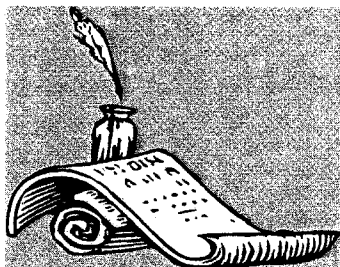


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The Kappan Corner

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President's Corner

Dear Fellow Kappans:

Very soon, your PDK chapter will grow even larger as we welcome new initiates to membership in this organization. We "old timers" in regard to PDK membership can speak with authority when we call to mind the professional benefits of PDK association. Each year PDK through professional activities such as you'll find previewed in this newsletter, opportunities to become more involved in making our profession better, and forums for the sharing of ideas seeks to reach out to all educators. Our benefit from PDK membership is best realized when we are active members, therefore I suggest again that you put PDK events on your "must do" calendar!

I hope you find it possible to get to know our new members and to welcome them to the chapter. All too often in our profession, the rush of events makes it difficult to make those personal connections that are so vital to our work. PDK functions provide an appropriate venue to make

sharing easier, so please take advantage. Please review the calendar items in this issue carefully for all the planned events that are designed to provide you with a positive professional experience.

Included in this newsletter are three amendments to the PDK International Constitution. Please indicate your vote and return the ballot to me by February 1, 2002.

May each of you and our families enjoy a restful and peaceful new year.

Steven Nichols
President

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International Constitution

Ballot due February 1, 2002

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Pamela Walker

Fall Initiation

November 4, 2001
 University of Virginia
 Dome Room

Keynote Speaker:

Steven Nichols
 PDK President
 University of Virginia Chapter

Excerpts from his speech:

"...Today, we as members of the Phi Delta Kappa chapter at the University of Virginia are in a very real way keepers of Mr. Jefferson's dreams. It is our responsibility to take his ideals, supported by the education we received here, and to work diligently to make public education in Virginia the best possible. Our personal mission then becomes to make a concerted effort for the benefits of the students in our care and to promote those ideals that support the well being of our nation. Our profession with its direct links to the future can truly be a means to affect the course of our nation's history and to join in that legacy left by Mr. Jefferson...."

PDK Scholarship Information

The University of Virginia chapter is pleased to accept nominations for the 2002 scholarships to outstanding area high school graduates planning a career in teaching. Thirteen area public high schools are within our district and scholarship applications are being sent to the respective guidance departments. These applications are due to the chapter by January 31st. Recipients are then selected for the chapter awards with the possibility of one being forwarded to International for competition at that level. We proudly honor our commitment to public education by encouraging prospective new teachers in their chosen career.



**Archives for University
 Chapter of PDK**



We are continuing to update the archive for the University Chapter of PDK. We would appreciate receiving materials from any active or retired PDK members which describe events from our past such as newsletters, photos, minutes of meetings, and the like. Please send to Alton L. Taylor, 210 Miller Hall, University of Virginia.