

# Economics

## Department Alumni Newsletter

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## Lunch with Dr. C. Alexander Garvin

Dr. C. Alexander Garvin served as a faculty member in the Department of Economics at IUP from 1969 until his retirement in 1998. He taught a wide array of courses including monetary policy, econometrics, and intermediate micro- and macroeconomic theory. His courses were renowned for their mathematical and theoretical rigor, challenging his students with cutting-edge sophistication. Dr. Garvin honed his teaching interests and skills while serving in visiting posts at the University of East Anglia in Norwich, England (1979-80) and the American University in Cairo, Egypt (1984-86).

Reflecting, Dr. Garvin writes, "The courses which I have organized and taught have been mostly technical and undoubtedly reflect my research interests which have been devoted to a mathematical interpretation of the theory of economics. The writing of abstract mathematical models, now under criticism by journalists

and other writers unfamiliar with the intricacies of economic analysis enhances empirical research by establishing a framework, however crude, over which successful statistical experiments can be performed. My most successful students have tended to follow the technical careers which I certainly promoted while they sat in my classes. A significant part of my writings is a consequence of many hours of discussion with students in class at points where the literature ends and imagination soars."

Dr. Garvin studied English and History as an undergraduate at the University of Tennessee, where he also earned his Ph.D. in Economics in 1973. Dr. Garvin also holds masters degrees from the University of Chicago (in International Relations) and the University of Pittsburgh (in Mathematics).

He remains active in several associations of economists and still serves on the

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## Alumnus's Contributions Recognized

A Department of Economics alumnus, **Dave Reed '00**, was selected as a 2005 Indiana University of Pennsylvania Alumni Ambassador Award recipient.

The awards are given annually to graduates who are alumni of 10 years or less and who have distinguished themselves in their careers. Recipients are chosen from separate colleges at IUP. In addition to being honored at an awards luncheon, ambassadors present programs to current IUP students in their colleges and

are part of the IUP Homecoming Parade.

Pennsylvania State Representative Dave Reed, son of Donald and Connie Reed of Homer City, and a graduate of Homer Center High School, received the award from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Reed double majored in mathematics and economics at IUP in 2000. He earned a masters degree in governmental administration at the University of Pennsylvania

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# Alex Garvin: Reflections and Preoccupations

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Distinguished Speaker Advisory Board and the Program Committee of the Atlantic Economic Society. In the spring of 2005 Dr. Garvin sat for an interview for the IUP Economics Alumni Newsletter over lunch at the Oak Room. The Oak Room setting on the IUP campus was an opportunity to return to campus and reminisce of his days at IUP, his service to the military, and his service to his profession.

*How has retirement been treating you?*

I retired in July 1998. It has gone by very quickly and I stay pretty busy. I have three great-grandchildren – ranging from 1½ years to 7 years old. They are “the apple of my eye.” I try to see them every chance I get which is usually 2–3 times a year. They call me “great papa.” My great grandson is 1½ years old and is the only boy out of all my grandchildren, my great granddaughter loves to dance, and her older sister is the “brains” of the family. They live in North Carolina. There is the possibility that my wife and I will be moving there as well.

*I'm sure many of our alumni wonder “What has Dr. Garvin been up to?” What would you like them to know? Anything professional, either as an economist or in some other line of work?*

I have done some research since I retired. About two years ago I began revising my old papers. I correct mistakes that I have made and make improvements. I've spent two years revising one paper! I am working on another paper which deals with neoclassical theory, mathematics, and the nature of economics. It didn't go very far 10 years ago, so I am giving it another shot.

For five years I was the Chairperson of Distinguished Speakers for the Atlantic Economic Association. My last introduction was for Anna Schwartz who presented a paper on economic trade. She is 90 years old! I've also done an introduction for Alan Meltzer who published a book on the history of the Federal Reserve. He presented the most scholarly work I have ever listened to. I have also introduced Phil Stein and Allen Nelson.

I am also on the Diocese of Pittsburgh's Finance Committee's Board of Trustees. I go to a church in Blairsville. We are working on restoring the church – it hasn't been touched in 100 years. I spend a lot of time there and it is fun restoring it. We still need \$100,000 for

stained glass windows and it also needs a roof. I worked in my family's furniture business so I enjoy doing things like this.

*What are some of your fondest memories of IUP?*

I had the opportunity in 1980 to go to the University of East Norwich in Britain for one year. I got the opportunity to travel all over the British Isles. I was also able to go to the University of Cairo for two years. The Atlantic Economic Association meets once a year in Europe (Rome, Athens, Brussels, etc.). My favorite spot is London.

