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INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES
OPEN FORUMS WITH ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

The University Honors Program staff and Administrative Director search committee members are pleased to have three candidates participating in on-campus interviews for the University Honors Program Administrative Director position over the next few weeks. The candidates' names, dates of interviews, and current institutions are listed below.

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We invite all interested students, faculty, and staff to meet the candidates during the Open Forums, which will be held from 1:10-2:00 p.m. in the Cardinal Room of the Memorial Union on the dates listed above. Please come and learn more about each of the candidates and their fit within the University. Each candidate will provide a brief presentation followed by an opportunity for questions and dialogue from the audience. For more information about each candidate and the position description, please visit http://www.iastate.edu/Inside/2007/0112/honors.shtml.

NEW ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP - LAURA MERRICK

Laura Merrick has just been hired as the Assistant Director for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship, a newly created position in the University Honors Program. Laura will work with the Faculty and Administrative Directors to enhance engagement of undergraduate students in research activities university-wide and strengthen students' competitiveness in their pursuit of major scholarships and fellowships, nationally and internationally. She'll help to create and administer two exciting initiatives that will target both Honors and non-Honors students: an annual Undergraduate Research Symposium and a peer-reviewed research publication, the ISU Journal of Undergraduate Research.

Laura has a BA degree in chemistry from Harvard University, and both MS and PhD in Botany from Cornell University. Her research and teaching interests and expertise range from plant genetic resource management, conservation, and sustainable agriculture to geographic information systems and bioethics. She's been a thesis advisor and taught courses for both undergraduate and graduate students, and functioned as an associate editor of an international journal. She has worked as a research faculty member, instructor, or staff scientist at the University of Maine, University of California, and Iowa State University and as an adjunct faculty member at three universities in Mexico, and consulted or worked for the US Department of Agriculture and other federal agencies. In her spare time, she works in her family's big vegetable garden, loves to do logic puzzles, and (slowly!) runs half-marathons. Stop by the second floor of the Honors Building and say “hi” to Laura.

FIRST ANNUAL UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

ISU’s First Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium will take place on Wednesday, April 11, at the Memorial Union. The symposium provides undergraduates from all academic disciplines the opportunity to share their research with the university community, families, and other guests through oral presentation sessions in a professional conference style environment. Although participation is open to the entire university community, the symposium is being organized by the University Honors
Program. We hope that many Honors students will participate in the symposium. Even if you do not plan to apply to make a presentation, we would like to have your help in many of the organizational activities that take place before, during, and after the symposium. For more information on the symposium, or to learn how you can get involved, please contact Barry Falk at bfalk@iastate.edu

RESEARCH IN THE CAPITOL
On Monday, March 5, 2007, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., 20 high-ability undergraduate students from each of the Iowa Regent's universities (Iowa State University, the University of Iowa and the University of Northern Iowa) will be invited to present their research in a forum in the rotunda of the State Capitol building in Des Moines. The program called "Research in the Capitol" was initiated last year and is designed to highlight the importance of undergraduate research to legislators and other state officials. Topics range widely from chemical or civil engineering and genetics to psychology and political science. Students will display posters and discuss their research projects with lawmakers and reporters. A press release about last year’s event from ISU’s College of Engineering quoted Dr. Brighton--the Vice President for Research and Economic Development at ISU--as stating: “These students are doing up-to-date, fundamental research, and it’s exciting to watch. It’s like being a pioneer--you’re discovering new things no one has ever seen before.”

Would you and your research mentor(s) like to showcase your research at the "Research in the Capitol" event? Participation is open to Honors and non-Honors students. Presenters will be selected on the basis of quality of research and presentation and availability to present in person at the State Capitol on March 5. Preference will be given to residents of Iowa in order to highlight their involvement in work conducted at the state’s leading research institutions. Interested ISU students or their advisors should contact Laura Merrick at lmerrick@iastate.edu or 294-0172 for more information.

