

April 17th, 2012 Meeting Notes

- DASEF Bi-Annual Family Fundraiser – April 21st

Our friends from DASEF (Delaware AeroSpace Education Foundation) will be holding their Bi-Annual Family Fundraiser day at Big Oak Park on Saturday April 21st.

We just wanted to pass along this information to any of you who have children, or any nieces and/or nephews, and would like to spend a day of fun with them. The event is from 1pm – 4pm, there is an admission fee of around \$5. There will be various activities for the children to get involved with and different areas of the park that can be explored.

Please feel free to pass along this information to any friends, family, and co-workers. It will be held at Big Oak Park: 585 Big Oak Road, Smyrna, DE 19977

- Dover Mile – Friday May 4th

During Old Dover days the Rotary Club along with other organizations hold the Dover Mile. Where participants either run or walk or 1 mile and the money raised will benefit different organizations.

There is a registration fee to participate in the Dover Mile of about \$20. If we are able to gather 20 people or more, the Rotary Club has stated that 2/3 of the registration fee for those signed up under our organization: Phi Theta Kappa will go towards our group.

So gather people to come out to walk or run 1 mile on Friday May 4th during Old Dover Days!! Please let us know if you are interested in participating. Email Dr. Link at llink@dtcc.edu

- DTCC Graduation – May 14th

This year's Graduation at DTCC in Dover is being held on Monday May 14th. The College is in of volunteers to help with ushering, handing our programs, etc.

Volunteers will need to attend the practice on Friday May 11th at 3:30 p.m. and then for the actual Graduation on Monday May 14th between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Anyone volunteering will need to wear a white shirt and black slacks.

If you are interested in helping out please let Tami Gamboa or Dr. Link know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! If you have any questions or concerns please let us know. We will contact Tammy Fenimore to get further details.

- Officer Installation May 17th @ Roma's Italian Restaurant

After we reveal our new officers for the year 2012-2013, we will take out our current officers and install the new officers which is what we call our Officer Installation. This event will be held after the spring semester is over, and it is held off campus. This year's Officer Installation is on Thursday May 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Roma's Italian Restaurant (near the DMV, next to the South Route 1 Ramp).

Now sometimes if there are new inductees who couldn't make the induction we hold on campus. So we ask those inductees to come to the Officer Installation to get inducted into our chapter. Again it shouldn't take any longer than 20 minutes at the most. So new members who hadn't gotten inducted this event is for you too, so we need an agreeable day that all of you are available on to hold this event.

Please feel free to invite friends, family, and anyone else you would like to join our Phi Theta Kappa get together! This is an open event for everyone to get to know each other and have fun!

Again the Officer Installation will be Thursday May 17th at 6:00 p.m. at Roma's Italian Restaurant.

- **Race Clean Up – Dover Downs June 1st**

The races will be coming up soon! During the Race Weekend, we help clean up the stands at Dover Downs. We help out on Friday night which isn't a big event, so the cleaning up isn't too bad. This year's Friday race falls on June 1st.

The race clean-up is similar to our road clean up, it is open to everyone: members, family members (children at least 12 years old for safety reasons), friends, co-workers, family friends, etc. However, this clean up will take a little longer than the road clean up, maybe about 2 hours at the most which isn't that much more.

We will meet in the CTC/SET parking lot at 5pm. Invite as many people as you wish because the money we receive from cleaning out the stands is split between our organization and the Criminal Justice Organization from Del Tech. This activity is in conjunction with the Criminal Justice group, so which ever group has the most people helping out will get the bigger half of the money received for cleaning up the stands.

Around 5:30pm we will make our way to the tracks. By the time we get to the tracks the races will still be going, near the end, so we will stand by until the races end. As soon as the race ends we go straight into cleaning the stands – as the race fans are leaving. The clean-up shouldn't take longer than 2 hours at the most. We only clean about 8 sections of the stands. As soon as we are done we are free to go home.

Now in the event that the weather isn't in favor of the races, please **still show up at school by 5pm**. There have been times when the races were cancelled due to the rain, BUT we were either still asked to come in to clean-up OR we still got paid even though it rained. ☺ **So please show up rain OR shine**.

