



## Search Is On for Student of the Year Is He or She on Your Campus?!!!

**N**ominations for the Fourth Annual NCHC Student of the Year Award are now being accepted by the NCHC Student Concerns Committee. Honors directors are encouraged to nominate currently-enrolled students for this award. Each honors program or college may nominate only one student.

The Honors Student of the Year Award will be presented to one honors student who has made an impact on her or his honors program, and who has participated in honors on a regional or national level (attending and/or presenting at conferences, etc.) This is the only NCHC award designed, judged, and presented by fellow honors students.

Because the award will be judged by members of the NCHC Student Concerns Committee, those committee members are ineligible.

The winner will be recognized during the Presidential Luncheon at the 2005 Conference in St. Louis and will receive a \$200 cash award.

**Application deadline is Friday, September 30, 2005.**

Nominated students should complete the form at the end of this newsletter.

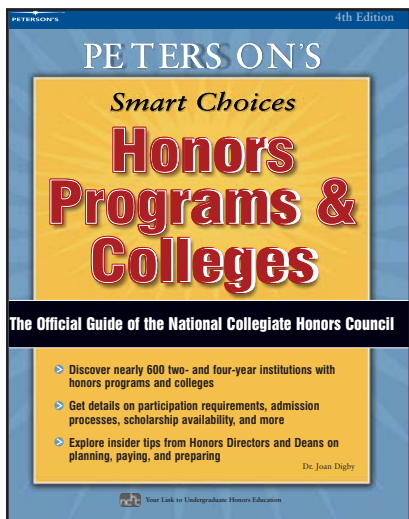
Print out the form, fill it in and return it by mail.

In addition, the nominating director must provide a letter in support of the nomination. Directors should elaborate on why the student should be chosen NCHC Student of the Year.

Six copies of the student-completed application along with six copies of the letter of support should be sent to: Kathleen B. King, Honors Program, University of Maine at Augusta, 46 University Drive, Augusta, ME 04330



## New Guide: Hot Off the Press



**P**eterson's *Smart Choices: Honors Programs and Colleges*, 4th edition, rolls off the presses of publisher Thomson Peterson's this month.

This book is an invaluable tool for parents, high school guidance counselors, high school students, community-college students, honors directors, libraries and others who want to find the best of the best educational opportunities.

Smart Choices profiles almost 600 honors programs and colleges at institutions nationwide.

It will sell in bookstores for \$29.95 plus sales tax. But NCHC members can order a copy from the national office at a 33% savings! For just \$20 per copy, including shipping direct from the publisher, members are invited to purchase as many copies as they'd like.

Some honors directors purchase several and distribute them to area high schools and libraries. Others pass

the word to counselors and librarians and offer to handle the purchases to get the discount for their colleagues.

To get your copy, send a check payable to NCHC to 1100 Neihardt Residence Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 540 N. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0627. Or fax your credit card number to 402-472-9152. Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express cards are accepted. Or order by phone with a credit card by calling 402-472-9150. Books will be shipped in late September or early October.

Be sure to include your name and shipping address and the number of copies you want.

## Where Were You 40 Years Ago?

**W**hen NCHC President Virginia McCombs opens "Gateway to Exploration and Discovery," the national conference, in St. Louis on Oct. 26, she will begin the 40th annual meeting of NCHC.

The first conference took place in 1966 in Lawrence, Kansas.

Forty years of conferences is quite an achievement!

Forty years of outstanding student and faculty presentations; 40 years of great poster sessions; 40 years of networking in best practices.

Is there anyone out there who has attended all 40 conferences? Is there someone who attended the first conference and will attend this one, but may have missed some in between? Who has consecutive conference attendance going back the longest? Who has attended the most NCHC conferences?

If the answer to any of these questions is *you*, let us know at 402-472-9150 or [nchc@unlserve.unl.edu](mailto:nchc@unlserve.unl.edu).

We'd like to recognize you in St. Louis as we celebrate 40 years of achievement in higher education.