♦ HONORS PROGRAM INFORMATION
Spring 2007 HONORS CALENDAR
January 8: Spring Semester classes begin
January 15: Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday – University Holiday
January 15: HSB Annual MLK Indoor Picnic, 5:00 p.m., Jischke Honors Building
January 26: University Honors Membership approval deadline for Fall Priority Registration
February 2: Outstanding FHP Member Scholarship Info Sheets due by 4:00 p.m.
February 2: Convert to Honors Credit forms due
February 15: Stewart Research Award applications deadline
February 19: Outstanding Honors Member & Outstanding HSB Member Scholarship applications due
March 2: First half classes end; W. Robert Parks Award Nominations due
March 5: Second half-semester courses begin. Advising period for Fall 2007 registration begins
March 12-16: Spring Break – NO CLASSES
March 19: First day of registration for Fall 2007
April 11: 1st Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium, 8:00am-5:00pm, Memorial Union
April 19-21: Upper Midwest Honors Council Conference at Dickinson State University in Dickinson, ND
April 17: Fall 2007 Seminar Registration opens at noon
April 23-27: Dead Week
April 25: Poster Presentation, 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Great Hall, Memorial Union
April 30 - May 4: Finals Week

STUDENT WORKER WANTED
The University Honors Program has a Student Worker position opening for Spring 2007. We are looking for a qualified, reliable person, approved for work-study funds, and with afternoon hours on Monday, Tuesday, and/or Wednesday available. Applications can be picked up in 2130 Jischke and are Due January 17. Come join the exciting team in the Honors Program office. Contact Linda Young, 294-0573, lindakay@iastate.edu with questions.
NEW MEMBERS
Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the College Honors Programs:
Christopher Weiser Design ARTGR
Brandon Bodnar Engineering E E
Ilya Ellem Engineering M E
Nathan Schulz LAS CHEM & GER

SPRING SEMESTER HONORS SEMINARS
The following Spring 2007 seminars still have openings. For more information and descriptions for the seminars, check the Honors webpage at http://www.honors.iastate.edu/current/seminars_s07.php. Honors Seminars’ Reference Numbers are posted online as well.

HON 322A, Concepts of Ecosystem Health: Is There a Doctor in the House?, Monday, 2nd Half, 2:10-3:30 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Dušan Palić
HON 322B, Tolkien’s Mythology, Friday, 2:10-4:00 p.m., 2 credits, Instructor: Alan Myers
HON 322C, IMing With Online Predators, Thursday, 1st Half, 9:00-10:50 a.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Chad Harms
HON 322E, Can You Be Anyone?(Re) Thinking Characterization Using 2nd Person Point of View to Create Reader-Characters in Fiction, Monday, 2:10-3:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Christiana Langenberg
HON 322F, Escaping From Flatland, Wednesday, 2:10-3:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Hadley Wickham
HON 322H, What Investors and Managers Need to Know About Fraud, Tuesday, 4:10-5:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: William N. Dilla
HON 322K, Robin Hood: History, Legend & Film, Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m., 2 credits, Instructor: Gloria Betcher
HON 322N, Sustainability and Public Gardens: How Gardens Can Be Greener, Tuesday, 3:30-5:00 p.m., 2 credits, Instructors: Lisa Orgler and Colleen Rogers
HON 322P, New Urbanism and the American Suburban Neighborhood, Monday, 2nd Half, 12:10-1:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Michael Martin
HON 322Q, Exploring Leadership, Thursday, 3:10-5:00 p.m., 2 credits, Instructors: Jennifer Garrett and Brandy Cunningham
HON 322R, The Russian Film Comedy, Friday, 10:00-10:50 a.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Olga Mesropova
HON 322W, Tracking Technologies: Contemporary Uses of Radio Frequency Identification Tagging, Tuesday, 2:10-3:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructors: Anthony M. Townsend and Andy Luse
HON 322Y, Poetry and Conceptual Design, Tuesday & Thursday, 2:10-3:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Michael Pate
HON 322Z, Transformational Role of Information Technology, Wednesday, 1st Half, 9:00-10:50 a.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Sree Nilakanta
HON 324A, Rich Nations, Poor Nations: Can Scaled-up Foreign Aid Reverse the Great Divergence, Tuesday, 1st Half, 2:10-4:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Lehman Fletcher
HON 324C, Race, Ethnicity, and Community Relations, Tuesday, 1st Half, 6:00-8:00 p.m., 1 credit, Instructor: Basil Mahayni
HON 324D, Assisted Reproductive Technologies: Biological and Ethical Considerations, Tuesday, 11:00-11:50 a.m., 1 credit, Instructor: C.R. Youngs

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. Honors Seminar Proposal forms are available online. Seminar proposals for the 2007-2008 academic year are due January 25, 2007.

CONVERTING COURSES TO HONORS CREDIT
You are able to convert any course at Iowa State into an Honors Course by entering into a contract with your professor to do something over and above the regular coursework for the class. This is a great
opportunity for you to learn more about a given subject area - perhaps to go more into depth regarding
something the course will cover or to learn something the course won't include. WHAT you learn and
HOW you learn it is up to you and your professor. Although students often write an extra paper or do some
extra reading, you are limited only by your imagination about how you will convert a course to Honors
credit.

