Spring 2014 Networking Event

Pi Alpha Alpha hosts its annual Spring Networking Event on Thursday, March 20th, 2014 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. The theme of the networking event is *Finding your Vocation in Public Service*. The event welcomes panelists that are alumni of the MPA program and who are professionals serving in different sectors of public service.

The panelists for the Spring Networking event are chosen because they have made major contributions in their respective fields, and impacted the Villanova community in a positive way. The panelists are asked to share about their professional experience and provide students with insight about how they used networking as a tool to move within and outside of their organization or across sectors. This event benefits students and alumni who are either looking forward to starting a new position or those who want a change in their career, but are unsure about how or where to begin. The panelists will bring a unique perspective to the event, which will benefit attendees of all ages and levels of experience.

The networking event will be held in Bartley Hall 1010, and light refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!

Fall 2013 Colloquium

We welcomed back Dr. Nick Palso (MPA 2004) to campus on September 19th for our annual Fall Colloquium. Dr. Palso currently works for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as an Environmental Protection and Recreation Specialist. In his speech, he described the journey that he took to get to where he is, and the passion he continually had for wildlife and the outdoors. Having spent many years studying and working in Alaska, Dr. Palso’s experience, both academic and professional, provided him with a diverse skill set and a passion for public service, which positioned him well to move into his current role where he was able to marry his love of the outdoors with his desire to promote the common good. His speech was evidence that a passion can turn into a full-time career. Dr. Palso imparted advice to all attendees, which was to follow your passion and to be open to whatever possibilities may come your way. We would like to thank Dr. Palso for coming up to deliver his speech, and congratulate him on his honorary membership to Pi Alpha Alpha! Additionally we would like to thank all of those who attended the event and helped make our Fall Colloquium a success!

Class of 2014 Induction Ceremony

⇒ Thursday May 15th, 5pm
⇒ Dougherty Hall, West Longue
⇒ Reception to follow ceremony at Guillanes Tavern in Ardmore, PA
⇒ Students must have a minimum of 18 credits and at a 3.8 GPA to be eligible for consideration

It is that time of year to renew your PAA Membership! Be sure to renew to receive PAA updates, and continue PAA’s contribution to the MPA Community.