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HPSA Heads Project Safe Place

(Article contributed by Nancy Gannon, Lindner Honors-PLUS Freshman)

Lindner Honors-PLUS Student Association has taken on yet another community service project. Freshmen Nancy Gannon, Lisa Morris, Zachary Gillerlain, Braden Bennie, and Drew Jandes have taken on *Project Safe Place* in collaboration with *Lighthouse Youth Services and Crisis Center*.

Project Safe Place is a nationally recognized program that connects tri-state businesses, troubled children, and the *Lighthouse Crisis Center*. Children and young teenagers who are in need of assistance can look for one of the bright yellow diamond-shaped signs located on the outside of participating businesses. Once inside, *Project Safe Place* trained employees of the business contact the Crisis Center. The Center then dispatches trained volunteers to pick up the children and either return them to their homes or take them to the Crisis Center where they can be cared for accordingly.

The Center deals with over 1,500 children per year and *Project Safe Place* plays a very important role in bringing these children in for help. Participating businesses are the life-saver for these children, as are the volunteers.

Unfortunately, *Project Safe Place* has not been running at its full potential over the past two years for various reasons. This is where **Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS** gets involved. Over the summer, HPSA will be getting the program back on its feet by updating records, recruiting businesses and essentially, starting the program over from scratch. Beginning in late summer and early fall, volunteers will be recruited to become on-call drivers, lead training sessions, recruit business, etc.

This is an excellent opportunity for Carl Lindner Honors-PLUS to get its name out and make a significant contribution to the city.

Any interested students or businesses can feel free to email Nancy Gannon at gannonnl@email.uc.edu or Lisa Morris at MorrisL2@email.uc.edu for more information.

Look for more detailed information in future newsletters.

HPSA Community Outreach

(Article contributed by Zach Logan, Lindner Honors-PLUS Pre-Junior & Board Member of The Friends of the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County)



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The Carl Lindner Honors-PLUS Student Association (HPSA) has teamed up with *The Friends of the Public Library* of Cincinnati and Hamilton County (FPL) in an effort to help staff public book sales and increase inventory management efficiency. In addition to volunteering at FPL’s warehouse, where books donated by individuals and regional libraries are amassed, Lindner Honors-PLUS students have worked at local libraries throughout the Greater Cincinnati Area staffing book sales for close to a year.

The *Friends of the Public Library* is “an association of persons dedicated to helping the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County make worlds of information and knowledge accessible to the communities it serves.” FPL’s goal is to raise funds for Library programs which aren’t otherwise subsidized by tax dollars. FPL provides at least \$150,000 annually (equivalent to an endowment of approximately \$3,000,000) to the Public Library for programs and acquisitions. Currently, the vast majority of financing is accrued via book sales.

Lindner Honors-PLUS students have performed a wide variety of volunteer tasks with FPL over the last year. Initially, students gathered at the warehouse to move, categorize and price thousands of books in an effort to systematize the inventory. More recently, Lindner Honors-PLUS has been an immense support in staffing local book sales at the FPL warehouse and various libraries surrounding Cincinnati. Currently, FPL and Lindner Honors-PLUS are looking forward to the colossal Fountain Square Sale in downtown Cincinnati, to be held June 2-6. Various other sales will be held in the fall months of 2003 as well. This endeavor is not a one time “park cleanup,” but rather an enduring relationship. Future possibilities with FPL may include assembling an internet business, contact-management database assessment and development, inventory management practice, drafting marketing campaigns, writing grants, and establishing an onsite Book Store at the warehouse. Both parties are extremely pleased with the results thus far and ecstatic about the potential for the future. Great anticipation and joy await this abiding partnership being established between FPL and Lindner Honors-PLUS. For the Lindner Honors-PLUS students, who have all profited tremendously from educational opportunities, this is a phenomenal chance to enlighten others in the community with similar experiences.

Lindner Honors-PLUS Student Association

Your newly elected Lindner Honors-PLUS Student Association (HPSA) Officers for 2003-2004 are:

Greg McElfresh	President
Jessica Vater	Vice President
Nancy Gannon	Secretary
Zach Gillerlain	Treasurer

Note from Jeri Ricketts

We have wonderful news!!!! Our own Administrative Coordinator, **Donna Fisher**, won the College of Business's "*Phyllis Trospen Service Excellence Award*" !!! This year's contest was extremely competitive, with three very helpful and competent people making the finals. (I think it might have been the candy jar on Donna's desk that tipped the scales!) In her 9 months with Lindner Honors-PLUS, Donna has done a tremendous job of reaching out to our students, alumni and external constituents, and I believe her care and attention will make a huge positive difference for everyone involved with Lindner Honors-PLUS. In fact, this newsletter was her inspiration and is now her monthly project! Please be sure to congratulate Donna on her award the next time you speak with her.