My mother's maiden name is McCalister. All my family is Scotch-Irish. An amusing story is when I decided to get tailor-made wool britches (pants) made out of McCalister plaid. As the tailor was taking my measurements I casually asked how much this was going to cost. Imagine the look on my face when he said \$1150! I was shocked but too embarrassed to cancel the fitting. Consequently, I am now the owner of a pair of wool McCalister britches!



*You spent some time in the military – the United States Naval Reserve during WWII if I recall. How did the military help prepare you for life as a teacher/scholar?*

I just talked to one of my shipmates this morning – Robert Heil. We were state roommates for a year on the USS LST 84 in the early 1940s. A story we tell is when I came off duty. I went to my room and put my automatic on my bed.

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## C. Alexander Garvin

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Well, Rob came into the room and picked up the gun. It went off! We had a scare and we were okay, but we still like to tell that story once in awhile.

The military makes you more disciplined and serious. At the age of 22 I was the commanding officer of my ship. That changed my life and my way of looking at things. It has made me less inclined to goof off.

*Did you have plans to go to graduate school before the military?*

My original plan was to go to medical school. Then I was called up. I got out of the Navy when I was 26 years old. I attended the University of Chicago on the G.I. bill. Frank Knight was my teacher (he is the founder of the Chicago School\*). All I remember about his class was his putting statistical demand curves all over the chalkboard. I got my M.A. degree in International Relations.

In the 1960s I moved back to Tennessee and worked in the family's furniture business. I decided I wasn't going anywhere doing this so I went back to school. In 1969 I was hired as an Associate Professor of Economics at IUP and three years later I got my Ph.D. in Economics. Once in awhile I get out my dissertation – and *(while laughing)* I am ashamed of it!

*Several of our alumni and present students have been called up to serve in Afghanistan, Iraq, and elsewhere. Do you have any advice for them?*

Do your job! You have to do what you have to do.

*Are there any particular issues or problems you think are worthy of more attention regarding macro or micro policy?*

Economics has changed a lot since I taught. In my spare time I am reading *Return to Reason* by Stephen Toulmin (Harvard University Press) which discusses economics from Keynes to Friedman and its liberal and conservative stance.

I was brought up with neoclassical economics. Economics has become more experimental and empirical, which is fine. The tendency has been to disavow the neoclassical. There is too much emphasis on empirical and not enough on neoclassical.

*Is there anything else you would like to share with our readers?*

I miss the captive audience. I could talk and talk in the classroom without any interference. That is what I miss since I retired.

*Dr. Garvin currently resides in Indiana, Pennsylvania. Former students and interested parties can reach him by contacting the Department of Economics or the newsletter editor.*

\*See <http://www.dallasfed.org/research/ei/ei0203.html> for background on Frank H. Knight and the Chicago School.



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*–C. Alexander Garvin*



# Faculty Notes

The Department of Economics welcomes two visiting assistant professors for the 2005–2006 academic year:

**Dr. Yaya Sissoko** comes to IUP most recently from Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, PA. He received his Ph.D. in 2003 from Southern Illinois University. His fields of interest include International Trade, International Finance, Monetary Theory, Economic Development, Macroeconomics, Mathematical Economics and Econometrics. This fall he's sharing the burden of our many Principles courses. This spring he will also teach Monetary Economics.

**Dr. Basel Saleh** most recently taught at the College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University in Minnesota before coming to IUP. He received his Ph.D. in 2004 from Kansas State University. His fields of interest lie in the Economics of Conflict and Monetary Economics. Dr. Saleh is also carrying a large Principles course load this fall. This spring Dr. Saleh will teach a course in the Economics of Conflict.

*In other news:*

**Dr. Stephanie Jozefowicz** and **Dr. James Jozefowicz** presented "Eyes on the World: Economics in a Multicultural Landscape" at the 2005 National Council on Economic Education Annual Conference in San Antonio, TX.

The paper "Religious Free Riders: The Impact of Market Share" co-authored by **Dr. Stephanie Jozefowicz**, **Dr. James Jozefowicz**, and Professor Emeritus **Dr. Robert Stonebraker** has been conditionally accepted by the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

**Dr. David Yerger** presented "Who Does Canada Compete With in the U.S. Marketplace? Consequences of Shifting U.S. Import Market Shares in China's Export Growth" at the 39th Annual Meetings of the Canadian Economics Association, May 2005, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. (Paper coauthored with Gary Sawchuk of the Policy Research Initiative, Canada.)

