

**Leadership America**  
***American Issues Forum 2005***

**Session I – Denver, Colorado**  
**April 17 – April 20, 2005**  
**Wyndham Denver Tech Center**  
**7675 East Union Avenue**  
**303.770.4200**

***Final Agenda***

***Session One Program Partner: Wyndham Hotels & Resorts***

Note: Suggested Dress throughout Session I  
Business Casual; Layer for Temperature Variations; Comfortable Shoes

**Sunday, April 17**

**12:00 noon**    **Registration Available**  
**Lunch on Your Own**

**1:00 p.m.**    ***Welcome to the Class of 2005***

Cary Baird (LA '96)  
Member, Board of Directors  
Leadership America, Inc.

***Our History, Your Future***  
***(Presentation)***

*You will learn the history and vision of Leadership America and the American Issues Forum, be introduced to the objectives for your year, and explore suggestions to help you make the most of your experience.*

Mercedes Ortiz (LA '94) *(History and Organizational Vision)*  
2005 Chair, Board of Directors  
Leadership America, Inc.

Candace O'Keefe Mathis *(Program Objectives, Suggestions)*  
Executive Director and CEO  
Leadership America, Inc.

**2:00 p.m.**    ***Leadership, America & You***  
***(Facilitated Introductory Activity)***

***The Changing Face of America –***  
***What It Means to You as a 2005 Participant***

Hattie Hill (LA '92), Chief Executive Officer (confirmed)  
Hattie Hill Enterprises, Inc.  
Past Chair, Board of Directors

Leadership America, Inc.

*Through this interactive activity led by an internationally renowned facilitator and longtime Leadership America member, you will begin to meet and learn about your classmates and understand the power of the year you will have together.*

**4:30 p.m. Break to Complete Hotel Check-In**

**5:30 p.m. *A Stroll Through Colorado's Past  
And the Accomplishments of Her Women***

*(Pre-Dinner Keynote)*

Thomas J. Noel, Ph.D. (confirmed)

Professor, University of Colorado at Denver

*Nicknamed 'Dr. Colorado,' Tom Noel will introduce you to some of the women who helped to build the Rocky Mountain region and give Colorado its own special personality.*

**6:30 p.m. Dinner Served  
Hosted by the Leadership America Board of Directors**

*Personal Welcome from Members of the Board*

*Official Host Welcome*

Cary Broussard (LA '03)

Vice President for Diversity,

Women on Their Way, Wyndham Hotels and Resorts

Member, Board of Directors

Leadership America, Inc.

### **Monday, April 18**

**8:00 a.m. Breakfast Available**

**9:00 a.m. *The Changing Face of America –  
What Is Happening and What Does It Mean?***

Hazel Reinhardt, Ph.D. (confirmed)

President

Hazel Reinhardt Consulting Services

*Hazel Reinhardt has always been fascinated by demographics, making it her life's work throughout a varied yet focused career that has taken her from academia through government and into her current international consultancy. She joins us today to share not just the numbers but their implications for American society and enterprise.*

- 10:00 a.m.**     ***What Does the Changing Face of America Mean  
In Your Spheres of Influence?***  
*(Interactive Tabletop Discussions)*
- 12:00 noon**    **Break**
- 12:30**            **Luncheon Served**
- 1:00 p.m.**        ***Weaving the Winds of Chance, Change & Opportunity***  
*(Luncheon Keynote)*
- Emily Howell Warner (confirmed)  
*Sixty-seven years after the Wright brothers' flight, Emily Warner made aviation history of her own by becoming the first woman hired as a pilot by a major US airline. Three years later, she became the first woman to earn captain's wings and her amazing story of chance, change and opportunity continues to inspire.*
- 1:30 p.m.**        ***Environment for Change – Focus on Energy & Water Resources***
- Bobi Garrett (confirmed)  
National Renewable Energy Lab  
Golden, Colorado  
*Created to help fulfill and sustain energy in its myriad forms, the Lab is the US Department of Energy's premier site for research and development, working to develop new technologies to benefit both the environment and the economy.*
- 2:30 p.m.**        ***Taking Inspiration into Action –  
How to Make Your Own Voice Heard*** Congressional Directory handout
- Utilizing classmates' experience, you will explore:  
From Grassroots to Grasstops –  
    The Dos and Don'ts to Get Attention for Your Issue  
Ms. Smith Goes to Washington – Why & How to Arrange  
and Maximize a Meeting with your US Senator or Rep.*
- 3:00 p.m.**        **Overview of Evening Activities and Plans for Day Two**
- 3:15 p.m.**        **Break**
- 4:00 p.m.**        **Pre-Play Supper at the Hotel**
- 5:30 p.m.**        **Buses Depart for Denver Center for the Performing Arts (DCPA)**  
1245 Champa Street

**6:45 p.m.**     ***Welcome and Overview to the Programs of the DCPA  
Dance Studios - Tramway Theatre (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)***  
*(Presentation)*

Daniel Renner, Director of Education  
Denver Center for the Performing Arts  
You will be introduced to several of the nationally recognized educational programs and outreach initiatives of the DCPA, including the National Theatre Conservatory that provides professional training for graduate-level students seeking careers in theatre, film and television and the Theatre Academy offering age-appropriate classes in theatre arts from toddlers through adults.