And speaking of awards.....the senior class has really shone this year, at both the college and university level, for academic and leadership awards. There's a complete listing of their awards on page five. When you put our 20 graduates in the context of the thousands of undergraduate students graduating this year, their accomplishments are truly amazing. I can honestly say that even with the high expectations we have for our students, this class ripped right through the roof and into the stratosphere. I'm extremely proud of each and every one of them. Every student in the class has found their own way to excel, whether academically, in their co-op job, on campus or in the community. They'll all be missed (so you'd better stay in touch)!

Another winner: **Adam Hildebrand** (sophomore) was the winner of our tag line contest for the fundraising campaign. Adam's tag line "*Students Today, Leaders Tomorrow*" won him a \$100 gift certificate to the UC Bookstore, and concisely expresses the mission of the Lindner Honors-PLUS Program in four words! Thank you to every student who took the time to suggest a tag line for us. Congratulations, Adam!

Please welcome three new students who are transferring into Lindner Honors-PLUS beginning fall quarter of their sophomore year. They are **Jeff Brawand, Brian Delany, and TJ Murphy**. They all bring excellent academic records with them, and have all gotten involved on campus during their freshman year. We are happy to have them as part of the program!

Also, please welcome **Greg McElfresh** to the Honors-PLUS team as a new co-op student. Greg and **Christy Benken** (sophomore) will be our two co-op students now that **Beth Kramer** is graduating. (We tried to talk Beth into turning down that offer with P&G to co-op for another few years, but no luck!!!) Best wishes to Beth as she goes to work in the "Real World"! I can't begin to tell you what a tremendous void she'll leave, and how much she's contributed to the program. We'll miss her terribly.

So, as we wish our graduates the best, and welcome a promising group of new freshmen, I can only say, "I have, without a doubt, the best job in the world".

Note from Judy Magazine

I am delighted to report that with one exception, all Honors-PLUS freshmen received quality summer internship placements. The one exception was a result of changes within a particular company that altered the availability of the internship.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the following companies who are participating in our 2003 Summer Internship Program. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Turner Construction Company to our family of corporate partners.

ACNielsen BASES
AccuBank
American Financial Group
The Benchmark Group
Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS Program
Cincinnati Bell
College of Business Center for Entrepreneurship Education and Research
Credit Suisse First Boston
Deloitte & Touche
Fifth Third Bank
Great American Insurance
Milacron Inc.
SparkPeople
Turner Construction Company
US Bank
Western-Southern Financial Group Masters



Delta Sigma Pi – New Executive Board

The new executive board for **Delta Sigma Pi** consists of the following Carl Lindner Honors-PLUS students:

Anna Godby	President
Adam Eling	Senior VP
Ryann Noble	VP Pledge Education
Adhruca Apana	VP Professional Activities
Ashley Vissing	VP Community Service
Jessica Sharts	VP Chapter Operations
Jacquelyn Ducat	VP Finance
Regina Hoell	Chancellor
Phil DiCiero	Social Chair
Jessica Vater	Co-Chair Fundraising
Nancy Gannon	Co-Chair Fundraising
Stephanie Dressler	Membership Trustee
Matt Zavodsky	Historian
Kristin Schroeder	External Communications Chair
Natalie Eshman	Internal Communications Chair

Farewell From The Graduating Class Of 2003



Jen, Gabe, Dan & Beth

"First, I am very grateful to Norm, Jeri, Scott and everyone else who made the last five years possible. Second, I am grateful to my classmates for all their support and for being such a great example and source of encouragement. I would encourage all the current students to cultivate relationships with their classmates and to work very hard to build an atmosphere of mutual support. Lastly, I would encourage everyone who is coming through the program to strive hard to be ethical, professional, and generous in everything you do. How you behave will be a reflection on the person in the desk next to you and upon everyone else who places the Lindner Honors-PLUS name on their resume. That name is ours to either leverage or tarnish. As we graduate and move forward with our careers, my class will try to strengthen the reputation of that name for you, & I hope that you will build it up for those who will follow after you. Good luck & enjoy the ride."

