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September Speaker: Judith C. Giordan

Friday, September 18, 2009

“Know Yourself – A self-assessment on how you behave and how it impacts others”

Venue: 152 Lied Math and Science Building, Doane College

Time: 5:45 pm refreshments, 6:00 pm talk

This interactive workshop will ask important questions such as: Are you a Driver, an Expressive, an Amiable or an Analytical? What behavior style do you prefer? Do you tend to be more people or task oriented? More tell or ask assertive? What do you do when backed into a corner? While there's no right or wrong to these questions, in today's team based work environment, if you know how you come across and can assess how others prefer to interact, you and the team have a higher chance of achieving your goals. Find out about yourself and how to maximize your interactions with others to help ensure personal and project success!



Driving directions from Lincoln:

1. South US-77
2. West on US-33 toward Crete
3. Turn left on Boswell Ave. (before Pizza Hut)
4. Turn left on 13th St.
5. Turn right at Doane College (second drive)
6. Park in front of Heckman Auditorium (you will need to cross walk bridge to get to Lied)

Biographical Sketch: Judith C. Giordan has held executive and leadership positions in R&D and operations spanning a 25+ year career. Currently, Judy is Managing Director of Steel City Re, LLC, an intangible asset services firm; Vice President of Visions in Education, Inc., a strategic and human capital services provider to universities, start-ups and non-profits; a member of the Board of Directors of start-up companies; and Professor of Practice in the College of Science and Technology of the University of Southern Mississippi; from which she has just completed a detail to the National Science Foundation as Program Director for the IGERT Program. Judy received her Bachelors degree from Rutgers University, her PhD from the University of Maryland (Chemistry), and was an Alexander von Humboldt Post Doctoral Research Fellow at the University of Frankfurt in Germany.



Summer Happenings

Leadership development workshop- Fostering Innovation: A small group assembled at Doane College on August 1, to learn how to foster innovation in a group setting by learning about different styles and processes for developing new ideas. The 4-hour course is part of the ACS Leadership Development System, with Jodi Resemann as the instructor for this course.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE LEVELS	AREAS OF CORE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCY			
	Personal Capability	Interpersonal Skills	Focusing On Results	Setting A Clear Direction
Emerging Volunteers	The ACS And You	Engaging Colleagues In Dialogue	Becoming An Effective Contributor	Matching Interests With Goals
Emerging Leaders	Managing Projects Effectively	Running Productive Meetings	Engaging And Motivating Volunteers	Understanding Members' Interest
Developing Leaders	Fostering Innovation	Coaching And Feedback	Collaborating Across Boundaries	Leading Change
Advanced Leaders	Leading Without Authority	Developing Communication Strategies	Succession Planning	Strategic Planning

Extraordinary Leaders

Character Competency

← On-line Courses → 4-Hour Facilitated Courses

Project SEED students at Doane College: this summer two Project SEED students (sponsored by the Nebraska Section) from Missouri worked at Doane College. Shadaisha Wright worked with Dr. Erin Wilson on understanding protein structures through CD and kinetics and Starr Wright worked with Dr. Kerry Lucas on characterizing an aldehyde dehydrogenase found in plants. Everyone had a great time working in the lab and the girls will be back next year for Summer II research!



Starr Wright (front row, far right) and Shadaisha Wright (front row, second from left)

Midwest Regional Meeting

When: October 21-24, 2009

Where: Iowa City, IA Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center

Abstract Deadline: **September 4, 2009**

Website for more information:

<http://www.mwrm2009.org/home>



Want to get more involved?

Heading into the fall means nominations and elections are not too far behind. Do you enjoy meeting new people? Are you interested in being more involved in ACS? Would you like to serve on the Local Section executive board? Do you know an ACS member who would? If you answered yes to any of those questions, begin thinking about how you would like to get more involved in the Nebraska Local Section and look for more details soon!

Do you have news you want share? Feel free to call or email me your news

and I will put it in the next newsletter!

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