1. BURMESE ADVOCACY CENTER

Please see Enclosure # 1 for a press release from the Burmese Advocacy Center.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

2. BERNARD HARRIS SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS

Trine University is seeking help from Guidance Counselors to inform entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students about the “Robotimals: Animal Inspired Robots”. See Enclosure # 2 for more information.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

3. WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

http://www.wordle.net

Wordle is a toy for generating “word clouds” from text that you provide. The clouds give greater prominence to words that appear more frequently in the source text. You can tweak your clouds with different fonts, layouts, and color schemes.

Jo Ann Roscoe, ext. 3125

4. BRAIN AWARENESS WEEK

Celebrating 15 years of Education and Outreach about the Brain, Brain Awareness Week (BAW) – March 15-21, 2010. See Enclosure # 3 for more information.

Jo Ann Roscoe, ext. 3125

5. EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.

East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc. announces our 2nd Annual Breakfast / Silent Auction, as follows:

DATE: Wednesday, April 21, 2010
TIME: 7:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Park Hill (Gymnasium)
PURPOSE: To raise funds to fulfill the EACS Foundation mission
Please review Enclosure # 4, the invitation and share it with those you think might be interested in attending or providing items to help us raise funds. We are already compiling a number of excellent silent auction items for the auction and bidding will be available via EACS email soon. Details on the specific auction items (as well as instructions on how to bid) will be forthcoming via an upcoming EACS Admin. Bulletin.

Enclosure # 5 is a Foundation brochure so that you may see what our Foundation is doing. On behalf of the EACS Foundation board members, THANK YOU for considering your EACS Foundation in your 2010 philanthropic goals.

Rose Fritzinger, ext. 3161

6. NURSES TRAINING

All nurses will attend a state required training April 30th from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. at Dupont Hospital. Please contact Wendy Walker for any questions or concerns.

Britt Magneson, ext. 3143

7. DON’T MISS A BEAT – LIFE SAVING SKILLS

Anyone 12 or older can learn the life-saving skill hands-only CPR as part of the “Don’t Miss a Beat” training Saturday, May 8 at the Regional Public Safety Academy, 7602 Patriot Crossing, Fort Wayne. See Enclosure # 6 for more information.

Britt Magneson, ext. 3143

8. INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY SUMMER CURRICULUM

See Enclosure # 7 regarding the Indiana Wesleyan University Summer Curriculum for License Renewal.

Jan MacLean, ext. 3124 or 5501

9. SPECIAL DATES

National Urban Alliance Practice Walkthroughs: at Southwick Elementary
March 29, 2010  12 - 3 for principals

National Urban Alliance Leadership Session: at Paul Harding High School
March 30, 2010  7:30 – 11:15 for Principals and Invited Teachers
11:30 - 2:00  Principals Only

Upcoming Assistant Principal Meeting: Board room
March 31, 2010  9-11
Upcoming Principal Meetings:
March 22 – All Principals 1:00 Board room
April 20 Elem. Principals 9-11 in the Board room
April 20 Second. Principals 1-3 at Park Hill, Room 220

NEW TIME/LOCATION

Jeanne Zehr, ext. 1005

10. 2010-11 DISTRICT PRINTED CALENDAR:

The district-wide calendar will be compiled in June. Included in the calendar will be dates for the below-listed events:

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Principals are asked to submit the events pertinent to their school to Tamyra Kelly on or before May 31.

Jeanne Zehr, ext. 1005
The Burmese Advocacy Center (“BAC”) is a not-for-profit corporation that advocates for and on behalf of the diverse ethnic groups originating from Burma.

The BAC works with volunteers and other groups in the community in an effort to resolve problems that may arise as a result of cultural and language barriers. Among the other groups active in this effort are the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation and the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic. The BAC also seeks to act as a liaison between the Burmese Community and the broader Fort Wayne Community. The BAC is aware of a recent unfortunate incident in which a local business posted a sign banning Burmese peoples from the premises. Such discrimination is violation of federal, state and local law since it targets an entire community based on its race and national origin. However, the BAC has also learned that the business owner involved has since removed the sign and issued an apology. Though the BAC does not speak for all Burmese people, for its part, it accepts the apology in the spirit in which it was given. The BAC also understands that this event arose out of a lack of understanding and an inability of the parties to communicate with one another.

