

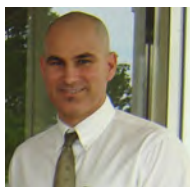
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Getting to Know . . . Jay Bunge and Chris Jozwiak



Jay Bunge has had an interesting teaching

career. His first teaching job was on television, on a program called *At the Zoo*. His job was to teach English to dolphins and goats at the Indianapolis Zoo, by way of sign language. Since then, he has had a number of other interesting and challenging teaching jobs, one of which has led to his having a long association with TLC-South Bend.

“I began teaching at TLC-South Bend in 2000, just after the center moved to its present location,” said Jay. “I continued to teach full time at the center until 2005.”

Since 2005 Jay has taught at Tristate University and part-time at TLC-South Bend. More recently, he has taught at universities in Japan, where he is now between semesters.

“I am a senior instructor with 300 students

and 6 staff members,” said Jay, of his current position. “In Japan, I don’t teach at just one university,” he explained, “because I like to move around to different schools.”



Chris Jozwiak is a South Bend native. He

attended IU Bloomington and then IU South Bend, where he earned a Bachelor Degree in English, with a concentration in composition and literature.

“I studied the modernists,” said Chris, referring to a list of writers that includes Ernest Hemingway and Gertrude Stein. “I also enjoyed reading John Steinbeck,” he added.

Chris has taught at TLC-South Bend for almost four years. Since the beginning of this year he masterfully produced the finished Applied Grammar Skills curriculum.

Student of the Session



Ali Aloraini
Saudi Arabia

Though Chris plays the saxophone, admittedly none too well, he is a virtuoso connoisseur of music.

“I love jazz and I love the blues,” said Chris. “Though I’m no big fan of opera,” he explained, “I can even find some opera that I like. I love all kinds of music.”

When he’s not teaching English or reading books, Chris likes to play video games and work on his house. Chris and his wife share their home with their cat, Mufasa.

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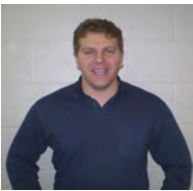
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Congratulations Level 9 Graduates



**Mansour
Alathel**
Saudi Arabia

I'm happy I came to TLC-South Bend. I made a lot of nice friends and had good teachers. The teachers were very helpful when it comes to spelling a word. I learned a lot at the center such as how to play ping-pong, write an essay, and, best of all, I learned how to read. The best thing about TLC-South Bend is its location: it's close to McDonalds!



Nedzad Cavcic
Bosnia/United States

It was worth each minute I spent here, and if I had the chance to do it all again, I would. It was a fun and enjoyable ride while it lasted.

I had some good times and some rough, and at the end, the teachers came through for me. I would like to thank all the teachers for their patience, their respect, and the extra work they put in to make me well prepared to go to Indiana University South Bend.



**Yuan-Ting
(Ethan) Chung**
Taiwan

I have been a TLC student for seven months and began to study at Level 3.

That's a hard period for studying, especially never taking a rest, but I have leaned a lot at TLC.

I really thank every teacher, especially the teachers who have taught me a lot. Also, I want to thank all the students and already graduated students who have been my friends or classmates. I not only learned English at TLC-South Bend but also learned different cultures from my friends who came from other countries: they gave me energy when I felt unable to keep studying.

I really appreciate everyone and every thing at TLC. After I graduate, I'm going to take a vacation and come back, in June, to study at the Post-9 Level. Don't forget me too soon. I will come back. I hope everyone has as nice of an experience at TLC-South Bend as I did.

Sondus Khoja
Saudi Arabia

Being here in the USA is the first step for me toward my goals.

First of all, I would like to thank God. Then, I would like to thank my husband who supports me the most—he did a lot for me. Also, my family who live far away from me—I miss them a lot and I would like to thank them for all their support

and encouragement.

Actually, it was a difficult experience for me to manage my responsibilities and my studies, but, finally, I managed to do so. Also, I would like to thank all my friends: I had a wonderful time with them and they gave me beautiful memories.



