INTRODUCING LIZ BECK, THE NEW INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR
Liz Beck is returning to the Honors Office for fall semester to fill in as the Interim Administrative Director. A permanent Administrative Director is expected to be hired and take over no later than January 1. After 27 years with the ISU Honors Program, Liz has been retired from the University since 2004 but has filled up her time by serving as the Interim Executive Director of the National Collegiate Honors Council and a volunteer with the Special Olympics National Games held in Ames in July. In her free time, she has enjoyed traveling as much as possible. She spent a month in China, Tibet and Hong Kong in May. Liz enjoys meeting Honors students, so don’t hesitate to stop by her office and introduce yourself.
HONORS PROGRAM INFORMATION

Fall 2005 HONORS CALENDAR

August 21: Classes begin
August 29: Honors Ambassador Informational Meeting, 5:10p.m., 1151 Jischke Honors Building
August 30: Project Proposal Help Session, 5:10 p.m., 1151 Jischke Honors Building
August 30: Honors Ambassador Informational Meeting, 7:00p.m., 1151 Jischke Honors Building
September 4: HSB Labor Day Picnic, 5 p.m., Central Campus (North of Campanile)
September 8: Honors Membership approval deadline for Spring Priority Registration
October 13: First half semester classes end; Advising for Spring 2006 registration begins
October 13: Stewart Grant Application Deadline
October 13-14: FHP Retreat
October 16: Second half semester classes begin
October 19: First day of registration for Spring 2006
November 15-18: NCHC in Philadelphia, PA
December 4: Poster Presentation, Great Hall, 3:30-5:30p.m.
December 4-8: Dead Week
December 11-15: Finals Week

NOTE: Additional HSB events will be added soon. Please check future N&N issues for more information.

REGISTRATION REMINDER

Please check the “Courses” at http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/courses_f06.php and “Seminars” at http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/seminars_f06.php for the current listing of available Honors courses and seminars as well as Honors sections of courses and recommended sections of courses for Honors students. Honors courses and seminars are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Courses and lab sections marked by a $ require students to pay an additional fee for course materials.

HONORS SEMINARS

The following is a listing of the Honors Seminars still available for the Fall 2006 semester. Descriptions of the seminars can be found online at http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/seminars_f06.php. Reference numbers are also posted online.

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<td>Contemporary Arabic Culture</td>
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<td>Creative Imagery, Manipulating the Medium and the Message</td>
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<td>Wisdom for a Livable Planet: People Who Made a Difference</td>
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*(2nd) denotes that the seminar will be held during the 2nd half of the fall semester, (1st) denotes that it will be held during the 1st half of the fall semester. (IP) denotes the seminar has been approved for International Perspectives Credit.

HAVE ANY GOOD IDEAS LATELY?

If you have a good idea for an Honors Seminar topic, let us know. We are always interested in good seminar topics. If you have an idea who could or should teach the seminar, we’d love to hear that too. Please contact Gene Takle, gstakle@iastate.edu, 294-4371. The faculty/staff deadline to propose a seminar for Spring 2007 is September 15, 2006. Honors Seminar Proposal forms are available online.
CREDIT LIMIT FOR REGISTRATION
The general registration policy states that students cannot register for more than eighteen (18) credits for any semester. All Honors students, including 2006-2007 Freshman Honors Program members, have a twenty-one (21) credit limit for registration. This limit will be coded automatically by the Honors Program Office.

PASS/NOT PASS POLICY FOR HONORS STUDENTS
Honors students may not take any course Pass/Not Pass unless approval has been secured from the student's college Honors committee prior to the student selecting the Pass/Not Pass option. Please note that this policy does not apply to courses/seminars offered on a Satisfactory/Fail grading system. It applies only to those courses --- both Honors and non-Honors --- for which you may elect the Pass/Not Pass system rather than the standard A-F grading system.

HONORS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
The Honors Ambassador Program was created last semester as an opportunity to connect current Honors students with prospective students who are interested in the Honors Program. Informational meetings will be held Tuesday, August 29 at 5:00pm and Wednesday, August 30 at 7:00pm in 1151 Jischke Honors Building for all students who are interested in participating in the program this fall. If you are interested in learning more or being involved, please attend one of the meetings to hear from current Honors students and staff how you can help meet and greet future Honors students! Ambassadors will serve to introduce prospective freshman students to ISU Honors during Campus Visit days, Experience Iowa State Visit days, overnight visits, online chats, and other opportunities. The time commitment for involvement in the program will be limited to what times you are available and willing to help out. If you cannot attend either of the meeting times but would like more information, please contact Brandy Cunningham.