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**Sept. 1: Deadline for submissions to Fall/Winter 2005-6 issue of JNCHC ([adalong.@uab.edu](mailto:adalong.@uab.edu)) (See Page 2)**

**Sept. 1: Deadline to register for City as Text at conference**

**Sept. 23: Deadline for reserving hotel at conference rate**

**Sept. 30: Deadline for conference registration at a reduced fee**

**Sept. 30: Deadline for nominations for Student of the Year**

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## ED-ifying News

by Patricia Ann Speelman, Executive Director

Only two and a half months until NCHC's 40th annual conference! It will be my first NCHC conference, and perhaps the first for many of you, as well. We'll all be learning there together. And we'll have great

people to learn from -- all our many members who have been at NCHC conferences before will point the way for us to what's not to be missed.

But, before we can enjoy the conference, we have to register! So go right now to our website ([www.nchchonors.org](http://www.nchchonors.org)) and complete your registration form. Don't forget to call the hotel, soon, too, to book your rooms. Make sure you're talking with the Renaissance GRAND in St. Louis. There are two Renaissance hotels there and that has caused some confusion.

The conference isn't our only big news, of course. The fourth edition of Peterson's Smart Choices is rolling off the presses as I write this column.

Also in this issue: an expanded Honors in Action section featuring photos of your students enjoying their honors experiences.

### OCTOBER 27 IS T-SHIRT DAY!!!!

At the conference in St. Louis, wear a t-shirt that promotes your honors program or college or wear one that promotes your school! If you have inexpensive items like pins or patches, bring them to trade. Students, don't miss out on this fun, new activity.

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## JNCHC invites faculty, students to submit articles for next issue

**T**he *Journal of the National Collegiate Honors Council* is now accepting papers for the fall-winter 2005/2006 issue, which will focus on the question "What is Honors?"

We are interested in articles that explore, for example, what distinguishes honors curricula, students, faculty, classes, activities, standards, or requirements from the rest of the institution in which an honors program or college resides. We are most interested in submissions that tackle the question of what we mean by "Honors." Students also are encouraged to submit articles.

The deadline for submissions is September 1, 2005. Send submissions to [adalong@uab.edu](mailto:adalong@uab.edu).

### Gateway to Exploration and Discovery

## City As Text® offers unique experiences

**O**f special note for the upcoming conference is City as Text® Explorations. City as Text® was developed as a "key" to the host city of each conference.

Specific topics of interest pertaining to the city are outlines for participants. Members registering for City as Text® choose the topics that interest them and then are sent out to explore the city for an afternoon.

City as Text® Explorations offer multiple opportunities: a chance to explore a city during a working conference, the ability to meet and get to know fellow participants, and the unique chance to share experiences with others. Participating gives a broader scope of an area that is otherwise impossible to attain in a single afternoon.

**Deadline for registering for City as Text® is September 1, so register soon.**

Join us as we explore St. Louis, get acquainted with one another, and share the experience and all it has to offer!



With its gold leaf, Romanesque arches, 65 foot barrel vaulted ceiling, and stained glass windows, the Grand Hall is the gem of the Union Station, a City as Text® site.

## Member Update

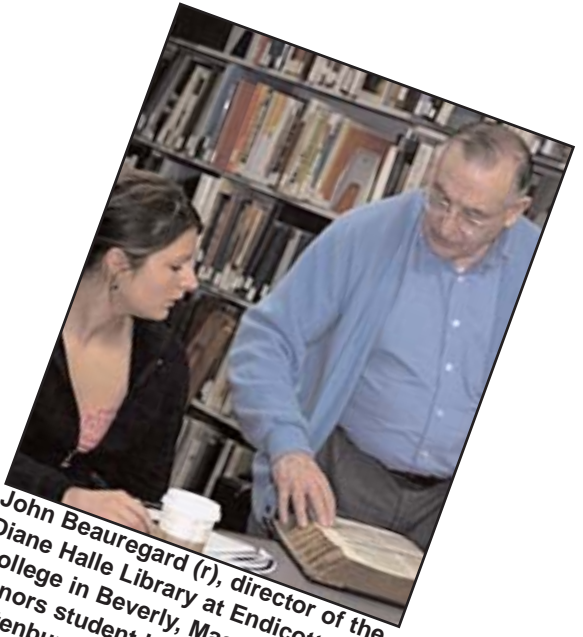
### New/Renewing members since July 15, 2005

