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THE 47TH ANNUAL ECONOMIC EDUCATION
WINTER INSTITUTE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

15th Annual Economic Outlook Panel

Thursday, February 26, 2009

5:00 to 6:30 p.m

Grand Ballroom, Kelly Inn,

Free and open to the public, this session is known for its lively, informative economic forecasts

- **Welcome by President Earl H. Potter III,
St. Cloud State University**

The Kelly Inn
100 4th Avenue South
Corner of Highway 23 (Division
Street) and Fourth Avenue
in downtown St. Cloud

PANELISTS:

- **Dan Laufenberg, Chief Economist, Ameriprise Financial**
- **Steve Hine, Labor Market Information Director,
Minnesota DEED**
- **Tom Stinson, Minnesota State Economist**
- **King Banaian, Chair, SCSU Economics Department,
Coauthor of St. Cloud Quarterly Business Report**

Poolside Reception

6:30 to 9:00 p.m

Pool Side, Kelly Inn

Mingle and meet the economists for an enjoyable evening of great food and beverages, including cash bar. Fee: \$20

Grow Minnesota! Breakfast

Organized and sponsored by St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce in collaboration with St. Cloud State University Center for Economic Education

7:00 to 8:30 a.m.

Cascade Room, Atwood Memorial Center, St. Cloud State University

Tickets: \$15

The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce organizes the Grow Minnesota! program and local chambers work with the state chamber to host these breakfast events around the state. This particular breakfast features the Winter Institute speakers and David Olson, President of the Minnesota Chamber and Chair of the MnSCU Board of Trustees. Mr. Olson initiated the Grow Minnesota! program and is very well known in the Minnesota business community. Sponsorship opportunities are available and sponsors will be provided time to meet with individual speakers.

Morning Speakers' Session

8:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Free and open to the public, the session offers community and business leaders, faculty, students and the general public the opportunity to learn about how the rapidly changing Chinese economy influences both the American and global economies. A continental breakfast is provided beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Ritsche Auditorium foyer.

Featured Speakers:

Welcome by President Earl H. Potter III, St. Cloud State University

Remarks by representatives from Nankai University Binhai College
President Yang Qinghai, Associate President Zhao Zhiwen, Dr. Wang Wenzhi

Wing Thye Woo

Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution and Professor of Economics at University of California-Davis.

Dr. Woo is one of the World's leading experts on East Asian economies, particularly China, Indonesia and Malaysia. He has advised the U.S. Treasury Department, the IMF, World Bank and the United Nations. He specializes in exchange rates, economic growth, regional economic disparity and financial sector development. Dr. Woo's expertise is frequently sought by the U.S. and Chinese governments and he has published many articles and books on the Chinese economy.

Nicholas R. Lardy

Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics

Dr. Lardy is a leading international authority on the Chinese economy, specifically exchange rates, growth, economic reforms and agriculture in China. Prior to joining the Peterson Institute, he was a Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution and was director of the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies at the University of Washington. He has published books and many articles on the Chinese economy and is frequently interviewed by the Wall Street Journal.

Jack W. Hou (Luncheon Speaker)

Professor of Economics at California State University, Long Beach

Dr. Hou's research focuses on the Chinese economy, as well as labor economics and international trade and finance. He is the immediate Past President of the Chinese Economists Society, President-Elect of the Western Social Science Association and an officer of Western Economic Association International. He has published extensively on the Chinese economy and frequently lectures in China.

WINTER INSTITUTE Luncheon

Tickets: \$10

Reservations required.

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Cascade Room
Atwood Memorial Center
St. Cloud State University