Daniel Themann

"Far and away, the number one thing I love about this program is the friends I have met. When I came to Cincinnati 5 years ago, I didn't know anyone and absolutely EVERYONE in this

program immediately made me feel at home. The Europe trip was amazing, and I think one of the main reasons it was so great is because of this incredible group of people. I love all you guys so much and I am going to miss seeing you on a regular basis. Thanks for being so great, and I know that I will always stay in touch with you, so I am not going to tell you to stay in touch!"

Gabrielle Grimaldi

"Graduating seniors, I wish you the best in your future endeavors. I have had a great time getting to know all of you over the past five years and have many fond memories of our time together. I can't believe how fast the time has flown by! A class reunion will definitely be in order so we can touch base & see what direction each of our lives has taken us. To the underclassmen, take advantage of all that Lindner Honors-PLUS provides you and get involved in the university and community. I've definitely learned a lot from my extracurricular activities and cannot stress enough what getting involved can do for you. Finally to the Lindner Honors-PLUS faculty and staff, thank you for all your hard work and dedication to making the

program such a success. If it weren't for you, I would not have the great opportunity set before me in my full-time position at ACNielsen BASES. Just think, Dr. Baker had to convince me it was in my best interest to take the job and look where I am now. So, at last, while graduation is here, I take with me memories that will last a lifetime. Thanks to everyone for making it a wonderful five years."

Jennifer Yale

"I have grown so much over the past five years, and I owe part of that to all of you – fellow graduating seniors, current students, faculty, staff and supporters of this program. Thank you for the experiences, opportunities, and most of all, the memories. I will miss seeing everyone on a regular basis, but I look forward to hearing about all the great things you will accomplish!"

Beth Kramer

Items of Interest

by: Donna Fisher

Daniel Themann (Sr), was awarded the “*Delta Sigma Pi Key*”.

Daniel Themann was also named “*Outstanding Industrial Management Student of the Year*”.

Zach Osborne (Sr), was awarded the “*Alpha Kappa Psi Key*”.

Zach Osborne was also named “*Outstanding Business Student of the Year*”.

Zach Osborne was also named “*Outstanding Operations Management Student of the Year*”.

Zach Osborne was chosen to receive the “*Spirit of Community*” award.

Zach Osborne was also chosen to receive the “*Just Community Award*”.

Regina Schneider (Sr), was named “*Outstanding International Business Student of the Year*”.

Regina Schneider was also chosen to receive the “*C-Ring Award*”, which is given to a top UC female senior each year.

Justin Bramlage (Sr), was named “*Outstanding Digital Business Student of the Year*”.

Pam Leist (Sr), was named “*Outstanding Management Student of the Year*”.

Pam Leist was also named “*Outstanding*

Marketing Student of the Year”.

Jay Hummel was also awarded the “*Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence*”.

Jay Hummel was also named “*Mr. Bearcat*”.

Jay Hummel was also selected to be the all university graduating class speaker.

Jenine Shafie (Pre-Jr), was tapped into the “*Order of Omega and Omicron Delta Kappa*” honoraries.

Kyle Neumann (Jr.), was selected to be “*President of Sigma, Sigma*”.

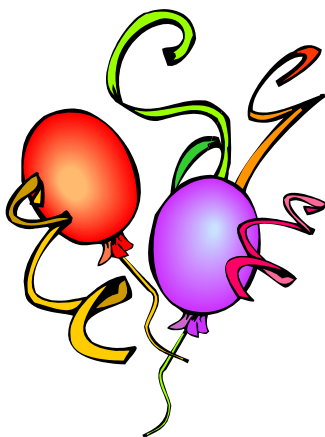
Jennifer Yale (Sr) was a finalist for both the

“*Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence*” award, and the “*C-Ring*” award.

Make sure to congratulate your fellow classmates!

June Birthdays

Regina Hoell	June 9
Gabrielle Grimaldi	June 14
Sharlena McGowen	June 14
Todd Staley	June 14
Elizabeth Bronson	June 17
Jocelyn Esber	June 17
Ashley Dugan	June 24
Molly Parrett	June 24



Congratulations!!

Graduating Seniors



Justin Bramlage
Bethanie Butcher
John Damen
Joseph Elam
Wesley Alex Ernest
Gabrielle Grimaldi
Kimberly Hais
Jay Hummel
Elizabeth Kramer
Pamela Leist
Matt Oelrich
Zachary Osborne
Regina Schneider
Amy Steinmetz
Daniel Themann
John Walker
Raquel Whited
Christine Williams
Jennifer Yale