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DePauw welcomes 642 new students this fall

The 642 members of the incoming Class of 2014 – the most diverse in DePauw’s history – include 617 first-year students, 13 transfer students and 12 foreign exchange students. The new students arrived on campus from 36 states and 22 countries, and 34 percent of the new class

(213 students) have a multicultural background, the highest total in DePauw’s history.

Twenty-one percent of the incoming undergraduates are first-generation college students. Twenty-three percent of the enrolling students have an alumni tie to DePauw.

Rector Scholar tradition reestablished through gift from alumnus

DePauw University is reestablishing a Rector Scholarship tradition with the help of a gift from an alumnus who was able to attend DePauw as recipient of the prestigious scholarship. A gift from M. Lewis Gulick ’44 will allow DePauw once again to provide a director to maintain the “Rector spirit” of DePauw’s preeminent academic merit award program. Gulick is author of the book *An Investment in Humanity: Edward Rector and His Historic Scholarship Program for DePauw*, published in 2009.

Lawyer and philanthropist Edward Rector made one of the largest gifts ever to a liberal arts college in 1919 to fund full-tuition scholarships. His generosity made it possible for many talented students to pursue a DePauw education,

which they might not have been able to afford otherwise. During the next nine decades, Rector Scholars went on to achieve uncommon success in their careers, personal lives and communities.

With Gulick’s gift, DePauw named its first new Rector Scholarship Program director in decades. John “Jack” E. Morrill ’57, professor emeritus of mathematics and economics and a Rector Scholar himself, is the new director, and he has begun work to revive the office. Morrill’s number-one goal is to restore communication with Rector Scholars, and he also will build relationships with incoming Rector Scholars. He will organize a welcoming event for new Rector Scholars and plan events for all Rector Scholars on campus.

Scarborough, Brzezinski to participate in DePauw Discourse

The co-hosts of MSNBC’s popular “Morning Joe,” Joe Scarborough and Mika Brzezinski, will hold an interactive dialogue as part of DePauw Discourse 2010: Peril or Promise? Journalism in the New Media Age. The sessions, which are designed to engage the DePauw community, are scheduled Sept. 23-25.

Made possible by the G.D. and Gertrude R. Crain Lecture Series, Scarborough and Brzezinski’s conversation will take place on Friday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the Judson and Joyce Green Center for the Performing Arts, Kresge Auditorium. The program is free and open to the public.

Other distinguished speakers for DePauw Discourse 2010 will include: Eric D. Aasen ’02, *Dallas Morning News* reporter; Meg Kissinger Boynton ’79, *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel* award-winning investigative reporter; R.B. Brenner, DePauw’s Eugene S. Pulliam Distinguished Visiting Professor of Journalism, *Washington Post* Sunday editor and deputy universal news editor; David W. Greising ’82, general manager of Chicago News Cooperative and former business columnist for the *Chicago Tribune*; Shaun O. Higgins ’71, president and chief operating officer of

New Media Ventures; Clark Hoyt, *New York Times* public editor; Richard S. Johnson ’76, news anchor and reporter for NBC 5 in Chicago; Aaron J. Lucchetti ’96, reporter for *The Wall Street Journal*; Nathan Nichols ’05, Narrative Science lead architect; Emily Ramshaw, *The Texas Tribune* assistant managing editor; Mary Leonard Ramshaw ’70, deputy managing editor of the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*; Marianna Spicer-Joslyn, CNN News Group executive director for news standards and practices and former producer for NBC’s “Face the Nation;” Robert M. Steele ’69, director of The Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics at DePauw and Nelson Poynter Scholar for Journalism Values at the Poynter Institute; James B. Stewart Jr. ’73, *Smart Money* editor-at-large, Bloomberg Professor of Business and Economic Journalism at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, best-selling author and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist; and Andrew J. Tangel ’03, business reporter at *The (Bergen) Record* in New Jersey.

Established in 2004, DePauw Discourse is a symposium that brings some of the nation’s leading thinkers, journalists and policymakers together with the University community.

Visitors coming to campus

R.B. Brenner, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter and Sunday editor for *The Washington Post*, will serve as DePauw’s Eugene S. Pulliam Distinguished Visiting Professor of Journalism during spring semester 2011.

Molly Wilkinson Chavers ’98, executive director of Indyhub, will give the McDermond Center Lecture on Sept. 14.