In order for you and your professor to have sufficient time to discuss what you plan to do to convert a
course for Honors credit, and for you to complete the work in a timely manner, the completed and signed
REGISTRATION FOR HONORS CREDIT form will be due to the Honors office no later than 5pm on the
4th Friday of the semester. For Spring 2007 the deadline is February 2nd. The Registration for Honors
Credit Forms are available online or in the University Honors Program office. If you have any questions
about converting courses or the procedures, please ask Suzanne Wirth or Liz Beck.

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.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MOVE TO HONORS HOUSING?
There will be spaces available in Honors Housing for males and females for this semester. 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 as soon as possible. If you would like to learn more about the Honors Houses, please
contact the following student representatives from the individual houses for more information or to tour the
facilities:
Anders House/ Barton Hall – Gabby Daniels, gdan1201@iastate.edu
Harwood House/ Lyon Hall – Ming Li, mangleli@iastate.edu
Starbuck House/ Martin Hall – Bailey Lewis, cblewis@iastate.edu

UPPER MIDWEST HONORS CONFERENCE 2007
Would you like an opportunity to present your research? Are you interested in meeting Honors students
and faculty from all over the Midwest? You should attend Upper Midwest Honors Council Conference
2007 - “The Peoples of the Prairie” from April 19-21 at Dickinson State University in Dickinson, ND. If
interested in presenting or attending, please contact Brandy Cunningham, brandyc@iastate.edu, by
February 2. For more information go to http://www2.dsu.nodak.edu/users/umhc/2007/index.htm.

♦ HSB NEWS
MLK INDOOR PICNIC
The Honors Student Board invites you to the annual MLK Indoor Picnic. Come catch up with other Honors
Students on Monday, January 15, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. in the Jischke Honors Building. Food and drink will
be provided free of charge to all Honors students. For more information contact Suzanne Kehret, HSB
Social Chair, at skehret@iastate.edu.
MEETINGS THIS SEMESTER
The Honors Student Board will meet Tuesdays at 5:00pm in 1113 Jischke Honors during the Spring Semester. All Honors students are invited to attend!

♦ AWARDS & RECOGNITION
INTRODUCING THE NEW CYCLONE AIDES
Congratulations to the following Honors students who were selected to be part of the 2007 Cyclone Aide team: Jessica Crawford, Beatriz Espinoza, Rachael Hagen, Joe Hultgren, Jonathan Jones, Kelsey Kelley, and Rachel Wall. Thirty-two students overall were selected as Cyclone Aides for the upcoming year. Congratulations to all!

♦ GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & OTHER FUNDING
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 online on the Honors website. The deadline is February 15, 2007.

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 Janet 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 294-4371 with questions or concerns. There is no specific deadline for University Honors Grants, but the earlier submitted the better.

UDALL SCHOLARSHIPS
The Udall Scholarship furthers Congressman Udall’s legacy by awarding scholarships of $5,000 for study of the environment and related fields. Scholarships are also awarded to Native Americans and Alaska Natives in fields related to health care and tribal public policy.

Because environmental issues and Native American tribal issues can be approached from a variety of disciplinary perspectives, there is no typical Udall Scholar. Students from many different majors have been awarded Udall Scholarships. Successful candidates generally have taken courses in ethics and public policy, and have performed community service in the area of the candidate’s future career.

Who can apply? Sophomores and juniors who plan careers related to the environment or are Native Americans or Alaska Natives who plan careers in health care or tribal public policy. Students should have a GPA of 3.5 or higher. If you are interested in learning more about the Udall Scholarship or would like to apply, contact Laura Merrick in the Honors office immediately. Deadline for application is March 6, 2007.
ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship is a $24,000 scholarship to pursue graduate work, the purpose of which is to promote international understanding and goodwill through study in another country. The Ambassadorial Scholarship furthers the Rotary Foundation’s mission of promoting world understanding and peace; Rotary scholars are expected to reach out to help meet humanitarian needs in the community where they are assigned. Generally 2-3 students from Iowa State are selected for the District interviews.

Students interested in the 2008 Rotary Scholarship must have a bachelor’s degree by the end of May 2008 and cannot return to a country in which they spent more than six consecutive months. Interested students should contact Susan Posch in the Study Abroad Office to find out more specific information. Application process will begin in February.

