

Greater Northwest Region Newsletter



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Upcoming:

- [Hallmark Award Entries](#) due - January 29
- [Five Star Chapter Development Plan](#) final update due - January 29
- [Regional Hallmark Award Entries](#) due - February 5
- Regional Officer Application Deadline - February 15
- 2014 Spring Regional Conferences - March 22
- [2014 Phi Theta Kappa Annual International Convention](#) - April 24 -26, 2014

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2014 Spring Regional Conference

NOW is the time to register for the [2014 Spring Regional Conference](#). The conference will be hosted by Tacoma Community College on Saturday, March 22, 2014 from 8am to 7pm. In an effort to help the chapters of the Greater Northwest Region, the regional team has decided to hold a one day event. For further and agenda information, check out the [Greater Northwest Regional](#) site .

Scholarship opportunities are available for advisors and members. Register now and get a 25% off of the registration cost for a second advisor when you register 2 advisors. If you want to take advantage for the scholarship opportunities, please send a one page essay addressing your financial need to [Dr. Tomas Ramos](#) and [MichaelAnn Allen](#) no later than February 15, 2014; five winners will be selected (one from each state).



2014 Phi Theta Kappa Annual International Convention



Energizing, enlightening, motivational and invigorating — all are words attendees use to describe the Phi Theta Kappa International Convention Experience. For those who have never attended Phi Theta Kappa Convention, it's an experience like none other. For returning attendees, it's something to look forward to year after year.

If you're thinking it's just another pep rally, think again. NerdNation, Phi Theta Kappa's

Annual Convention, provides opportunities for advisor and student engagement that result in long term chapter and student success. Explore the opportunities that await you at NerdNation 2014 where it's "Cool 2B Smart!"

Make plans now to be a part of NerdNation in Orlando, April 24-26. Secure the greatest savings by registering by **February 10, 2014**, at the low Early Bird Registration Rate.

2014 Regional Officer Opportunities

Don't miss your chance to answer the call and run for Regional Officer of the Greater Northwest Region. Applications are available in the [GNR Handbook](#) and we ask that you include a 3 minute video, in lieu of a speech, which addresses why do you want to be an regional officer, your qualifications, experience in Phi Theta Kappa, and leadership experience. Videos can be send as an attachment or as a YouTube link. Voting will take place on February 22, 2014 by survey monkey sent to the advisers who will consult with their chapters and make their decision. Officers will be ratified during the 2014 Spring Regional Conference. Please send your application, to include your video, to [Dr. Tomas Ramos](#) no later than February 15, 2014.

2014 Summer Regional Conference

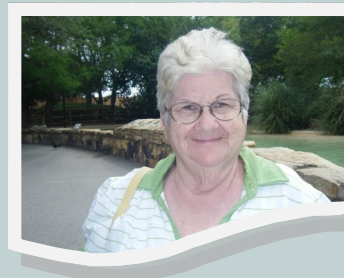
The 2014 Summer Conference is a great opportunity for the Greater Northwest Region to come together and practice fellowship while discussing topics that will enhance the chapters and its members.

We are asking that everyone place their bids for the honor of hosting this amazing event. All bids will be presented to the region for a vote during the 2014 Spring Regional Conference.

So, bring your spirit cheer and tell us why you should be the one to host the 2014 Summer Regional Conference.



T-Shirt Contest



Hi everyone, It's Dolores Nelson, President of the Greater Northwest Region Alumni Group. I'm asking that everyone participate on the Greater Northwest Region T-shirt contest.

Get your alumni themed designs ready and send them to [Dr. Tomas Ramos](#) no later than February 28, 2014.

The best design will be chosen during the 2014 Spring Regional Conference. Stop by the alumni table and say hi. I'm expecting to see everyone there.

2014/2015 Honors Study Topic Announced

Phi Theta Kappa is excited to start the year off with the introduction of the **2014/2015 Honors Study Topic, *Frontiers and the Spirit of Exploration***. The topic will be in use now through December 31, 2015. The new topic is detailed in the 2014/2015 Honors Program Guide, which all chapters should receive by the end of January. A [digital version](#) of the new guide is now available on the Phi Theta Kappa website. Here is a list of the themes under this topic:

THEME 1: Nature of the Quest

THEME 2: Ideas and Ideologies as Frontiers

THEME 3: Quests of Human Expression

THEME 4: Exploring the Natural Environment

THEME 5: Celestial Frontiers

THEME 6: Frontiers of Temporal and Spatial Physics

THEME 7: Health and Medicine as Frontiers

THEME 8: Exploring Political Economy

THEME 9: Borders and Boundaries



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