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Center for Student Involvement Social Justice Newsletter

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Welcome Students!!

Welcome to the first Social Justice Students' Organizations newsletter! This newsletter will provide regular information and updates on fellowships, internships, grants, and upcoming events. It will also serve as a mechanism for all the SOJ groups to be able to keep in touch and in the loop on each others' doings – if you send us content! Please email me if you would like an event or activity added to an upcoming newsletter.

Have a happy and successful fall quarter!

Doris Dirks

What is Social Justice?



Social justice is the pursuit of justice and equity for populations, who are, currently and historically, marginalized, exploited, disempowered, or violated based on their social group membership.

These manifestations of oppression are the pervasive existence of social inequality woven through social institutions as well as embedded with individual consciousness.

Rooted in civil rights movements of the past century this includes the rights of following: people of color; people with diverse religions; women, people with disabilities; lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people; the poor and working class; and younger and older adults. The pursuit of social justice inevitably involves working to dissolve the many "isms" of injustice and oppression.

ASG Recognized Social Justice Student Organizations include

Americans for Informed Democracy (AID)

Amnesty International

College Democrats

College Feminists

College Republicans

HALO

NORML-SSDP

Peace of Mind

Peace Project

Rainbow

SEED

STAND

Students for Teach for America

Internship Initiative 2010

Thursday, November 11th

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Location: Norris University Center

Look to this event to energize your internship search by providing you with the opportunity to network with over 35 companies and organizations from all industries. This internship event, open to all NU undergraduates and graduate students, also features UCS walk-in hours for resume reviews and quick questions, and information tables from 10 internship related offices from Northwestern University. Co-sponsored by UCS and UCA.

For more information please contact Betsy Gill at:

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Be The Change Grants

Do you have a great idea for enhancing the Northwestern community?

You could be awarded up to \$1,000 with a *'Be the Change'* grant!!

Be the Change Grants are designed to encourage students to re-imagine Northwestern through campus beautification, projects, community building, and creativity. Funding is awarded based on a proposal's ability to improve the Northwestern experience in exciting and innovative ways.

Potential projects should add to the overall creativity of campus. Projects may include but are not limited to physical changes to campus, educating and engaging the community, celebrating a cause, planting of greenery, or other vegetation, landscaping, lighting enhancements, mural painting, throwing a benefit event, etc.

Eligibility: Any recognized student group at NU would be eligible to apply for a Be the Change Grant. Grants are offered to groups or individuals that demonstrate a commitment to the beautification of the Northwestern community.

All proposals must be submitted by November 12th @ 5pm. Visit the Center for Student Involvement at www.csi.northwestern.edu for full details and guidelines.

Upcoming Events:

November 15th @ 7pm
Cahn Auditorium

NCDC/Peace Project Fall Speaker
(TBA)

November 16 @7pm -Leverone Hall

College Democrats Fall Speaker (TBA)

November 30 @8pm
McCormick Auditorium

SEED Fall Speaker (TBA)

For those interested in adding events
and activities to the newsletter;
contact:

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For more information on social
justice issues, please visit the Center
for Student Involvement Social
Justice website at:
www.norris.northwestern.edu/csi/sj

Faiths Act Fellowships

30 young leaders inspired by Faith... A commitment to ending extreme poverty..... An inspiring, life-changing year..!

The Faiths Act Fellowship is a paid opportunity for young interfaith leaders to spend a year bringing faith communities together around the UN's Millennium Development Goals.

Join this global movement by applying to be a Fellow or by recommending the program to an exceptional young person you know.

Applications are due by December 31, 2010. For more information, please visit: www.ifyc.org/FaithsActFellows

Join Northwestern's Sex Committee

Tired of seeing the same old events on campus? Northwestern not sexy enough for you? Want to plan the best week of the year?

Steam up Northwestern's Campus and join the Sex Week 2011 Planning Committee!! Sex Week is Northwestern's chance to take sex out of the closet and start the dialogue about one of the most important topics in our lives.

Interested? Check out the website and fill out our application:
www.northwesternsexweek.com

**Northwestern's Sex Week will be held April 18th-22nd 2011.
Applications are due November 3rd.**

2011 Student Freedom Ride

American Experience invites college students to "**Get on the Bus.**" Be one of 40 college students to join original Freedom Riders in retracing the 1961 rides.

Applications are now being accepted until January 17, 2010

For more information visit:
www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/freedomriders/2011/?page_id=2