

## The HoHoSeMo

A semimonthly news update  
Of the NKU Honors Program  
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### ***IMPORTANT DATES AND NOTICES: Mark your calendars!***

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#### **~ SUPERPRIORITY REGISTRATION ~**

**Superpriority Registration for Honors Students *in good standing*** with the Honors Program begins at 10:00 am on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. See Advising Reminder below.

#### **Advising Reminder**

ALL Honors students who have not yet begun their capstone project should meet with an honors academic advisor before registering for courses for the Summer and Fall. Please e-mail [honorsadvisor@nku.edu](mailto:honorsadvisor@nku.edu) to schedule an appointment.

#### **Graduating Next Year? Crucial Capstone Meeting and Planning Information**

All students beginning their capstone project in either the Summer or the Fall 08 must attend a capstone meeting on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:05 pm. To register for capstone courses (HNR 490 or 491) you must meet with David Kime – email [honorsadvisor@nku.edu](mailto:honorsadvisor@nku.edu) to arrange an appointment with David. Careful and deliberate planning is especially important if you are planning to use a professional experience (internship, co-op, practicum) as part of your capstone experience. An appointment with David and attendance at the meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup> is crucial to successfully completing the Honors Program for graduation in December 08 or May 09.

#### **~ HOLD THESE DATES! ~**

**Thursday, March 20 HoHoCoHo – 6:00-9:00 pm.** Belly dancers are back! And, wear your favorite cardigan sweater in celebration of “National Sweater Day,” in honor of what would have been Mr. Rogers 80<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**Friday, April 25 – 6:00-10:00 pm.** It will be a Big Night at the HoHo. Details to come.

#### **~ KUDOS! ~**

We congratulate both ***Karen Burwinkel***, *The Cooke Graduate Scholarship Nominee* and ***Sara Austin***, *The Alpha Chi Graduate Scholarship Nominee*!

#### **Are you graduating and heading off to grad school?**

Please let us know where and what you'll be studying. Email Rees Storm, [stormr@nku.edu](mailto:stormr@nku.edu).

## ~ OPPORTUNITIES TO PURSUE YOUR PASSIONS ~

### **NKU Research Grants and Contracts Office offers students \$\$.**

Visit their website [rgc.nku.edu](http://rgc.nku.edu) and look under Student Opportunities. Upcoming deadline is **Friday, March 21.**

### **PEACE CORPS will visit NKU & the HoHo Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

You can visit them at the NKU Job EXPO in Regents Hall. **OR** come to a more relaxed setting at **3:00 pm in room 10 here in the HoHo.** Snacks will be provided. Bring your friends! Furthermore, if the Peace Corps is something you've been thinking of for awhile, contact Katie O'Connor to set up your interview. Call 800.424.8580 (option 1) or email [koconnor@peacecorps.gov](mailto:koconnor@peacecorps.gov). Visit [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov) for more information.

### **Summer Internship with the Internal Revenue Service**

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars is excited to offer substantially paid summer internship opportunities with the IRS. Students interning with the IRS this summer will receive funding covering the cost of The Washington Center's program and housing fees, as well as provide a weekly stipend of \$260.

Students from various majors will be considered, but students should have skills in writing, information technology and/or accounting. Interns must be able to work in a team environment as well as independently, be savvy in internet research and use of general office software, have very good communications skills, and work well with deadlines. To be eligible, student should have a GPA of 3.5 or above, preferably involved in an honors program or the recipient of an honors award. Community service involvement is also a plus for applicants to highlight on their resume.

