

THE ACHIEVER

Greetings from the National President:

Happy New Year everyone,

I would like to give a few reminders about our National DTA. We do have a National DTA Facebook page, we would love it if you went on and followed us. When time gets closer to convention, we will start posting updates and information about convention. Hopefully, that will make it a little easier for everyone to follow rather than checking emails all weekend. However, I would still stick to email to get ahold of anyone on the National Board (Facebook is not an efficient way to contact us). If you haven't done so, check out our new website (www.nactateachers.org). You can find the DTA tab with information on the right-hand side of the screen. Mrs. Pace has worked hard to keep it updated for us, so please check it out.

Last year we did a great job following the dress code, I would just like to put a reminder out there about it this year. On the 5th page you can find the dress code. This is a simple guideline, but I do encourage you to stick closely to it. We are a professional, honor society and would like us to present ourselves in such a way. I do appreciate all the hard work from those who strive to do so every day.

Lastly, the application for officer positions will be open soon. If you wish to be on the national board, you will need to fill out an application and submit it to me (the national president). I will be accepting applications from March 1st to April 1st. This gives everyone a whole month to submit the application into me. I will send out instructions on how to locate the application in next months newsletter. Be on the lookout. It will more than likely be found on the national website. If you have any questions, feel free to email me. I'd be more than happy to help answer any questions. Looking forward to seeing everyone at convention!

Sincerely,

Dani Plank

National DTA President

OFFICER SPOTLIGHT

National Parliamentarian, Andrew Bell



Andrew Bell, our National Parliamentarian, is a senior at Southeast Missouri State University majoring in Animal Science with an emphasis in Pre-Veterinarian Medicine.

A Little About Andrew:

Achievements: DTA National Parliamentarian past two years, Chapter President

Interests and Activities: Hanging out with his dog and spending time outdoors.

3 Words Used to Describe Him: Humorous, Relaxed, and Genuine

Future Career Goals:

After receiving his degree from Southeast Missouri State University in May of 2019, he plans on attending a school of veterinary medicine to earn his doctorate of veterinarian medicine.

Wise words to remember:

“Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall.”



NATIONAL CONVENTION

April 2018

The 59th National Convention was held at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, Kentucky on April 5th through 7th, 2018. The convention started with the first and second general sessions on Thursday in the ECU Center for the Arts, Black Box Theater. At the sessions delegates were charged and assigned to committees, committee reports were given, and nominations for National Council were opened and candidates were slated. After the sessions the Ag Quiz Bowl took place. Following the Ag Quiz Bowl, we all left and headed for the ECU Ropes Course. Later that evening, a social dinner was hosted by the ECU Ag Department and the members participated in a BBQ style dinner along with a dance and music.

Friday the members went on several tours in the area including Alltech Distillery,

Bluegrass Stockyards, and Kentucky Horse Park. The awards banquet was held in the

evening at the Keene Johnson Ballroom on campus with keynote speaker Warren Beeler, Executive Director, Governor's Office of Agriculture Policy.

Saturday was the third and final general session. Bids for the 2018-2019 National Convention were taken, committee reports were read and accepted, nominations were opened for National Council and candidates were slated and voted on. The 2018-2019 National Council was slated and voted on as follows President- Dani Plank. Eastern VP- Rachel Ledbetter. Midwestern VP- Danni Hammontree. Southern Region VP- Kaitlyn Saucedo. Secretary- Randa Morris. Parliamentarian- Andrew Bell.

Meet the 2018-2019 National Council

President- Dani Plank, Missouri State University

Eastern Region Vice President- Rachel Ledbetter, Tennessee Tech University

Midwest Region Vice President- Danni Hammontree, Missouri State University

Southern Region Vice President- Kaitlyn Saucedo, Abilene Christian University

Secretary- Randa Morris, Eastern Kentucky University

Parliamentarian- Andrew Bell, Southeast Missouri State University

DTA ACROSS THE NATION

Happy New Year!!

Abilene Christian University:

-Continuing to work on National Convention.

- Hotel Booked

***** Submit you Form 40's to the National President*****

DRESS CODE

Appropriate Attire for Business Sessions

Just a friendly reminder all members are expected to dress in business casual during the business sessions and in general business attire during the banquet.

If you are not sure what would qualify here is what has been accepted in the past...

Business Casual:

Males: Dress slacks or khaki's, a polo or dress shirt, dress jacket or sports coat, tie, dress shoes or boots (not work boots)

Females: Dress, Dress slacks or skirt (fingertip length is possible), dress shirt or top, cardigan or dress jacket, heels or flats (can have open toe but NOT sandals), tights or hosiery

Business:

Males: Dress slacks, dress shirt, dress jacket or sports coat, tie/bow tie, dress shoes

Females: Dress, dress slacks or skirt (fingertip length if possible), dress shirt or top, blazer or dress jacket, heels or flats (can have open toe but NOT sandals), tights or hosiery

Not everything listed is required, this just gives an idea of what is ok and what is not ok to wear. Keep in mind we are all adults and an honor society so professional attire and behavior is expected during the meetings.

General Announcements

- Check out the national website at <http://nationaldta.weebly.com/>
- Checkout our Facebook Page: National Delta Tau Alpha Agriculture Honor Society
- Be sure to send your Form 40's, on the national website, to our president Dani Plank at danielle131@live.missouristate.edu

National Convention

- National Convention will be April 11th-13th, 2019 at Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Tx.
- Registration will be open soon.
- Hotel booked:
 - Hampton Inn
 - 3526 West Lake Road, Abilene, Texas, 79601, USA
 - Phone: 1-325-673-4400

*** Reservations can be made at this time