

LAUREL

TO FOSTER AND RECOGNIZE LEADERS AND SUPPORT LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT

Edited by: Lisa M. Carpenter

PLS Annual Meeting in Atlanta

The APhA Annual Meeting and Exposition is just around the corner! It will be held in Atlanta, GA on March 16th-19th at the Georgia World Congress Center. As in past years, Phi Lambda Sigma will hold its annual House of Delegates and Awards Banquet in conjunction with the APhA meeting. Take this time to learn more about PLS and talk with other leaders from around the country. Share great ideas for membership, leadership, and much more. Begin planning now to attend and remember to wear your pin!

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

APhA ANNUAL MEETING	1-2
GOOD LEADERS	2
THE BEST PART OF BEING A NATIONAL OFFICER	3
INDUCTION FEE INCREASE	4

Member Dessert Reception
Friday, March 16th 9:00-10:30PM
Hyatt Regency, International South



House of Delegates,
Saturday, March 17th, 7:30-9:00AM
Hyatt Regency, Cairo/Hong Kong



PLS Awards Dinner
Saturday, March 17th, 6:00-7:30PM
Hyatt Regency, Regency VII
(ticket required, order through APhA registration)



ANNUAL MEETING CONTINUED...

- **Running for Office**

Nominations are being accepted for President-Elect, Speaker of the House and Member-at-Large. Applications and instructions can be found on the website on the Forms page or Annual Meeting page. All applications received by March 1st will be included in the Delegate packets. Applications are accepted up to 24 hours prior to the House.

- **House of Delegates 2007**

Delegate appointment forms are being accepted for the PLS House of Delegates to be held on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. Please see the Forms or Annual Meeting Page for more information. Delegate appointment forms can be emailed, faxed or mailed to the National Office. All delegates appointed before March 1st will receive delegate packets in the mail prior to the meeting.

- **PLS Awards Dinner**

The dinner has been scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2007. Tickets are required and can be purchased at the time of registration for the APhA meeting. See additional offerings. A limited number of tickets will be available on-site, so **please purchase in advance**.

GOOD LEADERS

These five qualities identified by the Girl Scouts describe the basic essentials of leadership:

- **Good leaders know themselves.** A leader needs to have clearly-defined values, priorities, and preferences. This sense of self will help when faced with challenges, decisions, and ethical choices.
- **Good leaders are committed.** A leader needs to be able to take on responsibility and follow through even when difficult times arise and sacrifices are needed.
- **Good leaders know they don't know everything.** A leader needs to know when

help is needed and be able to identify people with the necessary qualities and organize and motivate them towards a goal.

- **Good leaders are open to change.** A leader needs to be aware of changes around them, listen to suggestions from others, and be willing to step out of their comfort zone and take a risk.
- **Good leaders go the extra mile.** A leader needs to be willing to strive to accomplish significant tasks and serve as a role model for others.

If you want to do some more in depth reading on leadership applied in a pharmacy setting, here are some articles to review:

Holdford DA. Leadership theories and their lessons for pharmacists. *Am J Health-Syst Pharm* 2003;60:1780-6.

Zilz DA, Woodward BW, Thielke TS, Shane RR, and Scott B. Leadership skills for a high-performance pharmacy practice. *Am J Health-Syst Pharm* 2004;61:2562-74.

THE BEST PART OF BEING A NATIONAL OFFICER

I have valued my term of office on the PLS Executive Committee and have appreciated the opportunity to serve. Of all the PLS responsibilities and roles, my most memorable have been two new chapter charters- Gamma Eta at USP November 4, 2005 in Philadelphia and Gamma Iota at LECOM on September 29, 2006 in Erie, Pennsylvania. These new chapters were successfully chartered because of the initiative of student pharmacists Nita George and Kristin Norkus who visited the PLS booth at the ASP Mid-Year Regional Meetings. Nita and Kristin networked at the meetings with existing members to learn more about PLS and later found engaged and motivated faculty members Drs. Andrew Petersen, Melanie Oates, and Lois Garland-Patterson at their home campuses to serve as advisors. Supportive deans are important also. LECOM's Dean Donald Tuttle noted, "This (PLS charter) is a significant step forward in the developing the services offered by our school... and I expect good things from them under Dr. Garland-Patterson's guidance."

Also, I have learned that each PLS chapter will have its own unique 'personality.' USP has a long history of leadership as the first college of pharmacy (1821). It is distinctive also because of the marketing and management students who are being inducted as honorary members. Their contributions too will distinguish Gamma Eta. LECOM is a newer school with an accelerated curriculum. Gamma Iota chapter's first president Katie McClean has a vision for her new chapter. She has said, "Even though our chapter consists of a small number of students right now, we are hoping to attract the interests of other students with all the activities we have planned for our community. We are all honored to be part of such a special society, especially since leadership defines our profession in the community."

In preparing for the charter ceremonies and initiations, I prepared remarks that are probably long forgotten by now. My primary question to each chapter was, "What will be different at this school because PLS is chartered?" Having met the initiates, I suspect many things will be different as long as the chapters are guided by the PLS mission to support pharmacy leadership commitment by recognizing leaders and fostering leadership development.

For all PLS members, it is an honor to be selected for PLS, but it is much more. As members we join a fellowship of caring, committed individuals who will lead pharmacy through challenges to as yet unrealized successes. Initiation and charter ceremonies are moments for pride, satisfaction, and fulfillment. But in time, members' true satisfaction will emanate not so much from what was begun but from *what will be built on traditions of leadership*. In declaring our commitment to leadership recognition, leadership development, and sustained application of leadership, we are all building toward the future.



Cynthia J. Boyle,
Immediate Past President



We're on the Web!

www.philambdasigma.org

PHI LAMBDA SIGMA

National Office
UMKC School of Pharmacy
5005 Rockhill Road 106A
Kansas City, MO 64110
Phone: (816) 235-1738
Fax: (816) 235-5190

ΦΛΣ

2006-2007 PLS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mary Euler, Executive Director

John Denio, President

Janelle Sabo, President-Elect

Cynthia J. Boyle, Immediate Past President

Jeffrey Douglas, Parliamentarian

Mackenzie Turner, Speaker of the House

Lisa M. Carpenter, Member-at-large

Alan Spies, Treasurer

Kathlene Hawkins, Administrative Support



LAUREL SUBMISSION:

Please submit any articles to
Member_at_large@Philambdasigma.org

ATTENTION: INDUCTION FEE INCREASE

**AS OF JANUARY 1, 2007, THE INDUCTION FEE WAS
INCREASED TO \$70 PER NEW MEMBER.**