

Join us Wednesday, September 4 @ 4:00 in the Student Union Building, Banquet A & B, for UHP's Fall Orientation!!! It is the one mandatory University Honors Program event of the year.

Agenda

- Welcome our new members – We also want to welcome back our returning members and to anticipate and celebrate the year ahead, our academic New Year's as it were.
- Do some individual and communal goal setting – As we kickoff the year, we will take the time to set, consider, or reconsider our goals so that we can better chart our individual and communal courses this year.
- Engage in some community building – Curt Kochner, the former Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, will lead us in some team building activities.
- Talk about the UHP year ahead, its opportunities and challenges – Among our priorities, we will be piloting more new courses, offering more research opportunities, strengthening UHP culture, and building our membership so that the UHP will be self-sustaining.
- Eat and enjoy each other's company (see menu at end).

From last academic year . . .

- Congratulations to Chas Haggerty for being selected as Honors Club president for the coming year.
- Congratulations to our University Honors Scholars, Nathan Baillet and Shawn Griffith, the 46th and 47th members to fulfill the 7-course requirement and earn this distinction.
 - Nathan Baillet, Bachelor of Science Management, Bachelor of Science History, was awarded an Outstanding Senior Award and the Golden Merit Award, the latter the highest academic award given to a graduating senior. Nathan is currently working on his MBA from the University of Montana.
 - Shawn Griffith, Bachelor of Science Biology, *Magna Cum Laude*, will enter dental school in the fall 2014.

This academic year . . .

- Honors Writer in Residence – We are currently talking to Gary Ferguson (<http://www.wildwords.net/>) about becoming our third writer in residence. He is the author of 10 books, including *Decade of the Wolf: Returning the Wild to Yellowstone Park* and *The Great Divide: The Rocky Mountains in the American Mind*. There are complications though that I will consult with you about at the retreat.

- Capstone Course – Curt Kochner has agreed to pilot our capstone course for the spring semester. Honors 492/292, Food Distribution and Hunger, will investigate the problem of hunger in Billings and the food distribution system that addresses it. In a nutshell, the goal of the course is to provide UHP graduates real world problem-solving skills by giving them an actual unsolved problem and to strengthen critical thinking skills by working on problems which don't have textbook answers.

On the Menu

Little Italy

- Antipasto Platter
- Traditional Caesar Salad
- Sliced Italian Bread with Butter
- Fresh Zucchini Toss
- Pasta Bar with Spaghetti and Penne Pasta
- Marinara Sauce and Meat Sauce
- Eggplant Parmesan
- Baked Vegetable Lasagna or Quartered Chicken Cacciatore
- Freshly Grated Parmesan Cheese
- Tiramisu
- Lemonade and Iced Tea

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