

REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Iowans for Religion and Science Dialogue
Present

**Evolution and Intelligent Design:
Defining Terms, Clarifying the Conflict, and
Charting a Way Forward**

March 16, 2007, 6:30-8:30pm
March 17, 2007, 8:00am-5:00pm
Neumann Auditorium, Wartburg College
Waverly, Iowa



Participants will receive:

- A succinct and memorable understanding of Intelligent Design and the scientific and theological critique of it.
- A summary of the history and philosophy of science insofar as it relates to the theme of the symposium.
- A way of understanding the Bible's teaching about creation that does not exclude evolutionary science.
- Strategies for handling conflict in the classroom and community.
- A DVD and Workbook: "Evolution and Intelligent Design", Joymark! Communications, Forest City, Iowa
- Lunch and refreshments

Registration Scholarships

The Wartburg College Center for Community Engagement is offering registration scholarships to the first 200 K-12 educators, school administrators, or school board members who apply to attend the conference. If you fit into one of these categories, please complete this form to apply for a scholarship. You will be notified of your scholarship status by email.

Your E-mail Address: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Job Title: _____

School or District: _____

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City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

- By checking here, I certify that I am eligible for this scholarship because I am a K-12 Classroom Teacher, School Administrator, or School Board Member.

Workshop Choices

Please select **three** of the workshops that you would most likely attend. Your choices may be changed at the conference. A description of each workshop can be found on the Symposium Website.

- What is Intelligent Design?
- Intelligent Design: Good Science? Good Religion?
- History of the Conflict Between Science and Religion
- Relating Science and Religion
- Interpreting Biblical Creation Stories
- God After Darwin
- Lessons from Kitzmiller v. Dover, PA

Mail this form to: IRSD Conference, Iowa Academy of Science, 175 Baker Hall, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0508. If you have questions please call the Academy office at 319-273-2021.

Conference Schedule



Friday, March 16th

6:30-7:30 - Registration, Welcome, Social Hour

7:30-8:30 - Speaker: Wesley Elsberry (NCSE)

Saturday, March 17th

8:00-8:30 - Pre-meeting coffee and conversation

8:30-9:45 - Speaker: John Haught
(Research Professor at Georgetown University)



10:00-11:15 - Workshop Block #1. A description of the workshops appears below.

11:15-12:00 - Lunch

12:15-1:30 - Workshop Block #2.

1:45-3:00 - Workshop Block #3.



3:15-4:00 - Jennifer Miller, Dover, Pennsylvania Teacher

4:00-5:00 - Summative Panel Discussion

The panel will include John Ayers, Wesley Elsberry, John Haught and Jennifer Miller. The discussion will address strategies for dealing with conflict in the classroom and community. Questions will be submitted, sorted and selected prior to the session. Panelists will respond to both written questions and to questions from the floor.

Workshop Themes:

- Workshop #1: **What is Intelligent Design?** This session will give attendees a solid understanding of the ID movement. What are proponents of intelligent design arguing? Who are the main players? How does the ID movement fit into the larger picture of religion in the U. S.?
- Workshop #2: **Intelligent Design: Good Science? Good Religion?** The focus in this workshop is on evaluating the claims of ID. Is it conceptually clear and coherent? Is it scientifically sound? On what basis is it being excluded from science education? Is it theologically sound?
- Workshop #3: **History of the Conflict Between Science and Religion.** This workshop will provide a historical and conceptual framework for understanding how we got where we are today. To what degree have science and religion been at war since the 16th century? How did scientists like Galileo, Copernicus, Newton and Einstein deal with the tension between faith and reason?
- Workshop #4: **Relating Science and Religion.** Attendees will participate in a discussion of the various ways one can model the relationship between science and religion. Are science and religion enemies, strangers, friends or relatives? Surprising insights emerge when one asks this question and looks at the various ways it can be answered.
- Workshop #5: **Interpreting Biblical Creation Stories.** This workshop will introduce participants to the variety of creation accounts in the Bible. Genesis 1 is not the only one! The discussion will focus on interpreting the Bible's creation stories in ways that alleviate the conflict between biblical and scientific cosmologies.
- Workshop #6: **God After Darwin.** This workshop will consider the question how is belief in God affected if a person wholeheartedly accepts the theory of evolution? What happens to Christian theology after Darwin? You may be surprised to learn that some believe the theory of evolution actually *supports* Christian faith.
- Workshop #7: **Lessons from Kitzmiller v. Dover, PA.** This workshop will focus on what happened at this famous Dover, PA trial, what it means for the question of whether ID can be taught in the public schools, and what lessons can be learned and applied to similar conflict in your community. Practical strategies for dealing with conflict will be in the foreground.

For additional information and updates visit the Conference website at: <http://www.iowa-rsd.org>