

Fall 2009 Issue II

UPCOMING EVENTS

Finals Week Begins
Monday, December 14th

Winter Break Begins
Saturday, December 18th

Winter Break Ends
Wednesday, January 13th

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 Sels 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 Sels, native Kansans who met at KU, have been long time and generous supporters of the university.



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Self Fellows Welcome Greg Graves

The SELF Fellows class of 2012 recently hosted Greg Graves, Chairman of the Board and CEO of Burns & McDonnell, as the distinguished guest of the annual Self Speaker Series. Mr. Graves lectured about his favorite leadership books and how they have applied to his life. The event was open to all majors, and more than 150 students attended. Mr. Graves was kind enough to treat those who attended with pizza after his lecture, and provided everyone with a copy of his favorite book, "The Last Lecture" by Randy Pausch.

- Jeff Winegardner, '12



Greg Graves, CEO of Burns & McDonnell, spoke to more than 150 KU students on Nov. 16.



Keith and Julia Russell lead students in drum exercises that embody teamwork.

SELF Fellows Drum to the Beat

At the most recent SELF Community event, the SELF Program invited Keith and Julia Russell to lead the SELF Fellows in a group drumming activity. Through the use of many instruments, students were able to form a beat together and experiment on their own. The rhythm made from the drumming offered a strong parallel to teamwork in the professional world. The exercise gave students the opportunity to be creative and find a way to be harmonious in a group environment.

- Drew Robinson, '11



Fellow Spotlight : Matthew Williams

This SELF Spotlight is on Matthew Williams, Class of 2012. Matt is a sophomore in aerospace engineering from Kansas City, Kan. Aside from being involved as a SELF Fellow, Matt

SELF Etiquette Dinner

While the engineering skills students learn in the classroom are vital to professional success, their manners at the dinner table can be just as important to portraying a positive image to others. At an etiquette dinner hosted by Steve Maceli of Maceli's in Lawrence, the SELF Fellows of 2012 refreshed old habits while learning new rules. Between a delicious chicken entrée and apple pie slices, the SELF Fellows made sure to always pass the salt and pepper together, include everyone in conversation, and keep elbows off the table.

- Sarah Elizabeth McCandless, '12



SELF Class of 2012 Fellows pose for a picture at their Etiquette Dinner.

is a member of Triangle Fraternity, Website Chairman of Engineers Without Borders, on the Expo Committee for Engineering Student Council, and works at the Yardhouse Restaurant in Kansas City. In his free time, Matthew enjoys playing intramurals and spending time with friends.

He recently led the first ever Engineering Family Day for the SELF Program, which had a great turnout and raised more than \$400 for Habitat for Humanity.