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Greetings, Friends!

Thank you so much to all of you who came to the SPA Conference and to all who presented, organized, and helped in any way. The feedback we have gotten has been very positive and very helpful. Pictures are posted elsewhere in this newsletter. SPA President-Elect Mary Russell did a stellar job of making the conference happen, with a huge assist from Katia Albright the conference committee and the SPA Board members. Speaking of the SPA Board, we are saying goodbye to some of our most solid members at the end of the Academic Year and that means we need you to submit your name in nomination for a board seat.

Departing members are:

Heather Cote (membership)

Michaela Aust (web and communications)

Nancy Kujak-Ford (Past President)

Will Lipske (General Exec Board or "General Will" for short)



Dave Black

So we need a new President-Elect, Membership coordinator, Web and Communications director, and General Board Member. Please let me know if you are willing to run, with a short candidate statement that can be sent out with the ballots. Candidate statements are due by the end of the day on Monday, April 5th. Terms are for three years.

Coming up later this semester, we have the Awards luncheon at Carson Gulley on April 14th – Alison Rice will be sharing more information about that elsewhere in this newsletter – and Academic Staff members should plan on attending a brown bag on getting promoted, job security, and the importance of annual evaluations. It will be held Friday, April

16th and will be presented by Emuye Asfaw of the Academic Personnel office in Room 1510, Microbial Sciences. People on West Campus will, I hope, be encouraged by the fact that they don't have to travel far to access this presentation.

We will be scheduling a parallel forum of interest to Classified Staff personnel later in this semester and one other forum on a topic to be determined.

Finally, please join us in May for the end of semester social on Memorial Union Terrace with soda, guacamole, chips and other treats as well as prizes to be given away. Stay tuned for the date to be announced.

Thank you again for your membership, your fellowship, and what you do to contribute to the success of students on this campus.

Dave Black
SPA President, 2009-10

Madison Meals for Haiti, April 8 - 10

To respond to recent events in Haiti, Madison Meals for Haiti has set a goal to **prepare 500,000 meals** for Haitians in need. To achieve this goal, we **need 2,400 volunteers** to each donate \$25 and 90 minutes, at various shifts April 8 - 10. During the event, volunteers will assemble the food in a supervised, sanitary setting in assembly line fashion. Each volunteer will prepare over 200 meals. At a cost of 12 cents per meal, this is an extremely cost-effective way to provide direct benefits to Haitians in need. Please help us reach our goal. This event is a volunteer managed benefit. **This means that 100% of your donation funds the purchase of the food and shipping to Haiti - not overhead!**

For registration and more information, see www.mealsforhaiti.org. Although SPA will not be participating as an organization, please contact me - [Katy France](mailto:kfrance@bact.wisc.edu) (kfrance@bact.wisc.edu) - if you're interested in joining me for a Madison Meals for Haiti shift.

IT'S SPA AWARDS TIME!!!!

The 2010 SPA Awards Banquet will be held on Wednesday, April 14th, 2010. However, we need YOU to help us celebrate the work of your amazing colleagues. The Student Personnel Association hopes that you would consider taking your time to nominate your colleague on their hard work. Give them the recognition that they deserve! To view a list of awards, please see <http://www.uw-spa.org/calendar.htm>.

DEADLINE: Friday, March 26, 2010

2010 SPA Award Nomination Instructions

All submissions will be done electronically this year! Please click here to submit your nomination: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WZX383Q> or go to SPA's web site at www.uw-spa.org.

Please be ready with the following information:

1. Explain for which award(s) you are nominating this person and why. (Please note if the nomination is for the Chancellor's Award, you should include work beyond the individual's position with UW-Madison. Refer to the award description. Please use specific examples.)
2. Include the nominee's years of service at UW-Madison.
3. Indicate the length of time you have known the nominee.
4. Describe the major job responsibilities and in what department the individual works.
5. Provide specific examples of the nominee's accomplishments in the field of student services. What makes the nominee unique?

