



Phi Delta Kappa

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UK Phi Delta Kappa Chapter to Meet at Maxwell Elementary Thursday, February 21, 2002 at 4PM. Refreshments will be served.

Program: (in the school library)

- Welcome to Maxwell: Power-Point Presentation
- Opening Remarks: Principal Dr. Zuluaga
- Video: "Inside Kentucky Schools: Maxwell"
- The Teacher's Experience Sra. Beegle(Cuba), Sr. Gallardo (Spain), Sra. Szwilski (Peru)
- The Parent's Experience

A Little About Maxwell Elementary School

301 Woodland Ave, Lexington, KY 40508
Phone: (859) 381-3516
Hours: 7:30 AM - 2:10 PM
Principal: Dr. Fabio Zuluaga
Enrollment: 410

Maxwell School was built in 1903, on land which included a spring known as Maxwell's Spring. The school was named for John Maxwell, one of the founders of Lexington. In 1971, the original building was torn down, and a new school was built on the same site.

The Maxwell Elementary-*Escuela de Inmersion en Espanol* is a partial immersion model. One-half of the school day is spent in the target language (Spanish) and one-half of the school day in English. Instruction in Social Studies is integrated through language arts/reading instruction in both Spanish and English. Math concepts are also integrated into the other content-area subjects for additional reinforcement. The curriculum is developed to meet the needs of the students. This school is open to incoming second year primary students (6-year-olds).

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN...

BY CONNIE EVANS

I hope each of you has had a productive beginning of the new year. Our last meeting was a festive dinner at Spindletop Hall on Wednesday, December 12. We enjoyed a good meal and relaxed conversation with one another. Clyde James, our PDK Area Coordinator joined us and talked to us about our chapter and what we can do to make our chapter one of excellence.

The main point Clyde made was concerning membership and attendance. Some of you we have not seen this year and we hope you will make plans now to attend our next scheduled meetings.

On Thursday, February 21 at 4:00 p.m. we will meet at Maxwell Elementary and learn about the wonderful Spanish Immersion program in place there. Principal Fabio E. Zuluaga will be our host and refreshments will be served.

On Thursday, March 21 at 4:00 p.m. we will meet at Henry Clay High School and student work will be showcased. Principal Jake Bell, a PDK member, will be our host and again, refreshments will be served.

Hold Thursday, May 16 at 5:30 p.m. for our next dinner/initiation. We will give you location and nomination for membership information at a later date. Please consider nominating a colleague.

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I know we are all too busy but we need to make time to relax, visit, share and learn with our colleagues. Our PDK activities give us that opportunity. Besides that, we miss seeing you! So please plan on attending these meetings.

Saturday, November 3 our chapter hosted a reception for Eve Proffitt, who is now President of International PDK. The reception was in Eve's suite, Galt House East, in Louisville. A very special thank you to Al Cinson who catered the reception and did a beautiful job. And thanks to Gary Schroeder, Rosetta Sandidge, Ron Giberson, and Andy Biggers for their support and help with the reception. Eve appreciated her home chapter giving this reception for her.

As the new year progresses, I wish for each of you joy, humor, challenges, and much to be thankful for.

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NEWS FROM THE 3rd PHI DELTA KAPPA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

250 educators attended the 3rd Legislative Council of Phi Delta Kappa International on November 1-4, 2001. Area coordinators and members of the Board of Directors, who make up the voting members of the council, convened at The Galt House Hotel to conduct the business of the professional education association and to choose the next president-elect. Past presidents of the association, chapter representatives, and other educators joined council delegates to take part in strategic planning and general session activities.

Presiding over the general sessions was Phi Delta Kappa International President Richard L. Kolowski, principal of Millard West High School in Omaha, Nebraska. Kolowski addressed the council at the opening banquet on the topic "Forge Our Future." At the closing session, the gavel passed to Eve Proffitt, Director of Special Education Services with the Kentucky School Boards Association in Frankfort. Proffitt began her two-year term as international president of PDK. Proffitt addressed the council on Saturday evening.

Keynote presenters for the conference were Phillip Schlechty, founder and CEO of the Center for Leadership in School Reform in Louisville, and Lowell C. Rose, director of the PDK/Gallup education poll and executive director emeritus of Phi Delta Kappa.

As part of the conference, attendees participated on one of seven action teams to develop specific components of the association's strategic plan. In a special ceremony, fourteen women, including Eve Proffitt, were recognized as recipients of the Bessie Gabbard Award Celebrating The Leadership of Women in Phi Delta Kappa International. The award honors the achievements of women in Phi Delta Kappa and was named for Bessie Gabbard, chairperson of the PDK Educational Foundation from 1983 to 2001.

