Scholarship News

Over twenty new students have accepted four-year Honors Scholarships for this fall. These students will be completing the requirements for graduation as University Honors Scholars. Please make them welcome.

Amy Biddle
Gregory Bothe
Colleen Boyle
Shawn Brickles
Laura Cox
Shaun Daugherty
Charles Edmonson
Erin Hannon
Alex Hodges
Elizabeth Lambes
Mesissa McCormick
Jennifer Nozar
Robyn Powell
Charles Powers
Amy Rang
Eulalia Renegado
Lori Resler
Joan Salido
Jeanne Smith
Jeffrey Smith
Emily Tamplin
Monica Wright
Gregory Wurst
Dayton Christian
West Carrollton
R. B. Chamberlin
Madison Plains High
Meadowdale
Newton
Beavercreek
Southeastern
Greenon
Belmont
Bellbrook
Beavercreek
Kettering Fairmont
Beavercreek
Beavercreek
Fort Recovery
Miami East
Hillsboro
Arcanum
Columbus Grove
Piqua
Miami East
West Carrollton
Accountancy
Computer Engineering
Elementary Education
Social Studies Education
Education
Chemistry
Business
Nursing
Physics
Chemistry
Pre-medicine
Special Education
Psychology
Electrical Engineering
English
Business
Communication
Biomedical Engineering
Biological Sciences
Undecided
Pre-Veterinary
Nursing
Management
This has been a good summer. The incoming class looks promising: 180 new students have qualified for Honors. They have an average high school GPA of 3.71, their ACT scores average 26.12 and SATs 1165 (the high was a 35 ACT and a 1480 SAT). They are mostly from Ohio, with only four from out of state (Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, and Missouri). They are well distributed within Ohio with no more than 7 from any one high school (tie with seven: Beavercreek, Fairborn, and Wayne). All this compares very favorably with last year's class: slightly higher on the averages; a few more in the total number.

Summer has also been a time for me to catch up a bit on my research and writing. My national professional meeting is coming up in November and I am writing a paper ("The Reader of/in the Apocalypse: An Approach through Reader Response Theory") and critiquing a new book, to which the author will respond. Should be fun.

The new year promises new emphases. We want to enhance faculty participation in the program and provide more student/faculty interaction outside the classroom. We want to explore the development of learning communities and study abroad. Service First needs to be continued and expanded, as does the developing African American Caucus in Honors. Look for a new Honors Handbook to come out shortly. We are increasing the number and variety of our UH 203 courses—including a version of UH 203 scheduled for Spring. We are working with sympathetic departments to inaugurate new courses in Geology, Chemistry, and Psychology—stay tuned for details.

But the best part, for me, is the increasing circle of participants: more faculty, a greater number and variety of students, even more administrators getting involved. We've even had a Dean ask to teach an Honors Seminar. Whether you are student, staff, faculty, or administrator, there is a role for you to play in Honors at Wright State. You will find many of these opportunities detailed in other places in this Newsletter. Come join the fun.

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**Scholarships Available for 1990-91**

The Honors Program is pleased to be able to offer over $20,000 in scholarship aid for continuing (accepted into the Honors Program by September 21) Honors Program students. Applications for all of the following awards are due in the Honors Office by Monday, October 8.

$2,000 for three quarters, renewable for 91-92—Three to award to continuing Honors students: one adult (25+), one African-American, one continuing.

**Eligibility:**
- 40 or more hours of earned college credit
- 3.25 or higher cumulative GPA

**To Apply:**
- Sign a transcript release in the Honors Office
- Have two faculty references mailed to the Honors Office
- Submit a two or three page typed essay that discusses your educational and career goals

**For Renewal:**
- Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better

Recipients are expected to make progress toward graduation with University Honors

$1,500 for three quarters, not renewable—Four to award: one African-American, one adult, two continuing.

**Eligibility:**
- 40 or more hours of earned college credit
- 3.25 or higher cumulative GPA

**To Apply:**
- Sign a transcript release in the Honors Office
- Have two faculty references mailed to the Honors Office
- Submit a two or three page typed essay that discusses your educational and career goals

Recipients are expected to make progress towards graduation with an Honors Degree

$800 for three quarters, not renewable—Two to award to part-time Honors students

**Eligibility:**
- 15 or more hours of earned college credit
- 3.25 or higher cumulative GPA

**To Apply:**
- Sign a transcript release in the Honors Office
- Have two faculty references mailed to the Honors Office
- Submit a two or three page essay that discusses your educational and career goals

Recipients are encouraged to enroll in one Honors course, if possible.
Honorable Mentions

