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Serving the Greater Capital Region to support and promote quality education as essential to the development and maintenance of a democratic way of life by providing innovative programs, relevant research, visionary leadership & dedicated service.

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Special New Year’s Presentation….

Superintendents’ Panel Presentation

A powerful NEW Superintendents’ Panel Presentation is being planned for you to kick off the New Year.

January 28, 2010
Crossgates Banquet House
5-9 P.M. Including Dinner

★★ Topic ★★

Challenges for Learning in the 21st Century:
How to Best Prepare Our Children

Distinguished Participants

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For reservations see back page.
Teachers, administrators, support staff, college professors, and everyone else, do you make New Year's resolutions? New Year's offers everyone a new start. If you are an educator and still thinking about New Year's resolutions, I'd like to respectfully offer some thoughts for 2010.

- First, be nice to your students, colleagues, staff, and be nice to yourself.
- Resolve to accept that bad days will happen. We are not perfect, and that's fine.
- Remember what it was like to be a student. Keep this in mind on less than perfect days.
- Likewise, resolve to never let students push you around. You're in charge. Let them know boundaries don't budge.
- Resolve to say something nice to each of your students/staff/etc. at least once a week, if not more.
- Don't compare yourself to others. You can learn from them, but don't beat yourself up if you're not as charismatic, creative, or well-liked as that person. Just do the best as you can and play upon your own strengths.
- Don't forget to take care of yourself. Eat well, exercise, and get enough sleep.

Adapted from Attainable goals for teachers and college professors: Naomi Rockler-Allen

Think small on personal New Year's resolutions. Millions of people fail to fulfill their New Year’s resolutions because of a faulty approach, suggests a new study. Noted author, psychologist and professor, Dr. Richard Wiseman found that only 22 per cent were successful. To ensure New Year’s resolutions are met, he suggests sticking to only one resolution.

- Make only one resolution, to ensure you channel your energy into attaining that goal.
- Skip the usual resolutions and choose one that's unique to your circumstances.
- Share your goals with friends and family to receive their support.
- Give yourself small rewards as you see results during the process.
- Track your progress through a journal, spreadsheet… if this helps you.
- Don't give up after a temporary setback. Expect small failures from time to time and accept them.

From the Editor’s Desk – JoAnn Masterson

★ Prospective Educator Scholarship applications now available: These scholarships, sponsored by your UA PDK Chapter, provide college funds to promising high school students who want to teach. High school seniors in the UA Chapter Region, who intend to major in education, are eligible if they live in the UA Chapter Region. Additionally, your chapter has a separate Prospective Educator Scholarship category for children of UA Kappans in good standing. If you are the parent of a child who is a high school senior and wants to teach, we encourage your child to apply right away. Chapter applications are available through Dr. Philip Fusco, our Foundation Representative. Contact Phil as follows: 518-237-4057 or philipfusco@aol.com

★ November Induction: Thirty new members were inducted into our chapter on November 19th. The Induction took place at the UAlbany School of Education. Robert Bangert-Drowns, Dean of the School of Education was among those inducted. The full group of Inductees is as follows:

Robert Bangert-Drowns, PhD
Shane Lillian Braverman
Piera Camposeo-Iaia
Elizabeth Gonzalez-Egan
Susan Amatuzzo
Paul Annucharico
Katie Bottisti
Michael Bush
Diane Carl
Katie Cathucci
Heather Cavelius
Kendra Chaires
Sarah Dennis
Heather Flood
Maggie Frey
Ashley Progoso
Amberr Hayen
Brian Holtz
Johnnye Jackson
Kelly Layton
Beth Lilling
Nicole Lopez
Amy Messersmith
Margaret Patterson
Lauren Rapsard
Laura Risley
Colleen Schilling
Jason Thompson
Erin Turner
Linda Wojtala

Upcoming PDK Chapter Programs & Events
… Announced by Program VP Gail Moon

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<td>Speakers: Karla Empie, Dir for Sp &amp; Alt Education, Mohonasen CSD and Debra Male, Draper Middle School Principal-Time: 5:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>UAlbany</td>
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<td>Thur. Apr. 22, 2010</td>
<td>Induction and Scholarship Awards</td>
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<td>Cost: Free Time: 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Refreshments</td>
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<td>Sun. June 6, 2010</td>
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Albany City Area Reading Council Programs

1. Writing Instruction That Improves Reading Comprehension, Jan 6, 4:30-6:00, St Rose, Lally School of Education
2. NYSRA Conference, March 7-9, Saratoga Springs
3. Teaching to the Male and Female Brain, March 25, 4:30-6:00, St. Rose, Student Center, Standish Room #3
**Dinner Reservations!**

Reservations with check for the dinner meeting must be received no later than Thurs, January 21st. Reservations made by email without an attached reservation form and at the door are accepted, but will be billed with an additional $5 charge. All reservations are considered non-refundable after the reservation deadline date unless approved by the registrar.

### Entrée Selections - $35.00
- Stuffed Breast of Chicken
- Roast Sliced Sirloin of Beef
- Sole Almondine
- Eggplant Parmigiana-vegetarian

### Dinner Includes
- Chicken Pastini Soup
- Fresh Mixed Green Salad
- Twice Baked Potato
- Whole Green Beans Riveria
- Rolls and Butter
- Hot Fudge Sundae
- Coffee and Tea

### Reservations are due Thursday, January 21st

**Restaurant:**  
*Crossgates Banquet House*  
Corner of Rapp Road & Washington Ave. Ext.  
Albany, NY 12205

**Location:**  
Next To Polish American Club – Across the street from Teresian House & Daughters of Sara.

**Entrance drive is right after the Fire/Police Station.**

**Directions:**  

**Phone:**  
(518) 456-0261

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**January 28, 2010 - Dinner Meeting Date Agenda**

- 5:00 p.m.  Registration, Social Hour and Networking
- 6:00 p.m.  Dinner Served
- 7:00 p.m.  Program
- Program ends at 9:00 p.m.

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**Checks payable to…**

“Phi Delta Kappa” @ $35 per person.

Late reservations (at door) include a $5 late fee / total: $40 per person

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**Superintendents’ Panel Presentation Response – Due Jan. 21st**

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☑ Entrée Choice:  
- ☑ Stuffed Breast of Chicken
- ☑ Roast Sliced Sirloin of Beef
- ☑ Sole Almondine
- ☑ Eggplant Parmigiana

Would you like a Professional Development Certificate for attending?  
- ☑ Yes  ☐ No

**Prospective Educator Scholarship Fund … Philanthropia… so needed to continue this service for our youth.**

Please consider enclosing a donation check to support the scholarship fund for area high school seniors choosing education as a college major.  
- ☑ $10  ☑ $20  ☑ $25  ☑ $35  ☑ $50  ☑ $100  ☐ other

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**Mail Reservations Portion & Check Payable to “PDK” to:**

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