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The Honors College
GCIC Fall 2015 Conference

October 16, 2015

Registration/Check In 11a.m. – Noon Beckendorf
Directors’ Meeting 11a.m. – Noon E251
Lunch and Keynote Speaker Noon-1.30p.m. Beckendorf

Prof. Ava Veselis, Honors Director – LSC Tomball
Dr. Katharine Caruso, Executive Director – LSC Honors College
Dr. Lee Ann Nutt, President – LSC Tomball
Jenifer Sarver, Principal — Sarver Strategies

Student Presentations 2p.m. – 4.30p.m. South Building
**Snacks will be available in South 265.**

Speaker Biography

Jenifer’s career spans the corporate, nonprofit and political worlds, helping clients (CEOs, foreign leaders, local/state political candidates and incumbents, and nonprofit leaders) develop messages that will resonate with their core audiences and creating strategies for effectively delivering those messages through appropriate communications channels. She spent nearly six years as Chief of Staff to Ambassador Karen Hughes, the Worldwide Vice Chair of Burson-Marsteller. She was the Deputy Director of Public Affairs at the U.S. Dept. of Commerce in the Bush Administration. She also served as the Director of The Archer Center and was a Senior Advisor on the Washington, D.C. staff of U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison. Jenifer began her professional career in politics, working as a campaign Finance Director, and later as a Deputy Campaign Manager. Jenifer has volunteered as a speechwriter at the past two Republican National Conventions. She graduated from UT Austin with a Bachelor of Journalism and a Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies. She also has her Masters in Public Administration from American University. She is on the Advisory Councils of UT Austin’s College of Communication and the Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life, is on the board of the Archer Center and is chairman of the board of Texas 4000 for Cancer. She was selected as a Texas Lyceum director in 2013. In 2014 she was selected to the organization’s executive committee where she serves as the Vice President of Public Affairs & Poll. In 2014, she was appointed a member of the Texas Exes Council. In 2013, she received a “40 Under 40” Award from Maverick PAC. In 2015, she received the “Austin Under 40 Award” for Marketing, PR & Advertising.
PROGRAM

2:00p.m. – 3:00p.m. Session 1

Room: S256, Zack Webb
“Corruption as a Positive or Negative? A Mathematical Analysis of Corruption in Economic Growth”, Andrea Nucete, Lone Star College — CyFair
“Conformity and Memory in College Students and How it Relates to Obedience”, Gabrielle Bolden, Lone Star College — North Harris

Room: S258, Erica Choate
“Autism Awareness: Examining the Plea Society Ignores”, Victoria Herrera, Lone Star College — North Harris
“Schizophrenia: From Stigma to Solution”, Grant Long, San Jacinto College
“Bipolar Disorder: Increasing Treatment Compliance”, Ashley Voytko, Lone Star College — North Harris

Room: S259, Felisha Gray
“Material Dependent Voltage Output by a Microbial Fuel Cell”, David Hall, Lone Star College — Montgomery
“Phylogeny of Fishes Using Muscle Protein Polymorphisms Revealed by SDS-PAGE”, Siavash Zamirpour, Lee College
“Solid Light: How Can Force Fields Become Reality?”, Austin Lewis, San Jacinto College

Room: S260, Aaron Kendrick
“DNA Barcoding of Microorganisms with a Focus on Sediment and Soil Environments”, Nancy Bucio, Lone Star College — CyFair
“Fighting Cancer: Sirtuins from Yeast to Humans”, Fatima Sabira, Lone Star College — University Park
“The eCD4-Ig DNA Vaccine in the Search for an HIV Cure”, Jesse Martinez, Brazosport College

Room: S261, Gabby Moore
“Women’s Campaign for Power in Bernice Bobs Her Hair”, Hunter McHugh, Lee College
“Dissecting Transphobia: An Examination of Microaggressions in Media and Case Studies”, April Hill-Jackson, Lone Star College — University Park
“Lai Ba, Ma Gou: Female Power in She-Ra, Xena, and Charlie’s Angels”, Madeleine McQuilling, Lone Star College — Tomball
2:00p.m. – 3:00p.m. Session 1 continued

