

Grand Rapids Study Club Announces 2008 Forum Series & Launch Meeting

The Charles F. Kettering Foundation and the National Issues Forums (NIF) are sponsoring a deliberation project with all 12 presidential libraries in the United States. The libraries will partner with an organization to host at least three public forums between Labor Day and election day 2008. Locally, the Grand Rapids Study Club and Greater Grand Rapids National Issues Forums are working with the Gerald R. Ford Museum to put on these forums, which will raise issues related to the upcoming election. The Greater Grand Rapids National Issues Forums, the Study Club and the Ford Museum are holding a meeting beginning the conversation that will launch the forum series.

The Launch Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 5:00 pm at the Gerald R. Ford Museum. We would like your participation or that of anyone who is interested from your organization. Please feel free to share this information with anyone you think would be interested as well. More detailed information and materials will be provided on May 20th.

Save the Date! These are the forums that will be held as a part of this initiative:

- Thursday, October 2, 2008 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Health Care in America: How Can We Make it More Affordable?
- Thursday, October 16, 2008 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
What is the 21st Century Mission for Our Public Schools?
- Thursday, October 30, 2008 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Race Relations

Please visit the following websites for more information: www.grandrapidsstudyclub.org and www.nifi.org.