**Dr. James Jozefowicz** and senior Cameron Wilkins presented "Estimation of Knowledge Flows with Patent Citations: A Count Data Approach" at the 2005 Annual Conference of the Pennsylvania Economic Association, Millersville, PA.

**Dr. Jack Julian** presented "Assessing Cognitive and Affective Outcomes in Introductory Economic: An Empirical Analysis" at the 2005 Annual Conference of the Pennsylvania Economic Association, Millersville, PA.

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**Dr. James Jozefowicz**, **Dr. Jack Julian**, and **Dr. David Yerger** served as paper discussants at the 2005 Annual Conference of the Pennsylvania Economic Association, Millersville, PA. **Dr. James Jozefowicz** also served as chair of the student session of presentations of macroeconomic research.

**Dr. Stephanie Jozefowicz** has been elected secretary of the Pennsylvania Economic Association. **Dr. James Jozefowicz** has been elected vice president for publicity of the Pennsylvania Economic Association.

**Dr. Todd Potts** and **Dr. David Yerger** received a Best Paper Award for their paper, "Changes in the Regional Responsiveness to Federal Reserve Policy Shocks and the Declining Importance of Interest Rate Sensitive Industry Sectors" presented at the 2005 IBER (Business) and TLC (Teaching) Conferences, held in Las Vegas in October 2005.

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*"The office of the scholar is to cheer, to raise, and to guide by showing facts amidst appearances. He is the world's eye."*

*—Ralph Waldo Emerson*

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# Alumni Notes

**John Bouman '80** is a professor of economics at Howard Community College in Columbia, MD. He has been at HCC since 1983. He is also Director of JB Soccer Academy at HCC. John writes, "Stonebraker is my hero!"

**Robert K. Toutkoushian '84** is an associate professor at Indiana University's Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, in Bloomington, IN. Robert writes, "I wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed the last alumni newsletter. It's great to see that someone is carrying on Bob Stonebraker's tradition. The interview with Art Martel was wonderful. He had a big influence on me when I was at IUP. What I remember most was how much fun he had talking about economics. I've never met anyone who was quite this enthusiastic about economics, and it definitely rubbed off on me. The guy made you want to go to class. Coincidentally, I also became a Red Sox fan when I lived in New Hampshire from 1996 through 2003, and was wondering how Art and Nick (Karatjas) reacted to the Red Sox finally beating The Curse. ;-) The other faculty I had at IUP were also terrific, and despite their different approaches to teaching, it all came off as a unified whole. Nick helped me to become interested in econometrics, which I specialized in for my PhD here at Indiana (Bloomington). Bob Stonebraker had a wonderful way of explaining economic concepts and relating to students. And of course Donald Walker's advanced micro course was a great springboard to graduate work. I had to laugh at the alumni notes when someone mentioned Professor Walker telling students to recopy their notes after class because I remember him telling us the same thing, and this also saved me during graduate school!

"I graduated from IUP in 1984 with a BA in economics, and went right on to grad school at Indiana (Bloomington), where I received a PhD in economics in 1991. For the next 13 years, I worked as an institutional researcher at the University of Minnesota and the University System of New Hampshire, where I applied economics to study education issues. Two years ago, I joined the faculty here in the School of Education. I teach a course on School Finance (e.g., how states raise and distribute money for K-12 education) and a course titled Economic Dimensions of Education. This is essentially a microeconomics course with applications to both K-12 and postsecondary education that is for our doctoral students. In fact, I assign students a reading by Bob Stonebraker on the optimal size of churches that they really enjoy! I've tried to use economics to convince students that selecting a school is similar to selecting a spouse, that there is an optimal amount of violence for schools (where MB of reduction = MC of reduction), and so on. The challenge is to get them to think of economics as being broader than just making money.

"Finally, I do have a funny IUP-related story to pass along. In October, I was part of a small group of people (8) from the US who were asked to present papers at an education conference in Wuhan, China. Wuhan is in the middle of China and quite off the beaten path, so to speak. One of the other eight people was Wenfan Yan, who is on the faculty at IUP (Professor, Professional Studies in Education). One day while at lunch, I noticed that there was another American at my table, which itself was a rarity. He had just arrived in Wuhan for a one year appointment as a visiting faculty member. When I asked him where he went to college, he said 'Oh, you probably never heard of it: Indiana University of Pennsylvania.' It turns out that he graduated from IUP the same year that I did...but in education, not economics. Anyway, it was hard to believe that I would go years without seeing an IUP graduate back in the states, but then I go halfway around the world and there are three IUP-related people in the same room. It's a small world after all, right?"

