Call for Papers: Special Issue on “Social Entrepreneurs”  http://ejournal.missouristate.edu/

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Since Muhammad Yunus was announced as the winner of the 2006 Nobel Prize for his efforts to create microfinance networks that would energize entrepreneurial activity among the poor, interest has grown exponentially in the application of business principles to achieve results with social as well as economic value. Efforts to define, develop and deploy “social entrepreneurs” have gained momentum, accelerated by technological possibilities that connect motivated individuals to local and global problems in ways that have dramatically expanded our public narrative. The boundaries of private enterprise and civic engagement have become a blurred and exciting borderland of purposeful action to solve problems, strengthen social bonds and turn a profit. Thus we invite submissions for a special issue on social entrepreneurs.

The eJournal of Public Affairs is a peer-reviewed, multidisciplinary, open-access electronic journal published by Missouri State University in partnership with the American Democracy Project. In this special issue of the eJournal, we are looking for submissions that report on academic debates as well as successful models of engagement. We are especially interested in research that offers analysis and evaluation of initiatives across public, private, non-profit and education sectors. As a multidisciplinary journal, we welcome submissions for this issue from the fields of anthropology, economics and business, history, human geography, political science, sociology and social work to suggest a few. We welcome submissions about any subject related to social entrepreneurs and the wide variety of efforts to establish and sustain mission-oriented enterprises that generate social value and economic progress.

Possible topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Literature reviews organizing relevant publications and contested definitions
- Successful models of activities to build social capital
- Public/Private partnerships
- For Profit v. Non-profit approaches
- International social entrepreneurial efforts
- Higher education roles and connections
- Youth social entrepreneurs
- Social networking, microfinance, collaboration and other “tools”
- Education and Training for social entrepreneurs

How to Submit:
Deadline to submit papers: October 1, 2013

Articles submitted for this special issue should not exceed 5,000 words not including references, or appendices—and should have no more than six tables or figures. Each article should include an abstract not to exceed 150 words. See the guidelines for complete details about format, and citation style: http://ejournal.missouristate.edu/submissions/submission-guidelines/

Submissions should be sent as an email attachment in a Word.doc file with the author’s last name, date, and “eJournal submission for Social Entrepreneurs Special Issue” in the subject line to ejournalPA@missouristate.edu.