

KU SELF ENGINEERING LEADERSHIP FELLOWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Speaker: Greg Mortenson
Wednesday, March 30th

Speaker: Bill Benso
Wednesday, April 20th

Flapjacks for Philanthropy
Saturday, April 30th

INSIDE THE PROGRAM



About the Benefactors

The SELF Program was made possible through a generous donation to the KU Endowment by Madison A. and Lila Self. The Selfs established the program with the intent that it makes a difference in the lives of students who will then rise to make a notable difference in the world. Madison "Al" Self is a 1943 KU chemical engineering graduate, successful businessman and recipient of the School of Engineering's Distinguished Engineering Service Award in 2000. The Selfs, native Kansans who met at KU, are among the university's largest individual donors.



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SELF Fellows at 100th Engineering Expo

This past February the 2012 Class of SELF Fellows participated in the KU School of Engineering Expo themed "A Century Celebration." Fellow Hayden Maples was also an event coordinator through Engineering Student Council. K-12 students could spin the SELF wheel for a chance to win a prize, but only if they could answer a question related to one of the seven SELF pillars (engineering, communication, interpersonal, business, management, leadership, and entrepreneurial skills). At the other activity students learned the basics behind vectors and dynamics in the SELF putt-putt golf display. Over 800 students took part.

-Lauren Lacey, '12

The SELF Seniors also took a big part in Expo. After returning from the World Expo in Shanghai in August, the seniors



At Engineering Expo, fellows share with K-12 students about the SELF Program

put together a showcase of their journey to Beijing and Shanghai. The video and photo documentary projected onto hanging screens became a popular stop for visitors. Project Shanghai was the 2011 senior capstone that explored international business, Chinese culture, and engineering innovation at the World Expo in Shanghai, China.

-Joey Meyer, '11

Hearing from Today's Leaders

So far this semester, the SELF fellows have been blessed to hear from some amazing speakers. Among them are Stephen Morris, president of the Kansas Senate, and former Jayhawks Mike O'Neal, Speaker of the Kansas House, Brian McLendon, vice president at Google, and Forrest Hogle, chairman and CEO of SeaOne Maritime Corporation. A few SELF fellows commented:

"I enjoyed how energetic Mr. Hogle was. He had passion in every aspect of his projects."

"I enjoyed his [Mr. McLendon's] perspective on how Google can influence borders and international disputes."



Fellows from the Class of 2011 and 2012 hear from Mike O'Neal



Fellow Spotlight : Emma Watson

Emma Watson is a sophomore Fellow from Wichita, KS, studying Chemical Engineering. Emma is a part of the University of Kansas Band, and National Society of Collegiate Scholars among other things. She has also just been selected for a competitive internship with the Mayo Clinic. Peers said of Emma, "She works hard, introduces an out of the box way of thinking on projects and is nice to everyone."



Class of 2014's Mason Jones speaking with Brian McLendon

Leadership Development Books

Over Christmas break, SELF fellows each participated by reading one of four leadership books: *The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership*, *The Tipping Point*, *Good to Great*, and *How to Win Friends and Influence People*. The fellows had a dinner upon return for the Spring semester and shared and presented what they learned with each other.