

WARWICK LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

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Inspirational and Ethical Leadership in Action ***“Transforming Communities through Whole-Person Education.”***

Vision: A peaceful world where everyone fulfills their potential

Values: Self-responsibility, equality, inclusiveness, honesty, forgiveness

Purpose: To provide solutions to combat discrimination and develop potential through a Whole-Person education curriculum pioneered by young leaders into communities

Mission: To put the Whole-Person curriculum at the heart of our nation, starting with empowering young leaders

Intern Project

The intern project from WLF has been highly successful since its start in 2001. A group of intellectual young adults are chosen to prepare for their journey to become future leaders. They gain experience in all areas such as leadership, politics and business with others of different nationalities. The interns meet with a leadership coach weekly and learn a whole-person skills set which they will use to empower others. They strive *“To be the best in the world and the best for the world.”*

Recent interns include:



Edwin Atiegoba-Bello
Nigeria/England

23 years old. Student at Middlesex University and intern at WLF.



Cheryl Stevens
United States of America

22 years old. Graduated from Boston University and intern at WLF. Attending law school in the Fall.



Henry Wells
England

20 years old. Student at Columbia University in New York in the United States.



Robert Yates
England

21 years old. Student at Aston University and intern at WLF.

WLF Funding

We provide inspiration, skills and opportunities to the next generation of leaders. Our whole-person curriculum gives combination of in-depth knowledge and practical skills:

Authenticity allows participants to build and master presentation skills.

Collaboration Skills enable individuals to work cohesively as a team and complete team projects.

Social Responsibility gives participants the opportunity to teach within the community.

If you would like to sponsor an intern here at the House of Lords for a 12 weeks leadership programme we need:

£5,000

If you would like to sponsor a group in your local community to learn our leadership curriculum we need:

£15,000

If you would like to join a Visionary Leaders Group to mentor young leaders, the next VLG group starts March 1st -limited places available. Closing date Feb 21st.

Our Ethics programmes are starting again now that 2008 is here. An ethics fitness check for your organisation and board of directors – a stimulating away day - Contact Merry Graham to book your Ethics Fitness Check.

My Generation

As part of our mission to put Whole-Person education at the heart of our nation and develop young leaders – we are collaborating with a community project in Ladbroke Grove providing job skills to disadvantaged youngsters. We will train their participants and youth workers with our curriculum.

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A Day as Lord Taylor

As a busy member of Parliament, there are times when Lord Taylor is unable to attend an event. When this happens, WLF interns have the privilege of representing him. He believes his interns will behave in a professional manner that allows them the opportunity to meet new people and understand the world from a Lord's perspective. Events attended by interns in December include:

- **Policy Exchange Christmas Reception** – Attended by Edwin Atiegoba-Bello and Cheryl Stevens. The event was hosted by think tank group Policy Exchange. Guest speaker David Cameron was in attendance.



Cheryl Stevens takes a photograph with Leader of her Majesty's Opposition David Cameron

- **Nestlé Children's Book Prize** – Attended by Cheryl Stevens and Robert Yates. The event awarded the top three new books in three separate age groups. CBBC presenter Michael Absalom hosted the event.
- **Ofcom Seminar** – Attended by Cheryl Stevens and Henry Wells. Employees from news stations and corporate entities spoke about children's programming today and for the future.
- **Performers' Alliance Parliamentary Group** – Attended by Robert Yates. The event was a 'thank you' for the extra government funding for the Musicians Union, Writers' Guild of Great Britain and Equity (the Actors' Guild).

Focus Groups Results

WLF regularly hosts leaders. In **October 2007**, a group of top UK leaders asked how can we...
"Bring on the next generation in a coherent fashion?"
"Where are the role models?"
"Where are the real leaders?"
Our Whole-Person leadership curriculum is on a mission to answer all of these questions by providing the best possible curriculum and developing a whole-person skills set for our participants. We plan to continue training leaders of the future. Dates of upcoming focus groups will be posted in the February newsletter.

Upcoming Focus Groups

Lord Taylor and Merry Graham will be hosting a Leadership Focus Group on **February 7, 2008** in Washington D.C. Research shows that 3 simple behaviours role modelled by a leader can improve 60% performance. Do current organisations really promote self responsibility and collaboration? How can we create truly ethical organisations?

In the Spotlight

"In the evening, a rehearsal of my smooth jazz/gospel group called Stillano. There are three of us who sing and backing musicians who we bring in when we need them. We describe ourselves as Simply Red and Simply Dread! But our hearts are in the right place. Our plan is to make an album, to raise funds for the WLF."

-Lord Taylor of Warwick. "My Week Lord Taylor – Screen Test." The House Magazine. 33.1244. January 14, 2008

"I have witnessed the chaotic world of illegal drugs over a period of 20 years as a criminal barrister and judge, dealing with such cases in court. Is this lifestyle fun? Exciting? No way."

-Lord Taylor of Warwick. "Scoring Drugs is an Own Goal." Church of England Newspaper. November 23, 2007, No. 5898:11.

"From an early age I realised that there was only one race – the human race. That we need to build bridges between people, not walls. It is very easy through fear of other skin colours, other religions, to be against something. But you know there's only one world. We're all in this world together."

-Lord Taylor of Warwick, Radio Interview on 88.9 KNPR, USA, September 20, 2007

WLF Christmas Reception!

On 14th of December 2007 Lord Taylor of Warwick held the annual Christmas Reception for his WLF charity. The Philharmonia Chorus and Sinfonia Quartet performed in the House of Lords Tea Room, where the elegant reception took place. As guests arrived, Lord Taylor greeted each with a warm smile and engaging conversation. Prominent figures from all over the world were in attendance. Lord Taylor and Merry Graham, Leadership Development Director, discussed the bright future the foundation will have once they receive sufficient funding. Current interns delivered speeches for guests detailing their delightful experiences and fond memories with WLF. Raffle prizes were later distributed to lucky winners. Guests mingled for hours and joined in on the festivities of the night. Lord Taylor and the Warwick Leadership Foundation would like to thank Kleinwort Benson for all of their efforts in helping our charity at this event.



Lord Taylor of Warwick with Merry Graham



Sheila Williamson, PA to Lord Taylor with Prize Winner