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## Dr. Sam Rich Passes Away

The Hinckley Institute of Politics mourns the Christmas day passing of Professor Emeritus Sam Rich. Dr. Rich will long be remembered for his vision and generous support of the Hinckley Institute's Sam Rich Program in International Politics and his significant research and teaching contributions to the fields of foreign policy and international security.

Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers said "I will miss my good friend Sam Rich. He was one of the first calls I received when I started as Director and he has been an enduring force for good for the Hinckley Institute and me personally ever since. Sam always gave me his unvarnished opinion on an incredible variety of subjects and was an invaluable guide on foreign policy matters. I frequently relied on Sam to put current international issues into the proper context. Sam established and generously funded the Hinckley Institute's Sam Rich Program in International Politics with the goal of bringing cooperation, more understanding, and more knowledge regarding the issues the U.S. faces in the conduct of its foreign affairs. Sam's legacy will live on with U students for decades more through his creation, vision, and support of this wonderful program."

To read Dr. Rich's obituary click [here](#).

## Hinckley Institute Hosts Mitt Romney Lecture

The Hinckley Institute is proud to host Mitt Romney, former President and CEO of the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, Governor of Massachusetts, GOP Presidential candidate, and author of *Turnaround: Crisis, Leadership, and the Olympic Games*, in Salt Lake City for a lecture inspired by his newest book ***No Apology: The Case for American Greatness***.

Governor Romney's event is on **Saturday, March 13, 2010**, at the Salt Palace Convention Center Ballroom in Salt Lake City. Tickets (which include a signed first edition book) are available [here](#).

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is also pleased to announce Mitt Romney as its **2010 Hinckley Fellow** (his father George Romney was a Fellow in 1969). For a list of all Hinckley Fellows click [here](#).

## A Look Back at 2009: 274 Interns, 68 Forums, 2 Fellows, more than 350 Media Appearances, and more than \$726,000 in Academic and Internship Scholarships

This year the Hinckley Institute provided 274 interns with more than \$665,000 in internship scholarships, and U students with over \$60,000 in academic scholarships, brought 68 Hinckley Forums to the University of Utah and surrounding community, and appeared over 350 times in local, state, national, and international media stories. The Hinckley Institute sent out 83 interns to Washington, DC, 61 interns to international locations, and 130 interns to state and local offices (including the state legislature). The Hinckley Institute's 68 forums included leading state, national, and global leaders and experts discussing the most relevant and pressing issues of our day.

The Hinckley Institute's 2009 Hinckley Fellows were New York Times Columnist Thomas Friedman and Former Oklahoma Governor Frank Keating.

## Internship Highlight: Utah Governor's Office

Hinckley Institute intern Francine Groth will serve as a legislative assistant to Utah Governor Gary Herbert during the 2010 General Session of the Utah State Legislature. As a legislative intern with the office of Governor Gary Herbert, Ms. Groth will experience a wide variety of responsibilities. She will interact with constituents and legislators, attend committee meetings, track legislation, coordinate with government agencies, compose correspondence, research public policy issues, and perform other legislative-related duties. Ms. Groth will observe firsthand the process of lawmaking while providing much-needed assistance in helping relations between the Governor's office and the Legislature run smoothly and efficiently. She looks forward to assisting the Governor's office during a time of challenging economic circumstances, which will surely demand compromise and negotiation between the Governor's office and the Utah State Legislature.

### **Earn Academic Credit for Attending Hinckley Forums**

Earn academic credit for attending Hinckley Forums through the **Hinckley Forums Series Class** (Political Science 3910, 2 credit hours). Students attend at least 10 Hinckley Forums during the course of the semester and write critical analyses for 7 of the 10 attended forums. More information [here](#).

### **January 2010 Hinckley Forums**

The Hinckley Institute of Politics hosts a wide variety of informative and intriguing Hinckley Forums. All forums take place in the Hinckley Caucus Room (Orson Spencer Hall Room 255) unless otherwise noted and are free and open to the public. Check out the [online audio](#), [podcasts](#), [video on demand](#), [pictures](#), and [media coverage](#) of past Hinckley Forums.

**Tues. Jan 12**  
**3:00 p.m.**

***German-US Relations: Different Aspects on Both Sides of the Atlantic***  
Wolfgang Drautz, German Consul General in LA

**Wed. Jan 20**  
**Noon**

***Diversity Panel:*** Title and panel to be announced.  
*Presented by – The Bennion Center*

**Mon. Jan 25**  
**12:55 p.m.**

***Overcoming Homelessness***  
**Pamela J. Atkinson**, Community Advocate  
**Matt Minkevitch**, Executive Director, The Road Home  
**Kathy Bray**, Executive Director, Volunteers of America  
**TBA**, Resident of Palmer Court  
**Palmer DePaulis** (moderator) Executive Director, Utah Department of Community and Culture

**Tues. Jan 26**  
**10:45 a.m.**

***Utah's Role in Permanently Ending Nuclear Testing***  
**David Culp**, Legislative Representative, Quaker Nuclear Disarmament Program

**Wed. Jan 27**  
**10:45 a.m.**

***Elitocide in Bosnia and Herzegovina and its Impact on the Contemporary Understanding of the Crime of Genocide***  
**Dr. Dennis Gratz**, Fulbright Scholar at Columbia University; Lawyer in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

## **Alumni Spotlight: Ben McAdams**

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is pleased to feature Ben McAdams as the Hinckley Institute Alumni Spotlight for December 2009. To visit the Hinckley Institute's Alumni Spotlight webpage, click [here](#).

## **Hinckley Journal of Politics: Featured Article**

### **Mercantilism, Middle Eastern Empire and China's National Oil Companies: Implications for U.S. Policy by Tyler Anderson**

**Abstract:** Many have contended that the pursuit of natural resources has fueled international conflict, and some have supposed that China's growing hunger for fossil fuels is portending just such a conflict in the future, even describing the expansion of Chinese National Oil Companies into regions like Sudan and Darfur as a direct geopolitical challenge to the United States. This paper proposes an alternative explanation of the overseas expansion of Chinese National Oil Companies, ultimately contending that market conditions, not politics, dictate the behavior of Chinese National Oil companies. In developing this argument, this paper outlines the domestic and international market conditions that limit domestic expansion and encourage overseas expansion, the industrial organization of Chinese National Oil Companies, the bureaucratic structure of Chinese regulatory agencies, and the influence of the Chinese energy policy making apparatus. This paper concludes by proposing different policy measures that could be taken to heighten cooperation on issues of energy and energy security between the United States and China. Read the Journal click [here](#).

## **Hinckley Internship Opportunities**

The Hinckley Institute is currently accepting applications for **summer 2010 local, Washington D.C., and international internships and Utah State Legislative internships for spring 2011**. For more information, click [here](#).

## **Hinckley Institute in the News**

The Hinckley Institute 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](#).

## **Giving Back to the Hinckley Institute of Politics**

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