

INSTRIDER...

Student Support Services

MID-TERM PROGRESS REPORTS!
 Will be in on Monday
 October 22, 2007
 Call and make an
 appointment with your
 advisor!



Fall Break!!
 October 15th & 16th
 (Monday / Tuesday)

Career Fair
 October 24, 2007
 11:00am - 3:00pm
 Student Center

PPPPST!!!
Attention, students who need to take the PPST test/s:
 You can practice taking the PPST tests by logging on to www.wsc.edu, click on Academics, Library, Full database list, and finally on Learning Express Exam Collection. Click on new user and provide sign-in information.
 Any questions? Call Naoma at 375-7548.
Plan on taking the hard copy version of the test? Stop by Naoma's office to check out a PPST practice book.
****STRIDE/SSS has tutors who can help you prepare for the reading, writing, and/or math tests, also.****

NEW LAPTOPS!!!!
 We have 4 new laptops for check out!!
 Stop by our office and talk to us about our Laptop Lending Program!



- Adam Batcheller
- Lauren Brown
- Diane Crary
- Ronell Cutler
- Kirstien Dixon
- Maurice Ellerbee
- Mallory Foral
- Patrice Gilreath
- Kyleen Hays
- Josh Konwinski
- Anthony Lawrence
- Tyler Mullanix
- Justin Pommier
- Amelia Stusse
- Daisy Tello
- Angela Tomasek
- Ashley Weber

Chi Alpha Epsilon National Honor Society

Congratulations to the fourteen students who will be inducted into XAE this semester. These students have maintained a 3.0 cumulative GPA for two consecutive full-time semesters. The students being inducted are:

- Nichole Bice
- Brent Clark
- Mallory Foral
- Adam Hanzlik
- Suzi Havelka
- Ashley Hodgins
- Anna Horan
- Jenni Jansen
- Tamara Nash
- Jesus Nuno
- Dana Raney
- Joyce Rasmussen
- Mark Schulte
- Amber Vesely

Five current members of XAE earned semester GPAs of 3.5 or above and will receive jewel upgrades at the induction. These students are:

- Erica Dexter
- Megan Hughes
- Nicole Johnson
- Cheryl Swanson
- Ian Tonnies

**The fall induction will be held on Sunday, October 21 at 2:00 pm in the Niobrara Room. All STRIDE students are welcome to attend. Be sure to congratulate the students being honored when you see them.



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Time for Silence

Everyone needs
 That moment
 That time
 That space of nothing
 That empty season
 Everyone needs time for silence
 The silence that lets real thoughts occur

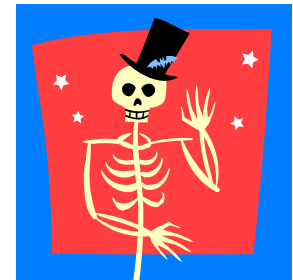
This silence is used for searching for true meaning and understanding
 It's that moment of self-reflection
 For finding out who you are
 It's your opportunity of discovery
 Take your time, empty season, space of nothing
 Be silent learn and grow

- Patrice Gilreath
 WSC STRIDE Student, Junior



Allen Ladd

Recipient of the
 Martha Roe Davenport
 Scholarship!



Krautz Komer

DESERVE YOUR DREAM... is the theme chosen for the 2007/2008 school year by the STRIDE/SSS Staff. As mid-semester is quickly approaching, you are reminded of all the hard work it takes to succeed in college. Keep your ultimate goal and mission of your life in focus, and keep in mind that you must "do work"! All your hard work will pay off, and when you feel like taking a shortcut, remind yourself that you must **DESERVE YOUR DREAM!** Here is an excerpt from a motivator I once got the privilege of doing training with...

Law of the Farm (Covey, 1994)

One of the best ways to understand how extrinsic realities govern is to consider the *Law of the Farm*. In agriculture, we can easily see and agree that natural laws and principles govern the work and determine the harvest. But in social and corporate cultures, we somehow think we can dismiss natural processes, cheat the system, and still win the day. And there's a great deal of evidence that seems to support that belief.

For example, did you ever "cram" in school -- goof off during the semester, then spend all night before the big test trying to cram a semester's worth of learning into your head?

Stephen: I'm ashamed to admit it, but I crammed my way through undergraduate school, thinking I was really clever. I learned to psych out the system, to figure out what the teacher wanted. "How does she grade? Mostly on lectures? Great! I don't have to worry about reading the

textbook. What about this other class? We have to read the book? Okay, where are the Cliff Notes so I can get a quick summary instead? I wanted the grade, but I didn't want it to crimp my lifestyle. . . Then I got into graduate work, a different league altogether. I spent my first three months trying to cram to make up for four years of undergraduate cramming, and I wound up in the hospital with ulcerated colitis. I was trying to force the natural processes, and I found out that, long term, you simply can't do it. I spent years trying to compensate for the foolishness of getting myself into a value system that was not tied to principles at all."

Can you imagine "cramming" on the farm? Can you imagine forgetting to plant in the spring, flaking out all summer, and hitting it hard in the fall--ripping the soil up, throwing in the seeds, watering, cultivating--and expecting to get a bountiful harvest overnight?

Cramming doesn't work in a natural system. That's the fundamental difference between a social and natural system. A social system is based on values; a natural system is based on principles. In the short term, cramming may appear to work in a social system. You can go for the "quick fixes" and techniques with apparent success. But in the long run they just don't work.