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From The Director

Hi Everyone!

Spring Quarter is winding down and summer is almost here. All of our students will be gainfully employed this summer, except for the pre-juniors who will be in class preparing for their trip to Europe at the end of the summer! The Freshmen will be starting their summer internships and their first foray into the world of business, and our Sophomores and Juniors will be returning to their co-op assignments. The Seniors of course will be long gone – which brings me to my first item of interest.

Graduation is June 10, and our 4th annual Lindner Honors-PLUS Graduation Party will take place on June 11. As in past years, this year's party will be on BB Riverboats. Our seniors always enjoy this event so much, and invite many of their families and friends along as well.

This event is now partially supported by our Lindner Honors-PLUS Parent's Fund, and I'd like to thank all of the parents who have contributed to the fund and made this possible. We are tremendously proud of our senior class. Eighteen of the twenty-seven students are graduating with Latin Honors (3.6 GPA or higher), and many have garnered college-wide and university-wide awards. Placement success has again been outstanding, as the last few students accept permanent positions after graduation. Every year I think that future classes will never top the current class's accomplishments; and every year I'm amazed to see that the old standards are met or exceeded.

This past Friday we were fortunate to have Charles Tassel organize the Leadership Cincinnati Government seminar for us. Jim Sumner from the

Blue Ash City Council, Bill Seitz and Tyrone Yates educated and entertained us concerning governmental issues in the Cincinnati area. This is just one seminar in a series of five which our students complete in an effort to educate them about Greater Cincinnati in a broad context. Procter & Gamble sponsors our Leadership Cincinnati series, and we appreciate their support of this effort.

We're eagerly looking forward to welcoming next year's freshmen, and bittersweet about losing our graduates. We wish all of our graduates the best of luck and Godspeed as they embark on this new chapter in their lives!

Jeri Ricketts

Co-Op of the Month: Cincinnati Children's Hospital Med Center by: Jen Schuster

During my first two years of being at UC and in the Honors PLUS program I've been provided with many opportunities. Each day I'm in class with some of my closest friends who are just as active and involved as I am. I've met key business executives within the city, and I've gained valuable knowledge of the business world. That knowledge is a result of both my in class education and perhaps more significantly my real world experience.

Last summer I had my internship at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC) in the department of Budget and Financial Integrity. CCHMC is dedicated to serving the health-care needs of infants, children and adolescents and to providing research and teaching programs that ensure delivery of the highest quality pediatric care to our community, the nation and the world. It is that dedication that puts Children's Hospital among the best in the United States. The *U.S. News & World Report's* annual guide to America's best graduate schools ranks the Department of Pediatrics as the fourth best in the nation. *U.S. News & World Report* also regularly ranks Cincinnati Children's Hospital among the 10 best pediatric hospitals in the United States. In the most current survey, released last year, the magazine ranked Children's Hospital 7th in pediatric care. The hospital also ranks third nationally among all pediatric centers in research grants from the National Institutes of Health.

At first, I was uncertain if working

for the hospital would give me a



(Jennifer at work)

good understanding of the business environment, but that quickly changed. I was immediately given the same responsibilities and held to the same standards as the other employees. Each day I assisted the Executive Director of Budgeting as well as two budget analysts in various activities of the department. This often included the reconciliation of budgets, entering data in financial reports, and reviewing and modifying financial reports. Also, after going to various departments to observe workflow and analyzing departmental compensation practices and selected timesheets I would document my analysis in a concise format. Every-one in my department knew I had little experience, but they were always more than willing to answer questions and help in any way possible.

I learned such a great deal, gained valuable experiences, and enjoyed working with all my co-workers during my summer internship so much that I was thrilled when they asked me to continue working part time during my academic quarters. Currently, I work three days a week and have been lucky enough to be a

part of the transition to a new location. This summer I'll be changing departments as I head over to Human Resources. I'm excited to be a part of another aspect of the hospital, but I'm going to miss my current department and everyone there because they have been so wonderful to me this past year. It is, however, reassuring to know I'll always have their support.

Just this past November, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center was chosen as the winner in the *Cincinnati Business Courier's* second annual "Best Places to Work" competition and I couldn't agree more. Being an employee of such a wonderful organization means a lot to me. I take pride in working for Children's Hospital because I know how valuable the services we provide are. I encourage anyone interested in working for a place committed to excellence to join the CCHMC team.

Jennifer Schuster
Class of 2008



(Jen and her co-workers at CCHMC)

Women's Affairs for Student Government Event

by: Kristen Schroeder

Student Government started off the 2004-2005 school year with various goals in mind. One of the goals Justin Shafer and Jerry Tsai came up with was to create a program for the women on our campus. We did just that last month on April 28th!

As Director of Women's Affairs, I worked with the idea of a Women's Network Panel and reached out for some assistance to make this program possible. Two amazing ladies stepped up to the plate and played a huge role in making this panel such a success. AdhruCIA Apana and Sandy Galvin, both in Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS, represented Sigma Phi and brought wonderful panelists to the event.



(l to r, Sandy Galvin, Kristen Schroeder, AdhruCIA Apana)

The Women's Center also contributed to the success by helping out with campus promotions!

With the hard work behind us, we enjoyed a wonderful evening with the panelists. Before our panelists presented, we held a nice reception with appetizers and drinks. Over 80 UC women and five panelists were in attendance at the event.