Student Honors Association

Officers for 1990-91
President, Joe Piamthipmanus
Vice President, Kathy Blough
Treasurer, Jim Stouffer
Recording Secretary, Kim Covert
Corresponding Secretary, Jason Crabtree
ICC Representative, Andra Kosan
Historian, Thom Brex
Activities Committee Chair, Jason Moore
Honors Committee, Beth Gillen, Sonia Gupta, and Marty Hammonds

Membership Drive Pizza Party — To be announced

The torch is passed.
Bob Hale (1989-90) and Joe Piamthipmanus (1990-91)

Alpha Lambda Delta

Officers for 1990-91
President, Angie Frankenbergh
Vice President, Thom Brex
Secretary, Kristina Davis
Treasurer, Teresa Bornhorst
Historian, Becky Nienaber
ICC Representative, Jill Draime

Pledge Breakfast October 9
Induction October 16

Continuing Honors Scholarship Recipients

These students were selected in the spring to receive scholarships for the 1990-91 school year. Applicants were judged on their transcripts, a personal essay, and the quality of their contribution to the university. Presidents Club recipients also had an interview with President Mulholland who made the final selection.

Salsburg Memorial
Bob Hale

Presidents Club
Robin Blume
Doug Barlage

Distinguished Senior
Amy Frisch
Kate Sorauf
Rosemary Speers

Spring Challenge
Jon White successfully identified King James I as the author of the diatribe against tobacco. He took the John le Carre book, which probably came in handy this summer after overtraining gave him a hairline fracture in his leg and he had to give up running and flight school.

Fall Challenge
A ten dollar bookstore gift certificate to the first to identify the precise source of "... I lost my job because my boss had the courage to act on her remarkable sense of honor. I can live with that."
Ancient History

The Annual Honors Reunion and Recognition Dinner was held at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, May 19. About 100 people attended. We ate Cornish hens and carrot cake, after which Donna Schlagheck (the 1980 Honors Teacher of the Year) gave a stirring talk. Becky Nienaber, Jim Stouffer and Thom Brex sang and played guitar. The graduates were presented certificates and had their pictures taken. Following the ceremonies, the DJ got most of the under 30 crowd on their feet. Some Honors students displayed rather more enthusiasm and vigor on the dance floor than their quiet demeanor in the classroom would have led us to suspect. The diehards danced until the DJ packed up his equipment at midnight. Next year's dinner is already scheduled for the Nutter Center. We're hoping this change of venue will encourage some of our long gone alumni to attend the 1991 dinner on May 23rd. We'll keep you posted.

John Bryan State Park was the scene for the annual picnic held the next day. The food, while good, was clearly secondary to the main event for the day—the faculty/student softball game. The faculty team, whose average age was forty-something, nevertheless had enough skill, luck, and friendly (if incompetent) umpiring to prevail 22 to 15. The elders were thankful the game ended when it did; the kids were gaining fast. The trophy is on display in the Honors Office. Thanks to all the old codgers (and some younger blood) who dusted off their gloves and risked pulled hamstrings to redeem the tarnished honor of the faculty. Before this year, they had never been able to field a team, much less win a game. Two in a row and we could call it a streak.

Globe

Once spring finals were over, Honors students scattered to the four corners of the globe. Joe Piamthipmanus sold out his remaining t-shirt stock, caught Total Recall and boarded a plane for Bangkok to rejoin his family for the summer. In addition to playing a lot of tennis, he did an internship with a leading Thai bank. Le Shawn Jackson spent the summer in Andover, Massachusetts as one of only sixteen students selected for a summer intern program at Phillips Academy. Chris Spanier went to Japan with the Ambassadors group. Matt DeWald, Joe Raterman, Amy Frisch, and Kathy Blough were in the group that went to Brazil. Kim Durn, Charles Rowland, and Jean-Paul Desrosiers spent a month in China with trip advisor Jim Jacob. Kim Covert survived her internship with the State Department in Washington, D.C. Victoria Peagler's luck held. She got out of the hospital barely in time to board the plane for her Holy Land study tour and got back before all the trouble hit in the Middle East. She had a wonderful trip and even got to baptize someone in the
Food For Thought

There appears to be an intimate relationship between entry into higher education and the consequences of not finishing higher education. As a greater portion of the population enters higher education, the cost of not going to college increases even as the benefits of doing so diminish. When large numbers of persons go on to college after high school, college-going is increasingly seen by both employers and employees alike as the norm for occupational advancement. It becomes the norm of educational attainment rather than the exception. But as it does so, the absolute value of higher education for occupational advancement declines as more people acquire similar degrees in the marketplace. Similarly, as more people obtain college degrees, the cost, that is, the penalty associated with not obtaining a degree, increases even as the absolute value of that degree for occupational advancement declines.

