

NCHC E-letter

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Portz Scholars Deadline

NCHC institutional members are invited to nominate one paper per institution written by an undergraduate honors student for the 2004 Portz Scholars competition. The three 2004 Portz Scholars will be featured at a plenary session at the 2004 National Collegiate Honors Conference in New Orleans. In addition, each Portz Scholar receives a \$250.00 stipend. (The NCHC Portz Fund Committee will pay the Scholar's conference registration fees, and the nominating institution agrees to make a good faith effort to defray travel expenses of the Portz Scholar.)

The Portz Scholar Nomination Form, twelve (12) copies of the nominated paper, one (1) copy of a one-page abstract, and a letter of nomination must be postmarked by June 4, 2004 to: Dr. Ann Eisenberg, Honors College, University of Texas at San Antonio, 6900 N. Loop 1604 West, San Antonio, TX 78249. For additional information, please contact Ann Eisenberg, 210-458-4106, aeisenberg@utsa.edu **Entries must be postmarked by June 4, 2004**

2004 Conference Update

Master Classes

While the deadline for proposals has past, there is still room in the Master Classes in the music and drama categories (sorry, poetry master class is full). The registration form is at www.nchchonors.org. Click on National Conference and then on Conference Forms.

Honors Directors Permissions

Honors directors, if your students submitted proposals and you have not sent your OK to nchc@iastate.edu, please do so at once. The various section chairs are in the process of selecting proposals and if there is no indication that your student has your support, that proposal would be rejected.

Conference Registration Form

The Conference Registration Form is up on-line and ready to go. Because we've had a few calls asking for invoices so members can use this fiscal year's money for the Conference, we contacted our conference services staff to see if they will mail invoices on a weekly basis at least through the end of June. They said they would, so if you have monies left and want to pay your conference registration fees early, you can submit your on-line registration now.

Conference at a Glance

The 'Conference at a Glance' is up on the NCHC web site, along with other 2004 Conference information.

Satellite Seminar

Once again NCHC is collaborating with Phi Theta Kappa to produce an outstanding Satellite Seminar Series on Phi Theta Kappa's Honors Study Topic, "Popular Culture: Shaping and Reflecting Who We Are." For further information, go to www.nchchonors.org and click on Satellite Seminars.

Dues for 2004

We mailed membership renewal reminders the first week of May. Remember, in order to attend the 2004 Conference in New Orleans at the member rate, your institution's membership must be current. Your Executive Committee voted in 2003 to make the Conference non-member rate \$250 more than member rate. If you have questions about your membership, please call or email Carol Lamb (nchc@iastate.edu or 515.294.9188).

Dues for 2005

We have had several calls from members planning 2005 budgets requesting dues information for 2005. The membership voted in November to increase the 2005 dues as follows: Institutional, \$500; Professional (from member institutions), \$100; Professional (from non-member institutions), \$350. Student membership remains \$35 year/\$90 for 3 years.

NCHC Listserv

We receive calls asking how to get on (or off) the NCHC listserv. Complete instructions are on NCHC's home page. Go to www.nchchonors.org, scroll down to the button that asks "Want to join the ListServ?" and follow the links. Keep in mind that not everyone on the ListServ is an NCHC member and not all NCHC members are on the listserv. However, everyone on the ListServ is interested in Honors education.