Room: S262, Ruari O’Brien
“Davy Crockett: Congressman”, Taylor Malott, Lone Star College — University Park
“Colony Collapse Disorder: An American Omen”, Nathan Ponce, Lone Star College — North Harris
“Yankee Comrades”, Joshua Brewer, Lone Star College — CyFair

Room: S263, Ana De Angulo
“A Law to End Lawlessness: National Prohibition on Galveston Island”, Charles Kivlehen, Lone Star College — Tomball
“Populists and the New Deal”, William Bailey, Lone Star College — Tomball

Room: S264, Luis Enrique
“Philosophy: The Applicability of Mathematics”, Zenon Lys, Lone Star College - CyFair
“In the Shadow of the Uncanny Valley”, Sofia Puey, Lone Star College — North Harris
“Graphology, Science or Pseudoscience?”, Dominique Avallone, San Jacinto College

Room: S267, Raabia Badat
“The Fifth & Final Life: An Historical Investigation of the Symbolism in Aztec Culture”, Sierra Rupert, Lone Star College — University Park
“A Mexican-American Life History: In Pursuit of the American Dream”, Antonio Luna, San Jacinto College

3:00p.m.-3:15p.m. Break – Room: S265
Room: S256, Zack Webb
“Order 0099 and the Night Witches: Why Women?”, Christopher Avallone, San Jacinto College
“Vladimir Putin: From Poverty to Presidency”, Salvador Rodriguez, San Jacinto College
“Ethnicity in Islam: An Overlooked Aspect of the Sunni/Shia Divide”, Jason Lovins, Lone Star College — North Harris

Room: S258, Erica Choate
“The Secrets of Depression and the Endocrine System”, Karina Herr, Alvin Community College
“The Negative Effects of Text Messaging on Friendship Maintenance”, Kyra Aftosmes, Lone Star College — CyFair
“Louder Than Words: Interpersonal Efficacy of Computer Mediated Communication”, Omar Radwan, Lone Star College — North Harris

Room: S259, Felisha Gray
“Mutating Standards: Racial Representation in Comic Books”, Zachary Barber, Lone Star College — North Harris
“Dragons, Piglets, and Social Class: An Analysis of Children’s Pop Culture”, Alesha Daniels, Lone Star College—Montgomery
“A Little Fellow in a Wide World in The Hobbit:”, Matthew Broussard, Lee College

Room: S260, Aaron Kendrick
“Mind and Body: The Efficacy of Music”, Rachel Willborg, Lone Star College — Tomball
“The Internet and The Music Industry”, Jaylen Manuel, Lone Star College — North Harris
“LAWs of War: Humanity, Warfare, and Technology”, Canaan McGee, Lone Star College — North Harris

Room: S261, Gabby Moore
“Mexico’s Journey to Self-Identity Through Revolution and Art”, Santiago Gutierrez, Brazosport College
“Are Immigrants the Drain on the Economy That Critics Claim Them To Be?”, Shelsy Mireles, Lone Star College — Montgomery
“The Chamizal Settlement and the Dispersion of a People Group”, Dirk Johnston, San Jacinto College
3:15 p.m.-4:15 p.m., Session 2 Continued

**Room: S262, Ruari O'Brien**
“Abstinence-Only Education: Is There Another Way?” Kayla Letien, Lone Star College — Montgomery
“Why Abstinence-Only Sex Education is Not for Texas” Brittany Ham, Lone Star College — Montgomery
“Sex Trafficking—Modern Slavery” Kelly Schmalfeldt, San Jacinto College

**Room: S263, Ana De Angulo**
“Leading the Academic Systems: Students or Teachers?”, Jasmin Astala, San Jacinto College
“Technology in the Classroom”, Alejandro Talamantes, San Jacinto College

**Room: S264, Luis Enrique**
“The Vegan Experience”, Freyja Coe, Alvin College
“The Destructive Gender Straitjacket in Fun Home”, Miranda Sallee, Lee College
“Existential Dilemmas in Se7en”, Brandon Cooper, Lee College