This gives rise, parenthetically, to the possibility that increasing numbers of students enter higher education as much from a fear of the penalties of not doing so as from an appreciation of the benefits of that education. Unlike other college students, such individuals are likely to see themselves as captured by external pressures. Rather than take an active part in their education, they are more likely to be passive and to resist any efforts at change. [Excerpt from Vincent Tinto’s Leaving College, a study of college attrition and retention available in the WSU library LC 148.T57]

Not Food For Thought

Baked Fish Parmesan

This is Director Barr’s first culinary contribution. It sounds tasty, but then a stick of butter will make anything taste good.

4 pieces of fish (any of the milder fish will do: orange roughy, white fish, halibut, sole; I prefer the orange roughy.)
2-3 slices dried bread
1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup chopped parsley or parsley flakes
1 t paprika
1/2 t oregano
1/4 t sweet basil
salt & pepper to taste
1/2 cup melted butter or corn oil

Crush the bread into a fine crumb and mix with spices. Rinse fish and pat dry. Dip fish into melted butter and then into crumb mixture and place in a well greased baking dish. Sprinkle the extra crumbs on top of the fish till well covered. Bake at 375 degrees until fish flakes when prodded with a fork—about 12-20 minutes depending on the thickness of the cut. Serve immediately.

.........Trotting

Sea of Galilee. Alumna Karen Seiger sent us greetings from Ecuador where she was working on a project for the US Agency for International Development. Erika Hines will be able to offer great restaurant tips for the upcoming NCHC Conference in Baltimore after her summer internship there. Niki Wyzenbeek completed her DVM on June 8 and set out for South Africa where she will serve as resident veterinarian for a horse farm for a few months. Rosemary Speers has gone to the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Long Island for a research semester. Jim Hughes has been to Budapest to read a paper and he stopped in England and France on the way. Charles Taylor was also part of the WSU group that went to Budapest, but we don’t know about his side trips. Beverly Rowe took the scenic train route through French Canada, while the rest of the Honors staff languished in the Midwest and the Upper South. C’est la vie! (If we didn’t mention your summer travels, that means you didn’t send a postcard. For shame.)
Honors Orientation

Once again the Honors Program hosted two orientation sessions this summer. To begin each session the potential Honors students and their parents were invited to a breakfast hosted by the Honors Program. Helping with the complicated logistics of getting people where they needed to be, answering questions and signing the newcomers up for SHA were Amy Rowe, Lillie Savage, Thom Brex, Jason Crabtree, Jim Stouffer, and Dan Blevins. Dan also helped out around the office almost all summer. We offered to put him on the payroll, but he says he’s too busy to work for money. Almost 200 new students entered the program over the summer, and we hope orientation was a positive introduction to Honors at Wright State.

Book of the Quarter

Honorable Mentions editor, Mary Kenton, finally got around to reading John Updike’s autobiography Self-Consciousness and found it mostly wonderful. Anyone who has suffered from traitorous skin or unreliable teeth will feel enormous empathy. This is not a tell-all sort of book and only occasionally a defense against public criticism. But it is a revealing book. Updike tells us what no one else could—what it has felt like to live in that awful, fateful skin of his. There’s a lot here that is not obviously apparent in the fiction. The political conservatism, for example, goes deeper than many might have guessed. Those who love the fiction will find some additional reasons why and those who find the stories a little too steamy will be able to relish the sumptuous prose in Self-Consciousness without feeling that they themselves.

A sample: Not only are selves conditional but they die. Each day, we wake slightly altered, and the person we were yesterday is dead. So why, one could say, be afraid of death, when death comes all the time? It is even possible to dislike our old selves, these disposable ancestors of ours. For instance, my high-school self—skinny, scabby, giggly, gabby, frantic to be noticed, tormented enough to be a tormentor, relentlessly pushing his cartoons and posters and noisy jokes and pseudo-sophisticated poems upon the helpless high school—strikes me now as considerably obnoxious, though I owe him a lot: without his frantic ambition and insecurity I would not now be sitting on (as my present home was named by others) Haven Hill. And my Ipswich self, a delayed second edition of that high-school self, in a town much like Shillington in its blend of sweet and tough, only more spacious and historic and blessedly free of family ghosts, and my own relative position in the “gang” improved, enhanced by a touch of wealth and celebrity, a mini-Mailer in our small salt-water pond, a stag of sorts in our herd of housewife-does, flirtatious, malicious, greedy for my quota of life’s pleasures, a distracted, mediocre father and worse husband—he seems another obnoxious show-off, rapacious and sneaky and, in the service of his own ego, remorseless. But, then, am I his superior in anything but caution and years, and how can I disown him without disowning also his useful works, on which I still receive royalties? And when I entertain in my mind these shaggy, red-faced, overexcited, abrasive fellows, I find myself tenderly taken with their diligence, their hopefulness, their ability in spite of all to map a broad strategy and stick with it. So perhaps one cannot, after all, not love them.