Address	Last Name	First Name	E-Mail
College of Visual Arts	Short	Susan	<a href="mailto:sshort@cva.edu">sshort@cva.edu</a>
University of Puerto Rico, Cayey Campus	Borges	Blanca	<a href="mailto:bborges@cayey.upr.edu">bborges@cayey.upr.edu</a>
LeTourneau University	Coppinger	Stan	<a href="mailto:stancoppinger@letu.edu">stancoppinger@letu.edu</a>
Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City	Program	Honors	<a href="mailto:dallman@osuokc.edu">dallman@osuokc.edu</a>
Eastern University	Chapman	Beth	<a href="mailto:bchapman@eastern.edu">bchapman@eastern.edu</a>
University of Southern Mississippi	Panton	Kenneth	<a href="mailto:kenneth.panton@usm.edu">kenneth.panton@usm.edu</a>
Indiana Univ./Purdue Univ., Fort Wayne	Dhawale	Shree	<a href="mailto:dhawale@ipfw.edu">dhawale@ipfw.edu</a>
Manchester College	Watson	Jonathan	<a href="mailto:JPWatson@manchester.edu">JPWatson@manchester.edu</a>
Loyola University of Chicago	Wexler	Joyce	<a href="mailto:jwexler@luc.edu">jwexler@luc.edu</a>
Jefferson College	Loomis	Trish	<a href="mailto:tloomis@jeffco.edu">tloomis@jeffco.edu</a>
University of Arkansas at Little Rock	Ramsey	C. Earl	<a href="mailto:ceramsey@ualr.edu">ceramsey@ualr.edu</a>
Suffolk University	Lenzie	Sharon	<a href="mailto:slenzie@suffolk.edu">slenzie@suffolk.edu</a>
Stonehill College	Shaw	Gregory	<a href="mailto:gshaw@stonehill.edu">gshaw@stonehill.edu</a>
Columbia State Community College	Mitchell	Beverly	<a href="mailto:mitchell@columbiastate.edu">mitchell@columbiastate.edu</a>
Morehead State University	Chapman	Marshall	<a href="mailto:m-chapman@morehead-st.edu">m-chapman@morehead-st.edu</a>
Carthage College	Baer	Gregory	<a href="mailto:gbaer@carthage.edu">gbaer@carthage.edu</a>
Washburn University of Topeka	LaLonde	Donna	<a href="mailto:donna.lalonde@washburn.edu">donna.lalonde@washburn.edu</a>
Dallas Baptist University	Mitchell	Philip	<a href="mailto:philipm@dbu.edu">philipm@dbu.edu</a>
City University of New York: Kingsborough	Willner	Eric	<a href="mailto:twaksman@kbcc.cuny.edu">twaksman@kbcc.cuny.edu</a>
Howard University	Williams III	Daniel A.	<a href="mailto:dawilliams@howard.edu">dawilliams@howard.edu</a>
Delta Epsilon Iota Academic Honor Society	Drye	Richard	<a href="mailto:rmd@deltaepsiloniota.org">rmd@deltaepsiloniota.org</a>



Photo by Andrew Olsen

Students and faculty in the Honors Program at San Jacinto College South in Houston, Texas, enjoy "Pizza with the Profs." Dr. Eddie Weller is program director.



John Beauregard (r), director of the Diane Halle Library at Endicott College in Beverly, Mass., shows honors student Hannah Watson a Gutenberg Bible. Dr. Eloise Knowlton is program director.

# Honors in Action

To submit photos for "Honors in Action," send as jpgs to [nhc@unlserve.unl.edu](mailto:nhc@unlserve.unl.edu). Enclose information for the captions: people's names, what the activity is, name of school, name of honors director or dean. You must get written permission to publish from anyone in the photos before you send the photos to us.