Finally in order to complete the nomination, please send at least 3 and not more than 5 additional letters of support to Nancy Kujak-Ford at nmkujak@wisc.edu.

It is highly recommended that at least one of these letters is written by a current or former student. It is also recommended that additional letters be written by people representing units outside of the one in which the nominee works. Listed below are some suggestions for information to include in the letters of support:

- State the length of time you have known the nominee.
- Explain why you chose to support the nomination of this individual.
- Provide specific examples of excellence in service to students.
- Give any other insights on the nominee's philosophy, work history or personal attributes.

Note: You may wish to contact the awards committee chair to view copies of nomination letters of previous awards recipients, to assist in the writing of your letter.

Thanks!
Nancy Kujak-Ford
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SPA Award Nomination Chair





Join the SPA Crazylegs team for a run (8K or 5 miles) or 2 mile walk on Saturday April 24, 2010. This is the third year SPA has had a team and we've gone from 2 participants the first year to 14 last year. Let's shoot for 25 SPA teammates this year and have fun running/walking around our beautiful city and campus.

To Register:

1. Go to: <http://www.crazylegsclassic.com>
2. Click Fun & Fitness
3. Click "click here to register on-line"
4. Click on "Begin Registration"
5. Click on "Fun & Fitness Team"
6. Click "Sign UP with Existing Team"
7. Find your team (SPA)
8. Type in the password (Cheese)
9. Register

If you have any questions, please call Tonya Schmidt at 608-263-5700.



SPA 2010 Conference, Challenge to Student Affairs: When Business is not as Usual.

Thank you to everyone who attended this year's annual conference. Eighty people came together on February 26th to reconnect with colleagues, meet new people, and take away information they could use in their day-to-day jobs.

New to the conference this year:

Location: Concourse Hotel

Early-bird Registration

Happy Hour at the end of the conference

SPA sponsored 5 students to attend

Collected 6 cell phones and accessories for the Domestic Abuse Intervention Services of Dane County

Comments from attendees:

Well worth the money!

The networking opportunities were the most impressive. Thanks!

It provided an opportunity to reconnect and network with many colleagues whom I rarely have the chance to see in person.

I look forward to the next one!

Watch your email early in the fall semester for the 2011 SPA Conference date and theme. If you are interested in being on the planning committee, please contact Mary Russell:

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Upcoming Events

SPA Awards Luncheon

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2010

Time: 11:30 am

Location: Carson's Upper Gulley, Lakeshore Residence Hall

Cost: \$16 Members/\$18 Non-members

Members and friends of the Student Personnel Association are cordially invited to attend this annual recognition of our colleagues' contributions to students and student-related programs on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus. Join us to honor this year's recipients. Please print and complete reservation form you can find at www.uw-spa.org.

Reservation Deadline: Monday, April 5.

For questions, contact Karen Lederer at klederer@lssaa.wisc.edu.

We hope to see you there!!

Milwaukee Women Leaders Conference

Date: Friday, April 30, 2010

Time: 7 am-12:30 pm

Location: Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee, WI

Cost: \$ 179

An exclusive event for women striving to improve their personal and professional leadership skills through education, networking and inspirational guidance.

Women today are poised to achieve both professional and personal success. You have the degrees, experience, style and courage to recreate "business as usual" and play a critical role in the economic recovery. This conference celebrates women who have pioneered their fields, and will inspire you to blaze your own trail to a more productive, profitable future.

What can I expect at the *Women Leaders-Not Business as Usual Conference?*

Inspiring keynote presentation. Gain insights from Pat Nazemetz, Chief HR and Ethics Officer, Xerox.

Networking breakfast. Connect with colleagues to build beneficial relationships.

Educational seminars. Participate in five engaging, exploratory conversations around making impactful change, moving beyond the glass ceiling, personal branding and social networking, and research about women and leadership.

Exchange panels. Get advice from successful business women as they address best practices and lessons learned from their journey to the top.

For more information go to www.sce-womenleaders.uwm.edu.