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ON THE COVER  A student takes in the view while traveling in southern India. The study abroad trip, led by Child Development and Family Studies faculty in 2006 and 2007, provided students with an in-depth look at how families and children live and cope in some of the country’s most poverty-stricken areas. Photo by Dick Myers-Walls.
We welcomed France A. Córdova as Purdue University’s 11th president in July 2007, and we took that opportunity to evaluate our purpose and what we hope to accomplish as a college. Over the past year, we have been working toward a new strategic plan focused on people and partnerships that will take us through 2013. There’s no question that people are our greatest strength, and to effect the most change in our learning, discovery, and engagement initiatives, we must partner with others who share a similar mission. By doing this, we can fulfill our purpose to enhance quality of life.

On the following pages, you can read about some of the exciting partnerships we have already forged. There are some wonderful examples of how we are collaborating with like-minded organizations to bring about positive change. You’ll also learn about some incredibly talented people — faculty, staff, and students — who set our college apart, and the programs and initiatives we provide to help them realize their goals. Our college is committed to providing an environment that promotes creativity and fosters success for those who work and learn here.

A key priority over the last few years has been raising funds for two new buildings, Bill and Sally Hanley Hall to house the new Human Development Institute and Marriott Hall, the future home of the Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management. The Campaign for Purdue ended on June 30, 2007, and I’m happy to report the college exceeded its campaign goal, raising nearly $31.3 million. More than half of those funds are targeted for scholarships and facilities. The generosity of CFS alumni and friends is overwhelming and humbling. Thank you, and we look forward to another exceptional year. Hail Purdue!

Dennis Savaiano
DEAN, COLLEGE OF CONSUMER AND FAMILY SCIENCES
In communities across the country, men and women in the National Guard and Reserves are leaving behind family, friends, and careers as they are called for active duty. Due to the ongoing conflict in the Middle East, many of these part-time military service members are facing repeated deployments.

“The composition of our armed forces has changed over time,” says Shelley MacDermid, director of the Military Family Research Institute (MFRI) at Purdue. “Our country is increasingly relying on service members in the National Guard and Reserves who are more likely to have families they must leave behind to go to war. This shift in demographics has brought new challenges that must be addressed.”

In October 2007, MFRI received an $8.995 million grant from Lilly Endowment to expand its study of military members during active duty and as they reintegrate into civilian life after deployment. The funds also will help the institute provide assistance and resources to military family support workers and professionals in Indiana who provide services for military families.

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**Supporting Military Families**

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**WALKS ACROSS INDIANA**

As a way to encourage Indiana residents to get in shape and focus on the importance of healthy living, CFS Extension co-sponsored Walks Across Indiana in fall 2007. Part of the INShape Indiana initiative, the second annual event was held in 39 counties. More than 4,500 people participated in various walks, logging over 43,000 collective miles. [www.ces.purdue.edu/cfs](http://www.ces.purdue.edu/cfs)

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**MONEY SMART WEEK**

To help promote financial literacy, CFS Extension partnered with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and other organizations in the state to hold the second annual Indiana Money Smart Week, October 13–20, 2007. In Indiana, 12 counties participated by offering programs to educate consumers on personal finance and money management. Many of the classes were tailored to the needs of underserved populations such as youth, the elderly, and immigrants. [www.ces.purdue.edu/cfs](http://www.ces.purdue.edu/cfs)
INFANT-TODDLER SPECIALISTS OF INDIANA

As the need for high quality child care, education, and early intervention services for children birth to 3 years has increased in recent years, so has the need for advanced training of professionals who work in early child care. Infant-Toddler Specialists of Indiana promotes the sharing and development of new resources for Indiana professionals who work with infants and toddlers.

Infant-Toddler Specialists of Indiana maintains a statewide professional development network and a Web site rich with resources, current research, professional development opportunities, and a discussion forum. A three-day training institute is held annually.

