

# Weekly Newsletter Wed. April 9, 2025



Honors students and RIT students at Relay for Life this past weekend | Ethan Flynn (@flynn.portraits)

This past Saturday & Sunday, April 5-6, Honors Students participated in Relay for Life, an event to raise money and awareness in the battle against cancer through the American Cancer Society. Many students of the RIT Honors Program were in attendance throughout the programming, and the Service & Leadership Committee hosted a table selling pompom and Perler Bead Ritchies. The Honors "Gibsonites" team made a great contribution to the \$100,000 goal, raising \$1,297 out of the \$66,096.17 raised. We are proud to be part of this cause and hope to see you at Relay for Life again next year!

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#### **Vote For Honors Council**

## Voting in Honors Council elections is open!

Delegates from each college and several community groups have been nominated to serve on the Honors Council for a one-year term that begins next Fall. There are positions for ten college delegates, and four community delegates and we will conduct a special election for a first-year delegate next fall.

#### **How To Vote**

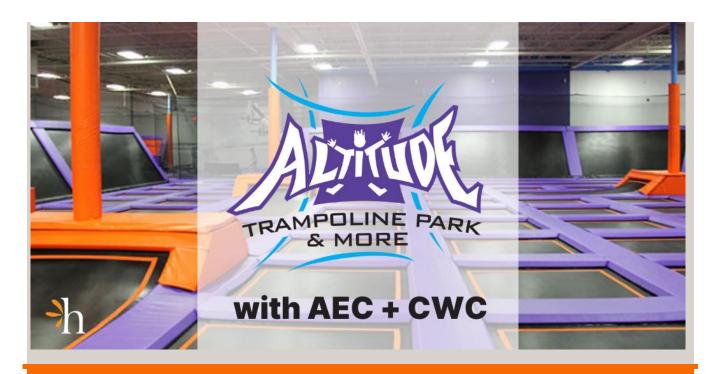
Anyone in the Honors Program is eligible to vote in the Honors Council elections.

5/08 from 9:15-10:15am Location TBD

Voting will be open through Sunday, 4/13 until 11:55pm.

**Voting Links** 

Honors Council President	Community Delegates	College Delegates		
President	BIPOC	CAD	CET	SOIS
	<u>Internal Admit</u>	COLA	COS	CHST
	International	KGCOE	NTID	GCCIS
				SCB



# **Altitude Trampoline Park Trip With AEC & CWC**

## Have some fun right before finals!

The Academic Excellence Committee and Community Wellness Committee are partnering for an Honors trip to Altitude Trampoline Park. Jump the afternoon away and get out some last jitters before finals with activities like dodgeball, a foam pit, and of course, endless trampolines! Tickets are \$10 per Honors student and there are only 20 spots available, so make sure to register early to guarantee a spot.

Transportation will not be provided for this event, but carpooling with your peers is strongly encouraged. Please fill out this waiver to speed up entry and get right to jumping.

4/19 from 12:00-2:00pm Altitude Trampoline Park: Students will get a pair of jump socks, and there will be pizza and drinks for everyone that signs up!

3333 West Henrietta Rd, Rochester, NY 14623

Register for Altitude Trampoline
Park



## **Commencement Speaker Small Group Discussion**

## **Small Group Discussion with Astro Teller**

Join RIT's 2025 Commencement Speaker and Honorary Doctorate recipient Astro Teller for a small group discussion with your Honors peers and other student leaders on campus. Teller is a world renowned entrepreneur, engineer, scientist, and "Captain of Moonshots" at *X*, Google's Moonshot Factory and innovation lab where teams "bring scifi ideas into reality to help solve some of the world's hardest problems."

Join this event to hear directly from Teller and to ask questions about the direction of X's research and how these innovations will impact our everyday lives. Once registered you will receive a reading list with a preparatory meeting to follow.

5/08 from 9:15-10:15am Location TBD To learn more about Teller view RIT's <u>announcement</u>, and for information about all of the projects Teller's teams are involved in, visit the *X website*.