Vanesa Rojas
Colombia

Time went so fast and that makes me sad

because it is almost time to go back home. I really missed my home during my time at TLC-South Bend, but now that I'm leaving I realize that I'm going to miss everything here—all of my friends, the teachers, and my host family.

The hardest thing about being here is that I became very close to my friends and now I have to say good-bye; but at least I know that we are going to keep in touch, and I have a home in many different countries.

I'm really thankful to TLC-South Bend. All the teachers and staff helped me a lot so that I could improve my English. I also had the opportunity to work at the school.

I don't like to say good-bye so I'll say, "See you all soon."

A Variety of Local, Regional, and Out-of-Town Activities Offered During Session 5

During Session 5, 2010, students will have a variety of extracurricular activities from which to choose.

On May 1, the first Saturday of the session, students will have an opportunity to take a trip to Amish Acres. Located in Napanee, Indiana, in the heart of Amish country, students taking part in this activity will enjoy Amish home-style cooking; view a film that explains the beliefs



and ways of the local Amish community; take a tour of the grounds, which includes an authentic Amish farmhouse; and shop in Amish stores. Students may even see some of the “locals” riding along the right-hand side of highway 30 in their horse-drawn buggies.

On the second Saturday of Session 5 (May 8), students will have an opportunity to enjoy

the most leisurely of leisure activities: fishing. Homestay dad Gary Schroeder will take a group of students to one of his favorite “fishin’ holes,” where he will teach tried-and-true methods for landing a “good catch.” Students who take part in this activity are likely to learn one of the greatest virtues known to humankind: pa-



tience.

The third major trip will take place Saturday, May 15, when students go to the state capital, Indianapolis. More than just a hub of political intrigue, Indianapolis, the 12th largest city in the United States, is also a city of cultural and historical landmarks. Though “Indy” is probably best known as home to the Indianapo-

lis 500 Speedway, Indiana Pacers, and Indianapolis Colts, the city was also home to the only U.S. president from the state of Indiana, Benjamin Harrison, and to three of the nation’s most famous writers: poet James Whitcomb Riley and novelists Booth Tarkington and Kurt Vonnegut Jr.

While in the city, students



can visit the monuments, see the state house, take a walk to President Benjamin Harrison’s house, enjoy fine restaurants, or go shopping at Landmark Mall.

In addition to the Saturday excursions, during Session 5 students will still have opportunities to enjoy local activities such as shopping at UP Mall, and Conversation Hours at Starbucks, Chicory Café, and The South Bend Chocolate Café. They will also have an opportunity to enjoy regional shopping at the Michigan

Kathy Connell Honored by TLC

TLC-South Bend was honored last week because one of its teachers, Kathy Connell, was chosen as one of the winners for Teacher of the Year. We are pleased that this recognition has been stowed



upon Kathy, which recognizes her hard work and dedication to TLC-South Bend and to the center’s students. It is well deserved.

Congratulations, Kathy. We’re all proud of you!

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SESSION 5, 2010

Sunday April 25	Monday April 26	Tuesday April 27	Wednesday April 28	Thursday April 29	Friday April 30	Saturday May 1
	FIRST MONDAY Seminar: Learn about Haiti!	New Student Welcome Party 3:30 pm			Conversation at Starbucks 1-3 pm	Amish Country 11 am-6 pm
May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8
		A trip to UP Mall 5-9 pm	IU South Bend representative 3:30 pm	Students' Birthday Celebration 3:30 pm	Conversation at Chicory Café 1-3 pm	Fishing! (Time TBA)
May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15
		Trivia! 3:30-4:45 pm	Lori Butchko Purdue U. 3:30 pm		Conversation at The South Bend Chocolate Café 1-3 pm	Indianapolis 8 am-8 pm
May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22
		LAT Testing: Speaking 3:25-4:55 pm Levels 3 and 6	LAT Testing: Speaking 3:25-4:55 pm Level 9	LAT Testing: Writing 3:25-4:55 pm Levels 3, 6, 9	FINAL FRIDAY	Michigan City Outlet Stores 9 am-6 pm