Most assignments will be done in teams. Interns will be required to lead at least one assignment and be a team member on at least one assignment. Most interns complete 8-10 assignments each summer. Example tasks we have coming up this summer for interns:

- \* *Conduct legislative watches via Internet*
- \* *Develop electronic surveys for approximately 10,000 customers, analyze results, develop and present briefing*
- \* *Analyze historical budget data and trends*
- \* *Analyze and model workload data to determine related staffing needs*
- \* *Develop exhibits and segments of contracts/statements of work*
- \* *Work with an industrial engineer to develop division wide performance measures*
- \* *Manage a virtual resource room for employees impacted by potential downsizing (electronic books, web links, and other resources)*
- \* *Participate on a task forces to analyze new training programs*
- \* *Develop and/or update process maps*
- \* *Develop and implement on-line procedure guides for the new work processes*
- \* *Organize and implement an electronic library using Sharepoint virtual team rooms and Documentum (training provided)*
- \* *Analyze performance data to determine trends*
- \* *Conduct Internet research to support pricing comparisons on contracts*

- \* *Test and or document new IT systems and major changes to existing systems*
- \* *Conduct benchmarking and best practices research via Internet*

To apply, students should e-mail their resume to Danielle Mahan at [daniellem@twc.edu](mailto:daniellem@twc.edu). Positions will be filled on a rolling basis, so students are encouraged to send their resume as soon as they are able.

For questions or more information, feel free to contact Danielle Mahan at The Washington Center via e-mail ([daniellem@twc.edu](mailto:daniellem@twc.edu)) or phone (202-238-7967).

## ~ GIVE BACK ~

### **Honors House Volunteer Corps**

Have you ever wanted to give back to your community? Wanted to actively participate in politics? Want to see other ways of living in your very own community? Want to add to your resume? Then be part of the Honors House Volunteer Corps! Here with the VoCo – there are monthly meetings for members, excellent volunteer opportunities for everyone, and there are no dues! We will share our volunteer experiences together, trade volunteer opportunities, and talk to each other about things we believe in! For more information, contact Tunice Masden ([masdent1@nku.edu](mailto:masdent1@nku.edu)) or Ali Godel ([godela1@nku.edu](mailto:godela1@nku.edu)).

### **Service on Saturday is April 5 – Help Save the Planet!**

FSLC has set the date for the next Service on Saturday! The Freshman Service Leadership Committee is sponsoring the annual day of community service in an effort to get the students more involved with the surrounding community. Service on Saturday (S.O.S.) and will take place on **Saturday, April 5, 2008** from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. Students will meet in the University Center Cafeteria at 10 am for breakfast and then carpool to AJ Jolly Park to **plant 500 new trees**. NKU vans will also be available for students. All volunteers will receive a free t-shirt for participating. To register, please send your t-shirt size to [mayset@nku.edu](mailto:mayset@nku.edu) by Friday, March 14.

### **Mentor Kids!**

At **Big Brothers Big Sisters**, there are many opportunities to mentor in the schools and in the community. Experience tells us that many of the honors students have likely been involved in community service before and this may be of interest. If interested contact Mr. Lynn Cameron, VP and Volunteer Recruitment Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cincinnati, 2400 Reading Road, Suite 407, Cincinnati, OH 45202, (513) 421-4120, [www.bigsforkids.org](http://www.bigsforkids.org) or email him at [cameron@bigsforkids.org](mailto:cameron@bigsforkids.org). Remember: You don't have to change your life to change theirs...mentor someone today!

### **Are You Engaged?**

Be recognized for your community service work. The new **Civic Engagement Achievement** program is accepting applications from actively engaged students. The application will be online (at <http://nkuas.org/application/>) in March. There is also more information about the program on the Scripps Howard Center for Civic Engagement website with a link to the application at <http://civicengagement.nku.edu/students.shtml>. Also, watch for the launch of the Civic Engagement Scholars program in the fall!

### **Feeling Political? Join NKU Students FOR OBAMA**

Are you a supporter of Barack Obama? Do you want to see *real* change for your future? Please consider joining NKU For Obama! We are seeking people from every background and political party—Republicans, Independents and Democrats! For those who haven't made up their mind yet-- why should you support Obama? How about a **\$4,000 tax credit** for college education and a **simpler financial aid** process? NKU For Obama is now recruiting! Help promote change that we can believe in. For more information—visit our group page on Facebook or send an email to Keith Lanser at *lanserk1@nku.edu*.

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