



Dear Fellow Kappans and Colleagues in Education,

On Thursday, March 1st at 5:30 p.m. the Bridgewater State College Chapter of **Phi Delta Kappa** will host a special event. Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, president of Bridgewater State College and Special Adviser for Education for Governor Deval Patrick, will be our keynote speaker.

President Mohler-Faria is in a unique position to address our group as he is presently working closely with the governor to improve the quality of preK-16 education in the state.

Please invite your colleagues to attend this very special PDK meeting. It is not necessary for them to be PDK members to join us – all are welcome. Anyone interested in attending this dinner meeting should email our vice president for programs Kimberlee Scott at khscott76@hotmail.com. She will be happy to send out a registration form.

Please be aware of a couple of deadlines that are quickly approaching. First, the Bridgewater State College Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa is offering a \$250 scholarship to a prospective educator who is an undergraduate or post-baccalaureate student admitted to the School of Education and Allied Studies. The application deadline is **Feb. 28, 2007**. For additional scholarship information, please contact Jennifer Just at jjjust@uppercapetech.org.

The Teacher of the Year nomination deadline is also quickly approaching. Wal-Mart sponsors this program in collaboration with PDK International. Nominations are open from February 5 – 23, 2007. Please download a nomination ballot from www.pdkintl.org/walmart/nominate.htm and nominate someone you know is an outstanding educator.

Finally, please mark your calendar for 5:00 PM **September 20, 2007**. Our chapter of PDK will be celebrating its 10th anniversary by hosting a reunion celebration in the Campus Center at Bridgewater State College. The planning committee is meeting soon and will keep you posted on details. Please reserve the date and plan to join us for dinner, special awards, and reminiscing.

I hope to see you all on March 1st – and please remember to invite your colleagues!

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President

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