Tuesday, January 15, 2008

Dear Recommender,

As a national honor society for senior students, Mortar Board was created with three objectives:

- To recognize and encourage leadership and scholastic service
- To foster a spirit of fellowship and service amongst university students
- To promote and advance the status of women.

Purdue’s Barbara Cook Mortar Board Chapter is consistently recognized as one of the strongest chapters in the nation. Members are selected by recommendations and not by individual petitions or interviews. The nature of this process makes you, as a recommender, invaluable in our annual selection.

Both men and women are eligible for membership. Membership requirements include superior scholarship (generally a graduate index of at least 3.2), leadership, and service to the University or community. While there is no limit on the number of juniors and continuing seniors that one can recommend, please keep in mind that Mortar Board is an honor society aimed at the University’s top students. In addition, when selecting students for this honor, please take into consideration Mortar Board’s continued goal of reflecting the diversity of our campus (and community) in their membership. Please include comments on the quality of their service and scholarship and a list of their activities, if available. Information concerning their attitudes, initiative, and scholastic achievements is helpful. Please note that students who are currently on co-op or studying abroad are also eligible.

Please keep in mind that our selection process is highly secretive. We would appreciate your help in keeping our nominations completely confidential. This includes keeping your nominations secret from the nominees themselves.

Please complete the online form no later than **Friday, February 16, 2008 at 5 p.m.**

The online form is available at:


Thank you for helping us to continue the Mortar Board tradition.

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