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IGEL SUMMIT

Plans are well underway for IGEL's 3rd Summit bringing together IGEL alumni, with IGEL Class 2011 and incoming Class 2012 as guests. The Summit will take place at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, GA. Watch for your invitation to participate or be a sponsor of our Summit!

Hard at work on the Summit are: Greg Jones, Chair; Susan Kidd, Host; Patty McIntosh; Judy Adler; Katie Kirkpatrick; Susan Richardson; Charles Stripling; Jewell Harper; Marci Reed; Will Wingate; Rob Williams; Steve Olson; Molly Nuttall; and, Sue Hilliard.

ALUMNI FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN 2011

The Resource Development Committee has led the effort through the fall for increased IGEL alumni participation in our annual fundraising efforts. The committee, chaired by **Marci Reed** (Class 4) with fellow members: **Colin Coyne** (Class 5); **Dan Davis** (Class 6); **Barbara Gallo** (Class 6); **Dionne Hoskins** (Class 5); **Ronny Just**, (Class 4); **Katie Kirkpatrick** (Class 6) and **Bob Rolader**, Class 2010, has organized a class-by-

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class alumni campaign in an effort to achieve 100% giving by IGEL alumni.

You should have been contacted by your Class Champion asking that you consider a gift to IGEL to benefit our outstanding program into its second decade. Class Champions are: **Lindsay Thomas** (Class 1), **Kevin Green** (Class 2), **Stacia Hendricks** (Class 3), **Jamie Henderson** (Class 4), **Gordon Rogers** (Class 5), **Todd Edwards** (Class 6), **Harold Reheis** (Class 7), **Ira Pearl** and **Rick Gardner** (Class 2009) and **Greg Jones** (Class 2010).

Donations may be made by online by credit card (www.igeleaders.org) or by sending a check to IGEL, Inc., PO Box 363, Camilla, GA 31730. Many thanks to all who have contributed to this important campaign!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The IGEL Board's fall meeting was held on October 20th at the state headquarters of the Georgia Forestry Commission in Macon. **Bob Farris** (Class 2009) hosted the Board and **Rick Hatten** (Class 6) welcomed the Board to the meeting location.

The Board continued planning for the selection of Class 2012 participants, the IGEL Summit scheduled for January 19, 2012 at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, and was updated on the progress of 2011 corporate and alumni fundraising.

IGEL Board meetings are scheduled as follows through next April:

Thursday, January 19, 2012 – Agnes Scott College, Decatur

Thursday, April 19, 2012 - Location TBD

IGEL CLASS 2011

Class 2011 met for their fourth session November 2-4 in Dawsonville. A number of class members experienced a pre-session canoe trip of six miles on the scenic Etowah River.

Topics for the final session included an overview of north Georgia's ecological environment and discussion of impacts of development, particularly from immigration and metro Atlanta Sprawl. The overview included exploration of Etowah River biodiversity, habitat conservation plan, reservoir issues and green development alternatives in local communities. Also included was discussion of local and global challenges for energy and air quality and an exploration of the dynamics of environmental decision making.



Class 2011 conducting sampling at the Etowah River

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IGEL alumni who participated in session four activities were: **Patty McIntosh**, IGEL Chair (Class 2), **Mike Berg** (Class 6), **Ronny Just** (Class 4), **Dennis Creech** (Class 2), **Judy Adler** (Class 7), **Michael Chang** (Class 5), and **Wayne Jenkins** (Class 7).



Class discussion – Session 4

The session concluded with the Class 2011 graduation and celebration.

(see additional photos on the IGEL web site – www.igeleaders.org)

ALUMNI NOTES

Dionne Hoskins (Class 5), and an IGEL Board Member, has been selected to finish the term of the school board member representing her school district in Savannah.

Doug Hooker (Class 2) has been named Executive Director with the Atlanta Regional Commission. Doug has been a leader in the Atlanta community for many decades. He holds a Bachelor of

Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Science, Technology and Science Policy from Georgia Tech and a Masters of Business Administration from Emory University's Goizueta Business School.

Class 2011 graduate, **Will Harris**, and his family farm of 5 generations were featured recently on the blogspot *The Impact*. The Harris' family core value – “We take care of the land and the herd, and they take care of us.” was highlighted throughout the information presented. You can access *The Impact* through the following link:

http://elementalimpact.blogspot.com/2011/11/one-family-one-farm-five-generations.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+blogspot%2FuhGIA+%28The+IMPACT%29

Denise Quarles (Class 2010) has been selected as the City of Atlanta's new sustainability director. She also will be working to upgrade city facilities as part of the Atlanta Better Buildings Challenge, an initiative launched on November 3 as part of President Obama's Better Buildings Initiative.

In a release, Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed said:

“Denise comes to the city from the private sector with an outstanding track

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record of leading successful sustainability initiatives. I am pleased that Denise is joining our team, and I am confident in her leadership abilities as we strive for Atlanta to become one of the top-10 sustainable cities in the nation.”

Denise is also currently a member of the IGEL Board of Directors.

Two of IGEL’s own were honored by the Atlanta Business Chronicle when they were highlighted among Atlanta’s rising leaders in their 40 Under 40 Awards section.



Katie Kirkpatrick (Class 6)

Katie Kirkpatrick (Class 6), Vice President-Environmental Policy, Metro Atlanta Chamber, and **Jami Buck- Vance** (Class 2011), Senior Manager-Corporate Responsibility with Cox Enterprises, were both named to this year’s list for their contributions and achievements in the Atlanta business community. Congratulations Katie and Jami!



Jami Buck-Vance (Class 2011)

IGELIANS – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you have contributed to our alumni fundraising campaign and you sent the form to Sue with your credit card information to be used through our IGEL PayPal account, please check your statement to be sure your donation has been processed. We have two donations that we have been unable to process because of incomplete information.

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