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Former Congressman Nethercutt to Present Sept. 25 Lecture at Whitworth

Former U.S. Rep. George Nethercutt, who recently launched a foundation that offers civic education and leadership training to college students in Eastern Washington, will present a lecture, "Citizenship in the 21st Century," on Thursday, Sept. 25, at 8 p.m. in the Robinson Teaching Theatre in Weyerhaeuser Hall at Whitworth University. Admission is free. For more information, please call (509) 777-3270.

The Nethercutt Fellowship program includes lectures, selected readings, and discussions about economics, political theory and current political developments as well as constitutional law and principles. It also includes an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., where students meet with government officials and business representatives, tour federal buildings, and visit national monuments. As part of the program, students also complete an internship with a nonprofit organization in their community.

The George Nethercutt Foundation, which began operations in January, now is accepting applications for the Class of 2009 Nethercutt Fellows. The application deadline is Oct. 31. Applications are available online at www.nethercuttfoundation.org. Students must be sophomores or juniors to be eligible for the program.

For more information about the George Nethercutt Foundation, or to schedule an interview with George Nethercutt or a Nethercutt Fellow, please call Shelly O'Quinn at (509) 742-9362 or send e-mail to soquinn@nethercuttfoundation.org.

Nethercutt, a Spokane native, was elected to represent Washington's 5th Congressional District in 1994. He left public office in 2005 and started Nethercutt Consulting LLC, a Washington, D.C.-based consulting and strategic-planning practice. Nethercutt also serves of counsel to BlueWater Strategies LLC, in Washington, D.C., and Paine Hamblen LLP, a Spokane-based law firm, and he is an advisor to Antelum Capital Partners LLC, a Virginia-based venture capital firm. In 2005, President George W. Bush appointed Nethercutt chairman of the U.S. Section of the Permanent Joint Board of Defense, U.S.-Canada, which is the senior defense policy advisory body for shaping the U.S.-Canada defense relationship.

Located in Spokane, Wash., Whitworth is a private, liberal-arts university affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA). The university, which has an enrollment of 2,600 students, offers 53 undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

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