This is your weekly summary of news from the SAPA Board:

**MEETINGS**

**GENERAL:** SAPA would like to thank everyone who was able to attend the first General Meeting of the semester! Other meeting dates this semester are: **Monday, March 4th** (Graham Hall, Room TBD); **Monday, April 8th** (Graham Hall, Room 176); and **Thursday, May 2nd** (Graham Hall, Room 187). See you there!

**GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT (GSG) PRESENTS “Bring a Date to GSG Night”:** GSG’s next meeting falls on Valentine’s Day (2/14)! Students who attend the meeting are encouraged to bring a partner, friend, roommate, or someone who is interesting in joining the GSG. Anyone who brings a date will be entered into a RAFFLE for fabulous prizes, including: A $50 gift card to Homegrown; and Two (2) tickets to Caffé Gelato’s Winter Wine Tasting. The meeting will be held at 5:30PM in Gore Hall, Room 103!

**UPDATES**

**SAPA’s Social Committee would like to thank all of the students who were able to attend last week’s happy hour social!**

“**BEYOND RHETORIC” RADIO SHOW:** Don’t forget to tune in to Philip Barnes’ new radio talk show, "Beyond Rhetoric," tonight at 6:30PM on 91.3 WVUD, or you can listen online at [www.wvud.org](http://www.wvud.org). Tonight’s guest is Amy Roe, and she will be examining the collapse of the American shad fishery in the Susquehanna River.

**FIRST ANNUAL SAPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:** Do you know a SPPA student who has demonstrated exemplary work in the fields of policy and administration, both in and out of school? Nominate them for the SAPA Scholarship Award! Individuals can also nominate themselves for the award. **The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 1st.** Please send all nominations to sapassociation@gmail.com. For more information about the award, including qualifications, please click here.

**EVENTS**

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGERS (IAEM) MEETING:** IAEM@UD is hosting its first meeting of the Spring Semester on Thursday, February 14th at 12:30PM in the Disaster Research Center’s Conference Room (Graham Hall, Room 166). This month’s journal club will be examining the role of nonprofits in disaster response. Attendees are encouraged to review the following article to prepare for discussion: [http://www.emeraldinsight.com/journals.htm?articleid=1626591&show=abstract](http://www.emeraldinsight.com/journals.htm?articleid=1626591&show=abstract).
EVENTS (CONT’D)

MID-ATLANTIC REGION’S POLICY SOLUTIONS CHALLENGE USA COMPETITION: Come out and support your fellow classmates and School as they compete against nearby schools in this year’s Regional Mid-Atlantic Policy Solutions Challenge competition! The competition will be held in the Rodney Room of the Perkins Student Center (325 Academy Street, Newark, Delaware) on Saturday, February 16th. Coffee and registration will be available at 8:30AM, and presentations will begin at 9AM. Lunch will also be served, and the event will convene by early afternoon. Please RSVP to Diana Simmons (dwalls@udel.edu or 302-831-1687). Address questions about the competition to Dr. Andrea Sarzynski (apsarzyn@udel.edu or 302-831-1244).

POLICY SOLUTIONS CHALLENGE HAPPY HOUR: SAPA’s Social Committee is honored to host a special happy hour this Friday (2/15) at Catherine Rooney’s (102 E Main St Newark, DE 19711) for Policy Solutions Challenge participants and all SPPA students. Come join us anytime between 5:30PM and 7:30PM!

SAPA BASKETBALL OUTING: Join SAPA to watch your Fighting Blue Hens Men’s Basketball Team take on George Mason University on Saturday, March 2nd, at 2pm in the Bob Carpenter Center! This event is open to all students (full and part-time), along with families of students. Ticket prices will range from $12 to $15. If you are interested in attending, please email Matt Parkhurst (mpark@udel.edu) by Thursday, February 21st to confirm your attendance and to let us know how many people you will be bringing to the event.

CENTER FOR HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN’S (CHAD) ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY: On Wednesday, May 22nd, CHAD will host their Annual Research Day. All are welcome to attend! Due to limited space, however, those who are interested in attending the event should contact Allison Rice at ricealli@udel.edu by Friday, March 15th. Attending the event is a great way to see what projects students and faculty at CHAD have been working on!

Thanks

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