



## Hinckley Institute of Politics

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### **Hinckley Institute's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual University of Utah Straw Poll beginning Sept. 22**

The Hinckley Institute is pleased to announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual University of Utah Straw Poll. The poll will provide a snapshot look at the political choices of the U's student population and previews the upcoming Presidential, gubernatorial and Utah State legislative elections. Online polls open on Monday, September 22 and the results will be announced on Thursday, September 26. If you are a University of Utah student and would like to cast your ballot please check the Hinckley Institute of Politics [website](#) on Sept. 22 or stop by the Hinckley Institute to pick up a ballot (OSH 253).

### **Dennis Miller at Kingsbury Hall on September 26**

Tis the season to be political, and talk show host Dennis Miller is coming to town as the headliner for homecoming week to set the record straight with his hilarious brand of right-wing ranting. He fights the pompous and flays the ridiculous and is loved (and hated) for his cut-through-the-bull Miller-isms on politics and current events like this one: "Washington, DC is to lying what Wisconsin is to cheese." He breaks the iciest political discussions with his sledgehammer candor and his signature dry wit as a Saturday Night Live comedian. There is plenty of time to be serious. TIVO the debate and come hear something funny about the campaigns.

Sept 26 @ 7:30 PM

Ticket prices: \$45.50 - \$35.50 - **mention Hinckley Institute of Politics to receive 20% off your tickets.** For more information or to purchase tickets click - [here](#).

### **Former National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft to be inducted into the Hinckley Institute Hall of Fame**

On Oct. 23, 2008, Utah Governor Jon Huntsman Jr. and others will gather to honor Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, who will be inducted into the Hinckley Institute of Politics Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will take place at 12:00 pm in the Hinckley Caucus Room (OSH 255). Brent Scowcroft served as National Security Advisor to Presidents Gerald Ford and George H.W. Bush and is one of the country's leading experts on international policy. His newest book, "America and the World: Conversations on the Future of American Foreign Policy," which was co-written with Zbigniew Brzezinski, the national security adviser to President Carter, was released this month. He will be the ninth person to be inducted into Utah's only political Hall of Fame joining Governors Matheson, Rampton, Bangerter and Walker, Senators Moss, Wallace and Bennett, and Congressmen Hansen and Owens. To read more about the Hinckley Institute of Politics Hall of Fame, click [here](#).

### **September 2008 Hinckley Forums**

We invite you to join us at any of our wide variety of informative and intriguing Hinckley Forums this month. All forums take place in the Hinckley Caucus Room (Orson Spencer Hall Room 255) and are free and open to the public. For more information regarding upcoming Hinckley Forums, click [here](#). Also, check out the [online audio](#), [podcasts](#), [video on demand](#), [pictures](#), and [media coverage](#) of past Hinckley Forums.

**Wed. Sept. 24  
11:00 a.m.**

*Election Analysis*  
**A live RadioWest broadcast with Doug Fabrizio**

**Dan Jones**, Professor/Lecture, Political Science Department, U of U; President, Dan Jones and Associates  
**Kirk Jowers**, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale  
**Frank Pignanelli**, Foxley and Pignanelli Attorneys-at Law; Political Columnist, Deseret News  
**Ted Wilson**, Executive Director, Utah Rivers Council; Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics (1985-2003)  
*Co-sponsor – U of U Alumni Association*

**Wed. Sept .24**  
**1:00 p.m.**

*Cleaning Up Utah's Air*  
**The Honorable Olene Walker**, Former Governor, State of Utah  
**Bryce Bird**, Planning Branch Manager, Utah Division of Air Quality  
**Arden Pope**, Professor of Economics, BYU

**Thurs. Sept. 25**  
**10:45 a.m.**

*Utah's Energy Future*  
**Raul Deju**, President EnergySolutions  
**Ted Rampton**, Government Affairs Manager, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS)  
**Richard Walje**, President, Rocky Mountain Power  
**Sarah Wright**, Executive Director, Utah Clean Energy  
Co-sponsor - Utah Foundation as part of the Utah Priorities Project.  
*\*Other panel participants to be announced*

**Fri. Sept. 26**  
**10:45 a.m.**

*Vietnam – U.S. Relations*  
**Ambassador Le Cong Phung**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the United States

**Mon. Sept. 29**  
*Road?*

*Views on the Current Financial Crisis--Depression, Panic or Bump in the 9:40*  
**Hans Ehrbar**, Economics Department  
**Lance Girton**, Economics Department  
**Scott Schaefer**, David Eccles School of Business/Finance  
**Tishun (Thomas) Deng**, Goldman-Sachs, Asia  
**Peter Philips**, (Moderator), Economics Department

**Mon. Sept. 29**  
**Noon**

*Empowering the Youth: The Hip Hop Generation and Election 2008*  
**Bakari Kitwana**, Artist-in-Residence at the Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture at the University of Chicago, **W. D. Samuels**, PhD Chair, Department of English and Ethnic Studies Program, U of U  
Co-Sponsor – Ethnic Studies Program