The initiative is supported by the Department of Child Development and Family Studies at Purdue University along with Indiana University, the State of Indiana, and the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children. [www.cfs.purdue.edu/ITSI](http://www.cfs.purdue.edu/ITSI)

In Indiana, where the rates for obesity and smoking are among the highest in the nation, the College of Consumer and Family Sciences and Purdue Extension are partnering with the INShape Indiana program and the Indiana State Department of Health to help address the health crisis.

On October 15, 2007, the college hosted the annual INShape Indiana Health Summit at Purdue University. The one-day conference, attended by more than 600 employers, focused on worksite wellness, the economic benefits of a healthy workforce, and how companies can help employees develop and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

“Through CFS Extension, we continue to expand and grow the initiatives that support the INShape Indiana message of healthy living,” says CFS Dean Dennis Savaiano. “We’re having great success building community coalitions throughout Indiana focused on identifying and addressing healthcare issues at the local level. There now are Healthy People, Healthy Communities coalitions at work in over half of Indiana’s counties.”

Promoting Hoosier Health

Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels discusses the state’s health initiatives during the INShape Indiana Health Summit.
Researchers have long known about the role calcium plays in preventing osteoporosis and the relationship between vitamin D and calcium absorption. But less is known about how adolescents of different races and genders process calcium. Since 1990, Camp Calcium has provided a means for researchers in the Department of Foods and Nutrition to examine this issue. The department’s 10th Camp Calcium, held in summer 2007, measured the effects of vitamin D on calcium absorption in Asian, Latina, and Caucasian girls ages 12 to 14. Researchers also investigated whether various forms of calcium were absorbed or used more easily by the body.

“We’ve learned a great deal over these 10 sessions about how young people of all races process calcium differently,” says Connie Weaver, distinguished head and professor, Department of Foods and Nutrition. “We also know for certain that calcium intake during the adolescent years can shape bone health for the remainder of a person’s life.”

Delavau LLC, an industry provider of calcium and vitamin D, provided funding for the 2007 camp.

A bone scan on a Camp Calcium participant measures bone density and body composition.
When the Martin Luther King Community Center in Indianapolis wanted to enhance and expand services provided to the 60 families in the Second Time Around: Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program, the center partnered with the College of Consumer and Family Sciences and CFS Extension.

In spring 2007, students in a Child Development and Family Studies research applications class completed an evaluation of the program as a service-learning project. They conducted surveys of children and grandparents in the program, completed a youth needs assessment, and created a resource manual of youth programming.

“The manual was so thorough that staff outside of our own program have utilized it to work with individuals and families they serve,” says Netetia Walker, the center’s executive director. “We feel fortunate to have connected with the College of Consumer and Family Sciences at Purdue. Our first project together was so successful that we look forward to growing our partnership to serve the individuals and families in Indiana.”

One of the goals of the partnership is to create a model for collaboration that can be used with other community centers as well. ■ Grandparents and their grandchildren enjoy an art class at the center. Photo provided by MLKCC.
A growing number of students who participate in study abroad are looking to enhance their experience by combining their career interests with opportunities to help others.

During spring break 2007, CFS students traveled to El Salvador, Belize, and Mexico on humanitarian trips organized through the Purdue chapter of Ambassadors for Children. They collected games and toys, school supplies, and hygiene kits for the communities they visited, and upon arrival, volunteered at schools, orphanages, and helped with community projects.

Carlada Flowers, a senior majoring in youth, adult, and family services, says she gained experience working with special needs and orphaned children. “It was interesting to see how amazed the children were to see sidewalk chalk and jump ropes for the first time. After experiencing a new culture and the circumstances they are living under, it makes you appreciate what you have so much more.”

Belize trip leader Alberto Rubio, PhD ’07, agrees. “I think the trip opened their eyes to a reality they were not part of before.”

Carlada Flowers, pictured here in Cancun, is president of the CFS Multicultural Society for Excellence.
Kyle Kamp, a May 2007 graduate in foods and nutrition, already feels at home at Kraft Foods Innovative Applications Division where he works in research and development. He credits his research experience in the CFS Honors program as helping him land the job of his dreams.

