



To Teach, to Inspire!

WAKONSE CONFERENCE

May 26 - 31, 2011

Thursday, May 26

- 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. **ARRIVAL TIME, REGISTRATION.**
Meet the staff and others who come early, find your room and roommate, walk the beach, relax and enjoy the beauty of Lake Michigan or finish the suggested readings. Leave your phone and email at home!
- 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **DINNER** (Dining Lodge)
- 7:45 - 8:15 p.m. **OVERVIEW** (Upper Tipi). Joe Johnston (MU)
- Introductions, Wakonse Staff.
 - People, places, programs – who, where, & what you need to know.
 - Goals for the conference and back home, planning for specific outcomes, Happiness survey (pre and post).
 - The "Virtual Wakonse" program; Group Leaders for Concurrent Sessions.
 - Suggestions for assuring rest and relaxation, morning meditation.
 - Brief overview of program format:
 - Community Forums, Concurrents, Workshops
 - Service Projects, Community Celebrations, Chautauqua, Questing Traditions.
- 8:30 - 9:15 p.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (1st of 7 meetings) – Meet with your Dialogue Group (DG), a small group of 7 to 8 participants who meet together regularly throughout the conference. (See Appendix A for group facilitator and meeting location; See Appendix C for Dialogue Group members and facilitators by group.)
- 9:15 p.m. **SUNSET BY LAKE MICHIGAN**
- 9:15 p.m. **Future Faculty Meeting (DDL-UPstairs).**
- 9:45 p.m. **"QUESTING" or "R & R" FOR WEARY TRAVELERS**

Friday, May 27

- 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST** (Dining Lodge). Sit with your dialogue group members. Tables are assigned.
- 8:45 - 9:00 a.m. **CONFERENCE OVERVIEW** (Upper Tipi)
- 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #1** (Upper Tipi)
Building a Community of Support for College Teaching
Bill Bondeson, Wakonse Staff
- 9:45 – 10:00 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #2** (Upper Tipi)
Teaching Using Your Signature Strengths
Craig Benson, Wakonse Staff
- 10:45 - 11:00 a.m. **BREAK**
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (2nd of 7 meetings) (Same locations as before)
- 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. **LUNCH** (Dining Lodge)
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #3**
BUILDING COMMUNITY Through Initiative Games (Four Seasons Building)
Teams Challenge. Wakonse Staff and Undergraduates lead participants in various “team” challenges. Participate as a Dialogue Group (3rd of 7 meetings).
- 3:00 – 5:45 p.m. **Optional Golf Outing** (Benona Shores Golf Course)
Optional “Coloring” to relieve stress (Craft House).
Deborah Huelsbergen, Wakonse Staff
Optional Stream Clean (Meet at Flagpole). Led by undergraduate team.
Optional Cemetery Tour (Meet in Seay West)
Optional Camp Tour. Barb Kerr, Wakonse Staff.
- 5:45 p.m. **DINNER** (Dining Lodge)
- FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM:**
- 6:45 - 7:50 p.m. **CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Round 1)**
See Appendix B for topics & meeting places.
You can choose from a menu of topics (*Concurrent sessions are listed at the end of this schedule*). Each topic is introduced by one (or more) assigned facilitators who make brief opening remarks to set the direction for either a discussion or presentation on the topic. If the former, all who attend should expect to participate.
- 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 pm **COMMUNITY FORUM #4**

Saturday, May 28

7:15 – 8:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. **BREAKFAST** (Dining Lodge)

8:30 - 9:45 a.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #5** (Upper Tipi)

Critical Reflection

Corly Brooke (Wakonse Staff)

9:45 – 10:15 a.m. **BREAK**

10:15 - 11:15 a.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (4th of 7 meetings) (Same locations)
(Undergrads invited to attend this session)

11:15 - 12: 15 p.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #6** (Upper Tipi)

Positive Psychology: Creativity and Flow

Barb Kerr, Wakonse Staff

12: 15 p.m. **LUNCH** (Dining Lodge). Future Faculty meet in Dining Lodge Conference Room.