Our panelists included, Council Woman Laquita Cole from the Cincinnati City Council; Urmila Ghia who is an Engineering Professor here at the University of Cincinnati and is also the Director of the CRD Research Lab; Emily Stenta who has an Engineering Division Master Black Belt for her work at General Electric; Theresa Singleton who is the Director of the Women's Shelter in Cincinnati; and Dean Marianne Lewis who is an Associate Dean of the UC College of Business.

We were so grateful to have such a wonderful group of panelists. Each woman provided wonderful insight to our aspiring students. Every panelist had completely different answers to various questions, which kept everyone excited and interested throughout the discussion. Our panel lasted approximately an hour and a half and easily could have gone late into the night because we had so much useful information flowing!



This was an amazing opportunity for women across campus to network with prominent women throughout the community. Our goal

for the next school year is to host a Women's Network Panel each quarter in order to increase the networking and promotions for our women here at UC! We all have so much to be proud of and listening to women from the community, who have experienced obstacles and turmoil, as well as success, helps us to grow as individuals. I look forward to attending these events next year and hope to see over 150 women at the next panel!!!!!!

Kristen Schroeder
Director of Women's Affairs
Class of 2007

Service Opportunity with Friends of the Public Library

By: Stefanie Dressler

For anyone who would like to earn (or needs to earn) more community service hours, the 33rd Annual Used Books Sale for the *Friends of the Public Library* is coming up on Fountain Square.



(Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library, Downtown Cincinnati)

The shifts are outlined below:

SET UP is Sunday, June 5th, from noon-4 pm. Pizza, cokes, etc., will be provided.

We could really use lots of young, energetic kids as this is the day to unpack approximately 1000 boxes, under tents on the Square.

The schedule is:

MONDAY, JUNE 6th
9:30 am-7:30 pm

Our shifts are about 3 hours and go like this 9-12:30; 11-2; 12-3:30; 3-5:30; 5-7:30

**TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY,
THURSDAY JUNE 7th, 8th, 9th**

Sale hours are 9:30-5:30
9:00-12:30; 11-2; noon-3:30; 3-5:30

FRIDAY, JUNE 10th,
(BAG DAY, closes at 3:00)

9-12:30; 11-2; noon-3:30, clean-up

The shifts are not set in stone. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

If you are co-oping downtown, and want to volunteer on your lunch hour or before/after work, that would be great as well.

If you are interested, please e-mail Anne Keller at friendsofplch1@fuse.net, or call 513-369-6035. You can also reply to me at dresslsm@email.uc.edu to let me know.

Thanks in advance for any and all help you can give us!

Stefanie Dressler
Class of 2007



(Book fountain outside Library)

Items of Interest

Braden Martini and **Matt Yung**, class of 2007, won the first ever *Cornhole Tournament* at the Catskeller on April 15th. They each won an Ipod Shuffle!

Adam Curley and **Matt Yung**, class of 2007, came in 2nd in the first ever *Toss for the Cross* put on by Phi Kappa Tau at Christy's on April 16th. The funds raised went to the American Red Cross.

Kristen Schroeder, Class of 2007, was inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma on May 15th. Also, she reports that SAC (Student Alumni Counsel) won the **Student Group of the Year** award for the University. Kristen served as VP of Communications.

SAC (Student Alumni Counsel) just elected their officers for the next school year. They are:

Jessica Kinnemeyer – President
Class of 2006

Brent Cengia – VP of Alumni Events
Class of 2006

Tyler Bertke – VP of Special Events
Class of 2008

Carly Weiler – VP of Finance
Class of 2008

Tony DeBlasio, Class of 2008, was just elected VP of Finance for his business fraternity, Delta Sigma PI.

Jessica Kinnemeyer, Class of 2006, was awarded the *Outstanding Greek Achievement Award* in April at the Greek Awards Ceremony.

Kristen Schroeder, Class of 2007, was tapped into CWEST the first of May. She also won the CWEST *Red Rose Scholarship Pillar Award*.

Nick Furtwengler, Class of 2008, was appointed by Governor Bob Taft as the new *Student Trustee* to the University of Cincinnati, Board of Trustees. You can view the press release at: <http://governor.ohio.gov/releases/050909Appt.htm>

Ryan Rosensweig, Class of 2009, at the University's Recognition Ceremony in May, received a *Resident Education and Development Student Leadership Award*, indicating a consistently positive relationship with residents and peers and high quality service.

Alumni Corner



Todd Barnes and Christin Tucker

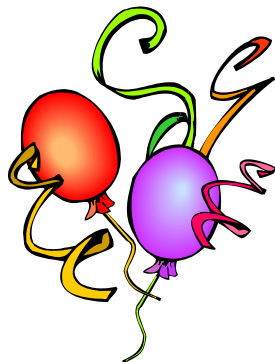
Todd was a 2004 graduate of the Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS program at UC. He is employed as an Internal Auditor for the Corporate Office of Fifth Third Bank in Cincinnati.

The couple was married May 14th and will be spending their honeymoon on the Island of St. Lucia. Wedding photo to follow.

John Damen, Class of 2003, was recently promoted at KPMG. He will be joining their Merger & Acquisition group in the Boston office.

Shannon (Deckard) Damen, Class of 2002, will be starting her Masters at MIT on June 1st.

Eric Mersmann, Class of 2002, graduated from UC Law in May, and is going on to work for Niro Scavone, Haller and Niro in Chicago.



June Birthdays

Rob Haverkamp	June 11
Todd Staley	June 14
Elizabeth Bronson	June 17
Tyler Bertke	June 19
Ashley Dugan	June 24
Molly Parrett	June 24
Jaime Lindemann	June 26

