Overview

This newsletter provides members of the Villanova University Chapter of Pi Alpha Alpha important information regarding the Chapter’s development and progress. In lieu of meeting minutes, this newsletter is posted tri-annually (September, June, January) to detail the communications about relevant topics discussed and decisions made by the Chapter’s officers.

Fall and Spring Meetings

Two meetings are scheduled for the 2010–2011 academic year. All current members of the Villanova Chapter, all MPA program members, alumni/ae, and any other interested parties are invited to attend both meetings which will be held in the Louis De Lyon Room of the St. Augustine Center (#300). The meeting dates and agendas are as follows:

**Fall Meeting:** Thursday, September 16th, 2010 @ 7:30–9:00 PM

**Fall Colloquium – “The Vocation of Public Service”**

**Spring Meeting:** Thursday, March 24th, 2011 @ 7:30–9:00 PM

**Networking and Career Seminar**

Fall Colloquium

The VU-PAA Fall Colloquium will be held on Thursday, September 16, 2010 from 7:30 – 9 pm in the St. Augustine Center, Room # 300. Entitled “The Vocation to Public Service,” the annual Colloquium explores the motivation for public service and public service as an honorable life’s calling. In recognition of the speaker’s contributions and achievements, the Chapter awards the speaker an Honorary Membership in the Pi Alpha Alpha Villanova University Chapter. Frances Burns, MPA ’99, the City of Philadelphia Licenses and Inspection Commissioner, is this year’s guest speaker. Refreshments and social gathering will begin at 7:30 pm. An off-site social gathering is being planned following Ms. Burns’ presentation.

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2010–2011

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Jamie P. Worman  Student (2010)
Annual Endowment Solicitation

In order to move forward with the development of the Pi Alpha Alpha Villanova University Chapter and to secure necessary funding, a meeting with Villanova’s Director of Annual Giving, Heather Brown, is scheduled for August 31st.

The agenda for this meeting includes several topics relevant to the continued progress and growth of the Chapter. These include: developing a Chapter endowment, an annual fund, the use of these funds, as well as the University’s requirements for fundraising, special projects, and general group development.

Minutes from this meeting will be published in the fall newsletter.

PAA – Villanova Chapter Website

A link to the PAA webpage is now available on the MPA website. This new website will provide information and important details concerning Pi Alpha Alpha events and development, as well as links to outside resources for members, faculty, and visitors. The website is under continued development; however, it can now be accessed directly through the Villanova MPA website.

http://www.villanova.edu/artsci/psc/graduate/mpa/PAA

VU–PAA Spring Induction Ceremony

May 12th, 2011
St. Augustine Center, Room #300

Officers of the Chapter have set the date and schedule for the 2011 Spring Induction Ceremony. The event is scheduled to take place in SAC 300 on May 12, 2011. A reception will follow in the courtyard.

Mark your calendar.

March 24th, 2011 @ 7:30 pm

Spring Networking/Career Panel

The Chapter event takes place on March 24th in the Louis de Lyon room of the St. Augustine Center (#300). The topic of this annual event is “Networking and Career Opportunities.” Three panelists, including Villanova MPA Alumni as well as some faculty/adjunct professors, will offer their perspectives concerning how MPA students might begin networking for a career in Public Administration and Public Service. An off-campus, post-event is scheduled to follow immediately after the event. Detailed information and official invitations will be distributed early in the New Year.

Additional News

VU–PAA Annual Service Project: Chapter officers are discussing several ideas for Chapter service projects. One of these ideas is the development of a networking resource for all MPA students. Any Chapter members who have ideas about this project or any potential service projects are encouraged to contact the Chapter President, Alyson Fick.