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Round 2)**

2:30 p.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (5th of 7 meetings) (Same locations)
Continue discussions.

3:30 p.m. **BREAK**

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. **CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Round 3). See Appendix B.**

5:30 p.m. **DINNER** (Dining Lodge)

7:30 – 9:00 p.m. **Books, Poetry, Wine & Music** (Upper Tipi).

Neil Minturn, Chris Clark, Paul Brooke (Wakonse Staff)

Sunday, May 29

- 7:30 a.m. **Optional Meditation** (Interfaith Center).
- 7:30 a.m. **Optional Golf Outing** (Benona Shores Golf Course).
Coordinated by Bill Genereux, Wakonse Staff
- 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** (Dining Lodge)
- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Round 4)**
- 10:30 a.m. **Optional Ecumenical Service** (Church of the Dunes)
Michael Porter and Mel George, Wakonse Staff, and Volunteers
- 11:30 a.m. **POLAR PLUNGE (Optional). T-shirts for those brave enough to plunge.**
- 12:00 - 12:45 p.m. **LUNCH** (Dining Lodge)
- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. **COMMUNITY FORUM #7 – Classroom Teaching Demos** (Upper Tipi)
- 2:30 - 3:15 p.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (6th of 7 meetings) (Same locations)
Groups may, if they wish, invite a couple of undergraduates to participate in this meeting. Focus on teaching & learning in the classroom.
- 3:15 - 6:30 p.m. **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS, OPTIONAL HIGH ROPES ACTIVITIES,
CLIMBING WALL, HORSEBACK RIDING, WOODLANDS FARM MARKET,
CHERRY POINT MARKET, CLAYBANKS POTTERY STUDIO**
- 6:30 p.m. **DINNER** (Lower Tipi or “Hollow”)
- 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. **CHAUTAUQUA** (Assembly Hall)
Formal and informal presentations of participants' talents – theatrical, musical, etc.

Monday, May 30

- 7:30 a.m. **Optional Meditation** (Interfaith Center).
- 8:00 - 9:45 a.m. **BREAKFAST BY INSTITUTION** (Dining Lodge). Appoint a spokesperson for institutional (professional) goal writing. Find a convenient place to meet as a group. Invite those with smaller number of representatives to join your group.
- 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. **PROFESSIONAL /PERSONAL GOAL SETTING**
Joe Johnston and Corly Brooke (Wakonse Staff)
Eventually place 1 copy of your goals in box by DDLC to be mailed to you in January.
- 10:45 - 12:30 **SOLO TIME.** Find a favorite place where you can be alone to write your professional and personal goals. Goals should be written for discussion with your dialogue group after lunch. Goals will be mailed to you early next year.
- 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. **LUNCH** (Dining Lodge). Future Faculty members meet in Small Dining Room.
- 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. **DIALOGUE GROUP MEETINGS** (7th and final meeting) (Same locations)
GOAL SHARING
Share goals, provide support and consultation for others.
- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. **CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Round 5)**
- 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. **FREE TIME** for activities you have not found time for on other days (beach walks, GEO Caching, Pottery Studio, Farm Market, etc.), clean room and pack. Have a representative from your institution submit suggestions for improving the conference for next year.
- 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **DINNER** (Dining Lodge)
- 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. **a. "VIRTUAL WAKONSE" (Wakonse Staff).**
Assembly Building. Rob McDaniels and Amanda Nell.
b. Conference Review. Council Circle.
Joe Johnston and Craig Benson
- 9:15 p.m. **SUNSET OVER LAKE MICHIGAN**

Tuesday, May 31

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND DEPARTURE. Times to be announced.
When you get home, check the website: <http://wakonse.org>.

Wakonse 2012 will be May 24-29. Come be a part of it.