

IAIE CONNECTION

A Newsletter for IAIE Coordinators, Connectors, Senior Actives, and Members
July 2007

2007 IAIE Leadership Institute

October 10-13

Georgetown, KY, USA

*The time will soon arrive for the Kentucky IAIE institute!
All members are cordially invited!!*

Co-sponsored by the Scott County Schools in Kentucky, this Leadership Institute is shaping up to be a fantastic gathering of IAIE members and renowned presenters. A special symposium for school superintendents is also on the agenda. The symposium is By Invitation Only, so make sure your school superintendents hear about it!

*Check the agenda and other information for the Leadership Institute found
inside this newsletter.*

Order IAIE Posters and DVD's for Your School's Opening in the Fall of 2007!

Visit the IAIE web site at www.invitationaleducation.net or contact the IAIE Clearinghouse [Phone: (540) 831-6509; Email: inviteru@radford.edu] for information and order forms. These posters are great for schools, mental health centers, hospitals, and other places to offer inspirational messages about Invitational Education. The DVDs, produced by our Hong Kong Center provides a great synopsis of I.E., gathered from presentations at the 2005 Leadership Institute and schools in Hong Kong.

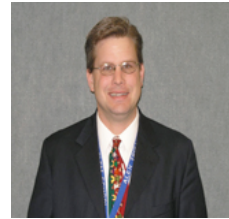
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Susan Brown, IAIE

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Kennesaw, GA 30144.

Dear IAIE Coordinators and Members,

My family I recently spent time vacationing in Iowa. One of the stops we made was to Dyersville, home of the baseball field featured in the movie *Field of Dreams*. As I spent time playing ball with my children, I was thinking of how special this experience was for me. Although Morgan, Dillon, and Logan may not have realized it, we had an opportunity to bond and make memories in of all places, the middle of a cornfield!



What also struck me as exceptional is that the proprietors of this baseball field have preserved the diamond just as it appears in the movie *and* have made it available to everyone *free of charge!* They have made a deliberate decision to openly **invite** families, baseball fans, and all other visitors to their land to experience a little bit of baseball 'heaven.' The other families that made the pilgrimage to Dyersville on this day no doubt felt the same magic.

As we use the summertime to reflect, regroup and possibly recharge our batteries, I encourage you to think of ways to make your classroom or school environment as inviting as possible. Asking yourself the simple question: "What can I do to make my environment more inviting?" is a great way to begin this process. I am confident we can make our students feel more connected to learning by building a warm and caring atmosphere. After all, *if you build it, they will come!*

Respectfully,
Alex Tripamer
Coordinator Chair

2007 Leadership Institute in Kentucky Celebrates the 25th Anniversary of IAIE!!

Plans for the 2007 Leadership Institute are well under way. This is a very special Leadership Institute since this year is the ***Silver Anniversary*** of the International Alliance of Invitation Education. There are also some very special pre-conference activities planned for Institute participants such as a day at the fall meet of the world famous Keeneland Horse Race Track, a visit to the Toyota Manufacturing facility, time at the Kentucky Horse Park, and tours of the Award winning IAIE schools in the Scott County School System. We promise a most enjoyable time in Kentucky and an insightful Leadership Institute on invitational theory and practice. If you have any further questions please feel free to contact Ken Wright, Conference Director, by phone at 502-570-3036 or by e-mail at ken.wright@scott.kyschools.us.

A Japanese Zen master received a university professor who came to inquire about Zen. From the start of the conversation, it was obvious to the master that the professor was not so much interested in learning about Zen as he was in impressing the master with his own opinions and knowledge. The master listened patiently and finally suggested they have tea. The master poured his visitor's cup full and then kept on pouring. The professor watched the cup overflow until he could no longer restrain himself. "The cup is overfull, no more will go in!" he said. "Like this cup" the master replied, "you are full of your own opinions and speculations. How can I show you Zen unless you first empty your cup?"

Hyams, J. (1979). *Zen in the martial arts*. New York, Bantam books, p. 10-11.

Announcement!

IAIE Board of Trustee Nominations

The Board of Trustees of the International Alliance for Invitational Education announces a call for nominations to fill four Board vacancies, beginning in 2007 at the end of the Leadership Institute. While the incumbents, Dr. John Novak, Dr. Charlotte Reed, Dr. Paula Stanley, and Dr. Peter Wong, have indicated they wish to run for another two-year term, IAIE Members are invited to nominate additional candidates to run for the open seats on the Board of Trustees.