**David Smith '90** has been in the elevator industry for 11 years, the last 5 being an elevator consultant with Van Deusen and Associates. His current responsibilities include new business development in the Baltimore/Washington, DC, areas along with project management of existing clients. Dave writes, "I have been married for 12 years and met my wife, Dawn, at IUP my senior year (1989). We have four beautiful children: Zachary, 12, Carsyn, 7, Calista, 5, and Grayson, 3. I enjoy receiving the newsletter and would like to return to IUP for Homecoming, maybe this coming October. Cheers."

**Mathew Fisher '92** is owner and president of Handyman Matters in Richmond, VA. Previous employers since college were Glassman-Oliver Economic Consultants, PepsiCo, and FedEx Kinkos. Matthew is married to his college sweetheart (**Kristin DeGrasse '91**) and they have three wonderful children (Olivia, Ayden and Annalise).

**Jack Brown '93** is employed by Prudential Investments in the greater New York City area.

**LaMar Washington '99** has completed the MBA program at Point Park University, moved to Alexandria, VA, and is preparing to begin a CFP (Certified Financial Planner) Program this fall.

**Sara Carver '00** is a bankruptcy and consumer law attorney practicing with a law firm in Harrisburg, PA. She is married to **Scott McCarroll '01** (economics minor). Sarah writes, "We both loved the Economics Department professors and loved the interview with Dr. Martel."



## Alumni Notes continued...

**Dave Reed '00** received the IUP Alumni Ambassador Award during Homecoming 2005. (See story on page 1.)

**Micah Savidge '03** is enrolled in Master's program in the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He is currently studying in Italy.

**Mileah Kromer '03** completed the requirements for her MA in political science at Louisiana State University. Mileah also taught her first undergraduate course over the summer.

**Robert Viégas '03** has accepted a position as an economist with the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington, DC. He works for the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages program under the Office of Employment and Unemployment Statistics.

**Ben Steffen '04** is currently employed by World Savings Bank, a subsidiary of Golden West Financial and a sister firm of the Atlas Corp. Ben writes, "I think I have more opportunity here and I am also getting a chance to use the education that I will be paying for the next 10 years on school loans. Thank you to the Drs. Jozefowicz for everything you have helped me with over the short time that I have known you. I really appreciate the constant support from you and the rest of the faculty at IUP. I will be in touch from time to time and let you know how things are going. Best wishes and thank you again for everything."

**Thomas Bogacz '05** is enrolled in Master's program at Fordham University. Tom's Introduction to Econometrics/Advanced Econometrics paper entitled "Investment Enigma: Determinants of U.S. Foreign Direct Investment in Europe" was presented at the Europe: East and West Undergraduate Research Symposium 2005 at the University of Pittsburgh where it won the grand prize. The paper was recently published in the proceedings of the symposium by the University of Pittsburgh University Center for International Studies. Available at [www.ucis.pitt.edu/ursymposium/2005/Publication%20FINAL.pdf](http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/ursymposium/2005/Publication%20FINAL.pdf)

**Justin Ulrich '05** is enrolled in the Ph.D. program in political science at Louisiana State University. He received an assistantship from the department.

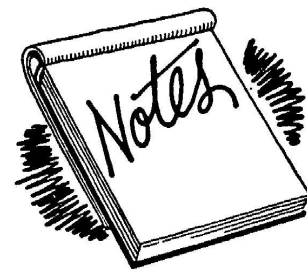
**Aaron Krznic '05** has accepted a position with First Commonwealth Bank in Indiana, PA.

**Marissa Silkroski '05** writes, "I've been working at Vanguard for a little over a month now. I love it there! The people I work with are great, it's a really laid back team atmosphere. The benefits are amazing and the 401k plan is phenomenal, of course! There are over 9000 employees just at the Valley Forge/Malvern campus, and the campus is as big as IUP.

"Right now I'm just processing various transactions that go along with 401k plans: loans, withdraws, enrollments, contributions, etc. The actual training lasts until the first week of November. They teach us a few things and then we go out to our units and process the transactions for real, and then we go back to training to learn some more things and so on and so on. Training has been fun. I get to teach all the business majors with whom I work some good economic reasoning. (JV [William Johns-Villa '05, minor in economics and significant other] also gets to teach his geoscience buddies econ basics where he works.)

