

## Department of Communication Newsletter

*You are invited!*  
Communication Social  
**Wednesday**  
**September 11<sup>th</sup>** from 2-  
**3pm**  
in **BSS 162 the Native**  
**American Forum.**  
Free Pizza and soda!

Congratulations to **Dr. Hunter Fine** who has published a video performance piece in the journal *Liminalities*! Check out “*The Skateboard Dérive: A Poststructuralist Performance of Everyday Urban Motility*” at:  
<http://liminalities.net/9-3/skateboard.html>

### Students of the week:



*Sam Berry and Emmalyn (Emmy) Searles.*

Sam is a senior Communication major who is applying to international graduate programs and hopes to teach English abroad after HSU. Emmy is a junior, the president of the Communication Club and a long-time debate team member.

Both Sam and Emmy serve as the Communication department speech tutors. Emmy is available for help on **Mondays & Wednesdays from 4-5** and Sam is available **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12-1**. All appointments are held in the Department squad room in Telonicher House. Salute to Sam and Emmy for using their persuasive skills to help others. We appreciate our wonderful majors!

### Hahn leads food studies / grant writing class

In Fall 2012, students in Dr. Laura Hahn's COMM 300 course, *American Public Discourse of Food*, collectively wrote and submitted a \$200,000 grant proposal to the National Endowment of the Humanities. The focus of the research grant is to investigate the rhetorical strategies for success of student-led food initiatives across college campuses in the U.S.

The class was made up of 33 students from 15 majors across all three colleges within the university. This breadth of disciplinary knowledge and methodological tools allowed participants to collaborate and problem solve in diverse and complex ways. Working in four groups that paralleled the required sections in the grant proposal (Scope, Justification, Methods, and Final Product Dissemination), the students crafted a rationale and description of the research, designed interview and survey questions, and created images and a website template for the final product.