ATTENTION SPRING 2007 GRADUATES!
It may appear to be a long way off still, but for those of you who are planning on graduating next spring you need to be thinking about your project proposals and projects now! Liz Beck will be hosting a Help Session on College Honors Project Proposals on August 30 at 5:10pm in 1151 Jischke Honors Building. If you are planning on submitting a project proposal in the future this is a great session to attend!

Deadlines for project proposal submissions vary among colleges, so please check with the contact for your college Honors Committee if you have any questions. Remember, your senior year will go by quickly- it’s never too early to get ahead on your project!
Agriculture: Chair, Joan Cunnick, 383D Science I, jcunnick@iastate.edu
Business: College Liaison, Kim Williams, 1200 Gerdin, kimw@iastate.edu
Design: Chair, Mike Muecke, 588 Design, mikesch@iastate.edu
Engineering: Engineering Undergraduate Secretary, Susan Kratz, 110 Marston, skratz@iastate.edu
Human Sciences: Student Services Specialist, Dayle Nickerson, E105 Lagomarcino, dmnick@iastate.edu
LAS: College Liaison, Jane Jacobson, 102 Catt Hall, jjacob@iastate.edu

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MOVE TO HONORS HOUSING?
There are limited spaces in Honors Housing available for males and females. Honors Houses are located in Martin/Starbuck, Barton/Anders, and Lyon/Harwood. If you are not happy with your current living arrangements and would like to move into Honors Housing, please contact Kurt Earnest at kearnest@iastate.edu.

HAVE YOU STUDIED ABROAD?
The Honors Program is seeking Honors Students that have studied abroad within the last 2 years to share their experiences with Freshman Honors Students this fall. If you are interested, please contact Brandy Cunningham, brandyc@iastate.edu, or 294-5827.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEND THE NCHC CONFERENCE?
Each year the National Collegiate Honors Council holds an annual conference about Honors Programs and issues facing Honors students. About half of the 2000 people at each conference are students from across the country, many of whom present panels related to their Honors experience or their research. This year’s conference will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 15-19, 2006, with the theme “Liberty: Foundation for Inquiry, Innovation, and Invention.” If you are interested in attending the conference or would like more information, please contact Brandy at brandyc@iastate.edu or 294-5827. Students who have attended previous NCHC conferences have secured funding to help pay for the conference costs for this great experience.

♦ HSB NEWS
HSB ANNUAL LABOR DAY PICNIC
HSB is again sponsoring its Labor Day Picnic for all Honors students. Plan to attend on Monday, September 4. Food will be served beginning at 5:00 p.m. on central campus, north of the Campanile. It’s a great time to see old friends and meet our new freshmen. See you there!

STAY TUNED
Please check the next issue of News & Notes for the complete listing of events for this semester, including social activities, intramurals, and programs. All members of the Honors Program, including the Freshman Honors members, are members of the Honors Student Board and are invited to any and all HSB events throughout the year. Please join us and meet other Honors students!

♦ GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & OTHER FUNDING
RESEARCH GRANTS FOR HONORS PROJECTS
Grants of up to $500 (University Honors Grants) are available from the Honors Program to defray expenses of your Honors Research Project. A description of the project and a detailed budget are part of the application process. Projects that are substantially completed are ineligible for funding - apply early in your project planning process! Detailed information, including applications, guidelines, and funding are available at http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/scholarships.php or from Suzanne in the Honors Office. The best grant applications are typed, free of spelling errors, and contain thoughtful and clear explanations of project goals and budgets. Work with your project advisor in preparing your application and call the Honors Office at 294-0855 with questions or concerns. There is no specific deadline for University Honors Grants.

STEWART RESEARCH AWARDS
The Stewart Research Awards provide financial support of up to $600 for Honors students’ research projects. Full members of the Honors Program who are proposing research in any academic discipline may apply and the award may be combined with any other financial grant. Awards may be given to a student for a research project which is not designated by the student as his or her required Honors Project, although preference is given to those projects likely to result in a student authored or co-authored publication. The University Honors Committee funds a limited number of awards each year, and the competitive nature of these awards means that students must supply a letter of support from the project advisor. Research awards may be used for any expenses incurred during the project, including travel and equipment costs. Application materials are available in the Honors Office. The deadline is October 13, 2006.

♦ EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
HONORS SEMESTER IN WALES WITH UNCW
Again for Spring 2007, the Honors Scholars Program at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington will sponsor a semester study abroad program in Great Britain at the University of Wales at Swansea. We welcome honors students from other universities to join us. The semester will be hosted by Dr. Lee Schweninger, Professor of English at UNCW.
The Setting: The University of Wales at Swansea, overlooking Swansea Bay, is situated within a large area of landscaped parkland within walking distance of the city center. To the west is Gower Peninsula with broad bays and sandy coves. Swansea is a modern city of 200,000 with well-equipped leisure center and cultural facilities. Swansea can be reached by train from London in about 3 hours.