**Tues. Sept 30**  
**10:45 a.m.**

*Campaign 2008 – The Race for Attorney General*  
**Mark Shurtleff v. Jean Welch Hill**

## **October 2008 Hinckley Forums**

**Additional Hinckley Forums will be added for Oct. please check back for updates.**

**Wed. Oct 1**  
**Noon**

*B(l)ack to the Future: The Social and Political Significance of Obama's Candidacy*  
**Erika George**, Professor, S. J. Quinney College of Law, U of U, Chair  
**Christopher Parker**, PhD, University of Washington University, Seattle  
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**Fri. Oct. 3**  
**9:40 a.m.**

*Women: Power, Image and Politics*  
**Allida Black**, Research Professor of History and International Affairs, George Washington University

**Fri. Oct. 3**  
**Noon**

*Election 2008: Issues of Race and Gender*  
**Irene Ota**, College of Social Work, U of U, **Paul Liu**, PhD Dept of Political Science, U of U  
**Edmund Fong**, PhD, Depart. of Political Science, U of U  
Co-Sponsor – Ethnic Studies Program

**Mon. Oct. 6** *Representing Utah: Election 2008: A Roundtable Discussion*  
**Noon** **James Evans**, Former Senator, Utah Senate **Charles Henderson**, Candidate, Utah House of Representative, **Jani Iwamoto**, Candidate, SL County Council, **Luz Robles**, Candidate Utah Senate, **Ross I. Romero**, Rep., Utah House of Rep, **Jen Seelig**, Rep. Utah House of Rep, **Michael Styles**, Governor's Office, Director of Black Affairs, **Josie Valdez**, Candidate Lt. Governor  
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**Wed. Oct. 8** *Research Political Candidates: Researching what is out there to help you make an informed and educated choice.*  
**Noon** **Peter Kraus**, Associate Librarian J. Willard Marriott Library

**Thurs. Oct. 23** *Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.),*  
**Noon** **Induction into the Hinckley Hall of Fame**

**Fri. Oct. 24** *European Union Mini Conference*

**10:00 a.m.-3:00p.m.**

**Adam Luedtke** (University of Utah) "EU-level immigration policy coordination - What determines national preferences and EU policy outcomes on immigration/asylum"

**Wade Jacoby** (BYU) "How the "old member states" of the EU-15 have tried to manage the political economies of Central and East European states"

**Nicole Richardt** (University of Utah) "Economic integration and the transformation of European labor markets through different modes of governance"

**John Francis and Leslie Pickering Francis** (University of Utah) "Movement and Access to Health Care: the E.U. and the U.S"

**Giulia Faggio** (BYU) "Job Destruction, Job Creation and Unemployment in Transition Countries: What Can We Learn?"

**Ray Taras** (Tulane University) "EU Discord on a Common Foreign and Security Policy: Tackling Russia"

**Marjorie Castle** (University of Utah) "Political Cleavages and European Integration"

**Phillip J. Bryson** (BYU) "Economic Integration and Regional Policy in the EU"

**Hakan Yavuz** (University of Utah) Presentation Title TBA (Turkey/EU...)

**Tues. Oct. 28** *Out of the Closet: A Candid, Behind the Scenes Dialogue on Gay Rights*  
**11:00 a.m.** **A Live RadioWest Broadcast with Doug Fabrizio**  
**Stephen Clark**  
**Paul Mero**

**Wed. Oct. 29** *Healthcare Summit Forum (title TBD)*  
**1:30 p.m.** **Kimball Thomson**  
**Dr. Mike Paul**  
**Other guests TBD**

**Thurs. Oct. 30** *Uganda - U.S. Relations*  
**10:45 a.m.** **His Excellency Perezzi Kamunanwire**, Uganda's Ambassador to the United States

**Thurs. Oct. 30** **2008 Election**  
**1:00 p.m.** **Kirk Jowers**, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale  
*Co-sponsor-University of Utah Young Alumni Association*

## Featured Hinckley Journal Article

Broadcasting Yourself (and Others): How Youtube and Blogging have Changed the Rules of the Campaign by L. Ashley Jordan

**Abstract:** In 2004, a new medium, unregulated and unchecked by federal election laws, rocked the political landscape, forever changing the tactics of the campaign. "Blogging" grabbed the attention of voters across the nation, as online diaries and forums influenced the election like no one could have predicted. In 2006, a new term was added to the campaign manager's list: YouTube. YouTube and blogging have changed the rules of campaigning, and provided constituents and onlookers alike with access to information and actions that otherwise may have gone overlooked or undetected in the past. [Full Article](#)

## Internship Opportunities

The Hinckley Institute is currently accepting applications for **Spring 2009 Washington, D.C, International, and Local** internships. For more information, click [here](#).

## Hinckley Institute in the News

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is a central source of discussion and commentary surrounding many local, national, and international issues. To read media coverage of Hinckley Forums, interns, and events, as well as articles featuring the insight and commentary of Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers, click [here](#).