

Greater Northwest Region

Welcome back from Catalyst!

As we enter the month of May the regional team would like to remind you that Summer Conference is just around the corner. Skagit Valley College in Mount Vernon. Summer Conference will be two days on July 28th and 29th. The Regional Team is busy planning to make this both exciting and informative. During Summer Conference we will also be holding regional officer elections. If you are interested in becoming a regional officer, please fill out an interest form [here](#).

Two Joan Fedor scholarship award winners will also be announced at the Summer Conference. Joan Fedor is a former adviser from Highline C.C. and former regional coordinator for the Greater Northwest. The scholarship is awarded to honor her quality of work and spirit of success she dedicated to the region and the society overall. Entries for the \$100 Joan Fedor scholarship are due on June 15th by 5 p.m. Pacific time. Students applying need to provide a two-page, double space essay showing what activities they have worked with at their chapters and how these have made a difference in their group. A letter of recommendation is also required. These can come from a faculty or staff member from the college that speaks to the student's quality of work and / or engagement in the community. Entries can be scanned and sent to tramos@tacomacc.edu

Congratulations to new Greater Northwest Region Alumni President Michelle Brownlee! She would like to remind every chapter to bring a raffle package to each Regional Conference. Each package will be offered as a prize at the conference with the money raised going to support student

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scholarships! If you, or an alumnus, has questions please do not hesitate to reach out to Michelle at michellebrownlee72@yahoo.com

Keep in mind these other benefits gained by attending the Greater Northwest Summer Conference provided by Dr. Ramos!

Top 7 reasons to attend the summer conference at Skagit Valley:

- 1.- Learn how to improve your scores for your Honors In Action
- 2.- Learn how to improve your scores for your College Project
- 3.- 5-star chapter development
- 4.- Regional officer elections
- 5.- Membership leadership skills and networking
- 6.- Awesome keynote speaker
- 7.- Fundraiser tips to get your chapter to Catalyst in Orlando

These are just some of the many ways attending the Regional Summer Conference can benefit both your chapter and yourself! We hope to see you all there!

[Information on upcoming conferences can be found at http://greater-northwest-region.ptk.org](http://greater-northwest-region.ptk.org)

CATALYST 2018 RECAP

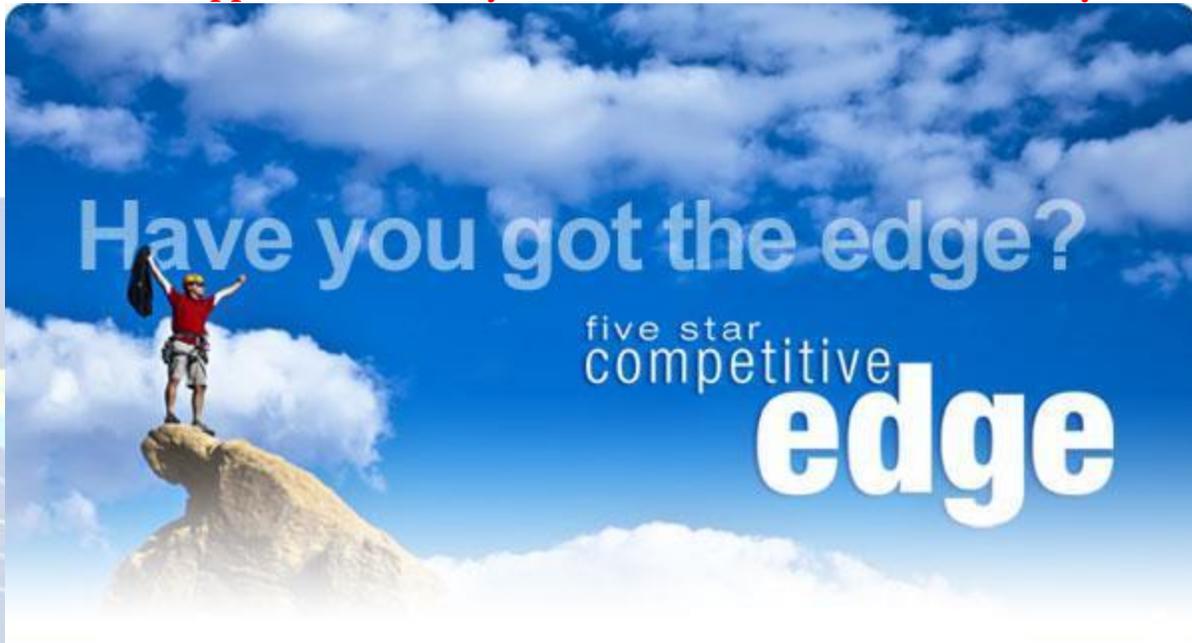
The 2018 Party of the Century happen last month in Kansas City, Missouri! An incredible list of speakers, panelists, and parties! Phi Theta Kappa is featured Susan Cain, Leadership expert and Best-selling Author, Amy Cuddy, Social Psychologist and Best-selling Author, and Tony and Grammy award winner Daveed Diggs from the play Hamilton and more! It was truly an amazing event and we as your Regional Team were truly honored to attend. The information we learned at Catalyst will be incorporated into our Summer Conference! Below are some of the amazing experiences captured by Phi Theta Kappa International!



Visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w4B1dlshbMI> to see more highlights!

Visit <https://www.flickr.com/photos/ptkcatalyst/albums> for more pictures!

Special thanks to the GNR T-Rex team of Madi Vanderhouwen, Kara Roadruck, and Cameron Mings for cheering us on in costume!



Five Star Competitive Edge

Five Star Competitive Edge is a personal development program for Phi Theta Kappa members that teach:

- Career Development Plan
 - Scholarships
 - Resume Writing
 - Leadership Styles
- Emotional Intelligence
 - Collaboration
 - Etiquette Skills
- Professional Development

There are five levels to complete! Will you do it? Get an edge with [Five Star Competitive Edge!](#)

Stuck on a Star? Not sure how to deal with the Case Study? We can help!

Be sure to reach out to your Regional Team for any help or questions regarding Five Star Completion! Any Officer would be more than happy to offer an ear to listen and help, or just get you on the right track for completion.



PHI THETA KAPPA
HONOR SOCIETY

REGIONAL FIVE STAR PLAN



Host at least 2 regional meetings* a year



Host at least 2 regional meetings* a year
Provide regional officer training
At least 40% of chapters will achieve 2-5 Star status



Host at least 2 regional meetings* a year
Provide regional officer training
At least 55% of chapters will achieve 2-5 Star status

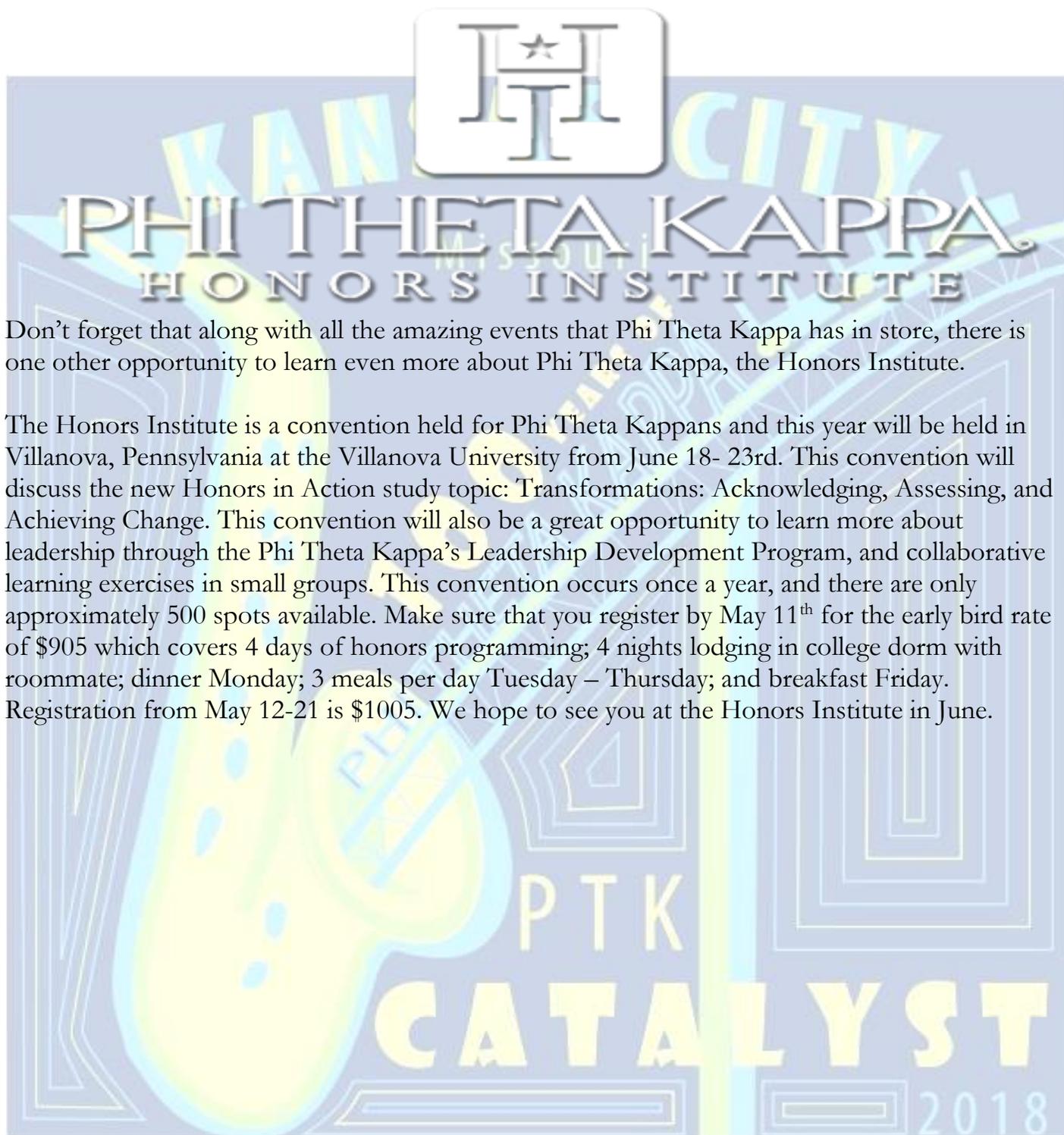


Host at least 2 regional meetings* a year
Provide regional officer training
Host an annual planning meeting
At least 70% of chapters will achieve 2-5 Star status



Host at least 2 regional meetings* a year
Provide regional officer training
Host an annual planning meeting
At least 50% of chapters will achieve 5 Star status

**Regional meeting will include invitations to full membership within the region*



Don't forget that along with all the amazing events that Phi Theta Kappa has in store, there is one other opportunity to learn even more about Phi Theta Kappa, the Honors Institute.

The Honors Institute is a convention held for Phi Theta Kappans and this year will be held in Villanova, Pennsylvania at the Villanova University from June 18- 23rd. This convention will discuss the new Honors in Action study topic: Transformations: Acknowledging, Assessing, and Achieving Change. This convention will also be a great opportunity to learn more about leadership through the Phi Theta Kappa's Leadership Development Program, and collaborative learning exercises in small groups. This convention occurs once a year, and there are only approximately 500 spots available. Make sure that you register by May 11th for the early bird rate of \$905 which covers 4 days of honors programming; 4 nights lodging in college dorm with roommate; dinner Monday; 3 meals per day Tuesday – Thursday; and breakfast Friday. Registration from May 12-21 is \$1005. We hope to see you at the Honors Institute in June.