Burmese people have been coming to Fort Wayne since the early 1990’s. The first wave of immigrants was mostly students who were fleeing political persecution and seeking asylum in the United States. More recently, refugees fleeing both political and religious persecution have arrived in Fort Wayne. Many of these people spent many years in refugee camps in Thailand where they were afforded no meaningful education or employment opportunities. Many of these refugees do not speak English and are completely unfamiliar with the broader American culture. Because of this, the Burmese face difficult challenges in integrating themselves into the Fort Wayne Community. These realities can create unfortunate barriers between the Burmese population and individuals and businesses in the broader community.

The BAC urges individuals or businesses who encounter difficulties in dealing with Burmese people not to give into discriminatory attitudes that may sometimes arise due to cultural and linguistic barriers. Individuals and businesses wishing assistance in understanding and communicating with Burmese people are encouraged to contact the BAC or another appropriate organization or agency for assistance. The BAC may be contacted at 456-8969 ext 315. The BAC is located at the Community Resource Center for Refugees located at 2826 South Calhoun.
**Reading Across the Curriculum™ (EDUE-509)**

Explore reading strategies designed to help you to plan effective lessons in your content area. (By the first class, participants must acquire *Differentiated Instructional Strategies for Reading in the Content Areas* by C. Chapman and R. King, published by Corwin.)

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**Differentiated Instruction for Today’s Classroom® (EDUC-507)**

All students can thrive in today's standards-based learning environment when you know how to apply the practical and effective skills of differentiated instruction. Learn key knowledge and skills to implement differentiated instruction successfully in your own classroom.

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**Meaningful Activities to Generate Interesting Classrooms® (EDU-531)**

This course offers firsthand experience designing new and interesting activities that unlock the creative minds of students and teachers alike. Discover dozens of interactive and engaging learning activities along with methods to assess their value. You can apply course strategies to all grade levels and teaching blocks.

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**Behavioral, Academic, and Social Interventions For The Classroom™ (EDUE-541)**

Design effective universal and targeted interventions that incorporate strengths-based learning as well as support student resiliency by creating learning alliances and designing REACH lessons. The strategies offered in this course will help you meet the expectations of a Response to Intervention (RTI) classroom.

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**Successful Teaching for Acceptance of Responsibility® (EDU-547)**

Acquire new techniques to model, teach, and support responsible student behavior. Learn how to empower students to achieve personal power and responsibility in a classroom that models self-responsible behaviors. Become empowered in your personal life with strategies that increase your own sense of power.

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These classes are still the optimal way to complete Indiana teacher recertification and benefit both you and your students.

To register call
(866) PLS-CLAS (866 -757-2527)
Or visit our Web site at www.plsweb.com

Cost: $535 per course ($500 tuition + $35 materials fee). All PLS registrations require a mandatory non-refundable $50.00 deposit per enrollment. Deposits may be transferred to a new course enrollment being offered in the same semester, otherwise, deposits are nonrefundable. All payments will be refunded on cancelled classes. Classes with enrollments below the minimum will be cancelled two (2) weeks prior to the start date. If you have special requirements for your content/discipline area, contact us at coursehelp@plsweb.com and we can discuss how our courses can meet your needs.
Brain Awareness Week
MARCH 15-21, 2010

Celebrating 15 Years of Education and Outreach about the Brain, Brain Awareness Week (BAW) was founded and is coordinated by the Dana Alliance for Brain Initiatives and the European Dana Alliance for the Brain.

The Upside Down Organization is proud to support:

**Brain Awareness Week (BAW)** is a global campaign to increase public awareness about the progress and benefits of brain research. Every March BAW unites the efforts of universities, hospitals, patient groups, government agencies, schools, service organizations, and professional associations worldwide in a week-long celebration of the brain. BAW is celebrating its fifteenth anniversary campaign in 2010.

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**BRAIN FACTS**

Did you know that ...

**Bullying can damage the brain as much as child abuse.**

Interested in learning more? Check out UDO’s newest workshop, "Battling the B’s: A Brain-Inspired Approach to Bullying and Boredom" and call today about bringing this important message to your program!

**Children exposed to high levels of domestic violence have IQ's that are on average 8 points lower than unexposed children.**

Join the battle against child abuse by educating your staff about the different types of child maltreatment and its impact on developing brains. Another new workshop developed for 2010, "Child Abuse and the Brain: The Developmental Impact of Trauma in Childhood" is a "must-have" for child serving professionals serving children with a history of trauma.

