre Dame Law School team name on [this page](https://law-old.conductor.nd.edu/admin/pages/34781/preview). **Whether you walk, bike, or drive to work this week, please be safe and be aware of the increased number of cyclists on the road.**

**Reminder** Don’t forget that next Monday, May 28th is a University holiday to celebrate Memorial Day. Enjoy the day!

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**Question of the Week**

*May is National Bike Month! This week, members of the Notre Dame Law School’s Bike to Work team answered the question: “Why do you bike to work?”*

**Melissa Fruscione, Admissions:** Last year I bought a bicycle to participate in “Bike to Work Week.” Participating last year allowed me to not only save gas money and get exercise, but also explore the neighborhoods on my way to work. I try to vary my route to and from work to keep me going and to get new landscaping ideas as I pass by pretty houses and yards. I hope to turn Bike to Work Week this year into Bike to Work Summer!

**Beth Given, Law Library:** I bike to work because it wakes me up in the morning better than coffee can! I live about 4 miles away so it is also a great way to get 20-30 minutes of exercise that I might not otherwise get every day.
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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