Phi Delta Kappa is an international professional association for men and women in education. Membership includes 95,000 professional and pre-professional educators in the United States, Canada, and abroad.

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Fellow Kappan:

As you may know our chapter has earned recognition as a 20/20 chapter in 2000 and 2001. This recognition signifies that pledges of \$5.00 or more were received from at least 20% of the active members in support of the Education Foundation. We thank you for a job well done, and we want to keep that support strong for the coming year.

For many of you, your 2001-2002 pledge card is enclosed with this newsletter. Return it today with your gift of at least \$5 to help our chapter reach its goal. The card offers three options: a permanent pledge to be paid in conjunction with your membership dues, a pledge for next year and a gift for this year, or a gift for this year. Select one of these options today and return the card and your check to me in the envelope provided. If there is not a pledge card for you with this newsletter, and if you have not already pledged or contributed to the foundation, please take the time, fill out a check, and send it to me in the envelope provided.

I am asking you to join me in our collective support of the PDK Foundation. You know our foundation provides many things including scholarships to high school students, supports seminars and guest speakers, publish books, supports summer institutes, global travel activities and many other significant activities. The Educational Foundation is dependent upon voluntary donations to sustain its good work.

I look forward hearing from you soon.

Best regards,
AL Cinson, Foundation Representative

Phi Delta Kappa Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Awards

These biennial awards recognize scholars who show promise for noteworthy contributions to educational research. One award is given in each of Phi Delta Kappa's nine districts in the fall of even-numbered years. Winners receive \$500 and a certificate of recognition. The entry deadline for the next round of competition is 31 August 2002.

Competition is open to both members and non-members, but all applicants must be nominated by a Phi Delta Kappa chapter. The nominee must be a recent graduate of an accredited college or university. The nominee's major field must be in education, or the dissertation must focus on an educational topic. Entries are not limited to a particular kind of research. The nominee's dissertation must have been completed (approved by the doctoral committee and accepted by the graduate school or school of education) between 1 September 2000 and 31 August 2002.

Each entry must include a summary of the dissertation and a completed application form.

Entries will be judged and winners announced at the district conferences in the fall of 2002. Application forms, guidelines for nominating candidates, and criteria for judging will be available from chapter research representatives.

PREVIEW OF THE MARCH 21st MEETING AT HENRY CLAY HIGH SCHOOL

On Thursday, March 21 at 4:00 p.m. our chapter will meet at Henry Clay High School, and student work will be showcased. Principal Jake Bell, a PDK member, will be our host and, refreshments will be served.

A Little About Henry Clay High School

School website: www.henryclay.fayette.k12.ky.us

Address: 2100 Fontaine Rd, Lexington, KY 40502

Phone: (859) 381-3423, **Hours:** 8:30 AM - 3:10 PM

Principal: Robert "Jake" Bell, **Enrollment:** 1738

Henry Clay High School was named in honor of the great Kentuckian and national statesman, Henry Clay. It is the oldest public high school in Lexington, and opened on Main Street in 1928. The Central Offices of the school system are now located at this site. The present facility on Fontaine Road was opened in 1970. Henry Clay has completed its sixth year annual review for School Renewal. Staff, parents, and students are on committees that plan for improvement in five areas and advise the Henry Clay SBDM Council.

Three New Kappans Initiated on December 12, 2001....

At the December initiation ceremony, UK Phi Delta Kappa initiated three new members:

Pamela Anne Hammonds, President of FCEA

Jeffrey L. Jones, Technology Coordinator at Henry Clay High School

Carrie Jackman, Teacher at Northern Elementary in Fayette County

All three are experienced educators, and will be excellent members.

NEXT INITIATION OPPORTUNITY IS THURSDAY, MAY 16, AT 5:30.



IF YOU NOMINATE A COLLEAGUE FOR MEMBERSHIP.....

1. The candidate must attend an initiation ceremony to become a member of Phi Delta Kappa.
2. The initiations for 2001-2002 are on the evenings of Wednesday, Dec 12, 2001 at the Spindletop Hall, and Thursday, May 16, 530 PM (place to be announced). All initiates are the guests of the chapter.
3. Paperwork for the initiate should reach Kristine Jolivette, membership chair, 119 Taylor Education Building, Univ. of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0001, no later than one week before the initiation date. Phone: 257-7906.
4. Candidate sponsors are requested to attend the initiation ceremony with their nominees.
5. Candidates should be prepared to give a check for \$60.00 to the membership chair at the time of the initiation. (\$45.00 PDK dues, \$10.00 local dues, 5.00 initiation fee)