
Once again it is time for our weekly poll! For those of you who do not know how this works, I create a poll usually dealing with what is going on in the news and then give some choices. You get to pick which ever one(s) you agree with. I tabulate the results, display them on the board in Colloquium, and then select at random a winner for a prize.

Should the U.S. continue its exploration/planned colonization of the solar system?

- Yes, our system offers many untapped resources that can assist our living on Earth
- Yes, but only for resources
- Yes, but for knowledge only
- No, why go outside the Earth to solve problems when the answers lie on our planet
- No, the money used for exploration can be better spent
- No, the creepy space aliens will get angry and blow up the White House

Just e-mail your response to J.R. at jrbckd@umkc.edu

The Honors Housewarming will take place from 5-7ish at 5317-19 Holmes, 3rd Floor on Wed. Jan. 26. Please bring \$5 if you wish to make a donation to the Tsunami relief fund. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Prof. Levy (levyg@umkc.edu) by Tues. the 25th so that we know how much pizza to get

The Vagina Monologues

February 14, 2005 at 7pm

The Honors Program and L/LC are organizing a venture to see *The Vagina Monologues*, sponsored by the Women's Center. **HONORS WILL BUY YOUR TICKET** to the event.

If you would like to attend this production for **FREE**, please email Jane Webb at jmw5d6@umkc.edu ASAP or sign the list at colloquium (one or the other).

The production is a part of V-DAY, the national day to end violence against women and children. All proceeds benefit Hope House and the Kansas-City Anti-Violence Project.

Discussion Sections!

Psych. 210 meets Thurs. 5-6 in 307 Haag. Contact Laura at Ridnwest@aol.com

Philo. 210 meets Wed. 2-3 in Oak Street Lounge. Contact Katie at kateland60@yahoo.com

Art History 110 meets this Friday 3-5 at the main information desk at Nelson-Atkins Museum. Contact Dr. Cohon at rcohon@nelson-atkins.org

French conversation table meets Friday 5-7 (you only have to go for one hour) at Muddy's. Contact Valerie at vaf677@umkc.edu

Spanish conversation table meets Wed. 2-3 in 104 Cockefair. Contact Sarah at snrq7w@umkc.edu

German table: contact Prof. Levy if you haven't already.

Chem I and II discussion is meeting in the new honors house from 12-1 on Mondays, starting the 3rd week of classes Jan. 24th). If anyone has questions or cannot make the discussion time and still wants honors credit, please contact Andrea at tigger77eyes@aol.com

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 The Honors Book Club will meet on the following days from 4-5 in the Honors L/LC Lounge (Contact Jason at jefvd7@umkc.edu):

Jan. 26 (*Catcher in the Rye*)

Feb. 9

Feb. 23

Mar. 23

Apr. 6

Apr. 20

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 Attached you will find the Call for Papers (or Posters) and the Registration form for the Great Plains Honors Council conference, to be held April 8-10 at KU. This is a great opportunity for you to get conference experience--either by simply attending and seeing what research other mid-western honors students are doing or by presenting your own research.

If you wish to submit a paper proposal, please send it directly to the KU folks (address on the form). If you want to attend (whether to give a paper or not), please give Prof. Levy or Sally (204 Haag Hall) your registration form as Honors is paying!

Phi Kappa Phi Fellowships for 2005-2006:

Please note that the UMKC Chapter can only send forward ONE campus application per competition. The Chapter will thus need to review all applications 3 weeks before the due date to the National Office. We want to encourage as many excellent students to apply for the national awards, but only one application will be sent per competition from UMKC.

Graduate Fellowship: UMKC Chapter Due Date: 1 February 2005 /
60 Fellowships at \$5,000 each, and 40 Awards of Excellence at \$2,000

Study/Internship Abroad: UMKC Chapter Due Date: 14 December 2004 /
38 Study/Internship Abroad Grants: 38 @ \$1,000 each

Literacy Grant and Promotion of Excellence Grant: UMKC Chapter Due Date: 14
December 2004

Applications and other materials are available on the Society's website
<<http://www.phikappaphi.org>>. All applications are "writeable," i.e. students may type
directly onto the application and print the completed application from the website for
submission to the UMKC Chapter.

For now, deliver/send completed applications to:

Dr. Linna Place (direct phone: 235-6230 / placel@umkc.edu)
UMKC Academic Center for International Programs
5325 Rockhill Rd
Office telephone: 235-5759
Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 am to 5pm.

The Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 103 at UMKC was founded in 1969. Some of the Charter
Members are still in Kansas City. Phi Kappa Phi encompasses ALL academic programs
at UMKC. The Chapter has had success in grooming and selecting student national
award winners. Also, the Chapter has awarded local fellowships.

Colloquium Speaker for 01/26/05:

Prof. Jim Sheppard, Philosophy: "Ecological Citizenship, Environmental Ethics, and the
Challenge of Global Environmental Policy."



Those are all our announcements for this week! If you want something in next week's newsletter, please submit all announcements to jrbckd@umkc.edu (J.R.'s email) by the Thursday after Colloquium so that the newsletter can be sent out by Friday afternoon.

Questions? Comments? Email J.R! jrbckd@umkc.edu