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**HEALTHY BRAIN TIPS**

**Stay Physically Active!**

Physical exercise is essential for maintaining good blood flow to the brain as well as to encourage the growth of new brain cells. It also can significantly reduce the risk of heart attack, stroke and diabetes.

**Maintain a Brain-Friendly Diet**

Fill your plate with dark greens, lean protein, and whole grains. Cut back on foods high in fat and cholesterol—which limit blood flow to the brain. A healthy breakfast is a great way to start your day.

**Maintain Healthy Social Connections**

People who engage in regular social activities tend to have healthier brains than those who don't. Friends are an excellent support in times of need and help to fill our lives with love and laughter.
Boys are, by most measures, slower than girls to develop inhibitory control (a function of the frontal lobes). This leads to more movement, impulsivity, and hyperactivity.

Intrigued? Check out "Jack’s Brain/Jill’s Brain: Gender Differences in The Classroom and Why They Matter!"

Children with AD/HD show a decrease in symptoms and greater ability to focus when exercise and movement are incorporated into their daily routines.

Want to learn more? UDO has AD/HD workshops that can be customized and brought to your program for a one or two-hour session, a half-day presentation, or an in-depth, full day program!

Exposing adolescents to enriched environments can prevent long term damage caused by early impoverished environments.

Arm your staff with the information and tools they need to help children from impoverished environments have the best brains they can possibly have. Bring one of UDO’s most popular workshops, “Beyond Poverty: Brain-Inspired Ways to Understand and Respond to Poverty,” to your program today!

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCE:
Recommended by UDO to Expand Your Brain Knowledge

**Just Plain "Cool" Category!**

Brain anatomy does not typically inspire instant enthusiasm in educators and human services professionals. But having a basic foundation in brain structures and functions is essential for understanding what neuroscience has to offer our professions. The HOPES Brain Tutorial at Stanford University ([http://hopes.stanford.edu/basics/braintut/ab1.html](http://hopes.stanford.edu/basics/braintut/ab1.html)) is a really cool introduction into brain anatomy and function. Using simple, but colorful, interactive and engaging graphics, this tutorial is a fun and effective

 Manage Stress

Chronic exposure to stress can actually damage our brains. Develop coping skills to deal with stressful situations, avoid toxic people and environments, and seek out help if stress levels are out of control.

Never Stop Learning!

All brains love to be exposed to novel and challenging ideas and activities. Keeping your brain active will help it continue to develop, maintain peak cognition and develop new brain cells.

Visit The Upside Down Organization at our website: www.upsidedownorganization.org.

Happy Brain Awareness Week!
way to familiarize yourself with the brain. Also, for teachers, this is a great resource to use with students. They will love it!

The Upside Down Organization is a nonprofit entity dedicated to improving the lives of children and youth by transforming organizational cultures. UDO specializes in cutting-edge learning experiences using Transformation Education and infuses its teachings with the latest research and insights from educational neuroscience.
Your Support is Requested

Over the years, the Foundation has benefited from corporate and individual donors like you. The Foundation asks for your support of our programs.

Donations to the Foundation may be made payable to the East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.

Your donation to the Foundation may be tax deductible. Consult your financial planner / tax preparer for details.

Perhaps you might consider a contribution to one or both of our recognition programs:

- Above and Beyond
- Cutting Edge

Or, perhaps you would like to provide funding to support a new Foundation initiative. Contact the Foundation to discuss opportunities.

With your support, our possibilities are limitless.

Rose Fritzinger, Executive Director
1240 State Road 930 East
New Haven, IN 46774
Phone: 260/446-0100
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East Allen County Schools

East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.

Rev. 09/2009
Our Mission
Established in 2001, East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc. is a 501c3 charitable organization dedicated to the mission of East Allen County Schools. Foundation activities will be compatible with the EACS mission and may include:

Student Scholarships -
- **Collegiate Connection**: To local colleges and universities through the dual credit initiative

Recognition -
- **Above and Beyond Awards**: Recognition of students and staff for excellence and other individuals who go above and beyond expectations
- **Cutting Edge Awards**: Recognition of activities / programs that put EACS on the cutting edge, in the forefront as a leader in the region, state or nation

Collegiate Connection
The Foundation’s primary initiative is our **Collegiate Connection** program. Each EACS high school receives an amount of up to $5,000 annually from the Foundation to provide funding to aid current EACS students enrolled in college coursework. To date, over 360 students have benefited from this program in our EACS high schools.