“I had the opportunity to work with Dr. Connie Weaver on my research project, collaborate with industry, and even present my work at a national conference,” he says. “At Kraft, I’m completely at ease in the lab environment and comfortable working on new projects because CFS Honors taught me to ask the right questions.”

During 2006–07, Kamp was one of 105 undergraduates who participated in the CFS Honors program. As freshmen and sophomores, honors students attend seminars together. As juniors and seniors, they work with a faculty honors advisor to develop and complete a scholarly project and present it at the annual CFS Honors Colloquium.

In fall 2006, the college launched the CFS Honors Learning Community to help first-year honors students transition to the college environment, establish early connections with classmates, and succeed at Purdue. As a CFS Honors student, Kyle Kamp conducted research in the Department of Foods and Nutrition.
With her exuberant personality, passion for food, and love of teaching, Chef Carol Silkes could give Rachael Ray a run for her money. A certified executive chef and assistant professor in the Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management, she often donates her time and talent to give cooking demonstrations in the community.

She has volunteered at the ROCC Wellness Center in Lafayette, designing heart healthy recipes for the center’s members, creating a children’s cooking class, and holding a “Heart Healthy Taste” every Tuesday.

“Most people want to eat healthier but don’t know how to get started,” Silkes says. “It’s my belief if you give them a taste of a modified, simple-to-follow recipe they would be more willing to try it at home.”

Always eager to share her love of food, she has done cooking demonstrations for the Home and Family Conference, classes for alumni, and participated in health fairs around the community.

“I just want to celebrate and share my recipes with anyone who is willing to try diet modification,” she says. “To embrace healthy eating, you need to try new recipes … one bite at a time.”

Chef Carol Silkes conducts a cooking demonstration for alumni and friends during President’s Council Annual Weekend in October 2007.
When Chuck Calahan was asked to advise the Purdue chapter of College Mentors for Kids, he didn’t hesitate. As a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Child Development and Family Studies, he was familiar with the student organization. Many of his students were members, and Erin Taylor Slater, the Purdue chapter’s founder who is now CEO of College Mentors for Kids, had been a student of his as well.

The organization pairs at-risk children in first through fourth grade with a college student mentor for weekly activities on campus focused on higher education and careers, culture and diversity, and community service.

“Chuck has far exceeded what College Mentors for Kids would hope for in a faculty advisor,” says Brian Laskey, Purdue chapter president. “Not only is he a sounding board for our ideas and problems, he also helps us to understand the importance of our program for the children and how what we are doing impacts their development.”

Calahan, now in his second year as the group’s faculty advisor, says, “I liken our students to social missionaries, they want to serve society, children, and families. I believe we have a responsibility to participate in whatever way we can to make our community, our society better.”

Chuck Calahan sits in on a meeting with CMFK officers.
A $4 million lead gift from the J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation is making possible a new facility to house the nation’s top-ranked Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM). In October 2007, Purdue held a celebration in recognition of the successful fundraising campaign for Marriott Hall. To commemorate the occasion, memorabilia was placed into a time capsule to be opened on HTM’s 100th anniversary in 2028.

“Our vision is that Marriott Hall will become the internationally recognized hub of education and of hospitality and tourism leaders who strive to move their companies and our industry to the highest levels of public confidence,” says Ray Kavanaugh, department head and professor.

“The hospitality field needs well-trained and dedicated professionals to manage the growth forecasted for the industry,” says J. W. Marriott Jr., chairman/CEO of Marriott International. “Purdue’s program is well-known and respected, and this new facility will benefit the students and industry.”

At the October 2007 celebration (from left) is CFS Dean Dennis Savaiano, Purdue President France A. Córdova, HTM Head Ray Kavanaugh, and Steve Bauman, vice president of talent acquisition and human resource research, Marriott International.
For the 160 children enrolled in the Ben and Maxine Miller Child Learning Center and the Child Development Laboratory School, Purdue is their second home — and one that’s about to undergo a major renovation. The planned Bill and Sally Hanley Hall will, for the first time, consolidate these two children’s programs into one integrated space. In the new Human Development Institute (composed of Hanley Hall and Fowler House), seven classrooms will serve children from 6 weeks to 5 years with part- and full-day program options.