"Vanguard also has a great tuition reimbursement plan, so I'm going to go back to school for my masters. After that I want to move to the research side. They do a lot of economic studies about how people save for and use their 401ks, market performance and lots of other stuff.

"Please extend my thanks to the whole department. I feel like you guys really prepared me for this and for continuing my education. If anyone knows of a good program to get into that's out this way, please e-mail me. I can't believe that I just left and I'm already looking forward to going back for more. I'd like to lay that blame of that insanity mostly upon the shoulders of Dr. (Nick) Karatjas, but also Jack (Julian), Dr. Mrs. J(ozefowicz), and (David) Yerger. I'll be sure to come around and harass everyone next time I'm in town."



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*—Marissa Silkroski '05*

# Economics Research Day

The IUP College of Humanities and Social Sciences has designated Academic Year 2005–06 as the Year of the Student. Responding to an initiative from Dean Yaw Asamoah, the Department of Economics held a Research Day on Friday, November 11, 2005. Consistent with the Year of the Student, the Department of Economics featured student presentations along with those of faculty and an alumnus in its mini-conference held in the Susquehanna Room of the HUB. The adopted theme was *Past, Present, and Future: Alumni, Faculty, and Students*.

The day began with a welcome by Dr. Asamoah and his extolling the virtues of undergraduate research and issued well wishes for the presenters and their robust estimates. The morning session opened with three student papers: Cameron Wilkins, "An Examination of the Schumpeterian Hypotheses"; Neil Meredith, "Okun's Law: What is the Story Now?"; and Vanessa Wayne,



An attentive audience is fascinated by dazzling regression estimates.



Vanessa Wayne explains the socio-economic determinants of youth alcohol consumption.

"Bringing Faith into the Picture: Some

Socio-Economic and Religious Determinants of Youth Alcohol Consumption." The morning session concluded with two papers from the faculty: Dr. Basel Saleh, "Colonialism, Class Inequality, and Political Stability: Examples from Several Countries"; and Dr. David Yerger, "Who is China Displacing from U.S. Markets?". The afternoon session began with three more student presentations: Rebecca Uecker, "Where Should the Money Be Spent? The Impact of Programs and Policies Within an Educational Production Function"; Christopher Krahe, "The Importance of U.S. Birthrates and Influencing Factors, 1955–2001"; and Zoë Thorkildsen, "Higher Test Scores or Heading to College: A Comparison of Educational Production Functions with Differing Dependent Variables." The afternoon session concluded with a presentation by Dr. George Chressanthis '77, on optimal work force allocation, based on his work with AstraZeneca.

Many faculty members cancelled their classes to encourage student attendance at the mini-conference. All sessions were well attended and the papers well received. We look forward to future opportunities to display our students' scholarship.

## News from the Center for Economic Education

*The IUP Center for Economic Education is a community outreach center located in the Department of Economics. Their mission is to encourage the development of economic literacy beyond the reach of our undergraduates. The Center is under the directorship of Dr. Stephanie M. Jozefowicz and Dr. James J. Jozefowicz.*

During August 2005, the IUP Center for Economic Education co-sponsored two days of teacher training workshops at the University of Pittsburgh–Johnstown with the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. Dr. Stephanie Jozefowicz presented "Multicultural Children's Literature and Economics" as part of the Economics and Children's Literature workshop and Dr. James Jozefowicz presented "Macroeconomic Indicators" as part of the FED 101 workshop.

The IUP Center for Economic Education welcomed Carol Occhuizzo as its economic education consultant this fall. Carol retired from a career as a teacher at the Homer–Center High School in June.

The 2005 Summer Program in Economics enrolled 10 students from across Pennsylvania in a weeklong residential program which highlighted the stock market game, money and banking, international trade, international finance, sports economics, economic mysteries, macroeconomic indicators, experimental economics, public goods, and game theory.