Course of study: Students may earn 15-18 credits at Swansea by enrolling in four courses and completing an internship. The course load will be as follows: honors seminar (2 credits), internship (3 credits), and courses of the student's choice from the Swansea catalog (9-12 credits).

Students from any major are welcome. Students must be honors students in good standing at their home universities. The students will be assisted by the American Studies Office at the University of Wales at Swansea in course selection and internship arrangements. Dr. Schweninger will teach the honors seminar (Topic: "Dylan Thomas's Places: Abertawe to Zanzibar") and be available to arrange field trips and other events.

Internship: Internships will be arranged in an area of the student's choice. Some examples are Swansea City Council, BBC Radio, Magistrate Court, the local Archaeological Trust, county environmental protection agency, museums, schools, and financial establishments.


Costs and Application: In 2006 the cost was $7,935 and we expect that there will be a modest increase in the price for 2007. The cost includes tuition and fees, internship placement and supervision, accommodations, study abroad health insurance, orientation, local bus pass, and scheduled field trips. Airfare, meals, and books are not included.

The first deposit of $200 (non-refundable) is due October 15, 2006 with the completed application. The rest of the payment may be made in installments - early November and early December. (Late applications will be accepted with a $40 late fee on a "space available" basis.)

Applications may be requested from the Office of International Programs, UNCW, Wilmington NC 28403-5965. E-mail: pikek@uncw.edu. More information about the program, a description of the honors seminar, links to UWS, and pictures of UWS, Swansea, and Wales are available at this web site: http://www.uncw.edu/intprogs/Swanseaindex.htm. Please feel free to contact Dr. Schweninger (schweningerl@uncw.edu ) or Kara Pike, Interim Director, Education Abroad Programs at UNC Wilmington (pikek@uncw.edu ) with any questions.

UNIVERSITY LECTURES
The ISU Lectures Program, funded by GSB and the Office of the Provost, is committed to the philosophy that the function of the university is to provide "a market place of ideas." The Committee on Lectures works to bring to campus a broad spectrum of lectures as well as cultural and artistic events. For a complete listing and descriptions of Iowa State University Lectures Program Schedule of Upcoming Events please visit www.lectures.iastate.edu. Here is a brief listing of upcoming lectures in the next month:

A Philosophy of Public Environmental Education - Mark Rigstad
24 Aug 2006, 7:00 PM @ Oak Room, Memorial Union
ATTEND A MEETING OF THOUGHTFUL INQUIRY

Wingspread conferences, sponsored by The Johnson Foundation, bring together experts and other individuals who are leaders in the development of policies specific to the conferences. Honors students at Iowa State are among the students from only a dozen other schools around the nation who have special status as Wingspread Fellows and are invited to apply to attend the conferences at no cost to themselves. Students attend as observers to the deliberations, but have plenty of opportunity to interact with the experts on an informal basis. In fact, it is not necessary to be majoring in the area of the conference topic. The Foundation is interested in encouraging students to become educated citizens and, thus, have opened these conferences to any interested student. Wingspread was built in 1939 and designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Wingspread is located on Wind Point, a peninsula on the western shore of Lake Michigan in Wisconsin. For further information on the conference or facility go to http://www.johnsonfdn.org/tour.html. Please review the conference listings below and consider becoming a Wingspread Fellow. ALL OF YOUR EXPENSES ARE PAID FOR THE CONFERENCES. Contact Brandy Cunningham, brandyc@iastate.edu, or 294-5827, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you are interested in attending one of the sessions listed below.

Conferees will examine the current state of research in science teacher preparation, including what we know, how we know it and the assumptions made. Twelve white papers will be prepared and reviewed by participants in advance of the conference that describe the current state of knowledge related to recruiting individuals into the field, undergraduate science subject matter content, teaching methods content, first year of teaching, mentoring of new and experienced teachers and retention of teachers in the field. Conferees will identify key questions to be answered and means for answering those questions. **Co-Sponsors:** Janet H. and C. Harry Knowles Science Teaching Foundation and The Johnson Foundation.

September 25-27, 2006: **Planning for Land Use and Healthy Watersheds**
This conference is the kick-off of a UW-Stevens Point program to train watershed managers from outside the US in state of the art methods.
September 29 - October 1, 2006: Superintendents Leadership Forum
Conferences will re-design/re-establish a new Superintendents Leadership Forum drawing from the highly successful work of the Danforth Foundation's 10 year investment in the Superintendents Forum.

