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Nethercutt Foundation Announces 2010 Fellowship Winners

Spokane, Wash. – The George Nethercutt Foundation is pleased to announce the following students have been selected to participate in the 2010 Class of The Nethercutt Fellowship program:

Kathryn Esselbach, Washington State University; Callie Gordon, Whitworth University; Aaron Korthuis, Whitworth University; Grant Leslie, Willamette University; Katie Love, Gonzaga University; Taylor Marr, Pacific Lutheran University; Madeline Snyder, Waynesburg University; and Hannah White; Whitworth University.

The Nethercutt Fellowship program, created in 2008, was designed to give college students a greater understanding of the importance of civics education and involvement through academic and hands-on experience in Eastern Washington and in Washington, DC.

“At a time when the United States of America faces major domestic and international challenges, it is imperative that our future leaders, regardless of ethnic background, religion or political persuasion, know how the United States has developed over 233 years,” said Nethercutt.

The program is sponsored and administered by the George Nethercutt Foundation, a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization. Nethercutt, who served 10 years as Washington State’s 5th Congressional District Representative, has made it a personal mission to elevate the level of civics education and understanding among America’s young people.

At the end of 2010, the Fellowship program will have 20 alumni. The 2010 class of Fellows also marks a pilot year for the Foundation, as it is the first group of students with participants attending colleges from outside Eastern Washington.

“The Fellowship program gives today’s college students an opportunity to be more significant citizens, to know why and how this country has surpassed all other nations of the world economically, socially and politically, exposing millions to the blessings of liberty and the exercise of free will,” said Nethercutt.

The Nethercutt Fellowship includes lectures, selected readings, and discussions. Topics will include the fundamental principles of the American economic system, the basics of political theory and current political developments, and constitutional law and principles.

A highlight of the program is an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, DC. On this trip, students visit the White House, tour the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, meet with Members of Congress, tour selected federal agencies, and meet with ranking government officials. In addition, each Nethercutt Fellow is required to complete an internship with a governmental or quasi-governmental entity in their community.

Students interested in applying for a 2011 Nethercutt Fellowship may obtain an application from the Foundation website, www.nethercuttfoundation.org, beginning in March 2010.

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If you would like more information about The George Nethercutt Foundation, or to schedule an interview with George Nethercutt, Jr. or a Nethercutt Fellow, please contact Executive Director Kristina Sabestinas at 509-742-9362 or by e-mail at kristina@nethercuttfoundation.org.