Above and Beyond
Recognition of students and staff for excellence and other individuals who go **above and beyond** expectations.

Through the Foundation’s **Above and Beyond awards**, the Foundation will recognize those individuals and teams who go above and beyond the expectations.

Completed nomination forms are due on or before the first workday of the month from September through April. The Foundation anticipates reviewing nominations on a regular basis.

Cutting Edge
Engaging in activities that lead to EACS excellence - recognition of programs that put EACS on the cutting edge, in the forefront as a leader in the region, state or nation.

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Board of Directors

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Thank you to our sponsor for this event . . .

You are cordially invited to attend our 2nd Annual Breakfast / Silent Auction to benefit the East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.

Date: Wednesday, April 21, 2010

Time: 7:15 a.m. (registration and silent auction)
7:30 a.m. (buffet breakfast served)
8:30 a.m. (event concludes)

Location: Park Hill Learning Center (Gymnasium)
1000 Prospect Avenue, New Haven, Indiana

Purpose: To educate our community about the East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation

Cost: $7/person includes full buffet breakfast catered by Goeglein’s or $50/table of 8

Donations: Please contact the Foundation by 04/14/2010 with items you might like to donate to this silent auction or as door prizes for this event

RSVP: Yes, please RSVP by 04/14/2010 (RSVP enclosed)
Seating is limited – RSVP soon to reserve your place

Acceptable forms of payment for breakfast, silent auction items and/or donations are:

☑ Cash
☑ Checks made payable to EACS Educational Foundation, Inc.

To keep our costs low, no credit cards will be accepted.

Thank YOU! Your generosity is most appreciated.
RSVP: Please complete the appropriate information below and return this form with your payment on or before 04/14/2010:

Please print

Your Name: ________________________________
Address: __________________________________
Telephone: ________________________________
Email: _____________________________________

Guest Name: ________________  Guest Name: ________________
Guest Name: ________________  Guest Name: ________________
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We plan to have tables to seat eight (8) individuals. If you would like to RSVP for an entire table of 8 individuals, the rate will be reduced from $7 / person to $50 / full table to seat 8.

_____ Yes, I plan to attend (____ # attending) x $7 / person = $_____
      (check/cash enclosed)

_____ Yes, I plan to attend and would like to reserve __ (# of tables) table for eight (8) individuals (names provided above) x $50 / table = $_____
      (check/cash enclosed)

_____ No, I am not available to attend

_____ I would like to make a donation to the Foundation: $_____
      (check/cash enclosed)

Return RSVP by 04/14/2010 to: East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.
1240 State Road 930 East
New Haven, IN 46774

Please make checks payable to: East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.

If you have any questions, please contact Rose Fritzinger at our Foundation:
Email – rfritzinger@eacs.k12.in.us  Phone: 260/446-0100, ext. 3161

Gifts to the Foundation may be deductible.
Consult your financial planner / tax preparer for details.
LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE AT
DONT MISS A BEAT '10

FREE community-wide hands-only CPR
(Training is NON-certified)

Saturday, May 8, 2010
Public Safety Academy, 7602 Patriot Crossing
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Convenient 1-hour sessions, beginning every half hour,
between 9:00 am and 11:00

Demonstrations from local Public Safety agencies

Open to anyone ages 12 and up

All participants will receive a “Bring a Friend for Free” coupon for full CPR
certification through the American Red Cross (a $50 value)

Register online at 3RCPR.org today!

For more information, visit 3RCPR.org,
email 3rcpr@cityoffortwayne.org, or call 427-1164

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PARTNERS: City of Fort Wayne | Three Rivers Ambulance Authority
American Red Cross | Lutheran Health Network | Parkview Health
Focus on Health | Fort Wayne/Allen County Department of Health
1. Zack Zurbrugg, junior at New Haven High School qualified for the State Wrestling Competition and represented New Haven High School well. He was in the 152 weight class. His record was 31-14.

His accomplishments are:

- New Haven Invitational Champ
- NHC Runner-Up
- Sectional Champ
- Regional Runner-Up
- Semi-State 4th
- State Qualifier

**GREAT JOB ZACK!**

2. Congratulations to the New Haven Hockey team for winning the Class 1A High School Hockey State Championship. New Haven beat Bloomington 4 to 2 in the state finals in Indianapolis.

**CONGRATULATIONS NEW HAVEN HOCKEY TEAM!**