Nominations should be sent to the Executive Secretary, Susan Brown, via email or postal service. The email address is sbrown41@kennesaw.edu and the postal address IAIE, Kennesaw State University, Mail Drop 9106, Town Point Building, 3rd Floor, Kennesaw, GA 30144

Deadline for Nominations is 5:00PM EST, August 10, 2007. After Nominations are closed, an election will be held by the IAIE Advisory Council according to the Bylaws.

Please use the Nomination Form that follows.

International Alliance for Invitational Education Nomination Form for the Board of Trustees

Note: All nominees and nominators must be members in good standing with IAIE.

Name of Nominee: _____

Postal Address: _____

Zip or Postal Code _____

Email Address: _____

Skills/Qualities of Nominee (50 words or less): _____

Member Making Nomination: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Return completed form to:

Susan Brown, IAIE

sbrown41@kennesaw.edu or IAIE, Kennesaw State University, Mail Drop 9106, Town Point Building, 3rd Floor,
Kennesaw, GA 30144.

2007 Leadership Institute Agenda

WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 10—Hilton Garden

Breakfast On Your Own

8:00am—9:00am Registration

9:00am—4:30pm Planned Activities

Registration on site for all activities

Keeneland Race Track

Kentucky Horse Park

Toyota Tour

Lunch On Your Own

6:00pm—8:00pm Advisory Council Meeting

Dinner on Your Own

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11—Hilton Garden

Breakfast On Your Own

8:00am—9:00am Registration

8:00am—10:00am Advisory Council Meeting

9:00am—12:00pm School Visits

11:00am—3:00pm Superintendent Symposium

12:00pm—1:00pm Lunch at Schools

1:30pm—2:15pm Pre-Session I

2:30pm—3:15pm Pre-Session II

3:30pm—4:15pm Pre-Session III

3:30pm—6:30pm Board of Trustees Meeting

6:00pm—9:00pm Planned Activities

Toyota Manufacturing Tour

Shopping

Dinner On Your Own

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12—Scott County High

7:30am—8:30am Registration & Breakfast

8:30am—11:00am Opening Ceremony

11:00am—12:30pm Lunch

12:30pm—3:15pm Concurrent Sessions

5:30pm—7:30pm Dinner at

Royal Spring Middle School

8:00pm—10:00pm 25th Anniversary

Celebration

Dinner & Dancing at the

Hilton Garden Inn

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13—

Royal Spring Middle School

7:30am—8:30am Registration & Breakfast

8:30am—9:45am Opening Session

10:00am—11:45am Concurrent Sessions

12:15pm—2:00pm Luncheon at Hilton Garden

2:00pm—3:00pm Closing Ceremony

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Last First MI

Business Name (if applicable)

Address

City State Zip

Phone (area code) Fax (area code)

Email address

REGISTRATION TYPE: (All payments in US Dollars)

\$40 Membership Dues \$_____

(Qualifies you for conference registration discount)

Pre-session (October 10): \$ Event fee

Shuttles will run from Hilton Garden to the payable following locations based on interest during at event the registration process. Shuttle times will site.

be posted at the registration table. A small

transportation fee, in addition to the event

fee, may apply. Please check if interested.

☐ Toyota Motor Manufacturing Tour (no event fee)

☐ Keeneland Race Track (event fee)

☐ Kentucky Horse Park (event fee)

Pre-session PM (October 11) Select only ONE: \$_____ -0-__

☐ Toyota Manufacturing Tour

☐ Lexington Shopping

Dinner, Music, Dancing, PM (October 12) \$_____ -0-__

☐ Will be Attending

Full conference Fees by August 10, 2007 \$_____

\$280 Early Member Registration

\$325 Early Non-Member Registration

Full Conference Fees After August 10, 2007 \$_____

\$305 Member Registration

\$350 Non-Member Registration

One-Day Special \$175 Select only ONE: \$_____

☐ Friday, Oct. 12 ☐ Saturday, Oct. 13

Your Purchase Order # _____

Total \$_____

THREE WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. **BY MAIL**—Make payable to IAIE and return to:

IAIE 2007 Leadership Institute

c/o Danny Glass

Scott County Schools

PO Box 578

Georgetown, KY 40324

2. **BY FAX**—To (502) 863-5367. *(Payment should be*

sent via mail, however your faxed registration allows

us to know you plan to attend, but to secure your confirmation

we must receive your payment.)

