

NAAAD eNews Update September 13, 2006

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1. Proposed New Alumni Constitution

This fall, Dartmouth alumni will be asked to consider and vote on a proposed new alumni constitution. The new constitution would merge the two current constitutions of the Alumni Council and the Association of Alumni of Dartmouth College into a single document and change the structure of alumni governance. The ballot will also include amendments to the current Association of Alumni constitution offered by petition.

You can vote online, by mail, or by phone. All votes must be received by October 31 to be counted.

Why is it important to cast your ballot? Your decision has an impact on Dartmouth's future direction. At Dartmouth, half of the board of trustees is nominated by the alumni body. In addition, alumni leaders serve as designated communicators between the College and their peers. Your choices will establish how those responsibilities will be executed in the future, and by whom.

For more information go to voxthevote.org

2. Fall Issue of GreenMessenger

The next issue of the NAAAD newsletter, the Green Messenger, will go in the mail the week of September 18th. If you have news or an announcement that you would like to share in this issue, please send items to NAAAD via the newsletter email account (GreenMessenger@gmail.com) by 9pm EST on September 14. Apologies for the short deadline. All news received after that date will appear in the next eNews Update or GreenMessenger. Alternatively, use one of the two NAAAD listservs to communicate your news. See Item 6 for more info.

3. NAAAD Annual Meeting

The annual NAAAD meeting took place on Friday May 12, 2006 at 3:00 in Zimmerman Lounge in Blunt Alumni Center. Attendees included: Debbie Atuk T'04, Dave Bonga '74, Michael Hanitchak '73, Ryan Howard '00, Mabelle Hueston '86, Colleen Larimore '85, Darren Ranco '93, Drew Ryce

'74, and Cara Wallace '03.

NAAAD Executive Officers Ryan Howard '00 and Debbie Atuk T'04 presented members with an annual report as well as highlights from the strategic plan for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. The agenda also included proposed revisions to the NAAAD Constitution.

The NAAAD executive committee have prepared proposed revisions to the NAAAD Constitution (now Bylaws). The changes in the Bylaws reflect the discussion held during a working session with attorney Janine Fate-Avner '80. It also borrows heavily from the comprehensive Bylaws of two other Dartmouth alumni clubs.

The proposed draft of the Bylaws will be posted on the NAAAD website (www.dartmouth.org/affiliated/naaad) following the close of the Dartmouth Alumni Association vote. NAAAD members will then be asked to vote on approving the new Bylaws.

4. Pow Wow Week Events

NAD, NAP and NAAAD organized some great events and activities the week leading up to and including Dartmouth's Pow Wow weekend. Check out Deb Klenotic's article on the Pow Wow at the Alumni Relations website at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/news/index.php?p=3&id=0427>

5. Fall Events

(*) New York Alumni Association Kick-Off on September 13

The Dartmouth Alumni Association of New York City and the Office of Alumni Relations invite you to the Fall Kick-Off on Wednesday, September 13, at the Dartmouth Club of NYC (directions below). Welcome the Class of 2006 to NYC, find out about local alumni activities, and learn about the proposed new alumni constitution.

The Dartmouth Club of NYC is located in the Yale Club (www.yaleclubnyc.org) at 50 Vanderbilt Avenue, between East 44th and East 45th Streets, in midtown Manhattan.

(*) DC Alumni Association meeting on September 20

Join Heather McMillan '02, Diandra Benally '00 and Debbie Atuk T'04 at this regional club happy hour sponsored by Alumni Relations. Go to the Alumni Relations website at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/clubs/kickoff/> to RSVP. Send us an email at djatuk@gmail.com or Heather.L.McMillan.02@Alum.Dartmouth.org for more information.

(*) Boston Alumni Association meeting on September 21

Organize some NAAADs and enjoy Dartmouth Alumni Relation's

hospitality while welcoming the Class of 2006, finding out more about local alumni activities and learning about the proposed new alumni constitution. RSVP online at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/clubs/kickoff/> then email Debbie Atuk (djatak@gmail.com) if you'd like help coordinating area NAAADs. Watch your email inbox for more details.

(*) San Francisco Alumni Assoc. meeting on September 28

By our count, there are four NAAAD alumni in the Bay area. Just want to make sure you don't miss out on the Alumni Relation happy hour event happening in your city, too. RSVP online at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/clubs/kickoff/>.

(*) 2006 AIGC Annual Conference September 23 & 24

The American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) annual conference will be held September 23 and 24 at the Sandia Resort and Casino in Albuquerque, NM. Over 500 of AIGC alumni and Native leaders, educators and business people are expected. Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell will join the Saturday evening Celebration Banquet as the Keynote Speaker.

For details and a registration form visit the website at www.aigcs.org.

If you plan to attend and would like to organize a NAAAD gathering, send an email to the informal NAAAD listserv. See item number 6 below if you need help posting.

(*) NIEA in Anchorage, Alaska on October 19-22

Look for Brooke Ammann '97 and Andre Cramblit '86 at the 37th annual NIEA convention. National Indian Education Association is the oldest and largest Indian education representing American Indian, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian educators and students.