Dan Daniel ’87, executive vice president of Danaher Motion, will give the McDermond Center Lecture on Nov. 11.

Matthew D. Dellinger ’97, the first-ever multimedia editor for *The New Yorker* magazine and author of a critically acclaimed new book, *Interstate-69*, published in August 2010, will give a reading in the James & Marilou Kelly Writers Series on Nov. 3.

Terence Hannum, artist, will speak on Sept. 22.

Marcia Jarmel, director of *Speaking in Tongues*, will screen and discuss the film on Nov. 15.

Gregory T. Mutz ’67, chairman and CEO of AMLI Residential, will give the McDermond Center Lecture on Oct. 12.

Joseph P. O’Leary ’82, chief operating officer of Sierra Systems Group Inc., will give the McDermond Center Lecture on Oct. 14.

Sharon Olds, an award-winning contemporary poet, will give a reading in the James & Marilou Kelly Writers Series

on Nov. 11.

Nicholas “Nic” A. Pizzolatto, award-winning fiction writer, author of the critically acclaimed new novel *Galveston* and former DePauw assistant professor of English, will give a reading in the James & Marilou Kelly Writers Series on Sept. 15.

Jan Risi ’81, president and chief operating officer of Independent Purchasing Cooperative, will give The Robert C. McDermond Honorary Lecture on Nov. 9.

Paul Saltzman, director, and Patricia Aquino, producer, will screen and discuss their film, *Prom Night in Mississippi*, on Sept. 20.

Stuart E. Schussler ’06, staff member of Mexico Solidarity Network, will speak on Sept. 7.

Rebecca Skloot, author of the best-selling book *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* (which tells the story of the origin of HeLa cells, the first “immortal” human cells grown in a lab that led to significant scientific and medical breakthroughs), will give a Timothy and Sharon Ubben Lecture on Sept. 9.

Eric M. Stisser ’94, senior vice president of business development for the St. Louis Blues hockey team, will give the McDermond Center Lecture on Nov. 4.

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Venture grant to fund “Shakespeare in the Schools”

DePauw is one of four independent colleges and universities in Indiana that have been selected as 2010 winners of the Ball Brothers Foundation Venture Fund competitive grant program. DePauw’s award totals \$15,000, which will be used to develop and implement “Shakespeare in the Schools,” a semester-long program focusing on the work of William Shakespeare, for each of Putnam County’s four public high schools. Through the program, DePauw students and faculty members will introduce area high school students to Shakespeare and stagecraft, beginning during Winter Term in January 2011.

Support students and faculty with a gift to the DePauw Annual Fund

Alumni gifts to the DePauw Annual Fund provide scholarships to students and support faculty members to create the best possible educational experience. Tuition paid by students covers less than 50 percent of the cost of a DePauw education. Your gifts to the Annual Fund help close the gap.

You can make a gift online at www.depauw.edu/give, or you can call the Annual Fund staff at 800-446-5298.

Greek community in top 5 percent for academics

The academic performance of DePauw’s fraternity and sorority members has been recognized as being among the top 5 percent of Greek communities in North America. Gamma Sigma Alpha National Academic Greek Honor Society named DePauw’s fraternities and sororities to its Honor Roll for the 2009 calendar year for achieving at or

above the campus grade point average.

Gamma Sigma Alpha National Academic Greek Honor Society, headquartered in Indianapolis, is the premier organization committed to the academic success of its members and aligning with the academic missions of the institutions that house its more than 200 member chapters.

Students studying in 29 countries during fall semester

Seventy-nine DePauw students are studying in 29 countries during the fall semester. DePauw students are in the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Chile, China, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland,

Scotland, Senegal, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Turkey, Turks and Caicos Islands, United States and Wales.

DePauw is recognized as one of the top colleges in the nation for the percentage of its students who study abroad, according to the 2009 Open Doors report published by the Institute of International Education.

Faculty news highlights

Istvan Csicsery-Ronay Jr., University Professor and professor of English, and **Arthur B. Evans**, Laurel H. Turk Professor of Modern Languages (French), are among editors of *The Wesleyan Anthology of Science Fiction*, published by Wesleyan University Press. Csicsery-Ronay and Evans are co-editors of *Science Fiction Studies*, the world’s most respected journal for the critical study of science fiction, which is published at DePauw.