3. **BY CREDIT CARD**—VISA MASTERCARD

Accepted when you register online at

www.iaie.scottcountykentucky.org

2007 Leadership Institute HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS



132 Darby Drive \$72.00 nightly
Georgetown, KY 40324
Phone: 502-868-0055
Fax: 502-868-7434
Reservations: 877-868-6555
www.bestwestern.com/prop_18085



121 Darby Drive \$72.00 nightly
Georgetown, KY 40324
Phone: 502-868-9500
Fax: 502-868-9985
Reservations: 877-868-9500
www.comfortsuite.com/hotel/ky011



128 Darby Drive \$75.00 nightly
Georgetown, KY 40324
Phone: 502-867-4888
Fax: 502-867-7712
Reservations: 800-426-7866
www.hamptoninn.com



110 Grandstand Drive apprx.\$84.00 nightly
Georgetown, KY 40324
This hotel is the official hotel of the institute
and is set to open July 15, 2007. Once available,
reservations can be made at:
www.stayhgi.com (Keep checking for availability)

Other Hotels are near these and may be added to the list at a future date. Check the IAIE website for future additions

Islands of decency and humanity can be created and maintained in the most repressive and inhumane of public schools. (p. x)

Our most pressing educational concern, in short, is not how to increase the efficiency of the schools; it is how to create and maintain a humane society. A society whose schools are inhumane is not likely to be humane itself. (p. 203)

Silberman, C. E. (1970) *Crisis in the classroom*. New York: Random House.

Coordinator News

Florida Coordinator,
Lisa Landers and her
husband, Jason,
welcomed a beautiful
daughter, Rachel
Nicole, into the world



on January 24, 2007, at 11:59 a.m. Weighing in at 3 lbs, 9 oz., Rachel was an early bird, but Lisa reports that she now weighs over ten pounds, is 22.5 inches long, and is learning something new every day!

Congratulations, Lisa, Jason, and Rachel!

***Still time!
Nominate Your Inviting School
for a 2008 Award!***



Introducing the 2008 Inviting School Awards Program!

- *Is your school the most “Inviting Place in Town?”*
- *Is everyone associated with your school able, valuable, and responsible?*
- *Is education in your school a cooperative and collaborative activity where process is as important as product?*
- *Is there a belief in your school that students and staff alike possess untapped potential in all areas of human endeavor?*
- *Does your school create and maintain places, policies, processes and programs specifically designed to “invite” development and by people who are intentionally inviting with themselves and others, both personally and professionally?*

If you answered, “Yes” to these questions, we invite you to apply for the 2008 Inviting School Awards Program. This Award recognizes schools, universities, and districts throughout the world that exhibit the philosophy of Invitational Education.

Award winning schools will be recognized at the 2008 IAIE World Conference .

FIND APPLICATION INFORMATION ON OUR WEB SITE

For more information, contact:

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Vincennes, IN 47591 Email: daciaie@aol.com*

REMEMBER IAIE in 2007 for a Tax Deductible Donation!

As a Not-For-Profit Organization, the International Alliance for Invitational Education, is qualified to accept tax-deductible donations. Members and friends of IAIE may designate specific use for donations. Contact the Alliance office at 770-423-6869 or sbrown41@kennesaw.edu to discuss your wishes.

Not Too Late to sign up for an IAIE Committee.

We need member involvement!!

Interested members should contact iaie@charter.net and indicate in which committee they have the most interest.

Committees are:

Bylaws, Finance, Membership, Inviting School Award, Inviting School Alumni, Marketing, Stafford Leadership Award, and Research. Names of interested members will be passed along to respective Committee Chairs.

IAIE Coordinators. Please send news of events, workshops, presentations, and other items that have happened or will happen in your state, province, or country, so we can include in future IAIE publications! Send to iaie@charter.net. Thanks!

The International Alliance for Invitational Education, a non-profit organization, has the unique mission of creating and maintaining truly welcoming relationships and environments that enhance life-long learning, promote positive organizational change, cultivate personal and professional growth, and enrich people's lives. It also identifies and changes negative forces that defeat and destroy human potential.

No other professional organization has this mission as its primary goal.