**10:00 p.m.**     **Depart for Hotel**

**7:30 pm**        ***God's Country***  
A special performance presented by the National Theatre Conservatory  
Tramway Theatre – Tramway Building (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

*This searing drama reveals the true story behind the assassination of Denver radio personality Alan Berg in 1983 and the growing white supremacist movement in America. Highly theatrical, it weaves courtroom drama, powerful monologues and film together into a riveting evening that is emotionally gripping and not to be forgotten. The play is a production of the National Theatre Conservatory, which prepares gifted students from across the nation for active careers in the American theater, and film and television industries.*

***Green Room Reception with Director, Cast and Crew will follow.***

**Tuesday, April 19**

**7:30 a.m.**        **Breakfast Available**

**8:30 a.m.**        **Buses depart for Denver Center for the Performing Arts**  
1245 Champa Street

**9:45 a.m.**        **Welcome by Our Hosts - Qwest Communications**

**10:00 a.m.**     ***The Changing Face of Denver – An American Microcosm:  
Educating in a World of Shifting Demographics***

Maria Guajardo Lucero, PhD (confirmed)  
Executive Director  
Mayor's Office for Education & Children

**11:00 a.m.**     **Luncheon Hosted by Qwest Communications**

**12:00 noon**    *Shifting Demographics in Corporate America*

Richard Notebaert (confirmed)  
Chairman and CEO  
Qwest Communications

**1:00 p.m.**    **Overview of Afternoon and Evening Activities**

**1:30 p.m.**    **Buses Depart for Sightseeing Tour through Downtown Denver**

**2:30 p.m.**    **Self-guided site visit – The Denver Nature and Science Museum**  
2001 Colorado Blvd.

*The Rocky Mountain region’s leading resource for informal science education offers a variety of exhibitions, programs and activities to help visitors experience the natural wonders of Colorado, Earth and the universe.*

**4:30 p.m.**    **Convene in the Museum’s Ricketson Auditorium (Level 1)**

*What are the top two education ‘take-aways’  
Potential issues to take to DC?*  
Class members will lead the discussion.

**5:30 p.m.**    *National Security Issues in This Ever-Changing World*

The Honorable Gary Hart, Esq. (confirmed)  
Co-Chair, US Commission on National Security for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
*Senator Hart (D-Co.), who, along with Senator Warren Rudman (R-Mass.), co-chaired the commission that first proposed creation of a Department of Homeland Security, is a renowned international leader in foreign policy, economic growth and justice. Long involved in matters related to the security of the American homeland and terrorism related issues, he will provide his insights into these vitally linked topics.*

**6:30 pm**    **Sunset Buffet Reception – Spratlen Lounge**

**8:00 p.m.**    **Buses Depart for Hotel**

**Wednesday, April 20**

**7:30 a.m.**    **Breakfast Available**

**8:00 a.m.**    *Overview of Session II*

**8:30 a.m.**    *The Private Self and the Public Self:  
Communicating Effectively Within a Diverse Society*

Maria Montaña-Harmon, Ph.D. (confirmed)

*Combining language policy, applied linguistics and teach methods, Maria discusses the dialects that are a part of our communication and learning process. She will profile her groundbreaking research with students of Mexican descent who were born in the US and explain the wide-ranging implications of the findings, the basis of the workshop on recognizing the nuances of dialect in those with whom we speak and incorporating this awareness in our professional and personal communications. (Interactive workshop)*

**12 noon**

**Session I concludes**

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**Presenter Biographies**

**Bobi Garrett**

**Associate Director, Planning and Technology Management  
National Renewable Energy Laboratory**

Bobi Garrett joined the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in November 1998 as a member of the laboratory's executive management team. Her division leads laboratory strategic planning, manages laboratory investment resources directed toward enhancing core competencies and developing new programs, conducts energy analyses to inform strategic and program planning and transfers NREL technology to commercial partners. In addition, the division manages eleven major renewable energy and energy efficiency technology development programs as well as the programs that provide technical assistance to international, federal, and state and local governments. Prior to joining NREL, Ms. Garrett held a variety of line management and program leadership positions at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland, Washington. Bobi has a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Montana State University and an M.B.A. from the University of Washington.  
Golden, Colorado

**Hattie Hill (LA '92)**

**Chief Executive Officer**

**Hattie Hill Enterprises, Inc.**

Hattie Hill is a CEO and businesswoman, professional speaker and author with more than 20 years experience as an international management consultant. Hill has worked in more than 30 countries and across the United. Hill was one of the top "Forty Under 40" Dallas community and business leaders honored by the *Dallas Business Journal*. *Dollars and Sense* magazine honored her as one of its "Best and Brightest Business Women" and she was named as one of its "Hot 25 Speakers." Hill serves as an adjunct professor for the Gallup Leadership Institute. She has been quoted in publications such as *The Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today* on matters concerning human relations and diversity in corporate America. *Quest for Success* named Hill "Entrepreneur of the Year" for 2000 and she received the Louise Raggio Pathfinder Award in 2001.

