



# LEAD TO SUCCEED

Student Leadership Newsletter

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Dedicated to ISU student leaders who challenge themselves to serve others and who s-t-r-e-t-c-h themselves to get the most out of the learning laboratory of ISU.

## Hidden Opportunities at ISU

There are many reasons students choose to attend ISU. It is priced affordably, the location is close to home, they may have pre-existing social networks, etc. The reasons for coming to ISU are numerous, but there may be another reason students should be glad they chose ISU.

What is this reason? Two words: Leadership Opportunities. The college experience is not just about attending class, but taking advantage of the opportunities present at the "learning laboratory" of ISU.

ISU provides a number of ways to expand educational opportunities through leadership experiences. There are several committees which encourage students to take active leadership roles. One such committee is the Student Union Advisory Board, which is responsible for developing policies related to the Pond Student Union. Participating in University committees is a great way to build a resume.

University elections are quickly approaching and ASISU is looking for students to fill the roles of senators, vice president, and president. Representing fellow students in an ASISU elected position provides both the opportunity to engage in a leadership role, and the ability to effect change.

There are 20 open senate seats. Seats are broken down as follows: six seats-College of Arts & Sci-



2007-2008 ASISU Senate

ences, three seats-College of Health Professions, three seats-College of Technology, two seats-College of Business, two seats-College of Education, two

seats-Graduate Studies, one seat-College of Engineering, and one seat-College of Pharmacy. Students in these positions are responsible for representing the needs and concerns of their constituents. Senators are also responsible for passing new legislation related to student government.

The other elected positions are those of ASISU President and Vice President. These positions work closely with University Administration and the State Board of Education to provide student representation regarding University decisions.

Persons interested in membership on ISU committees should contact the ASISU offices at 282-3435 for more information. Students interested in running for an elected position may download the registration form and election guidebook beginning February 18, 2008 by clicking on the elections tab at [www.isu.edu/asisu](http://www.isu.edu/asisu).



# "TIGER BY THE TAIL"

## Student Leadership Profile

**Name:** Sara Archibald

**Current Position:** Sigma Sigma Sigma Vice President, Greek Council President

**What other leadership positions have you held?** I was just elected President of my sorority for next semester. I have been Education Director for Sigma Sigma Sigma as well as Greek Council Secretary.

**What motivated you to take these positions?** I've always been very involved in organizations, starting with high school. I came to college wanting to have the full college experience; I didn't want to miss out on anything and jumping into leadership positions seemed like one of the best ways to do that.

**What is your field of academic training?** My major is English and I am planning on attending law school after graduation.

**What are some of your most significant past accomplishments?** During the spring semester, my sorority was named Chapter of the Year, Greek Week Winner, and we were accredited with honors by our nationals; also being elected into several leadership positions during the past three years.

**What are your most significant current challenges?** As recently elected President, I am excited about the new responsibilities, but it is also nerve wracking because our current President held the position for two years and she did such an exceptional job. The shoes will be hard to fill, but I want to incorporate many new ideas and events while upholding our traditions.

**Who do you admire the most as a leader? Why?** Joan of Arc, a seventeen year old girl in the 15<sup>th</sup> century who became the heroine of France. She fought for her convictions and led the army to many victories. The fact that she came forward at all and refused to be dismissed in a time where bravado was left to men, makes her more than admirable, a true saint and extraordinary leader.

**What do you think are the most important qualities or characteristics of a leader? Why?** I know that sometimes it's hard to trust that you can depend on others, but unless you respect and trust all your members, it's difficult for them to respect you as a leader. Everyone needs to know that they are a unique and necessary part of their organization and that you have every confidence in their

abilities, yet you are always available to lend a hand if needed.

**What advice can you give to other leaders?** Everyone's opinion is valid and if you don't take the time to listen, you may miss out on the next great idea. And always take the time for thank yous.

**Do you have any favorite quotes?** If I could take it all back, I wouldn't. Live your life without regret to be someone who they'll never forget.



### Real Reality Shows: Community Cinema 2007-2008

We are on the Web  
[www.isu.edu/lead](http://www.isu.edu/lead)



This semester's Community Cinema starts with the explosive presentation of the highly ac-

claimed film "Banished."

From the 1860s to the 1920s, dozens of towns and counties across America violently expelled entire African American communities, forcing thousands of black families to flee their homes. A century

later, these towns remain all white. BANISHED tells the story of three of these towns and their banished black descendants, who return to learn shocking histories.

The film will screen Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 5:15pm in the Bengal Movie Theater. A brief discussion will follow this film. Admission is free to ISU students, faculty, staff, and the general community. Free soda and popcorn provided!

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