This building is soon to be the new home of the Oklahoma State University Honors College. The Board of Regents approved \$3 million to restore and renovate the historic 1894 building house honors offices, classrooms, computer lab, informal student areas, and space for larger gatherings along with exhibits and displays about OSU history. Dr. Robert Spurrier is director of the Honors College.



Photo by Andrew Olsen

San Jacinto College South honors students help with the Jori Zemel Cancer Walk in Houston. Their efforts contributed to raising over \$80,000 in one day for cancer research. Jori Zemel was the daughter of the school's VP of Student Services. She died of bone cancer a number of years ago. Dr. Eddie Weller is program director.

A year-long collaboration among Middle Tennessee State University (Murfreesboro) honors students, students of Watkins College of Art and Design and three high schools resulted in a mural, *Keep the Night Train Rolling*, of which this is one panel. The mural was unveiled at the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum. It was spearheaded by Dr. Ron Kates of MTSU as part of his honors seminar, "Re-visiting and Re-visioning the Hometown." Thirty-six people worked on the nine mural panels.



# The Job Board -- Positions available across the country

**Director, Honors Program, Utah Valley State College**, 800 West University Parkway, Orem, Utah 84058-5999

Opening Date: 07-26-05

Department: School of General Academics

Screening Date: 08-19-05, Open until filled.

Category: Non-Exempt (Hourly)

Salary: \$47,944 - \$60,812

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Applicants must complete a UVSC application (no resumes accepted without an application) and provide proof of post-high school education (transcripts). To be considered in the first screening, all materials must be received by 5 p.m. on the screening date. Submit application materials to the office of Human Resource Services #184, 800 West University Parkway, AD 110, Orem, Utah 84058-5999. (801-863-8207). Application materials become the property of UVSC.

**Employment Eligibility:** By first day of employment, employees must submit verification of employment eligibility (identity documents) and sign an I-9 form.

**Minimum Education and Experience:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a doctoral degree in the humanities, sciences, social sciences, education, business, public administration or related area with three years of experience in higher education undergraduate administration & advisement. Experience with Honors Program highly desirable.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

1)Advanced skills in teaching/instructional presentation, & public speaking, including designing, writing, & presenting instructional information; 2)Experience in higher education classroom teaching; 3)Ability to communicate effectively; 4)Skill in record management & file maintenance; 5)Ability to follow instructions; 6)Ability to supervise others; 7)Scholarly engagement with candidate's field of expertise; 8)Managerial and/or administrative experience in higher education/academic setting; 9)Advanced interpersonal, problem-solving, decision-making, prioritization and negotiation skills; 10)Ability to manage multiple projects with competing deadlines; 11)Experience with development and management of undergraduate academic and co-curricular programs; 12)Ability to be self-directed & to complete tasks without supervision; 13)Ability to work with individuals from multiple authority levels & diverse backgrounds; 14)Advanced skills in report writing, public speaking, presentations, & public relations; 15)Experience with and commitment to academic quality, rigor, and integrity.

**SUMMARY OF DUTIES:** Direct and coordinate the development of the program's academic structure and content including review, evaluation, & assessment (as outlined in the Task Force Executive Summary, October 2004). Develop and direct the strategic planning, administration, management, finance and budgets, marketing, promotion, recruitment efforts of the Honors Program (as outlined in the Task Force Executive Summary report of October 2004). Oversee admissions (recruitment, application, selection) and academic advisement processes with one-on-one counseling for prospective and admitted Honors Program students including graduation evaluation. Coordinate and execute strategic planning for marketing, promotion, and recruitment and orientation events for



Honors Program prospective students and admitted students. Provide administrative support to Honors Program Steering Committee, Honors Program Advisory Board, & campus chapters/committees/councils of professional & student organizations; Phi Kappa Phi, National Collegiate Honors Council, and the Honors Student Council. UVSC is an affirmative action/equal opportunity/equal access employer. Minorities, women, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

## **Assistant Director, University Honors (Req. # 000993), Georgia Southern University**

**Position Description:** Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs. Assist in managing the affairs of the Honors Program by monitoring and evaluating student progress, advising students on academic programs and graduate opportunities, developing and planning co-curricular and extra-curricular events, overseeing the service component of the program, assisting with recruitment of new students, and working with Honors orientation instructors on the delivery of Honors content.

