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"Our Heroes" Award



PFLA's "Our Heroes" Award recognizes an Oregon State University colleague or a group of colleagues for excellence in their work at OSU. Once each month, PFLA presents a token of appreciation to an

extraordinary person or group on campus or within OSU state wide thanking them for their efforts.

Nominations are accepted on an ongoing basis and a recipient will be chosen by the PFLA awards committee. Nominations received will remain active for consideration throughout the term of the incumbent Board. Candidates must be nominated by PFLA members, but you do not have to be a member to be one of "our heroes."

"Our Heroes" provides PFLA members with an opportunity to support and acknowledge the professionalism of OSU staff, while highlighting the importance of others' work and excellence in service. **Nominate someone today!**

October Recap

As part of PFLA's focus on diversity issues, Dr. Terry Ross, Director of Community and Diversity at OSU, was our featured guest speaker at the October monthly meeting. Terry shared a little about the opportunities and challenges of having our campus commit to diversity. He also facilitated several group discussions to determine what areas PFLA members feel could be focused on and how to implement improvements across campus.

Terry shared several ways for individuals and groups to participate including the the Diversity Book club and the Committed to Diversity Challenge (C2D) that was started this year.

Congratulations Winners!

A big congratulations to the following winners of the PFLA drawing at University Day!

- Carol Spinney - 2 tickets to an OSU Football game
- Kami Hammerschmith - A one-night stay in a Spa Suite at the Salbasgeon Inn and Conference Center, Corvallis
- Carrie Copland - A two-night get-away at the Salbasgeon Inn of the Umpqua in Reedsport, Oregon
- Joy Asbury - One HP Deskjet 6540 color inkjet printer donated by "Office Depot"
- Sara Eklund - Brothers Intellifax 775 Plain Paper Fax Machine donated by Office Max

Monthly Meetings Update

November 1, 2006, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Voices Project and A Commitment To Diversity

Valley Library, Willamette West Room
Please join us in the Library, Willamette West room to view a Voices Project video segment and then brainstorm ideas for the organization to take on for their C2D project of the year. The Voices Project involves, compelling video taped interviews with OSU students, faculty, and staff on key diversity-related issues. These interviews will be used as community building, dialog producing tools. Terry Ross will be speaker and facilitator. Members of the Ethnic Studies Student Association have also been invited to participate. Food is not allowed but Java II is close by for a quick bite before or after.

November 7, 2006, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

The Invisible Walls of the Ivory Tower

MU Powell Leadership Ctr., Journey Room
This dynamic program will explore forms of bias in the university, and will encourage participants to reflect on their own experiences and develop strategies for change.



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