Our Mission:
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.

The UAlbany Chapter of PDK & CDAWA
The University at Albany Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa and CDAWA, Capital District Association for Women in Administration, combine their expertise in professional development opportunities and offer the following timely presentation to all area educators.

Professional Learning Communities...
...Protocols for Success

Presenters

Karla Empie
Director of Special Education and Pupil Services - Mohonasen Central Schools
Karla utilizes Professional Learning Communities in her layered and complex department throughout the district to great effect.

and

Debra Male
Principal, Draper Middle School
Debra has found Professional Learning Protocols essential and productive tools to meaningful discussion and action.

Professional development credit is available.

Thursday, March 11th
Italian American Community Center
257 Washington Avenue, Albany
5:30 pm Dinner
Eggplant Parmesan, Chicken Parmesan or Oven Baked Scrod
Served with Caesar salad and cake for dessert
6:30 pm Presentation
Cost: $30

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A Word from our President... Mary Milford

Fellow Kappans,

Due to a request from PDK International, we are in the process of updating our Constitution and Bylaws to meet their recommendations. Here is the message from Cathy Ruf, Chief Financial Officer, PDK International, which explains the request for the changes to be made.

In 2008 the IRS first required small non-profits to file their own e-postcard 990. As the international office was working with the chapters to fulfill this requirement, we discovered that Phi Delta Kappa’s federal tax exemption did not automatically extend to the chapters. About a year ago, we filed a group exemption application with the IRS. Before the holidays, we received a response from the IRS requesting a lot of additional information. Part of this request included the requirement that all chapters include specific IRS language relating to tax exempt purposes in their bylaws:

1) That the organization was formed and operated for charitable purposes
2) That no earnings could be distributed to or benefit the organization’s members or officers
3) If the organization is dissolved, assets must be distributed for one or more exempt purposes

While our previous bylaws version had a portion of this, we did not have the updated language, so we have revised the bylaws template on the PDK website to include the required provisions. The IRS has requested proof from all chapters that their bylaws have been revised or updated with this language as part of the group exemption approval process. Therefore, we are asking all chapters to adopt the new bylaws as presented in the template as soon as reasonably possible. The international office suggests that all chapters conform to the same governing document at this time because prior versions may now be outdated.

In order to modify the bylaws, each of the chapters will need to refer to their own bylaws and whatever provisions govern the chapter currently. Our most recent bylaws template, if your chapter had adopted it, required at least 30 days notice to members prior to meeting and voting on an amendment. To amend the bylaws, two-thirds of the eligible members voting must vote in favor of the amendment.

As soon as the Chapter Board has amended our present Constitution and Bylaws, a separate email/mailing will be sent out requesting members to vote on the changes. Please respond as soon as possible when you receive this additional mailing.

Best Wishes,
Mary Milford

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

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<td>Sat. April 17, 2010</td>
<td>Chalk Walk: This is a special fundraiser for our Prospective Educator Scholarships. The walk will begin at 1:00 p.m.</td>
<td>UAlbany Campus: around the perimeter road, beginning at the Circle!</td>
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<td>Thur. Apr. 22, 2010</td>
<td>Induction Ceremony &amp; Scholarship Awards Presentations Free ♦ 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. ♦ Refreshments</td>
<td>Sch’dy County Community College Elston Hall Mohawk Room</td>
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<td>Sun. June 6, 2010</td>
<td>Golf Tournament Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch b/t the Nines, Prizes &amp; Raffles</td>
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Albany City Area Reading Council Programs

1. NYSRA Conference, March 7-9, Saratoga Springs
2. Teaching to the Male and Female Brain, March 25, 4:30-6:00, St. Rose, Student Center, Standish Room #3

Contact Information: http://acarc.wordpress.com/ acarcny@gmail.com

Save the Date! Golf Tournament

WESTERN TURNPIKE GOLF COURSE
Sunday June 6, 2010
Greens Fees, Cart, Lunch b/t the Nines, Prizes & Raffles
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
ALL WELCOME!
Sign up your foursome now!

Contact Faith Green fgreen13@nycap.rr.com
The PDK UAlbany Chapter’s Educational Foundation, under the direction of Dr. Philip Fusco, annually awards scholarships to prospective educators in the region. These students must be high school seniors intending to major in education. All regional high schools received applications to share with their students.

