
Student Spotlights

Missy Doll '06 (Math & Physics) is student teaching and has developed two senior theses. Doll has also been a Resident Assistant for three years.

Joshua Andrzejewski '07 (Communications & Religious Studies) is assistant editor for *The Etownian*, and hopes to be editor in chief next fall. Andrzejewski is pursuing a career in the ministry.

Garry Brock Jr. '08 (Engineering & Physics) tutors for the Physics and Engineering department. Brock also has been a research assistant for Dr. Kurt DeGoede in biomechanics.

Audra Farren '09 – (Communications) is the Student Senate First-year Class President. Farren is also interning with College Relations.

MLK Fellow Award

Shaleen Spulio, a first-year Honors student and an Honors Center Student Assistant, received second place for the Martin Luther King Jr. Fellow Award at the beginning of this semester for her essay, "In the Spirit of Community: How Education Benefits our Community." She was given \$250 to use toward books for the spring semester. Congratulations Shaleen!

Welcome Administrative Assistant, Linda Hinson

Anyone who has visited the Honors Center since the beginning of November will have noticed a new addition to the program, our Administrative Assistant Linda Hinson. Linda is an alumna of Elizabethtown College. She graduated in 1989 with a degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing and a minor in Psychology.



Hoping for a job that would allow her to spend time with her children, Linda was excited about the opportunity to return to the college part-time because it is such a "positive place to work," adding that it has a "great atmosphere."

Linda's favorite part about her job in the Center is learning about the Honors Program and working with the student assistants because she is able "to see the program through their eyes."

Linda works in the Honors Center every weekday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Honors Council News

The Honors Council is hosting a trivia game night Friday, April 7 at 6 p.m. in the Event Space. The event is open to the all Elizabethtown students. Prizes will be awarded to



the top teams in the tournament-style competition. Free wings and other refreshments will be available with a meal exchange. Teams of four should sign up at the table outside the Marketplace the week of March 20-24.

The Honors Council's float in last semester's Homecoming parade was "Vending Machines through Time" – the photographs show the float's construction and presentation.



Shaleen Spulio is the new Honors Council parliamentarian.

The Honors Council general meetings are held alternating Monday evenings at 8:30 in the Box Office Lounge of the BSC. The next meeting will be March 27. For more information, please e-mail honorscouncil@etown.edu.

Volunteers Needed

The Honors Program wants you! We are looking for volunteers to represent the Honors Program at the Open House the morning of Saturday, April 8. Honors students are also needed to assist in recruiting prospective students and serving as overnight hosts.

Please send an email to honors@etown.edu if you are available to help at the Open House or are interested in learning more about recruiting and hosting a prospective student overnight.

Honors Center

Don't forget to take advantage of all the Honors Center has to offer—private study rooms, a group study room for up to eight students, computers and the lounge.

The Honors Center is a great place to study when the library is full or you need a quiet place to study.

Of course the Honors Center is also a great place to visit because we're always stocked with plenty of Hershey's chocolate!



2005 NCHC Conference in St. Louis a Success

Representatives from the Honors Program attended the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference in St. Louis, Mo., this past October.



Juniors Mutia Adimosa and Katie Heberlein and Dr. Hagan made a presentation on "FDA Advisory Committee Meetings and Mock Congressional Hearings: Two Gateways for Exploration and Discovery" at the three-day conference.

Junior Valerie Reed presented "The Lord Who Had Come to Renew Society: The Drowned Sailor in Eliot's *The Wasteland* and Woolf's *Mrs. Dalloway*."

NCHC Conference '06

The 2006 National Collegiate Honors Council's annual conference will focus on the theme "Liberty: Foundation for Inquiry, Innovation, and Invention." It will be held in Philadelphia, Nov. 15-18.

As in years past, the conference will offer many workshops, presentations, and research panels. In addition, the Constitution Center will be reserved for the Friday evening Gala.



Dr. Mead is excited about the opportunity to take more students

than in previous years, because of the conference's location.

Anyone interested in attending the conference is encouraged to submit a proposal or a paper from the current academic year for a scholar nomination, the deadline is March 20.

Honors Program FYI

Honors students, as a rule, tend to be on top of things. But every once in a while something is thrown at us that catches us by surprise.

For example, honors students are eligible to apply for academic grants up to \$500 to pay for research—especially on your senior thesis—or other scholarly activities. However, the applications must be approved by the honors committee, and you must have 16 credits in the program and a 3.5 GPA to be eligible.