## Student Notes

The following students presented papers at the 2005 Pennsylvania Economic Association conference at Millersville University of Pennsylvania in June:

**Chris Krahe** "Young Adult Decision Making: Male Relative Cohort Size and Fertility Theory, 1959–2001"

**Neil Meredith** "Okun's Law: What is the Story Now?"

**Zoë Thorkildsen** "Higher Test Scores or Heading to College: A Comparison of Educational Production Functions with Differing Dependent Variables"

**Rebecca Uecker** "Where Should the Money Be Spent? The Impact of Programs and Policies Within an Educational Production Function"

**Cameron Wilkins** "Estimation of Knowledge Flows with Patent Citations: A Count Data Approach" with James Jozefowicz

The following students gave poster presentations at the Sigma Xi Research Day poster session on the IUP campus in April:

**Thomas Bogacz** "Investment Enigma: Determinants of U.S. Foreign Direct Investment in Europe"

**Carrie Jenkins** "How Things have Changed: Income Inequality in Pennsylvania in the 1990s" with James Jozefowicz

**Chris Krahe** "U.S. Fertility and Influencing Factors Among Cohorts, 1960–2004"

**Neil Meredith** "Okun's Law: What is the Story Now?"

**Zoë Thorkildsen** "Where to Spend and How Much: A Comparison of Educational Production Functions"

**Rebecca Uecker** "Where Should the Money Be Spent? The Impact of Programs and Policies Within an Educational Production Function"

**Justin Ulrich** "Determinants of Presidential Voting in the U.S."

**Vanessa Wayne** "Bringing Faith into the Picture: Some Socio-

Economic and Religious Determinants of Youth Alcohol Consumption"

**Cameron Wilkins** "An Examination of the Schumpeterian Hypotheses"

## Student Honors

Several recent graduates were recognized for their outstanding academic efforts:

McGraw-Hill Award – Justin Ulrich

Dr. Brewer Award – Maria Valero

Wall Street Journal Award – David Ames

Thomas Bogacz and Justin Ulrich were the first students to graduate from the Department of Economics Honors Track.



Chris Krahe and his poster presentation.

## Econ Club Report by Vanessa Wayne, Economics Club President, 2005–2006

The Economics Club is excited for another semester! The club opened the academic year with a trip to Saint Vincent College to attend the McKenna Lecture featuring William Beach from the Heritage Foundation who spoke on the political challenges of the rising costs of public entitlement programs. Before the lecture, students who attended had dinner at Hoss's Steak House and enjoyed getting to know each other better.

We have a busy semester planned so far. One of the most important things on the agenda right now is recruiting new members throughout the university. We are working diligently to publicize our meetings and events, urging students to get involved. Also, an afternoon at Reeger's farm to enjoy the corn maze and some more quality bonding time is on the horizon. Finally, some workshops to help students with the graduate school application process, as well as internships and resumes, are in the works.

Similar to last year, we are looking forward to hearing from some alumni speakers. If you are interested in speaking to our club please contact us at [iupeconclub@yahoo.com](mailto:iupeconclub@yahoo.com).



# University Ambassador Award

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in 2001.

While attending IUP, Reed was a member of the Robert E. Cook Honors College. He was also a javelin thrower for the Academic All-American IUP track and field team and a Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Scholar Athlete.

Reed is in his second term representing Pennsylvania's 62nd Legislative District.

Prior to his election, Reed did marketing for the FMC Corporation and worked as the Special Projects Coordinator at the Indiana County Chamber of Commerce. Most recently, he was employed as the director of the Blairsville In-Town Group (BIG), a non-profit organization created to encourage downtown community development.

In addition to his work, Reed has spent five summers as a volunteer coaching baseball in the Indiana Baseball Boosters Pony Division and served as the assistant coordinator of a community school program at an inner-city middle school in Philadelphia. The school's focus was on providing alternative evening activities for young people and additional learning opportunities for adults in need, such as literacy pro-



IUP Alumni Board of Directors President David Mahwinney, left, congratulates Alumni Ambassador Award recipient Rep. David Reed (center). At right is Dr. Yaw Asamoah, dean of IUP's College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Recipients are nominated by their colleges.

grams and GED preparation.

Reed also has been involved in Harrisburg with the Governor's Policy Office for Community and Economic Development.

Reed serves on the following House Committees: Children and Youth, Commerce, Intergovernmental Affairs, State Government, and Environmental Resources and Energy of which he is the secretary.

## Alumni Information

The Department of Economics is trying to complete and maintain a current contact list of all of our alumni. Please let us know your current whereabouts!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation year, degree earned \_\_\_\_\_

Current Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Position and duties \_\_\_\_\_

Interesting tidbits about yourself since IUP \_\_\_\_\_

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## What's Up?



### Stay in touch!

*The Department of Economics at IUP considers its alumni a valuable resource. We encourage former students to share with current students how they apply their economic studies in their jobs and their lives. If you plan to be in the area and wish to meet with students, please contact Dr. Nicholas Karatjas (Nicholas.Karatjas@iup.edu) or call (724) 357-2640.*



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## Alumni News

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