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The Key Special Edition

Greetings Everyone!

One of the great features of the new website is that virtually everything members and chapters need to do can now be done online. I thought I would take a second to aggregate all of the links you might need to reference in one easy location. (These links are also located on the Pi Kappa Delta website). The easiest way to open these hyperlinks is to highlight the link and then right-click and select "open hyperlink." You can also copy the links and paste them into your web browser.

Chapters can pay their dues here:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/chapterapplication.html

Memberships can be processed here:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/newmembershipapplic.html

The National Tournament and Convention in Portland is only about five weeks away and Shannon Valdivia and her staff, Scott Jensen and the entire National Council are working hard to make sure that it will be a fantastic experience for everyone. If you haven't already made your plans to attend the National Tournament and Convention, now would be a good time to do so.

Here are some tournament planning links that will make your job easier:

Tournament Invitation:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/2011_PKD_Tournament_Invitation.pdf

The tournament hotel is the Red Lion Jantzen Beach, and it is one of the nicest facilities that we have ever had the pleasure of working with. Once again, we managed to keep the room rate under $100.00 per night. With all that will be going on, I am sure that everyone will want to be at the Tournament hotel.

Red Lion Jantzen Beach Reservations (ask for the PKD rate):
http://redlion.rdln.com/HotelLocator/HotelOverview.aspx?metaID=77

Map to the Red Lion Hotel:
http://redlion.rdln.com/HotelLocator/HotelMap.aspx?metaID=77

Greater Portland Convention and Visitor's Bureau Link:
http://www.travelportland.com/

Please consider nominating a member of your chapter for a Pi Kappa Delta All-American Award, or submitting an item to the Pi Kappa Delta National Undergraduate Research Conference. Complete all-American Award nominations must be submitted by February 28th. Undergraduate Research Conference submissions will be accepted until May 1. You can view more information about these items below.

Pi Kappa Delta All American Award:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/All_American.pdf

Pi Kappa Delta National Undergraduate Research Conference:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/2011_Undergraduate_Research_Call.pdf

In addition to the tournament, we will have a full business agenda during the Portland Convention. Three members of the National Council will be running for President. You can view their statements below.

Andy Luster:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Andy_Luster.pdf

Tom Serfass:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Serfass.pdf

Jeff Stoppenhagen:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Stoppenhagen.pdf

We will also discuss a new Constitution and a set of Bylaws related to a Pi Kappa Delta Points System. The latest version of each of these documents has already been posted on the website, but you can access them by clicking on the links below.

Proposed PKD Constitution:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Constitution_2.pdf

Proposed Pi Kappa Delta Point System Bylaws:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Bylaws_2.pdf

At this point, we are now half-way through the process established by the National Council for revision of the Constitution and the creation of a new set of bylaws to govern

a Pi Kappa Delta points system. The changes were discussed at the NCA Convention as part of a broader discussion of the strategic partnership between the NFL and Pi Kappa Delta. Following that meeting, revisions were made to the documents and drafts were posted for a comment period that ended on February 15th. The National Council made additional modifications to the documents and the latest versions have been posted for member review and for discussion at the National Tournament and Convention business meetings. Immediately after the Portland Convention, the National Council will post final changes to the document and a referendum ballot will invite each chapter to vote by submitting a mail-in ballot. On or about May 1st, the results of the referendum will be announced on the website.

To comment on the revised proposals, click here:
http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TXTVNG5

To read the open letter to the forensics community on the PKD/NFL partnership, click here:
http://www.pikappadelta.com/docs/Open_Letter.pdf

Editor Nin-Jo Moore is seeking submissions for upcoming issues of *The Forensic*. You may view information about submitting items on the Pi Kappa Delta website, or by following the link below:

Submissions to *The Forensic:*
http://www.pikappadelta.com/theforensic.html

Planning is also underway for the 2011 NCA Convention in New Orleans and members are invited to submit items for consideration by visiting NCA's "Submission Central" site on the NCA homepage.

Pi Kappa Delta Call for Papers:
https://ww4.aievolution.com/nca1101/index.cfm?do=pln.viewPlanner&plannerID=1080

NCA Submission Central:
http://www.natcom.org/Default.aspx?id=218&libID=239

On behalf of the entire National Council, I look forward to seeing you in Portland for what promises to be a fantastic tournament and convention.

I am Sincerely,

Phillip A. Voight
President, Pi Kappa Delta