Renowned conductor **Jan Harrington** joins DePauw this fall as director of choral ensembles. Harrington had a distinguished 33-year career at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music as Chancellor’s Professor and chair of the choral conducting department. During his entire tenure, he conducted the Indiana University Singers, and during a 10-year span he served as conductor of the Indiana University Contemporary Vocal Ensemble. He continues as artistic director of Apollo’s Voice, a professional chamber chorus.

Wade N. Hazel, Winona H. Welch Professor of Biology, and his former student, **Qiming Deng ’05**, are co-authors of a paper, “Population structure and phylogeography of an acorn barnacle with induced defense and its gastropod predator in the Gulf of California,” published in *Marine Biology*.

Micah E. Ling ’03, part-time assistant professor of English, and **Gregory L. Schwipps ’95**, associate professor of English, are finalists for the 2010 Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award in the emerging authors category. The Marion County Library Foundation presents a \$5,000 prize to an emerging writer with just one published book. Ling is the author of a poetry collection, *Three Islands*, and Schwipps’ first novel is titled *What This River Keeps*.

Cas Mudde, who was a Visiting Fellow at the University of Notre Dame’s Helen Kellogg Institute for International

Studies last year, will serve as the Nancy Schaenen Visiting Scholar in Ethics and part-time visiting associate professor of political science at DePauw for 2010-11.

Three faculty members are recipients of grants from the Indiana Arts Commission’s Individual Artist Program. **Cynthia O’Dell**, University professor and associate professor of art, will use the grant to create a new photo/video installation that moves beyond flat photographic works; **Barbara Fields Timm**, part-time assistant professor of art, will pursue encaustic painting and create a series of encaustic landscapes based on Indiana environments; and **Peter J. Williams**, part-time assistant professor of art and digital media technical associate, will create a multimedia installation artwork that interprets rapid changes taking place in China.

Robert M. Steele ’69, Phyllis W. Nicholas Director of The Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics at DePauw, Distinguished Visiting Professor at DePauw and Nelson Poynter Scholar for Journalism Values at The Poynter Institute in St. Petersburg, Fla., will be installed as a Fellow of the Society by the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) on Oct. 5. Fellow of the Society is the highest honor that SPJ bestows upon a journalist to recognize extraordinary contributions to the profession of journalism. The largest professional journalism organization, the Society of Professional Journalists was founded by DePauw students as Sigma Delta Chi in 1909.

Jay White, assistant professor of music and co-founder of the Bernardus Ensemble for Medieval Music, performed a concert of medieval troubadour music at the 29th International Society for Music Education World Conference. Bernardus was one of eight ensembles representing the United States at the event Aug. 1-6 in Beijing.

Sports shorts

DePauw – which had two teams finish in the top six in their respective NCAA Championships and seven others in the top 20 – concluded the 2009-10 academic year as 26th in the Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup Division III standings. Launched in 1995-96, the Directors’ Cup is a program that honors institutions maintaining a broad-based program and achieving success in both men’s and women’s sports. With 527.25 total points, DePauw recorded its eighth top-40 finish overall and sixth straight in the 15-year history of the program. *All-American softball pitcher **Megan Soutz** was one of 58 student-athletes competing in a spring sport who were named recipients of a NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. The \$7,500 award was one of just 176 presented to NCAA student-athletes this year. Soutz is DePauw’s 18th Postgraduate Scholarship recipient since **Bruce Montgomerie**, a football player, was the first in 1968. *DePauw student-athletes totaled 112 Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Academic Honor Roll awards for winter and spring sports.

The DePauw football team is ranked number 25 in

NCAA Division III in the *USA Today Sports Weekly 2010 College Football Special Edition*. The Tigers are the only Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference team ranked by the publication. Last season, the Tigers finished with a 7-3 record and won the program’s third SCAC title. The team also earned the first NCAA appearance in program history. **Coach Robby Long** welcomes back 19 returning starters this fall (eight on offense, 10 defensive players and one specialist). DePauw was picked as the preseason favorite to win the SCAC title this year.

The 117th annual battle for the Monon Bell between DePauw and Wabash, one of America’s oldest college football rivalries, will again be seen nationally on HDNet. The two institutions and the national high definition television network have agreed on a new three-year contract that calls for HDNet to broadcast the Nov. 13, 2010, contest from Wabash’s Hollett Little Giant Stadium as well as the 2011 and 2012 games. HDNet televised the last four Wabash-DePauw contests and also covered the 2003 game. Once again this year, alumni can enjoy the game at Monon Bell telecast parties scheduled around the country.