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## **\*\*HONORS NEWS\*\***

*For those students trying to register for Fall 2008 Honors courses: To sign up for a class that is asking you for a signature, you can go to the registrar's office and they will enroll you in the class as long as you have Honors status in DARS.*

### **The Big Read**

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to revitalize the role of literary reading in American popular culture. The chosen book for this project is *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, by Zora Neale Hurston. Join our Big Read Discussion Group:

--- **There will be another meeting with Dr. Norton hosting!** Wednesday, April 23rd - 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm in Founders Hall, French Parlor. Dr. Noelle Norton will host this first USD Employee Book Club meeting, sponsored by the Department of Human Resources.

**The first ten honors students to sign up will receive a free copy of the book!!! There are still copies in the honors office!**

# HONORS SENIOR THESIS PRESENTATIONS

(all welcome to attend)  
IPJ 215, 4:00 – 5:20pm

**Tuesday, April 22** **Peter Strawn (English-Dr. Stoll)** – “Vision and Revision: Esemplastic Desire of Samuel Taylor Coleridge”  
**Alex McGee (Political Science-Dr. Williams)** – “Our Watch Has Broken: The Response of the International Community to Humanity”

**Thursday, Apr 24** **Andrea McBeth (Biochemistry– Dr. Kaufmann)** - “Stable Isotope Analysis of  $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$  and  $^{15}\text{N}/^{14}\text{N}$  to Determine Relative Trophic Position of Tuna in Southern California Bight and Northern Pacific Gyre”  
**Joanie Dix (International Relations– Dr. Willoughby)** – “From Separatist to Militant Jihadi: The Evolution of Terrorism and its Implications for International Law Enforcement”

## **BIRD WATCHING TOUR, Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am:**

Join Dr. Christopher Adler (Music) for an informal birdwatching trip to Santee Lakes, one of San Diego's birding hotspots. San Diego is known as one of the "birdiest" counties in the United States, with almost 500 species having been sighted. We can expect to see 40-50 different species including ducks, migrating spring warblers, raptors, woodpeckers, hummingbirds and much more. Please bring binoculars if you have them. Additional pairs of binoculars will be available. There will be a picnic lunch at the lakes afterwards.



## **Join the Walk of Hope!**

Join the USD Honors Team for a walk around campus and help support breast cancer research! USD honors students will be walking as a group in this year's Walk for Hope on May 3rd. We will meet in front of the IPJ at 8:30am Saturday May 3rd. Don't forget your sunblock and walking shoes! RSVP by April 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **"Night of Procrastination"**

Come to relax! Come to eat, play games, watch movies and just mingle with friends before the stressful week of finals begins! Join us on Thursday, May 8th in the U.C. Forums as we celebrate our last days of freedom before studying for the rest of the semester. The fun begins at 6:30pm and lasts until 10:30pm.

Make sure to RSVP and signup if you'd like to take part in a live version of the board game Clue! For this game of Clue there will be at least 6 teams representing the main board game characters so sign up soon before spots are taken up! We hope to see you all there!

## [“Pharmakon” Documentary](#)

USD Honors invites you to a showing of "Pharmakon," A film that centers around a forming artist community in Northern California, examining movement and growth on the local scale as well as the challenges that come with building community. This hour and a half film was directed, shot, and edited by college students from across California. The film showing begins at 5pm in UC 107 and lasts approximately an hour and a half. So take a break from finals on May 18th and join us for this event. RSVP by May 15th please.

## **HSB Meeting**

The next HSB meeting is May 15th, 2008, at 1:15pm, location TBA. Any honors student interested in the meeting is invited to attend. Please RSVP to the Honors Assistant at [sstillwell@sandiego.edu](mailto:sstillwell@sandiego.edu).

## **Honors Tutoring Service Looking for Volunteers!**

(Paid and unpaid opportunities)

The Honors Student Board is starting an Honors Tutoring Service. If you are interested in tutoring in a subject you know well (Math, History, Physics, Political Science, Chemistry, etc.), please email Sara ([sstillwell@sandiego.edu](mailto:sstillwell@sandiego.edu)). We will start a list of available tutors and advertise across campus. When students request a tutor for a particular subject we will give them your name and email address. You will make all of the arrangements, including time, date, and cost. Again, please respond to this email if you are interested.

We need your name, phone number, email address, and subject of interest.

## **Honors Advising The Honors Hour**

**Tuesdays 2:30- 3:30 p.m.**

Dr. Norton reserves one of her office hours every two weeks for specialized Honors advising.

Each Honors Hour will focus on an advising question important to Honors students.

Some weeks, the *Honors Hour* will be best for lower-division students and other weeks will be best for graduating seniors.

The *Honors Hour* will be held in the lounge section of the Honors Program Office (Founders 119) on the dates listed below.

### DATE

April 22nd

### TOPIC

Meet the New Honors Director

**Have a great week!**