Email Brooke Ammann at nioogabow@yahoo.com if you're planning to attend as she's looking forward to seeing some NAAADs in person!

6. Staying in Touch via NAAAD Listservs

NAAAD has two listservs for communicating with fellow NAD alumni. The original listserv is an "opt-in" listserv and consists largely of informal dialogue about Indian Country, as well job postings and the occasional joke. Anyone can subscribe to this listserv by sending an e-mail to listserv@dartmouth.edu with "SUB NAAAD-LIST your name" (e.g. SUB NAAAD-LIST Ryan Howard) as the text of your message. To post a message send your email to NAAAD-list@listserv.dartmouth.edu and your email will go out to the 86 alumni who have subscribed.

There is also a formal listserv called the NAAAD Info-List and it is an "opt-out" listserv. All alumni who have self-identified with Alumni Relations as Native American, and provided their email address, are on this list (including the 86 who are on the informal listserv).

This Info-list is for official NAAAD and Dartmouth related announcements. To post to this listserv, send your email to NAAADinfo-list@listserv.dartmouth.edu. This list is moderated and restricted to official NAAAD business including newsletters, admissions updates, events, College news (including NAD, NAS and NAP) and committee reports.

Ryan Howard '01 maintains both listservs. Please email him if you have any questions:
Ryan.Howard.01@Alum.Dartmouth.ORG

7. Internships

Smithsonian Institution: Minority Internships
http://grantsnet.org/search/pgm_info.cfm?pgm_id=3047

The Smithsonian Institution's Office of Fellowships offers internships to increase participation of U.S. minority groups who are underrepresented in Smithsonian scholarly programs, in the disciplines of research conducted at the Institution, and in the museum field. This program is designed to provide undergraduate and beginning graduate students the opportunity to learn more about the Smithsonian and the students academic fields (listed below) through direct experience in research or museum-related internship projects under the supervision of research and professional staff members at the institution's many museums, research institutes, and offices. Internships are full-time (40 hours per week), ten week appointments during the summer, fall, or spring. Stipend awards are \$350 per week, with additional travel allowances offered in some cases. Animal behavior, ecology, and environmental science, including an emphasis on the topics anthropology, including archaeology, astrophysics and astronomy, earth sciences and paleobiology, evolutionary and systematic biology, history of science and technology, history of art (especially American, contemporary, African, and Asian art) twentieth-century American crafts and decorative arts, social and cultural history of the United States, and folk life.

Deadline: October 1, 2006

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8. Job Postings

- Intake and Outreach Coordinator
- Executive Director, Native American Cancer Research

(*) Intake and Outreach Coordinator

The Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA Family Center) serves self-identified American Indian and Alaska Native youth and their families in the Portland metropolitan area. Founded in 1974, NAYA Family Center provides a continuum of year round services for children, youth and young adults, including middle and high school educational case management and after-school tutoring, employment services, foster care, cultural arts classes and sports and recreation programs. NAYA Family Center also provides domestic violence case management, crisis intervention services, parenting classes and food boxes.

About the Program: The Generations Project promotes Healthy Relationships and relearning traditional Native values in parenting and other family relationships.
General Description: The Intake and Outreach Coordinator is responsible for screening all potential participants for the Positive Indian Parenting classes and Youth and Adult Relationship Strengthening Groups. The Intake and Outreach Coordinator is also responsible for gathering basic demographic information for assessments and reports as well as for Generations Project publicity. The Coordinator is also responsible for the planning, development, and implementation of four community gatherings to take place four times a year.

Essential Functions: The Intake and Outreach Coordinator is responsible for the recruitment of group participants, advertisement of program events, and documentation of statistical information for reporting purposes, solicitation of donations that meet the funding match required by the funders.

Requirements and Qualifications: At least one year of intake and/or case management experience, knowledge and demonstrated competency in working with AI/AN community, ability to manage multiple tasks and deadline effectively, communication skills, verbal and written, active listening skills and public presentation skills ability to track project participant data pertinent to participant participation in project activities, and contribute to design, implementation, revision and maintenance of the Project.

For the official position description, please visit our website at: www.nayapdx.org

Application Procedures: Interested candidates should submit a cover letter addressing their qualifications for the position and why they are interested in joining the NAYA Family Center team. Please also enclose an application and resume. Applications can be obtained online at www.nayapdx.org or by contacting the office.

Deadline to apply: September 15, 2006

Send application materials to:
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Native American Youth and Family Center
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Phone: 503-288-8177 - Fax: 503-288-1260
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(*) Executive Director, Native American Cancer Research

Native American Cancer Research (NACR) Mission Statement:
The mission of NACR is to reduce Native American cancer incidence and mortality, and to increase survival from cancer among Native Americans. To accomplish this mission, the goal is to implement cancer primary prevention, secondary prevention, risk reduction, screening (early detection), education, training, research, diagnoses, control, treatment, support, or study of cancer among Native Americans.

Note: this position will be a co-executive director with Linda Burhansstipanov for at least 6 months; then Linda will move to the position of Grants Director; i.e., she is not leaving NACR, but will be able to focus on her grants rather than the Executive Director Administrative responsibilities.

For more information check the website or email Linda at LindaB@NatAmCancer.net.

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