

Phi Theta Kappa
Alpha Theta Upsilon
Meeting Minutes combined for;
Officers Meeting March 14th, 2007 at 11:00am &
All Members Meeting March 16th, 2007 at 11:00am

Advisors present: Libby Blanton, Dr. Stanley Johnson

Officers present: Kelly Watson, Kathleen Whitlow, Larry Walton

Members present: Brenda Lawrence, Susan Austin, Allison Stream, Jessica Saunders, Benjamin Smith, Brandon Eicher, Melissa Tharpe, Barbara Newcomb, Wanda Barnes, Paula Bundy

PTK will be hosting a bluegrass concert fund-raiser for Susan Austin's son as a service project. Susan's son, Thomas Joyner, Jr. has cancer and is in financial need. Five bands have volunteered to perform at the college on Saturday, March 31st from 1:00-6:00 pm. Volunteers are needed for the fund-raiser/bluegrass show on March 31st, from Noon - 7 pm to sell tickets and collect tickets at the door, help set up, help clean up, assist with the concession table, bake something to sell - bagged and in single servings. We also need people to put up flyers in the area and to sell or buy tickets. A sign up sheet will be posted on the PTK bulletin board.

The spring field day will be Friday, March 30th from 9:30 am until 11:00 am in the gym of the Workforce Development Building. We will have around 12 children attending from the middle and high schools in Charlotte County. Volunteers are needed to supervise the games, distribute the water and play with the kids. We need a schedule of events for the kids. Volunteers should report to the gym by 9:00 am to set up for the mornings events and to be outside to welcome the kids as they arrive. See Kelly Watson if you have any ideas for new games.

Meals on Wheels is in need of volunteers in the Drakes Branch area. A flyer will be posted on the PTK bulletin board. Our chapter will address the needs of Meals on Wheels in the fall – perhaps a fundraiser/service project.

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for the Nashville International Conference for those interested in going. Kelly Watson sent to Dr. Cavan requesting funds to help pay for our trip. If you are seriously interested in going to the Nashville conference, sign up by March 20th. The group will leave on Wednesday, April 11 to drive to Nashville and return on Sunday, April 15th. Registration is \$275 per person. If you sign up and can't go, you must reimburse our chapter for the cost of your registration.

Our chapter was represented at the March Regional Convention in Charlottesville by Dr. Stanley Johnson, Theresa Barsallo, and Stacy Stegal. Dr. Johnson reported that it was a good convention and our delegation had a lot of fun. He distributed the certificates the chapter earned. This year we received a one-star award when we should have had a three-star award.

Stanley will take to Lisa Back about this mistake which has happened now for the second year.

Dr. Johnson discussed the need for a set date for all members meetings. Consistency is important and we may have greater participation if the calendar is set by the incoming officers for the entire school year for 2007-2008. We agreed to let the new officers set the calendar for All-Members Meetings after the election in April.

Kelly reminded the members that anyone graduating who is eligible for a free stole and tassel must see Lisa Back by March 26th. Everyone else must order from the PTK website:
<http://www.ptk.org>

Roadside cleanup will be on Tuesday March 27th & Wednesday, March 28th from 10:00am - 2:00pm. A sign up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board.

An e-mail will be sent by Kathleen Whitlow to all members explaining the two \$250. Scholarships offered by the Alpha Theta Upsilon Chapter to graduating enhanced members. The scholarship is granted to two graduating enhanced members who submit an essay titled "My Experience with Phi Theta Kappa." Applicants must turn in their essays by April 2nd to Lisa Back, Libby Blanton or Stanley Johnson.

We again mentioned that the time is nearing to elect new Chapter Officers. Anyone interested can see Kelly Watson, Kathleen Whitlow, Lisa Back, Stanley Johnson or Libby Blanton. We have five officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Webmaster (must know Dreamweaver).

Also under discussion was a chapter newsletter to be published bi-annually. Kathleen Whitlow and Stanley Johnson will be presenting a session at the Nashville conference on chapter newsletters. Please see Stanley Johnson if you are interested in contributing to our first issue. We need writers and people to help design the layout of the newsletter. The deadline for the first issue is April 5th.

Graduation will be on the Daniel Campus this year so Project Graduation will be this chapter's responsibility. A box will be put in the library starting April 1st for donations of canned goods and new or slightly used books. No textbooks please. A box will be placed outside of the Workforce Development Building at graduation.

Dates were set for the April meetings. The officers meeting will be Thursday, April 5th at 4:30 pm in the library. The all members meeting will be Monday, April 9th at 11:00 am in room 65.

Wanda Barnes won the PTK parking space until April 6th.

The 50/50 raffle drawing was held on March 14th at 12:00 pm in the student lounge. The winner of \$292.50 is Shannon Feinman. The chapter thanks Brenda Lawrence who sold the most tickets.