PHI KAPPA PHI FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
Every year, the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi awards sixty Fellowships of $5,000 each and forty Awards of Excellence of $2,000 each to members entering the first year of graduate or professional study. Recipients will also receive a one-year membership into the Society. Each Phi Kappa Phi chapter may select one candidate from among its local applicants to compete for the Society-wide awards.

To apply for a Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship, you must: 1) be an active member of Phi Kappa Phi or have accepted membership by June 30, 2007; 2) Have applied to enroll as a full-time student in a post-baccalaureate program of study for the 2007-2008 academic year.

To receive more information and to apply, visit www.phikappaphi.org. You may complete the application online, print it out, and submit it with the other required materials to your chapter. The deadline to submit your complete application packet to the ISU Phi Kappa Phi chapter is February 1, 2007. For questions, visit the website or contact Liz Beck in the Honors Office or Joel Coats, current ISU Chapter President of Phi Kappa Phi at jcoats@iastate.edu.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
RESEARCH EXPERIENCES FOR UNDERGRADUATES
REU at NJCEP is a National Science Foundation funded program centered at the New Jersey Center for Engineered Particulates at NJIT. The Program is designed to expose students to topics associated with nanoscale materials science and engineering as well as important issues associated with their professional development, particularly focused on the research enterprise with an ultimate goal of contributing to a stream-lined pipeline of well-trained engineers and scientists who are well versed in applications of nano-structured and engineered particulate composites to products of today as well as years to come.

The New Jersey Center for Engineered Particulates (NJCEP) will host its NSF-funded Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Site in Summer of 2007. During the 10-week program, 10 undergraduate students, selected on a competitive basis from various universities throughout the USA, will live on campus while working on challenging research alongside NJIT faculty and graduate students. The research projects will involve unique topics dealing with synthesis, characterization, and applications of nano-particles as engineered composites, focusing on developing fundamental understanding of particle interactions and their influence on final product, which may be existing consumer products (e.g. sun-screens) as well as novel materials (e.g., new cancer drugs or advanced-energetic materials). Students will benefit from a strong research group that includes established faculty researchers and their graduate students, working on collaborative activities in nanotechnology.

More details and an online application may be found at the project website, http://mechanical.njit.edu/news/reu.php. For any questions, please contact Professor Kwabena A. Narh, REU Director, kwabena.a.narh@njit.edu.
WASHINGTON DC-LONDON INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, the largest, full-time internship program in Washington, D.C. announces a new program for summer 2007: our Washington, D.C. – London Internship Program. We’re excited about this offering, which will provide students an extraordinary academic experience combining the best of study abroad and an internship. Designed as a ten-day seminar in the nation’s capital followed by an eight-week internship placement with programming and academic study in the capital of the United Kingdom, it will help students achieve a comparative understanding of professional, cultural and political life in the two countries.

Participation will be limited. Applications for the available spaces are due by our Competitive Deadline for summer term, February 2, 2007. Students normally eligible for The Washington Center's ACHS ($1,000) and NCHC ($2,000) scholarships are also eligible to compete to apply the scholarships to this program as well. For further information and to download the program application (which is different from our regular application), please visit http://www.twc.edu/students/london.shtml. For additional information you can also write dc.london@twc.edu, or call 202-336-7560.

REPERTORY THEATER OF IOWA PRODUCTION
The Repertory Theater of Iowa presents “Crowns” by Regina Taylor, a musical about the history of African American women and their hats. The performance will be Saturday, January 13, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. in the Ames City Auditorium at 515 Clark Avenue. Student tickets are $10 and 50% of all proceeds will benefit the Martin Foundation. For more information contact the Repertory Theater of Iowa at 515-266-0560.

UPCOMING UNIVERSITY LECTURES
Below is a listing of upcoming University Lectures. Check out the web site for changes and additions at www.lectures.iastate.edu.
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday Celebration
18 Jan 2007, 4:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
American Foreign Policy toward the Middle East in the 21st Century - Kenneth W. Stein
29 Jan 2007, 8:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
Forty Years of Black Politics
30 Jan 2007, 7:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
Forty Years in the Wilderness: Martin Luther King and the Misdirection of the Negro-Jonathan Farley
01 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
Islam - Ingrid Mattson
07 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Great Hall, Memorial Union
Black History Month Gospel Choir Extravaganza
09 Feb 2007, 7:00 PM @ Great Hall, Memorial Union
In the Wake of Columbus: The Biological Consequences of Contact and Colonialism in the Americas
15 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Gallery, Memorial Union
Deep Economy: The Wealth of Communities and the Durable Future - Bill McKibben
18 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Great Hall, Memorial Union
Home Ground: Language for an American Landscape - Panel Discussion
19 Feb 2007, 9:00 AM @ Pioneer Room, Memorial Union
The Bell Project - Patrick Hazell
19 Feb 2007, 10:45 AM @ Pioneer Room, Memorial Union
The Folklore of Home Ground - Panel Discussion
19 Feb 2007, 2:45 PM @ Pioneer Room, Memorial Union
Racing in Place: A Reading - Michael Martone
22 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
The Threat of Bioterrorism: A "One-Medicine" Perspective - Col. Donald L. Noah
26 Feb 2007, 7:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union
Christian Faith and the Environment - Janel Curry

