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>> CIL Spotlight

Forum Tackles the Changing Agricultural Workforce



On January, 16, 2014, approximately 70 participants gathered at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum to explore *The Changing Agriculture Workforce: Challenges and Opportunities for the Worker, the Employer, and the Community*. A comprehensive understanding of what it takes to assure the safety, health and welfare of the worker, reliable and productive

employees, and vibrant rural communities will benefit all stakeholders. Successfully approaching complex issues that surround the changing agricultural workforce demand bringing together the dynamic stakeholders to find common ground. This forum was jointly hosted the Center for Integrative Leadership, the [Center for Animal Health and Food Safety](#), the [Global Initiative for Food Systems Leadership](#), and the [Upper Midwest Agriculture Safety and Health Center](#).

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CIL Congratulates the 2014-15 Kruse Scholars!

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The CIL is delighted to announce the following individuals have been named recipients of the 2014-15 Lowell and Leslie Kruse Scholarship for Integrative Cross-Sector Healthy Communities Leadership:

- Katie Fogel (MCH)
- Fatima Asamarai (MHA)
- Kathleen Jensen (MHA)

They join the 2013-14 Kruse Scholar recipients, Mee Cheng (PHAP), Amanda Little (MHA) and Lance Udy (MHA).

With the incredible vision and generosity of Lowell and Leslie Kruse, the Scholarship for Integrative Cross-Sector Healthy Communities Leadership has been established to provide financial assistance of up to \$15,000 to three first-year, full-time graduate students (MPH or MHA) in the School of Public Health at the University of Minnesota. Students must have experience in and demonstrate a strong commitment to improving the health and vitality of communities through collaborative leadership partnerships across sectors. To learn more about the scholarship, please [click here](#).

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CHANCE (Cedar Humphrey for Neighborhood Collaborative Engagement)

Together, community partners and CHANCE students will focus this spring on how best to address safety, youth programming and workforce issues involving older youth.

The New Year arrived with a tragic fire in our Cedar Riverside neighborhood that put a number of people in desperate circumstances. CHANCE raised over \$1,000 for the victims of the fire and collaborated with neighborhood partners on a benefit concert at the Cedar Cultural Center on Jan. 24.

We are thankful we could help address this immediate need and we remain committed to the on-going partnership with the Cedar Riverside neighborhood we call home. This year's CHANCE students also facilitated a neighborhood forum on January 9. CHANCE students presented research project ideas to leaders of Cedar Riverside neighborhood organizations. The project ideas were discussed and prioritized during the forum. Together, community partners and CHANCE students will focus this spring on how best to address safety, youth programming and workforce issues involving older youth. Stay tuned as this project develops. This research builds on previous CHANCE collaborative research which can be viewed on our CIL website.

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Art of Hosting Community of Practice Continues to Offer Co-learning and Practice Opportunities



The U of M Art of Hosting and Harvesting Conversations that Matter Community of Practice with support from the Center for Integrative Leadership is continuing to provide co-learning opportunities for members.

Opportunities for co-learning and practice will continue to be offered throughout 2014. For more information,

please contact Dave Dorman, one of the Community of Practice stewards, at dorma001@umn.edu.

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>> Upcoming Events

February 1, 2014, 10:00am - 3:00pm: TEDxUMN - GAPSA Presentation Workshop. Room 121 STSS. [Click here](#) for more information.

March 28, 2014, 11:30-1:00: Friday Research Forum: Do Unions Promote Members' Electoral Office Holding? Evidence from Correlates of State Legislatures' Occupational Shares with [Professor Aaron Sojourner](#), Carlson School of Management. 123 Science Teaching and Student Services Bldg. [Click here to RSVP](#).

May 14, 2014: Food and Agriculture National Conference. Hilton Minneapolis. Registration begins early January 2014. [Click here](#) for more information.

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