



The Helen Ingersoll Staff Person of the Year Award

2009 Nomination Form

Staff Person of the Year

Helen Ingersoll was the advisor of the alternative break program at Indiana University School of Business from 1990 - 2008. 1990 was also the year she also met the fledgling staff of Break Away. "I was very taken with the notion of alternative breaks and have always had a special place in my heart for Break Away because our programs have 'grown up' together!" Helen carefully worked to develop student leaders with an emphasis on quality while increasing quantity and enjoyed watching the program improve through the years. Alternative breaks were institutionalized within the IU Business School due to Helen's facilitation, guidance, and careful delegation. She retired in 2008.

The recipient of the Staff Person of the Year award will be chosen based on their commitment to supporting student leadership through a student run alternative break program.

Nominees for this award can be any staff person that advises a current Break Away® Chapter School alternative break program. Nominations can be made by any student, staff member or alumni of a current Break Away chapter school.

All nominations should be emailed to breakaway@alternativebreaks.org by 5 p.m. EST on **May 8, 2009**. Hard copies will not be accepted. Award winners will be announced on May 29, 2009. Winners will receive **national recognition**, a personalized **trophy**, permanent notation on the annual Staff Person of the Year Plaque housed in the national Break Away office, recognition on our website, a **letter of recognition** and a lifetime **Break Away individual membership**.

Please send all inquires to breakaway@alternativebreaks.org regarding the nomination process, evaluation process, or criteria for this award.

**Break Away Board of Directors, Programs Board, and staff are not permitted to make nominations.*

Nominator's Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____

Affiliation to alternative break program: _____

Nominee's Information

Name: _____
College/University: _____ Title: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Affiliation to alternative break program: _____

On a separate document answer the following questions (must be 2,000 words or less):

1. How does the nominee support student leadership within the alternative break program?
 2. Describe some of the ways the staff person is invested in building active citizenship on his/her campus.
 3. How does the staff person advocate for the alternative break program to the school administration and other school staff?
 4. What else would you like to articulate regarding why you feel this person should be the 2009 Alternative Break Staff Person of the Year?
 5. How does the staff person contribute to the alternative break movement outside of your campus?
- Please also include at least one letter of recommendation (can include up to three). Word limit **does not** include the letter of recommendation.