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President's Message Pam Gamble



Dear Kappans,

The year is winding down, yet there is so much left to do! Isn't it funny how we all stay so busy in cycles of planning and implementation? Where does the time go?

It's been a busy year, and in many aspects it's been a challenging year. As educators, we are adept at rising to meet the challenges we face and create success! PDK has faced its own membership challenge this year, yet recently our chapter has been fortunate to have several new members come aboard and we look forward to welcoming additional new members. In fact, we will have some new members to initiate on April 22, and we are very excited about that! Welcome Sandy Bueno and Kristina Chatley!

This is also the time of year when we look to the membership for next year's leaders. If you would like to serve on the Board during the 2010-2011 year, then here's your chance! There are several positions open – and if someone was *really* interested in a particular position that doesn't appear to be open, our current board members are most willing to accommodate and shift positions! We are very anxious to bring new energy to our executive group! Open positions include (but are not limited to) Vice President of Membership, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Scholarship Rep., and Research. We also are in great need of a Mini-Conference Coordinator! This is one of our most vital events and it takes a lot of support to provide this beneficial professional development session. Please contact me or any board member if you are interested in serving our chapter next year!

I do hope that you will join us on April 22 at Deer Run Country Club as we initiate our new members! I am so pleased that Dr. Vogel will be joining us for that initiation and that he has graciously agreed to say a few words about our noble profession! See you then!
Kindest Regards,

Pam Gamble - President

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Research Article

Graham, S., Want to Improve Children's Writing? Don't Neglect Their Handwriting. *American Educator*, *American Educator* (2009): 20- 40.

"Research shows that early handwriting instruction improves students' writing. Not just its legibility, but its quantity and quality!"

http://archive.aft.org/pubs-reports/american_educator/issues/winter09_10/graham.pdf

Scholarships

Our PDK chapter has chosen three outstanding recipients for our scholarships this year. Scholarships will be in the amount of \$750! All three plan to major in education and I'm sure they will be excellent representatives of our PDK chapter and of our Seminole County Schools.

Recipients and their chosen schools are:

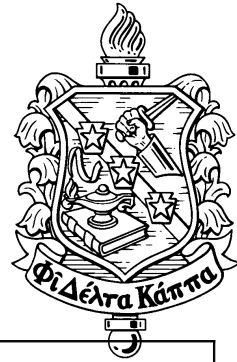
Brooke Feirick from Hagerty H.S. will attend Seminole State College.

Darci Winegardner from Lake Brantley HS will attend UCF

Kayla Woody from Oviedo HS will attend Florida Atlantic University

Please join us for

Phi Delta Kappa's Spring Social And Induction of New Members



<p>Where: Deer Run Country Club 300 Daneswood Way Casselberry, Florida 32707 407-699-7993</p>	<p>When: Thursday, April 22, 2010 Social Hour at 5:30PM Buffet Dinner at 6:00 PM</p>
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There will be a cash bar at the Social Hour.
We will have an Induction Ceremony and a Q & A session with our superintendant, Dr. Vogel.

The buffet dinner will feature:

Chicken Parmesan, Meatballs
Pasta with white or red sauce
Salad
Garlic bread
Assorted Desserts
Drinks: coffee, tea and water

Please send the bottom portion of this sheet with your payment of **\$12.00** to Dorene Roloff at Hagerty High School. Please make all checks payable to *Phi Delta Kappa*. Payments must be received by **Tuesday, April 20, 2010**.

I plan to attend the PDK Spring Social at Deer Run CC on April 22, 2010

Name _____

School _____

Check one:

Current PDK Member

Guest

We **welcome** current and future PDK members.
Feel free to invite coworkers or interns from your school to join us and learn more about PDK.