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Greetings Pi Omega Pi Members:

It was a pleasure seeing the delegates, members and advisers of our society in Chicago at our 45th Biennial Convention.

The educational presentations that were given by the members on Friday were awesome. Your president was elated to hear from the competition evaluators that your projects were outstanding. You are to be commended for upholding the ideas and principles of Pi Omega Pi. Your Council is proud of the work you do for your universities and your communities. Your Council appreciates all of the hours your advisers put into assisting you to reach your goals.

Every institution is judged by its elected representatives. POP has been most fortunate in having excellent officers. They have been loyal individuals of the very best judgment and high character. I wish the best to Dr. Ivan Wallace and Ms. Michelle Gianvito; they were a great asset to our Council. Our editor, Dr. Pamela Bracey has done an amazing job in presenting chapter news to the membership. To incoming president Dr. Elizabeth Hodge, I wish you must success as you lead Pi Omega Pi for the next two years.

1 Your president deeply senses the great obligations of this position, and I cherished the opportunity to serve a magnificent group of members.

2 Thank you for the beautiful keep sake. It touches me deeply to be honored by you. I shall continue to work for Pi Omega Pi and its membership as long as I am able.

3 May God bless and keep you all.

- Emma A. Faulk, PRP
President



Chapter News

Alpha Pi Chapter News Mississippi State University

The Alpha Pi Chapter at Mississippi State University enjoyed the experience at NBEA 2017 in Chicago, IL. We are also getting prepared to sell Business Education T-shirts again to help promote the great field of Business Education on local, statewide, and national levels. Contact an Alpha Pi member to purchase your shirts today! More information may be found in the announcement segment of this newsletter.

Beta Chapter News

Northwest Missouri State University

Northwest Missouri State Beta chapter initiated one new member during our March meeting, Chance Reuscher. We are excited to be sending five (5) students to the Biennial Convention. All five (5) students representing Beta Chapter will be presenting at the convention. Members are featured in the photo from left to right are Madison Foxx, Marina Hayner, Chance Reuscher, Trey Frey, and Abbey Kriz.



Congratulations to all National Award Winning Chapters!

1st place – Beta Chapter
Northwest Missouri State University

2nd place – Psi Chapter
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

3rd place – Beta Kappa Chapter
East Carolina University

4th place – Alpha Chi Chapter
Eastern Illinois University

5th place – Alpha Delta Chapter
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

6th place – Zeta Delta Chapter
Alabama State University

7th place – Theta Chapter
Illinois State University

8th place – Alpha Pi Chapter
Mississippi State University



Many thanks to all who participated in our annual competition.

Articles

“ Focusing on Standards”

by Jennifer Nixon, Beta Chapter, Northwest Missouri State University

The evolution of technology makes creating standards that can remain the same over time a challenge for schools. Standards are generally broad, because they must last a number of years before they may be changed again. With technology growing and changing from one day to the next, technology teachers must change their teaching and lessons to ensure students are given the most up to date information and skills through various programs and software. The areas of technology that do not change include how to select online resources, recognize bias, and practice safety.

For many subjects, the content may remain the same for years. This is not the case with information technology. For example, if it took two years to create a standard and it was implemented for two years, then the standards must apply for four years. Technology standards must be broadened due to the evolving nature of technology, programs, and software. Even in elementary classes, students must be taught to not only use technology but how to think critically, evaluate information, identify bias, recognize consequences of online behaviors, and use safe behaviors online.

Here's a look at some of Missouri's Information and Technology standards for elementary grades:

ICT.6.B.6.a - Follow school district policies and other regulations while accessing and using sources, including print and digital. This standard can be met when students recognize what is safe, appropriate, and helpful online.

ICT.6.C.6.a - Recognize consequences of online behavior, such as cyber-bullying; sharing personal information, pictures, videos; and on-going subscriptions. Students learn why it is important to observe online safety and follow procedures the school provides when online. It is vital that students learn ways to stay safe and be aware of what they are doing online. This is a lesson students must receive at a young age.

ICT.6.C.6.b - Practice safe behaviors in personal electronic communication and interaction (e.g., response to cyber-bullying, inappropriate contact, and solicitation). Students must learn how to react to and report negative behaviors they view online such as cyber-bullying or solicitation. Students must learn how to use social media in a safe and positive manner. These lessons are invaluable to children who communicate, grow, and learn in an environment focused on technology.

While schools may place locks, restrictions, and passwords on computers to stop inappropriate content from reaching the children, it is still the responsibility of the teacher to ensure they are using safe behaviors to avoid negative consequences on the computer. In teaching these safety measures, students learn to use technology in a productive and positive manner. Although these standards may not be specific to which programs or applications students need to learn or which skills they need to master, they do cover the more important topics of safe behavior, consequences, responses to the inappropriate content online, and other information that will always be relevant.

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Pi Omega Pi Announcements

Congratulations to our newly-elected National Council!

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Thank you for accepting the charge to help our organization continue to thrive!

Purchase Your Business Education T-Shirt TODAY!



Here is your chance to promote the great field of Business and Technology Education, while also supporting the community service and travel fund of the Alpha Pi Chapter of **Pi Omega Pi** honor society at Mississippi State University!

Order your Business Education T-shirt Today for only \$15 or \$17 (pending size) by visiting the following website:

[https://squareup.com/market/
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We look forward to seeing everyone next year in Baltimore, Maryland!

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Flash Back to Chicago ...



Congrats to our 2017 Honoree, Jan Treichel of NBEA!!!