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**Maria Guajardo Lucero, PhD.**

**Executive Director**

**Mayor's Office for Education & Children**

Dr. Guajardo Lucero is executive director of the Mayor's Office for Education and Children in Denver. Focusing on the first two decades of life, the charge of her office is to champion educational advancement for children and youth in Denver. A licensed clinical psychologist, in 2004 she was invited by Denver Public Schools to serve as a commissioner on the Secondary Reform Commission. María serves as a trustee to two universities, both the University of Denver and Soka University of America. She recently was awarded the "Gandhi, King, Ikeda Award" for her leadership and commitment to excellence in public education. Dr. Guajardo Lucero graduated with honors from Harvard University and earned her master's and Ph.D. degrees from the

University of Denver. María is an author, a mother, a community volunteer, and a national speaker.

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**The Honorable Gary Hart, Esq.**

**Co-Chair, US Commission on National Security for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

Since retiring from the US Senate, Gary Hart has been extensively involved in international law and business, as a strategic advisor to major U.S. corporations, as an author and lecturer and as senior counsel to Coudert Brothers, a multinational law firm with offices in 32 cities located in 19 countries. Under his leadership as co-chair of the U.S. Commission on National Security for the 21st Century, the Commission performed the most comprehensive review of national security since 1947, predicted the terrorist attacks on America and proposed a sweeping overhaul of US national security structures and policies for the post-Cold War new century and the age of terrorism. He also co-chaired the Council task force that produced the report: “America Unprepared—America Still at Risk” in October 2002. Hart has been visiting fellow and lecturer at Oxford University, and guest lecturer at Yale University and the University of California. He earned a PhD. degree from Oxford University and graduate law and divinity degrees from Yale University. The author of 14 books, Hart represented the State of Colorado in the US Senate from 1975-1987.

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**Richard Notebaert**

**Chairman and CEO**

**Qwest Communication**

Richard (Dick) Notebaert was elected chairman and chief executive officer of Qwest Communications International Inc. on June 17, 2002. Formerly, he was president and chief executive officer of Tellabs, a position he had held since August 2000. Prior to that, he retired from his position as chairman of the board of Ameritech Corporation in December 1999, capping his 30-year career with that organization. Dick received a bachelor of arts in 1969 and an MBA in 1983, both from the University of Wisconsin. He has received a number of honors and awards, including the 1999 Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and three honorary degrees. Active in all the communities in which he has lived, in 2003, he served as chairman of the Network Reliability and Interoperability Council and, in April 2003, President George W. Bush appointed him as a member of the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC).

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**Thomas J. Noel, PhD.**

**Professor**

**University of Colorado at Denver**

Nicknamed “Dr. Colorado,” Tom Noel has done much to make local history accessible for citizens and visitors alike. He has published numerous articles on Denver and Colorado and has written a dozen books about his favorite city. A former chair of the Denver Landmark Commission and current National Register review for Colorado, Tom has also taught at the University of Denver, Metropolitan State College, Arapahoe



Community College, Colorado Women's College, Denver East High School and Hillel Academy of Denver. Dr. Colorado was awarded his PhD in 1978 from the University of Colorado, Boulder, where his grandmother, a school teacher, and his mother, a physician, also did their graduate work.

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**Hazel Reinhardt, PhD.**

**President, Hazel Reinhardt Consulting Services**

**Director of Market Research**

**Media Management Center**

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A consultant based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Hazel Reinhardt specialized in market analysis and strategic direction. Her work also includes demographic analysis of all types. Reinhardt teaches in the executive education programs at the Media Management Center, a joint program of the Kellogg School of Management and Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. She also heads the Media Management Center's market research team. Hazel consults with media clients in the US, Canada and Latin America and her clients also include foundations, universities and public and private K-12 schools. Before establishing her firm in 1991, Hazel spent more than 12 years with Cowles Media Company. Her five years as Minnesota State Demographer in the 1970s followed similar work with Wisconsin. Hazel holds PhD., MA and BA degrees in history from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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**Emily Howell Warner**

**Commercial Airline Captain**

Denver native Emily Howell Warner took her first airplane flight as a teenager and came away from that experience with a passion to fly and become an airplane pilot. In 1973, 67 years after the Wright Flyer made aviation history and 25 years as her first plane flight, Emily also made aviation history by becoming the first woman hired as a major airline pilot. Today, with more than 21,000 flight hours (more than any other woman pilot in the world) she is a Federal Aviation Administration aircrew program manager, assigned to United Airlines' Boeing 737 fleet. She is also the FAA representative for United's flight safety action program.

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