October 3-5, 2006: Scope and Consequences of K-12 Science and Mathematics Teacher Turnover
Issues related to science and mathematics education have gained substantial attention in the popular press as well as within education circles. America’s relative position in the world with regard to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education, production of graduate and undergraduate degree holding professionals, purported shortages or looming shortages of highly skilled professionals in these fields and shortages of teachers to prepare them, and the continuing dismal performance of American students on international tests have all contributed to raising awareness and sense of urgency to address the problem. This conference will examine one specific aspect of the issues—that of teacher turnover in science and mathematics fields. The national Commission on Teaching and America’s Future has established itself as a highly respected organization in the area of Teacher Quality and teacher turnover. This conference will focus specifically on teacher turnover in terms of the scope of the problem, consequences of failing to address it and recommendations for action at the state and local levels.
Co-Sponsors: National Commission on Teaching and America’s Future, National Science Foundation, and The Johnson Foundation.

October 8-13, 2006: From Terrorism to Tornados: Mitigating Disruptions to Civil Liberties and the Economy
This is one of a series of meetings that FREE sponsors annually to help federal judges and law professors explore issues from the fields of economics and risk analysis.

October 17-18, 2006: Transitional Jobs for Prisoner Re-entry
The Joyce Foundation has launched a multi-million dollar project to test whether transitional jobs are an effective employment strategy for prisoner re-entry.
Co-Sponsors: The Joyce Foundation and The Johnson Foundation.

Co-Sponsors: Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry Foundation and The Johnson Foundation with support from DuPont and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

November 1-3, 2006: Domestic Violence and Family Courts
Domestic violence is an extremely volatile issue, especially in the context of family courts. Victim advocates see the issue as cut and dried; they typically demand that the father be removed from the picture. But things are often not that simple. Some violence is episodic and the best interests of the child may not be best served by such a zero-tolerance policy. This meeting will bring together both sides to talk about whether a more nuanced approach is possible.

November 29 - December 1, 2006: Climate Institute to Engage State Legislatures
Convene state legislators who are leading climate change policy at the state level, and climate scientists, to promote more state climate change policies.
December 4-6, 2006: Leadership Summit for Sustainable America: Environmental and Natural Resource Stewardship (2nd of 4)

This conference continues a series of four with an examination of resource stewardship goals for the US. Future conferences will address other specialized areas.


♦ GETTING INTO FORT JISCHKE AFTER HOURS

In order to have after-hours access to the Honors Building, see Linda in the Honors Office and sign up for access. You then will be assigned a card. If you already have a university-provided keycard to enter your residence, the Honors Building system will be coded to allow you entrance using that keycard. If you do not have a keycard, you will be issued one that you will be able to pick up at the Honors Program Office. It may be as long as two weeks for the new keycards to be issued or for current keycards to be coded into the system.

You will be granted access to the Honors Building as long as you are a member of the Honors Program in good standing and you must abide by the After Hours Building Use Policy. If you lose your access card there is a $15 replacement fee.

THE AFTER-HOURS BUILDING-USE POLICY FOR THE JISCHKE HONORS BUILDING! Three words: DON'T BE STUPID!

If you need further elaboration, read on:

These are a few rules and guidelines that all students must follow when using the Honors Building after business hours. These are based on the Building-Use policy, ISU building-use regulations, ISU security regulations, and Jischke Honors Building supervisor policies. In general, after-hours use of the Honors Building is a PRIVILEGE granted by ISU security and the Building Supervisor Ricki Shine. This privilege can and has been revoked for student noncompliance of the building policies and guidelines. It is for the benefit of all that these guidelines be followed. HSB, as the Honors student representative body, has the responsibility to make all Honors students aware of these policies and to enforce them. These common-sense rules MUST be followed; by not doing so, you directly jeopardize the privilege of Honors Building use after hours for all students.

---Entrance after hours is by access card only. Card readers are located at the Northeast door and the South door.
---Do not post any signs, flyers, etc. on the walls or woodwork.
---Pick up trash before you leave.
---You may not sleep overnight in the Honors Building.
---Only members in good standing in the Honors Program are allowed in the Honors Building. You may not allow non-honors students into the building after hours.
---NEVER prop an outside door open - it violates the university building-use policy and it sets off an alarm.
---If you are the last person to leave the Honors Building after hours, you MUST check:
  * Computers: Are the computers and printers all turned off?
  * Lights: Are all lights EXCEPT the foyer lights turned off?
  * Trash: Is trash picked up off of the floor? Is the kitchen and lounge area straightened-up? Are all books returned to where they belong?
---If someone is studying, respect their right to study quietly - that's why the building is here.
---Don't use the phone for lengthy personal conversations. If you unplug the phone in the lounge area an alarm will go off and DPS will be alerted. It is for the benefit of all that these guidelines be followed.

NOTE: There is to be no alcohol or illegal drugs in the Honors Building at any time. Violators will be referred to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action.