In celebration of Indiana University East’s 40th anniversary, representatives from past graduating classes have been invited to help commemorate today’s Commencement Ceremony. IU East is very proud of our more than 5,000 alumni. Joining us today are alumni who are living or working in the region as health and business professionals, educators, public servants, and community leaders. We are honored to have this distinguished group join us today to witness the conferral of degrees for the Class of 2011.

Class of 1972  Robert J. Cline          Madison
Class of 1973  Richard D. Castelluccio     Mishawaka
Class of 1974  Marc D. Duning            Richmond
Class of 1975  Robert V. Chamness         Richmond
Class of 1976  Gary Osborn               Fountain City
Class of 1977  Garth LeMaster            Portland
Class of 1978  Bradley E. Berner         Richmond
Class of 1979  Marilyn Brown Clark       Cincinnati, Ohio
Class of 1980  Connie K. Ray              Richmond
Class of 1981  William H. Foston III      Indianapolis
Class of 1982  Kristine A. Lopresti      Richmond
Class of 1983  Frank H. Waltermann       Richmond
Class of 1984  Ingrid Y. Toschlog        Indianapolis
Class of 1985  Amy Dillon                Richmond
Class of 1986  Ruth B. Mills             Richmond
Class of 1987  Robert D. Covington       Centerville
Class of 1988  Herbert Harris DDS        Cambridge City
Class of 1989  N. LuAnne Christofaro      Greens Fork
Class of 1990  Kay S. Chagas             Richmond
Class of 1991  David Dishong             Noblesville
Class of 1992  Pamela S. Haager          Richmond
Class of 1993  Jerrine M. Libert         Union City
Class of 1994  Kimberly J. Schwartzel    Richmond
Class of 1995  Robert D. Covington       Centerville
Class of 1996  Terry Hawkins Wiesehan    Fountain City
Class of 1997  Leslie Holbrook           Daleville
Class of 1998  Kay S. Chagas             Richmond
Class of 1999  Rena Dilworth             Richmond
Class of 2000  Kate Hogg                 Richmond
Class of 2001  Marilou Hodgkin           Richmond
Class of 2002  Joshua Bales              Noblesville
Class of 2003  Katie Baldwin Chaney      Richmond
Class of 2004  Misty Hollis              Richmond
Class of 2005  Bridget Morris Hazelbaker  Richmond
Class of 2006  Lisa Martin               Parker City
Class of 2007  Kimberley Lovins          Connersville
Class of 2008  Anita Williams            Richmond
Class of 2009  Marci Asher Whalen        Richmond
Class of 2010  Philip Williamson         Aurora
Indiana University East will kick off its 40th anniversary celebration with the Commencement Ceremony on Friday, May 13. The campus will continue the celebration throughout the fall, concluding with Homecoming Week in November.

IU East has launched a new website – iue.edu/40 – to commemorate the 40th anniversary and to invite alumni, the community and campus to join in the celebration. The website features an event listing, the history of the campus, photo galleries and the opportunity for alumni and friends to share their experiences and memories of IU East.

“The university has touched countless lives over the past 40 years,” said IU East Chancellor Nasser Paydar. “Impacting students – who then impact the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of our region – is the focus of our work and the reason for our growth.”

Also on the website is the special anniversary logo IU East has developed. The logo includes one of the campus’ most recognized buildings, Hayes Hall, and represents the beauty of the campus.

On July 1, 1971, the Indiana University Board of Trustees created Indiana University East. At the time, IU East offered classes in Carpenter Hall on the campus of Earlham College. With funds raised by area citizens, the trustees purchased 225 acres of land in Richmond near the junction of U.S. 27 and Interstate 70. Construction of the first building, Whitewater Hall, was completed in January 1975, and IU East moved from Carpenter Hall to its new home. Although IU East opened its doors in 1971, the Earlham College-Indiana University Extension Center in Richmond was first established in 1946. The center was renamed the Eastern Indiana Center at Earlham College in 1967 and then the Eastern Indiana Community College in 1969.

Today, IU East is a flourishing campus, with over 50 academic baccalaureate and master’s programs, exceptional faculty and staff, and record enrollment. Enrollment has grown by more than 50 percent in the last three years and has eclipsed 3,000 students. Over 85 percent of alumni remain in IU East’s service region.

For more information about IU East’s 40th anniversary, contact Terry Wiesehan, director of Alumni Relations and Campus Events, at (765) 973-8221 or email twiesaha@iue.edu.