The two preschool classrooms are being made possible by CFS alumni and friends. Susan Berner Eibel, BS ’61, and her husband, Jim Eibel, of Indianapolis, gave $200,000 for the Susan Berner Eibel Preschool Classroom. Linda Rohrman of Lafayette also gave $200,000 to create the Linda Rohrman Preschool Classroom.

“The creation of Hanley Hall with its innovative early childhood classrooms will enable us to become one of the premier child development laboratory schools in the nation,” says Jim Elicker, director of early childhood programs and associate professor in Child Development and Family Studies.

Head teacher Sabrina Barker (left) and student teacher Jacque Matthews help children in the Child Development Lab School practice cutting. Photo by David Umberger.
The College of Consumer and Family Sciences presented the 2007 Inspiring Families and Building Communities Award to two Hoosier programs. Now in its sixth year, the award honors organizations in Indiana that have a direct impact on the community and improve the lives of families. The co-winners are the Family Preservation Program at the Indiana Women’s Prison and the Literacy Empowering and Advocating Project (LEAP) in Albion. They each received a $1,000 cash award.

At the Indiana Women’s Prison, community organizations are providing programming and financial support for a network of resources aimed at helping 160 incarcerated mothers, their 300 children, and 350 of the children’s caregivers. Through efforts such as a children’s center located inside the prison where mothers can visit with their children, an annual picnic, and summer camp, the Indiana Women’s Prison is fostering the mother-child connection.

In Noble County, where 24 percent of adults aged 25 and older do not have a high school diploma, community leaders saw a need for a county-wide literacy initiative. LEAP provides homework help and tutoring for students of all ages, GED classes in English or Spanish for adult learners, early childhood education and parenting classes, and a quality after-school program. By all measures — program participation, academic achievement, and community support — LEAP is a success.

“These two winners are wonderful examples of how collaboration within a community can truly make a difference for Hoosier families,” says CFS Dean Dennis Savaiano. “Mothers incarcerated at the Indiana Women's Prison enjoy time with their children during the Family Preservation Program's annual picnic, where the college presented the program with its award.”
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- Nutrition Science
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- Selling and Sales Management
- Youth, Adult, and Family Services

ENROLLMENT

Undergraduate
249  Child Development and Family Studies
764  Consumer Sciences and Retailing
290  Foods and Nutrition
608  Hospitality and Tourism Management
39   CFS Education
54   Undecided
2,004 TOTAL

Graduate
43   Child Development and Family Studies
45   Consumer Sciences and Retailing
47   Foods and Nutrition
38   Hospitality and Tourism Management
173 TOTAL

DEGREES CONFERRED
6     Associate’s
577   Bachelor’s
23    Master’s
14    Doctorate
620   TOTAL

SPONSORED PROGRAMS

- $13.4 million in awards
- $11.4 million in expenditures
- 23 awards over $100,000
- CFS is second at Purdue in sponsored program expenditures per FTE ($183,915)
- Foods and Nutrition is third among all Purdue departments in expenditures per FTE ($363,881)
- Child Development and Family Studies is first among all Purdue social science departments in expenditures per FTE ($181,984)

FACULTY AND STAFF

55   Tenured/tenure track faculty
28   Non-tenure track faculty, lecturers, and post-doctoral research associates
16   Adjunct faculty
66   Administrative and professional staff
148  Clerical and service staff
127  Graduate student staff
440  TOTAL

ALUMNI

24,688  Living alumni

CFS EXTENSION

80   Educators in 92 counties
5    Extension specialists in Foods and Nutrition, Human Development, and Family Resource Management

NEW CFS EXTENSION INITIATIVES IN 2006–07

- Educational Attainment Initiative
- Indiana Money Smart Week
- INShape Indiana Health Summit
- Living Well for Life
- No Bones About It
- Walks Across Indiana

Data listed above reflects the period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007. Enrollment is for fall semester 2006.