

Phi Theta Kappa  
Rho Tau Chapter  
General Meeting July 13, 2009

Call to Order: 5:32

Roll Call: Katie Lovern, Irene Manglis, Hannah Maurer, Heath Hartley, Tycia Foster, Mary Earnhart, Chris White, Heather Noel, Neelie Evans, Bianca Feurant, Tsedenia Getahun, Erin Adams, Cory Glidewell

Officer Reports:

Neelie Evans Executive VP- Thank you to everyone who came to the Dog Wash. PetSmart may allow us to collect food for Leon County Humane Society on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Will keep everyone notified.

Heather Noel Treasurer- Had fun in Jacksonville

Mary Earnhart Senator of Membership- Has an idea to do a PTK train around campus with members to put our name out there. Also, making pins for PTK. Katie will research the cost.

Erin Adams VP of Service- Did research on Dog fighting. Presented information on dog fighting and aggression in dogs. The committee will meet to combine their research.

Katie Lovern President and open discussion

- 1) SGA has agreed to allow us to collect cans for Relay on campus. Katie is collecting them at home and encourages others to do the same. Contact Katie if storage is a problem. In exchange for the can, all tabs will be given to the SGA for donation to the Ronald McDonald House.
- 2) Newsletter submission dates are August 22 and September 26. These are required to win a scholarship to the International Honors Institute in California next summer. We need to have events done to write about. Tycia explained that Regional awards must be applied for to be eligible for the scholarship.
- 3) Run down of the speakers at Mini Honors Conference in Jacksonville.  
Dr. Reiner- Anthropologist- Spoke of what people classify as wealth. made statement: "The real measure of your wealth is how much you would be worth without your money."

Dr. Dean Kohrs-author/professor- Gave books to read, Colleges That Change Lives by Lauren Pope and Last in the Meritocracy by Walter Kirn, as well as a website to visit [hackingcollege.com](http://hackingcollege.com). Great speaker and will try to have him come to induction ceremony. For those Lawyers out there, Dean says University of Tampa is where to go.

Diane Townsend- Komen for the Cure- Spoke on women's health and disparities in treatment.

Vivan Harrell- Keep Jacksonville Beautiful- Spoke on recycling ideas such as cigarette butt clean up and getting businesses in the community involved in a clean business organization.

Kimberly Stafford- Artist- Spoke of the changes in art over the years. Where art was once an elaborate and specialized form, now a lot of untrained artists are dipping in to the art world and changing the face of art.

Connie Frankel- Florida Regional Coordinator- Explained the Honors in Action project of incorporating the hallmarks. Regional Facebook page, everyone should join and officers should sign up. Keep track of everything you do. You will need it. Keep topics narrow, not enough time for broad topics.

Break-out sessions were very informative.

4) Food for Miss TCC. We may have members bring in dishes instead of catering to save money for our various events this year. We will discuss this further as Miss TCC approaches.

5) Set dates for some of the activities: Some dates are still tentative, Others will be set after first SOC meeting August 7<sup>th</sup>

July 25<sup>th</sup>- Adopt-A-Road meet on Getty Rd. at 7:30 am-until

August 8<sup>th</sup>- Dog Wash 9am-3pm

August 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>- Welcome week- 10am-3pm

September 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>-stuff envelopes

September 19<sup>th</sup>- Pet food drive for LCHS at PetSmart.

September 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>- Orientation 12 & 6

September 30<sup>th</sup>- Inductions @ 6:30pm

October 7<sup>th</sup>- Spirit Day 10-3

October 17<sup>th</sup> Fur Ball needs help before event, starts at 6pm

November 18<sup>th</sup>- Miss TCC

Adjourned: 6:40pm