27 Feb 2007, 8:00 PM @ Pioneer Room, Memorial Union
Global Warming and Iowa Agriculture - Cynthia Rosenzweig

28 Feb 2007, 7:00 PM @ Sun Room, Memorial Union

♦ **INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**CALLING ALL TALENT FOR VEISHEA MUSICAL!**

Become part of VEISHEA tradition through this year's performances of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man," to take place in Stephen's Auditorium on April 20 and 21 at 7:00pm!

Auditions will be held on January 16 and 17 at 7:00 p.m. in Music Hall, and are open to ISU students, faculty, and staff, as well as the entire Ames community. Auditions for children ages 8-14 will be held January 17 at 6:00 p.m. Those auditioning should prepare one to two minutes of a classic musical theatre song and bring sheet music accompaniment. Please wear or bring something to dance in (clothes and shoes). No monologue is required. Callbacks for selected roles will be held January 18th at 7:00pm.

Anyone interested in auditioning is encouraged to contact Brad Dell at dellbrad@iastate.edu or 515-294-0184 for more information.

♦ **WINGSPREAD CONFERENCES**

**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 the sessions listed below.

**Youth Voter Strategies: Solidifying Gains**

*Statement of Purpose:* To make the engagement of young people a permanent part of electoral strategies.

*This conference was developed to:* Assess the 2006 election in anticipation of 2008.

*The principal issue is:* Youth Voting.

*Synopsis:* Pollsters know that if you get someone to vote in three consecutive elections, they will be voters for life. In 2004, voting rates for young people went up significantly. A Wingspread Conference in 2005 looked at 2004 to develop strategies for 2006. This meeting will consider the 2006 elections, in order to focus on 2008 and complete the cycle of three.

*Expected outcome:* A strategy and media plan for the 2008 elections.


*Dates: January 23-24, 2007 (Tuesday-Wednesday)— begins at 2:30 p.m.; adjourns at 3:00 p.m*
Domestic Violence and Family Courts

Statement of Purpose: To develop court procedures that will respond more effectively to families experiencing domestic violence.

This conference was developed to: Bring together advocates from differing points of view.

The principal issue is: Domestic violence and family courts.

Synopsis: 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.


Expected Outcome: Guidelines for family court judges

Dates: February 15-17, 2007 (Thursday-Saturday)– begins at 4:00 p.m.; adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

Milwaukee County Food Share Summit

Statement of Purpose: To improve the operation of the Federal Food Stamp Program in Milwaukee County.

This conference was developed to: Bring all concerned parties together in a neutral setting.

The principal issue is: Poverty in Milwaukee County.

Synopsis: Milwaukee is the 7th poorest city in America. Yet cumbersome application and reporting requirements mean that thousands of Milwaukee residents who are eligible for food stamps are not signed up. The food stamp program involves federal, state, and county government. This summit will bring all parties together to upgrade services and improve efficiency.

Expected Outcome: A shared agreement on improved coordination and upgraded service

Co-sponsors: The Hunger Task Force of Milwaukee Country, Jane Bradley Pettit Foundation, and The Johnson Foundation

Dates: March 1-2, 2007 (Thursday-Friday)– begins at 11:30 a.m.; adjourns at 1:00 p.m.

Conservation Thresholds for Land Use Planners

Statement of Purpose: To bridge the gap between conservation and land use with science-based standards for biodiversity protection and land conservation.

This conference was developed to: Develop standards for biodiversity protection in land use planning.

The principal issue is: Biodiversity protection.

Synopsis: This conference develops standards for science-based planning for biodiversity protection.

Co-Sponsors: Environmental Law Institute and The Johnson Foundation.

Outcome: A report detailing thresholds enabling land use planners to prepare more effective conservation plans.

Dates: March 19-21, 2007 (Monday-Wednesday)– begins at 4:00 p.m.; adjourns at 1:30 p.m.

♦ 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 $20 replacement fee.

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. 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 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.

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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.