Also, did you know that the senior thesis contracts must be submitted by the end of your junior year? This allows the students to start researching early, but it can be a hassle for those of us who like to procrastinate. Be forewarned of this important deadline!

New York City Trip

Approximately 55 brave souls—students, faculty, and family alike—traveled to New York City last semester.

Attending the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular was the main event on the agenda, but many enjoyed the numerous tourist attractions the city had to offer.

According to first-year student Matt Miller, the most exciting part of the trip was its environment: "sometimes you just have to get away from the campus once in a while."

Other sites that were visited included the NYC Public Library, Central Park, and, of course, the shops. "Even though it took us five hours to get home," Dr. Mead said, "the day spent in NYC was *spectacular*."

Recent Honors graduate Nathan Matias presented "Nurturing Independent Scholarship in Honors."

Dr. Mead, junior Jessica Hoagland and senior Anna Kent also attended the conference.



Alumni Update

Ben Osterhout, class of 2005 Honors Program graduate:

"Since graduation, I have moved to Elizabethtown and was hired as an Assistant Director of the Annual Fund at Elizabethtown College. I am responsible for reunion giving programs as well as young alumni giving.

I have begun work on my MBA at Penn State Harrisburg.

In addition to assisting SIFE and Circle K, I have become a member of the Kiwanis Club of Norlanco-Rheems and continue to umpire PIAA baseball."



Student Assistants

The Honors Center has three new and two returning Student Assistants this semester:

Shaleen Spulio



I am a first-year International Business and French dual major from Holmes, Pa. One of five student assistants, I actively help with the Honors Program as well. Oh, and I am known for my jewelry.

Anna Sarneso

I am a sophomore from Latrobe, Pa. As an English Literature major and Political Science minor, I am excited about studying this summer at Herstmonceux Castle in England.



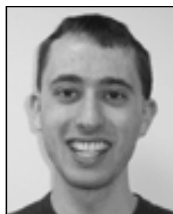
Randi Stanton



I am a sophomore English literature major and religious Studies minor. I live in Trucksville, Pa. I work mostly on organizational matters in the Honors Center, and I love medieval literature, especially Beowulf.

Kyle Brady

I am a junior Computer Science major and Communications minor. I'm a returning Student Assistant. I maintain the Honors Web site and newsletter. I am looking forward to studying in Australia next semester.



Anna Kent



I am a senior Elementary Education major and Child Psychology minor from St. Thomas, Pa. I have been a Student Assistant in the Honors Center since I was a sophomore. I am also a Resident Assistant in Myer.

What Should I Be Doing?

First-Year Students:

- Earn a 3.00 or better GPA by the end of this semester
- Earn at least 30 credits
- Join the Honors Council (Great FUN!)
- Complete the First-Year Seminar and Colloquium
- Take an Interdisciplinary Honors Course
- Complete the *mandatory* First-Year interview
- Don't stress out too much, it's just your first year!

Sophomore Students:

- Earn a 3.25 or better GPA by the end of this semester
- Earn at least 60 credits
- Submit a proposal for the 2006 NCHC Conference
- Take a couple honors courses (especially if you did not take any last year)

Junior Students:

- Earn a 3.40 or better GPA by the end of this semester
- Earn at least 90 credits
- Take some more honors courses
- Be an Honors Mentor or host for prospective Honors students
- Complete the Leadership Seminar
- *Senior Thesis Proposal*
- Plan for *after* E-town

Senior Students:

- Earn a 3.50 or better GPA in order to graduate from the Honors Program
- Earn at least 125 credits

New & Improved Web Site

Be sure to check out the new and improved Honors Program Web site online at:

<http://www.etown.edu/HonorsProgram.aspx>

The site provides in depth information about the Honors Program, access to important forms, important dates, the Honors Program student handbook and Honors Program news.

If you have any comments about the Web site or there is anything you would like to see online from the Honors Program, please send an e-mail to honors@etown.edu.

Honors Newsletter

Contact honors@etown.edu with anything you would like to see published in the next newsletter. This issue includes contributions from Kyle Brady, Katie Heberlein, Jess Hoagland, Anna Sarneso, Shaleen Spulio and Randi Stanton.



Mark your calendars now!

Honors Program Spring Picnic

Monday, April 24, 4-6 p.m.

Elizabethtown Borough Park, Pavilion #2 (behind the Fun Fort)

Food ~ Games ~ End-of-semester silliness!