Register for Small Group
Discussion with Astro
Teller

## **Updates & Announcements**



# 4/11 Game Day Honors Hour

Take a break from studying and celebrate National Board Game Day with a fun Honors Hour with games and pizza. Hang out with your Honors friends and make new ones playing board games, card games, and everything in between!

Keep an eye out for the last Honors Hour of the semester on 4/25 which will be a kickball tournament. Start forming teams or make one when you arrive and get ready to play.



#### 4/13 FoodShare X SLC

The FoodShare volunteer event hosted by the Service and Leadership Committee is happening this weekend! RIT FoodShare is part of the CLCE and helps the RIT community by providing free food to those in need. Throughout this event, volunteers will be packing, sorting, and taking inventory. Get those last hours of complementary learning in and give back to the greater RIT community by engaging in this opportunity with FoodShare!

4/13 from 1:00-3:00pm RIT FoodShare (Riverknoll)



#### **Order Honors Gear!**

Honors merchandise is here to order through the RIT Honors Program gear site. Choose from a variety of t-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants/joggers, and hats in an array of colors. All orders will be delivered to the Honors Office for pickup with a 4-week leadtime after the store closes. Size charts are available on the website and encouraged as items are non-refundable. There are some sample items available in the Honors Office if you would like to stop by to check them out. The store closes on Sunday, 4/20 at 11:59pm

4/11 from 11:30am-12:30pm HAC 1320

Register for RIT FoodShare X SLC

and no orders will be accepted after this time.

Register for Honors Hour

Honors Program

Gear Site

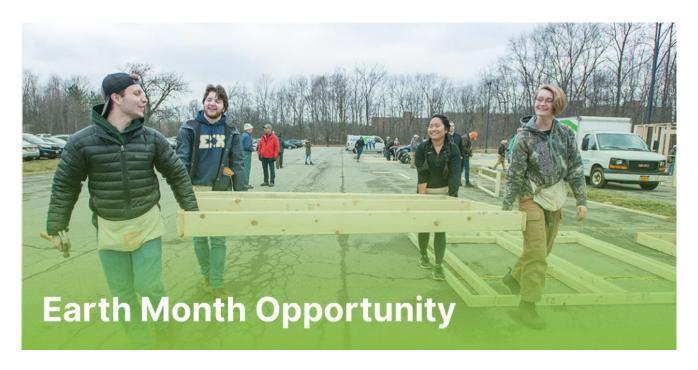
## **Complementary Learning**

Please see below our highlight opportunity this week. There are many other's listed on the <u>complementary learning webpage</u> that can fit almost anyone's busy schedule and diverse set of interests.

Students are expected to engage in at least 20 hours of complementary each cycle (Sept.-Aug.) to remain in good standing in the program.

All complementary learning hours should be submitted contemporaneously, within 30 days of the event or activity, through the submission <u>form</u> located within the *User Tools* tab of the Honors website.

# 4/11 Framing Frenzy With Habitat for Humanity



## **April is Earth Month!**

In honor of Earth Month, the next few complementary learning opportunities will revolve around nature and sustainability. Join Into the ROC and Greater Rochester Habitat for Humanity for the Spring edition of Framing Frenzy.

Habitat for Humanity has a goal to eliminate poverty by providing those in need with safe and affordable housing by building, renovating, and improving access to housing. Throughout this event, volunteers will be working on constructing housing frames to be used in homes in the local Rochester community.

There are three shifts throughout the event:

Shift One: 11:00am-12:30pm

Shift Two: 1:00-2:30pm Shift Three: 3:00-4:30pm Volunteers are encouraged to show up 15 minutes early for their shift and must be able to stay for its entirety. Make sure to dress accordingly!

4/11 from 11:00am-4:30pm Grace Watson Field and Parking Lot

Register for Framing Frenzy

"The world is not limited by IQ. We are all limited by bravery and creativity"

-Astro Teller