If you are interested in helping out please let Tami know. Again the Race Clean Up is on Friday June 1st – meet in the CTC/SET parking lot by 5pm.

- **O.A.H.I. – June 14th to June 17th**

In June the Middle States Region holds the OAH I event – Officer's Academy/Honor's Institute (O.A.H.I.) which will be held on Thursday June 14th – Sunday June 17th.

OAH I is an event hosted by the Middle States Region to discuss what Phi Theta Kappa is all about and the new honor study topic for 2012-2014. In addition it is a chance for everyone to meet other people within the Middle States Region – Delaware, New Jersey, Maryland, and Pennsylvania.

This year's OAH I event will be held at King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. You'll experience the college life will attending OAH I. You will sleep in the student dorms, have meals in the school's cafeteria, and get to explore the college grounds.

Although the event is from Thursday – Sunday you don't have to attend the whole weekend. The weekend is split into two events: OA/HI → Officer's Academy for the first half and then Honor's Institute for the second half. You are able to choose to either attend to the full weekend from Thursday – Sunday OR Friday afternoon – Sunday.

If you are interested in attending please let Dr. Link know. At this time we aren't sure of the cost to attend, you may be looking around a little more than \$100 which will cover your registration, lodging, and food. When it gets closer to June we will provide everyone how much it would cost to attend this event.

- Planning Meeting/BBQ in July – Date TBA

In July there are two things that happen: the 2011/12 AND 2012/13 officers will meet to discuss the honor study topic, to map out the year of events and activities, and to brainstorm ideas for volunteer opportunities and a project that ties in the honor study topic and our 4 hallmarks. Then afterwards we will have a BBQ which will be a time for everyone to get together hang out and enjoy the summer.

The date of this Planning Meeting (with the officers ONLY) and the BBQ is held on the same day, BUT it is what is best available for the officers. Once the NEW officers are selected they will discuss which day to meet in July after their Installation in May. Once the date is decided the 2011-2012 President will let everyone know when the BBQ will be in July and what time. This event has always been held at Dr. Link's house, which address and directions will be provided for everyone once the date is closer.

- Hershey Park – August 3rd

In August the Middle States Region holds a Picnic at Hershey Park in Pennsylvania. It is always the first Friday in August, which this year is the 3rd. This is no formal event held by the Middle States Region. It is just a chance for everyone in the Middle States Region to gather again, for everyone from different chapter to see their friends again. There will be tickets on sale to attend this event. The ticket will be your admission into Hershey Park, and it will also provide a free lunch – the picnic, which will be provided by the Middle States Region. There is no specific time schedule to follow, only that if you want the free lunch it will be at a specific time. So as soon as we get to Hershey Park everyone is on their own to do whatever they want! ☺

This event is open to everyone: members, their family members, friends, co-workers, etc. So please feel free to invite anyone you wish. The prices of the ticket are unknown at the moment since it is too early in the year. As soon as we get information about the Picnic we will let everyone know.

There will be two different prices, 1 for members of Phi Theta Kappa, and 1 for non-members which will be family members, friends, co-workers, etc. The prices between the members and the non-members are not drastically different. There may be a difference of a couple dollars not much more.

So if you would like to attend this event it is going to be on Friday August 3rd.

If anyone has any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to email Dr. Link (llink@dtcc.edu)

- Fundraiser ideas

We are always looking for new fundraiser ideas to raise money for our chapter to attend events. Remember all the funds raised with any fundraisers are going towards our chapter "bank" which will then be used to help pay for events and various activities.

If you have any suggestions on fundraisers please let Dr. Link know by email llink@dtcc.edu or you can reach him at his office at 302-857-1836

- **Next "Meeting" Officer Installation – Thursday May 17th, 2012**

6:00 p.m. at Roma's Italian Restaurant: 3 President Drive, Dover, DE 19901. Phone (302) 678-1041.

Please RSVP to Jason Wallace (jwalla22@dtcc.edu) or Dr. Link (llink@dtcc.edu) along with how many people accompanying you.