

Greater Northwest Region Newsletter



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Upcoming:

- Honors Institute Stipend
Essay Deadline is May 3rd, 2013
- Honors Institute
Registration Deadline is May 31
- 2013 Honors Institute -
June 17 - June 22
- Summer Regional
Conference hosted by
Big Ben Community
College, Moses Lake -
August 3 - 4, 2013

[Please register today by visiting the regional website at www.gnrptk.org and click on the Calendar button.]

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2013-2014 International Officers Announced

Phi Theta Kappa's 2013-2014 International Officers have been selected. The winning candidates were announced during the Hallmark Awards Gala on Saturday, April 6, during the 2013 Annual Convention in San Jose, California. Members of the 2013-2014 International Officer Team are:



From left to right, front row: Rachel Reeck, Toni Marek. Back row: Kaitlyn Worman, Daniel Chitty, Jesus Garcia.

International President:

Daniel Chitty, Alpha Gamma Pi Chapter, Austin Community College, Texas

Division I Vice President:

Jesus Garcia, Alpha Theta Theta Chapter, Essex County College, New Jersey

Division II Vice President:

Toni Marek, Zeta Gamma Chapter, Victoria College, Texas

Division III Vice President:

Rachel Reeck, Beta Nu Chi Chapter, Western Technical College, Wisconsin

Division IV Vice President:

Kaitlyn Worman, Sigma Zeta Chapter, Lane Community College, Oregon

Serving as an International Officer is the pinnacle of student leadership within Phi Theta Kappa. International Officers serve one-year terms, and one officer is elected to a one-year term as the Student Representative to the Phi Theta Kappa Board of Directors.

Honors Institute

Get ready for the ultimate honors programming experience by making plans to attend the 2013 Honors Institute at Villanova University, June 17-22.

The Greater NW Regional Team is offering a stipend for one general member for registration only, **NO AIRFARE**.

If you are interested, please send a two page essay on why you want to attend with a letter of support from your advisor to [Dr. Ramos](mailto:Dr.Ramos) by May 3, 2013 at noon. The turnover is quick on this as the Institute fills up fast, if there is space left by then, the member will be registered. Member is responsible for airfare to and from the conference and transportation to and from the airport.

**** ATTENTION APPLICANTS ****

Please send your documents free of grammatical errors. Essay should be exactly two pages (no more no less). The essay should portray the applicant's major, classification in school, educational goal, any educational accomplishments, how they believe they will benefit from attending the conference. Please explain how attending the conference will help your chapter in any way. Scan and/or send via e-mail please.



Leadership Training Event at LCC



Gamma Tau chapter at Lower Columbia College held their annual leadership training event on Saturday April 27th. It was a great time of learning and fellowship. Keynote speakers for this event were LCC President Chris Bailey, College Fish Training and Development Specialist Joshua Scott Hancock, and members of our regional officer team. We thank Gamma Tau for putting on a successful event and thank all of the chapters that were in attendance. We look forward to attending next years event.

Regional Update

The Regional leadership welcomes Michaelann Allen as the new Assistant Regional Coordinator for the Greater Northwest Region. The idea to implement an assistant regional coordinator was presented to the region, and approved, during our business meeting at the Phi Theta Kappa 96th Annual Convention in San Jose, CA.

Michaelann duties are to help the regional coordinator (Dr. Ramos) keep up with administrative duties.

Currently, Michaelann is the advisor for the Alpha Epsilon Omega chapter at North Seattle Community College. We would like to congratulate Michaelann on her new position and extend our thanks for her dedication and support of Phi Theta Kappa and its members.



From left to right: Kathleen Hathaway, Matthew Gallaher, Barbara Whitney

Greater Northwest Regional Officers

President

Jadey Simmons

District I VP

Martin Trinidad

District II VP

Lubaba Al-Arab

District III VP

[Vacant Position]

District IV VP

Kerra Apolo

District V

[Vacant Position]

Regional Coordinator

Dr. Tomas Ramos

Assistant Regional Coordinator

Michaelann Allen

Hallmark Awards

The Greater Northwest Region is not short on great talent. We would like to recognize our 96th Annual Convention award recipients:

Regional Coordinator

Distinguished Service Awards

Deena Bisig
Greater Northwest Regional Coordinator

Distinguished Theme Awards - Honors in Action

Theme 5 - It's a Small World: Competition and Geography

Chi Gamma Chapter
Tacoma Community College
Tacoma, Washington

Paragon Awards for New Advisors

Matthew Gallaher, Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter
Clark College
Vancouver, Washington

Cal Erwin-Svoboda, Beta Iota Chapter
Grays Harbor College
Aberdeen, Washington

Distinguished Advisor Awards

Kathleen Hathaway, Beta Omicron Gamma Chapter
Clover Park Technical College
Lakewood, Washington

Continued Excellence Awards for Advisors

Barbara Whitney, Rho Zeta Chapter
Big Bend Community College
Moses Lake, Washington

Distinguished Chapter Member Awards

Edward Riley, Iota Omega Chapter
Centralia College
Centralia, Washington

Coleen Search, Gamma Tau Chapter
Lower Columbia College
Longview, Washington

Jose Villafana, Rho Zeta Chapter
Big Bend Community College
Moses Lake, Washington

Jeremy Miller
Alpha Psi Gamma Chapter
Prince William Sound Community College
Valdez, Alaska

Top 100 Chapters

Alpha Epsilon Omega Chapter
North Seattle Community College
Seattle, Washington.

Five Star Chapters:

Alpha Chi Zeta Chapter
Seattle Central Community College,
Seattle, WA

Alpha Epsilon Omega Chapter
North Seattle Community College,
Seattle, WA

Alpha Epsilon Rho Chapter
Bellevue Community College,
Bellevue, WA

Alpha Psi Gamma Chapter
Prince William Sound Community College,
Valdez, AK

Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter

Clark College,
Vancouver, WA

Beta Eta Epsilon Chapter

Missoula College University of Montana,
Missoula, MT

Beta Omicron Gamma Chapter

Clover Park Technical College,
Lakewood, WA

Chi Gamma Chapter

Tacoma Community College,
Tacoma, WA

Eta Rho Chapter

Wenatchee Valley College,
Wenatchee, WA

Gamma Tau Chapter

Lower Columbia College,
Lower Columbia College, WA

Iota Omega Chapter

Centralia College,
Centralia, WA

Rho Zeta Chapter

Big Bend Community College,
Moses Lake, WA

To the best of our knowledge these are the 96th Annual Convention award recipients in our region. If your college received an award in any of the categories reported in the newsletter, please let us know and we will make a notation on the next month's newsletter.