**Minimum Requirements:** Master's degree; two or more years' related experience; capability to advise high-ability students; ability to multi-task; effective communication (verbal and written), organizational, and human relations skills; successful completion of background investigation prior to employment.

**Preferred Qualifications:** Experience working with honors students or other high-ability student populations; one or more years' experience in an academic setting; experience working with a service learning program and undergraduate research programs; ability to work in a diverse environment.

**Salary Range:** Minimum \$33,774 to Midpoint \$42,230

**Application Deadline:** August 19, 2005

**TO APPLY:** Please submit a Georgia Southern University employment application, cover letter, résumé, and names and daytime telephone numbers of three professional references to: Division of Human Resources, c/o Assistant Director, University Honors, Georgia Southern University, P.O. Box 8104, Statesboro, GA 30460. For more information, call the 24-hour job line at (912) 681-0629. Applications must be submitted by the deadline, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Human Resources, Georgia Southern University. Applications are available on our website at <http://jobs.georgiasouthern.edu>, or in Human Resources on the 1st floor in the Rosenwald Building on campus (912-681-5468, P. O. Box 8104, Statesboro, GA 30460). You may E-mail your application to: [\[ern.edu\]\(http://ern.edu\), and send a signed original by mail. Georgia is an open records state.](mailto:employ@georgiasouth-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA, in order to participate in the application process should notify Human Resources, 912-681-5468 or (TDD) 912-681-0791. Georgia Southern is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

## **Honors Program Officer, Angelo State University**

For more information concerning the position, please refer to the job postings section of the ASU website (<http://www.angelo.edu/publications/employment/>)

Develops recruitment and retention ideas and concepts for review by the Director; implements approved programs and procedures to recruit and retain honors students; corresponds with students concerning application, registration, enrollment, admissions requirements, and graduation procedures; processes screening forms for prospective Honors Program students.

Administers the Honors Candidate Program and the Carry Forward Program; plans student recognition ceremonies; conducts graduate exit interviews; assists the Director in resolving registration and graduation issues; identifies high risk students and initiates retention strategies.

Designs brochures, pamphlets, and other materials using desktop publishing and other software; develops informational and fund raising materials and publications; edits the Honors Program newsletter; participates in fund raising and capital campaigns; ensures that donations and program activities comply with pertinent rules and regulations; composes correspondence to donors and others.

Attends a variety of fund raising and University events, including Discover ASU and Preview ASU; develops Honors Program agenda and session materials for student orientation programs; provides leadership to student support staff and temporary employees; prepares performance appraisals; assists with new student conferences and honors residence area operations.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Academic:** Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in business, communications, marketing, public relations, or other related field.

**Experience:** Three years of professional experience in marketing, public relations, fund raising/capital campaign programs, program administration, or closely related work; OR, one year of experience in student recruiting, college admissions/registration programs, academic advising, or a related field.

**SPECIAL SKILLS OR REQUIREMENTS:** Knowledge of academic advising and the content and use of college course catalogs; knowledge of administrative and general office procedures; knowledge of fund raising and capital campaign procedures

**APPLY TO:** Office of Human Resources, Angelo State University, ASU Station # 11009, San Angelo, TX 76909.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Open, but may close as early as August 22, 2005. Must complete and submit an official University staff application to be considered: <http://www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/appemployment.pdf>

# NCHC 2005 STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD APPLICATION

Please mail six (6) copies of the following information:

Completed application form (print this page and complete form)  
Honors program director's letter of support  
Optional additional list of activities/resume

Application deadline: Friday, September 30, 2005

Mail to: Kathleen B. King  
Honors Program  
University of Maine at Augusta  
46 University Drive  
Augusta, ME 04330

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors Director Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Freshman                  Sophomore                  Junior                  Senior

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How have you contributed to your honors program and what inspired you to do so?

What does the National Collegiate Honors Council mean to you?

Extra curricular activities: