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Message from PKP President of Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 260

My name is Marge Phillips. I am a Writing Associate in the Center for Writing Excellence. I am president of Phi Kappa Phi, Chapter 260. If you have questions about Phi Kappa Phi and/or our chapter, please contact me at mphillips@semo.edu or 651-2460.

Our Phi Kappa Phi chapter 260 had a great induction ceremony on April 17. We had a joint ceremony with Phi Eta Sigma (freshman honor society) and approximately 200 inductees plus their family and friends attended. Dr. Carlos Vargas, Southeast’s President, gave the welcome and Dr. Mark Langenfeld, Professor in the Department of Health, Human Performance & Recreation, was our very interesting speaker. Thank you to both of them for giving their time to come to the induction ceremony and congratulations to our new inductees.

Phi Kappa Phi welcomed 99 new members but we are also are saying “good-bye” to many members who are graduating in May and going on to employment or graduate school in other cities. Congratulations to those of you who are graduating.

The Student Research Conference was this last week. Our Phi Kappa Phi Chapter provides those awards and I was honored to be able to present the four awards for $50 each. The awards went to Chelsey Long, Paige Shoemaker, Sawyer Magnes, Ashley Hahn and Mila Majtan (Mila and Ashley did their project together.).

Our welcoming meeting for new members and our last meeting for the semester is April 28 at 5:15 pm in Dempster 124; we do not meet in the summer so our first meeting for the fall will probably be in September. We will send an email letting everyone know when our next meeting is.

**Our chapter has the following volunteer opportunities:**

Phi Kappa Phi has been invited to participate as ushers at the Honors Convocation and Commencement ceremonies. The responsibilities are very simple, and the chapter will receive an honorarium. If you are interested in volunteering for one or both of the events listed below, please let me know at mphillips@semo.edu by May 11. **Honors Convocation and Commencement are on Saturday, May 14.**
Honors Convocation Usher -- arrive at front of Show Me Center by 9:15; distribute programs to guests; direct graduating students to the check-in table at the rear of the arena; direct students who need bobby pins or safety pins to marshals at the front of the arena; send students with name pronunciation issues to the check-in at the rear of the arena. Remain in place until approximately 10:45 to assist late arrivals, especially candidates for graduation. Dress: nice slacks or skirt and shirt or blouse, comfortable shoes. Remember most of you will be near the entrances, so if it’s a chilly day, you may want to add a sports coat or jacket. We will provide a PKP stole for you to wear while ushering.

Commencement Usher: This CANNOT be faculty or professional staff who are participating in commencement. The time frames for participating and serving as ushers overlap. (Arrive by noon; some should be ready to distribute programs to guests on both floors; some will place programs on the seats for candidates for graduation; 1-2 will help hold reserved seats in section 123; when all candidate seats have programs, these folks can assist with distributing programs to guests; direct students to Student Recreation Center; answer basic questions guests may have such as students approach the stage on the north {right} side and exit the stage on the south {left} side). Remain in place until approximately 2:15 to provide programs to late arrivals. Leave a stack of programs in an accessible place, such as a table in the concourse area, front. Dress: nice slacks or skirt, shirt or blouse, comfortable shoes. Again, you’ll be near entrances, so a sport coat or jacket may be desirable if it is a chilly or windy day.

Committees
Our Phi Kappa Phi chapter 260 has the following committees, and closer to the fall semester, I will be asking if you would like to help with one or more of the committees.

List of Committees:
A. Initiation Committee – will reserve a day in April 2017
B. Born to Read – Our literacy project
C. Web Committee (helps keep our web site up-to-date) Facebook Fan Page
D. Membership Committee (Seek faculty, staff and alumni nominees for PKP membership and encourage eligible students to apply for membership when invited)
E. Fellowship Committee: students should not join this committee if they intend to apply for a fellowship
F. Fundraising Committee – for Born to Read activities. Grants can be applied for and received for 2 consecutive years, then must wait one year before can reapply. We applied this year.
G. Activities Committee

PKP Officers for 2016-2017 are:

- Marge Phillips, President
- Doris Dumey, President-Elect
- Jayanti Ray, Public Relations
- TBA, Treasurer
- Cecilia Larson, Secretary
- Suhair Amer, Past President
- Student Vice-Presidents (At our last meeting of the spring semester and in the fall, I will ask if anyone else is interested in being a student vice-president)

There are many benefits that Phi Kappa Phi provides for their members. There are also many, many awards and grants that Phi Kappa Phi provides (some information on awards/grants listed below). You may want to go to the national website to check out all the many benefits/awards/grants. The website is: http://www.phikappaphi.org. Every active member of Phi Kappa Phi has access to all the information on the website.

Fellowship
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi currently awards fifty-one Fellowships of $5,000 each and six at $15,000 each to members entering the first year of graduate or professional study. Each Phi Kappa Phi chapter may select one candidate from among its local applicants to compete for the Society-wide awards.

Literacy Grants
The Literacy Grants program was initiated to mobilize members and resources of Phi Kappa Phi and the higher education community to champion literacy initiatives. Grants of up to $2,500 are available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members to fund ongoing literacy projects or to create new initiatives. The Society's commitment to the cause of literacy grows out of and is consistent with its mission, which was expanded to include "...and to engage the community of scholars in service to others." Application Deadline – usually April 1.

Love of Learning Awards
Love of Learning Awards help fund post-baccalaureate studies and/or career development for active Phi Kappa Phi members to include (but not be limited to): Graduate or professional studies, doctoral dissertations, continuing education, career development, travel related to teaching/studies, etc.

Study Abroad Grants
Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grants are designed to help support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad.
Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Mark Langenfeld

- PhD 1980  Exercise Physiology, The Ohio State University.
- MA 1978  Physical Education/Exercise Physiology, The Ohio State University
- BA 1976  Zoology, Miami University
- BA 2004  French, Southeast Missouri State University

Originally from Columbus, Ohio. He has been at Southeast Missouri State University since 1987

Dr. Langenfeld is a member of the Department of Health, Human Performance, & Recreation. He teaches courses in the fitness and wellness realm including Exercise Physiology, Fitness Assessment and Exercise Programming, and Health Perspectives. He has been teaching at Southeast since 1987. He previously taught at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and at the University of Maine, the birthplace of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

His PhD in Exercise Physiology was earned at The Ohio State University in 1980. During his career he has done research on various aspects of endurance and ultra-endurance exercise, including nutritional considerations. He has published in prominent professional journals, and presented at professional meetings, nationally and internationally. He is a Fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine.

Dr. Langenfeld has been involved in the Jane Stephens Honors Program and in the local chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Each semester he teaches an Honors section of a Health Perspectives course. He served as chapter president during the 2008-2009 term and also was a
delegate to the national meeting of Phi Kappa Phi in 2007. In service to the chapter he has chaired the Fellowship Selection Committee. He also accompanied a group of honors students to Washington DC in 2010 to attend a weeklong seminar at the Center for Strategic and International Studies “think-tank.”

Besides scholarly involvement with exercise, Dr. Langenfeld is a lifelong participant in outdoor recreation activities and individual sports. He completed 458 miles in his personal best 24-hour bicycling time trial, twice completed the 750 mile Paris-Brest-Paris event in France, and has ridden several of the famous Tour de France mountain passes. Teaching by example, students observe his personal commitment to a physically active lifestyle as he commutes year round to and from work by bicycle. He has been involved in bicycle and pedestrian advocacy including International Walk to School Day, Walking School Bus, and serving on a citizens’ Bicycle Advisory Council with the City of Cape Girardeau.

The Phi Kappa Phi motto emphasizes the “love of learning.” Dr. Langenfeld is an enthusiastic proponent of lifelong learning. Reflecting this, in 2004 he earned a bachelor’s degree in French from Southeast because he wanted to improve his ability to speak a second language. Making good use of that enhanced skill, since then he has eight times taught a Transcultural Experience course overseas in France, facilitating over 100 students to experience new places and gain new perspectives of our global family.
PKP Inductees, 2016

Ashley Bachmann Sarah Karcher Casey Slater
Katie Bader Gary Kays Ashley Stettes
Prabesh Bajracharya Kristina Klaverkamp Luke Stevens
Ashley Balance Samantha Klaverkamp Lauren Stutzman
Erin Bittle Caroline Korbecki Christina Thomas
Cody Brazel Olivia Krakowski Sean Thomas
Destiny Brooks Bailey Kralemann Ashley Thornton
Alison Brown Kaitlin Kuznacic Kayla Vessell
Reagan Brown Paige Lay Madison Walton
Ashley Buford Rebekah Layton Sonney Warren
Nicole Carleton Yaqian Liu Michelle Weber
Megan Chisum Maria Lundy Delia White
Kearsten Collins McKenzie Magnus Daniel Will
Staci Cox Emily Mann Andrew Yeakey
Rachel Cunningham Nicole Masters Minhua Zhu
Cassandra Daugette Kayla McCabe
Paris Doty Shelby Melton
Matthew Dowd Sydnye Michael
Ann Downs Alyssa Miles
Megan Drennan Angela Mueller
Sydney Dzurny Alexandria Mullink
Christopher Ellis Karen Muramatsu
Alexis Engelhart Makaela Nava-Sifuentes
Beth Fitzlaff Megan Newman
Emma Fitzwater Brent Niswonger
Katie Glover Matthew Norman
Chelsie Greenlee Mimma Pizzo
Kellie Hanser Holly Pletka
Janna Harner Kim Portwood
Catrina Hawkins Kelsi Prewitt
Beth Heise Olivia Renner
Taylor Heisserer Janet Richard
Lisa Hemmer Kayla Rivers
Leanna Henning Amy Robinson
Brian Hess Alexandra Rogers
Julee Hill Stephanie Salyer
Rachel Holdmeyer Timothy Sander
Dava Hummel Shea Schultz
Madeline Ince Lucas Shrum
Jennifer Joost Muhammad Siddiqui

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Robert Baile – Alumni
Willie Redmond – Faculty
Jeremy Ball – Faculty
Picture Gallery

PKP Initiation Ceremony
April 17, 2016
SEMO Student Research Conference

The Annual Southeast Missouri State University Student Research Conference encourages research by undergraduate and graduate students in all disciplines, and provides a setting for students to present their work in a professional manner. This year, the Conference was held on April 20-21 at the University Center. The Student Research Conference is financially supported by a grant from Funding for Results, as well as by a gift from Phi Kappa Phi to support the students who win a Research Presentation Award.
Editorial Note to the Members

Greetings to Everyone!

It is my great pleasure to collate the spring issue of PKP Newsletter! There will be another issue soon, in spring. If you have any news to share with the members, please submit your items to Jayanti Ray at jray@semo.edu by **October 15, 2016**. The submissions may be in the following categories:

1. Honors/awards/fellowship news
2. Pictures of PKP activities/events
3. Student/faculty articles (experience, accomplishments, research, etc.)

In closing, I would like to thank Marge Phillips and Mark Langenfeld for their contributions to the newsletter. Have a wonderful summer!