This year Dr. Fusco and his team reviewed 43 applications from high schools in our region. Part of the application includes an essay. The 3 winners, noted below, will each be guests of the chapter and read their essays at the April 22nd meeting.

Jeffrey Chilton – Schoharie Central School District
Jessica Lopez – Schuylerville Central School District
Victoria Muller – Berlin Central School District

Through the PDK Educational Foundation, many opportunities are available.

In 1966 George H. Reavis, a distinguished Ohio educator and longtime Kappan, provided the initial endowment to establish the Phi Delta Kappa Educational Foundation. Since then, the foundation has produced some impressive numbers:

1. Scholarships—for a total of more than $1,000,000—awarded to future educators & ed. graduate students: 1,000+
2. Middle schools and high schools that have hosted clubs of our Future Educators Association®: 1,000+
3. Fastbacks disseminated—533 titles over 33 years: 8,000,000+
4. Books published on professional topics, ranging from classroom management to the National Assessment of Education Progress, and written by distinguished authors, such as Edgar Dale and John Goodlad: 200+
5. Educators who have participated in summer Gabbard Institutes for professional development: 10,000+
6. Participants in international educational travel programs supported by Read funds: 2,500+
7. Years that PDK/Gallup polls have been gathering the American people’s opinions about their public schools: 40+
8. Publications donated to libraries and teacher centers: 50,000+

Please do your part. Support the PDK Educational Foundation.

★ Make a donation to our chapter’s Prospective Educator Scholarship Fund. Make check out to “PDK” and mail it to Dr. Philip Fusco at 7 Eighth Street, Waterford, NY 12188-2333.

★ Make a donation to International’s Educational Foundation. Click on “Educational Foundation” on their website.

★ Support sponsorship of Future Educators Association Clubs through our chapter. Our chapter’s cost is $100 per club, but we would be so pleased with any donation.

★ At every meeting, be sure to buy raffle tickets to our Basket Raffle, which support our chapter’s Scholarship Fund.

★ Participate in our chapter’s upcoming Spring CHALK WALK. Contact Aosta Edelman. 518-439-7460 aosta46@nycap.rr.com

Your chapter needs you and your support. Thank you!
## Dinner Reservations...

Reservations with check for the dinner meeting must be received no later than
**Thursday, March 4th.** Reservations made and not cancelled by March 5, 2010 will be billed as made.

### Entrée Selections - $30.00

- [ ] Chicken Parmigiana
- [ ] Eggplant Parmigiana
- [ ] Oven Baked Scrod

Served with Caesar salad & cake for dessert

Special diets accommodated upon request.

### Make Checks payable to...

**CASDA/CDAWA**

**Reservations are due Thursday, March 4th**

### Restaurant:

Italian American Community Center  
757 Washington Avenue  
Albany, NY 12206

### Directions:

www.italianamerican.com

### Phone:

(518) 456-0261

### March 11, 2010 - Dinner Meeting Date Agenda

- 5:00 p.m. Registration, Social Hour and Networking
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner Served
- 6:30 p.m. Program
- Program ends at approximately 8:00 p.m.

### Reservation Response

**Registration Deadline - March 4, 2010**

**Thursday, March 11, 2010**  
Italian American Community Center

**Name:**  
**Email:**

**Home Address:**

**School / University / Institution:**

**Professional Affiliation/s:**  
- [ ] PDK  
- [ ] CDAWA  
- [ ] Guest

**Guests - Indicate their name and dinner selection from choices below.**

- [ ] Your Entrée Choice:  
  - [ ] Chicken Parmigiana  
  - [ ] Eggplant Parmigiana  
  - [ ] Oven Baked Scrod

Special diets accommodated upon request.

**Cost:** $30 per dinner  
A check for $____ enclosed for ____ dinners.

**Reservations made and not cancelled by March 5th will be billed as made.**

- [ ] Would you like a Professional Development Certificate for attending?  
  - [ ] Yes  
  - [ ] No

**Make checks payable to:**  
**CASDA/CDAWA**  

### Mail Reservations To:

CASDA  
University at Albany-East Campus  
Five University Place-A409  
Rensselaer, NY 12144