Published as a book in 1989 to rapturous reviews, Self-Consciousness is available in paper for $5.95 at Books and Company or from the WSU library (PA 3571.P4 Z475).

Phi Kappa Phi Officially Chartered

On a hot, muggy afternoon, the Friday before Commencement, Phi Kappa Phi was installed at Wright State and the first group of students was inducted. The Wright State chapter becomes only the eighth in Ohio and one of 251 nationwide. Membership in Phi Kappa Phi is open to students of all majors, but no more than ten percent of the graduating class is invited to join. Dr. Thomas Minnick, Vice President of the North Central Region of Phi Kappa Phi and Assistant Dean of the University College at Ohio State, presented the charter to President Mulholland and installed the chapter officers. Approximately 70 students made up the charter class and most were present for the induction ceremony.

Dr. Thomas Minnick presents the charter to President Mulholland
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### Did you know

- ...that there are more public school administrators in NYC than in all of France?
- ...that a fairly large proportion of the students who drop out of a particular college are academically able?
- ...that minority students are more likely to persist in college if they live on campus?
- ...that over 25% of the people in the United States are students or are employed by schools or colleges?
- ...that since 1970, the faculty in public institutions of higher education has increased at a faster rate than the faculty at private institutions?
- ...that one of three Americans "always feels rushed"?

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### The Rest of the News

Ray Caldwell writes that he will marry Lisa Parham of San Diego on September 1. He has taken a position with the Athenletes in Action campus ministry at the University of California at Irvine. Eric Crouch and Rose Renegado will wed on October 20. Becky Hammer married fellow chemistry major Tim Grinstead on September 1. Catherine Queener joined the University Division staff as an academic advisor in July just in time for the orientation rush. John and Mary Kenton are pleased to announce the adoption of Celia Elizabeth, who begins first grade at Parkwood School this fall. Jane Applegate Bolka is the archivist and museum manager for the Dayton Power and Light Company Museum on Dryden Road. Holly Counts entered the doctoral program in clinical psychology at Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Martha (Scholl) and Doug Bernard have started a desk-top publishing business; work on Honorable Mentions was one of their first jobs.

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### Model UN

Congratulations to the Honors students who were members of Wright State's award winning Model UN team: Kim Covert, Sonia Gupta, Kurt Herminghausen, Patricia Prickett, Joe Raterman, Eric Rupert, and Chris Sarver.
Honors Geology

If the idea of fulfilling your General Education requirement of a year of science in the summer session interests you, there is a new program you should check out. And if the idea of studying some of the country’s most interesting geologic formations first-hand intrigues you, then you should try the new experiment in Honors Geology. Dr. Paul Pushkar, a recent recipient of the award for outstanding teaching in the College of Science and Mathematics, will teach an Honors course that will consist of the equivalent of GL 105, 106, 107, and 108 during summer A term, followed by a three week trip to the Northwestern U.S., visiting Yellowstone, Glacier National Park, Egg Mountain, Mt. St. Helens, Dinosaur National Monument, amongst other places. In addition to the regular tuition costs, there is a very modest charge of $300 to cover travel and camping costs. Be warned: at these prices you will be roughing it! For further details, come read the material in the Honors Office or talk with Dr. Pushkar.

Goings and Up-Comings

Angie Frankenberg has left the Honors Office for a higher paying job at Society Bank. She feels awful about leaving but she badly wants a new car. She will be missed as a student worker, but we should still see lots of her as an Honors student and president of Alpha Lambda Delta. Andy Blair has finished his assistantship with the Honors Program and has moved on to one in the University Center working with the Artist Series, the Madrigal Dinner, and other special events. Several potential office assistants have been interviewed, and someone should be in place when school starts.

Honors Student Appointed Trustee

Sonia Gupta, Honors Committee member for 90-91 and Recording Secretary for SHA and Historian for Alpha Lambda Delta in 89-90, has been appointed to the Wright State University Board of Trustees. Congratulations! Honors students Bob Hale, Beth Gillen, and Marty Hammonds were finalists in the selection process.