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

**MEETINGS**

**GENERAL:** Join SAPA next Monday (3/4) for our second General Meeting of the Spring Semester! The Meeting will begin at 5:30PM in Graham Hall, Room 176. Other SAPA General meeting dates this semester are: Monday, April 8th (Graham Hall, Room 176); and Thursday, May 2nd (Graham Hall, Room 187). All meetings begin at 5:30PM. See you there!

**UPDATES**

**FIRST ANNUAL SAPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:** There is only one week left to submit nominations for SAPA’s Scholarship Award! If you know a SPPA student who has demonstrated exemplary work in the fields of policy and administration, both in and out of school, please nominate them for the award! Students may also nominate themselves. 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.

**SAPA 2013-2014 ELECTIONS:** Tomorrow is the last day to submit nominations for Officer positions in SAPA! If you would like to nominate a student for an Officer Position, please send an e-mail message to sapassociation@gmail.com with the following information:
- The nominee’s full name;
- The title of the position(s) you wish to nominate the candidate for; and
- The nominee’s email address.

For more information about this year’s election and/or to view available SAPA Officer position duties and responsibilities, please visit http://sites.udel.edu/sapa/2013-2014-elections/.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SAPA BYLAWS:** During this year’s SAPA elections, SPPA students will be asked to vote on a proposed set of amendments to SAPA Bylaws. The last major review and amendment of the SAPA Bylaws occurred on March 2nd, 2012. Please click here to review the updated Bylaws and a copy of the March 2nd, 2012 Bylaws. SAPA welcomes your feedback, and invites you to share your thoughts or ask questions by emailing sapassociation@gmail.com. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with these changes and vote this spring!

**COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE UD RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM:** This year, SAPA’s Community Service Committee will be participating in the fight against cancer by forming a SAPA Relay for Life of UD team. This year’s Relay for Life of UD event will take place at UD’s Field House on Saturday, May 4th. If you are interested in learning more about the event, becoming part of the team or a team leader, please attend SAPA’s General Meeting on Monday, March 4th at 5:30PM in Graham Hall, Room 176. For more information about Relay for Life of UD, please visit www.udrelay.com.
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GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT SPRING SEMESTER EAT AND GREET: Join UD grad students tonight (2/26) at Bayard Sharp Hall (23 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19716) from 5PM to 6:30PM for wine, cheese, and musical entertainment! If you were unable to pre-register for the event, tickets will be sold at the door and will cost $10. Your ticket entitles you to admittance to the event, 2 beverage tickets, light hors d’oeuvres, and a raffle ticket for prizes.

OPEN HOUSE HAPPY HOUR: Join SAPA in welcoming new faces to campus! This Friday (3/1), SAPA will be hosting a happy hour at Kildare’s Irish Pub (45 E Main St Newark, DE 19711) to welcome potential students to the SPPA family! The event will begin at 5PM, and food will be provided. Join the event on Facebook here!

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 28th to confirm your attendance and to let us know how many people you will be bringing to the event. You can also join the event on Facebook here.

SPPA RESEARCH SEMINAR SERIES: SPPA’s Research Seminar Series continues next Tuesday, (3/5) at 12:30PM in Graham Hall, Room 185. Next week’s presenter is Daniel L. Smith, an Assistant Professor of Public Budgeting and Financial Management at New York University. His presentation will center on: “The Effects of Fiscal Stress and Illusion on State Pension Contributions”. Lunch will be provided, courtesy of SPPA. If you would like a free lunch, please notify Diana Simmons (dwalls@udel.edu) no later than the morning before the seminar date you will be attending. For a complete list of Research Seminar Series participants, please click here.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (CAS) CAREER NETWORKING NIGHT: On Thursday, March 7th, UD’s CAS welcomes you to attend a Career Networking Night, where you will be able to connect with notable leaders and alumni from the nonprofit sector, government agencies, research organizations, and more! A preparatory Networking Workshop will take place at 5PM in Rooms 209 – 211 of the Trabant University Center, and the main Career Networking Event will begin at 6PM in Trabant’s Multipurpose Room (A&B). Please RSVP for the event by March 3rd, 2013. For more information about CAS’ Networking Night, or to register for the event, please click here.

SAPA BOWLING SOCIAL: On March 12th, 2013, SAPA’s Fundraising committee will be hosting a bowling social! The event will take place at the Brunswick Blue Hen Lanes (501 Newark Shopping Center, Newark, DE 19711) from 10PM to Midnight. Tickets to the event will cost $7 in advance, and $10 at the door. More information about the event will be available in the coming weeks.

Please feel free to email us at sapassociation@gmail.com with any questions, comments, or additions to the weekly mailer. Thanks!
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MESSICK SCHOLAR INAUGURAL EVENT: The School of Public Policy and Administration would like to invite you to join us in congratulating Maria Aristigueta on her appointment as the Charles P. Messick Professor of Public Administration. The event will be held at the Courtyard Marriott (200 New London Road, Newark, DE 19711) on Thursday, March 21st. The event will begin at 6:30PM. RSVP for this event by March 15th to sppa@udel.edu or call 302-831-687.

ADVOCACY TRAINING WORKSHOP: On Saturday, March 16th at 9:30AM, an advocacy-training workshop will be held in the Collins Room of the Perkins Student Center. If you are interested in learning about community organizing, lobbying, testifying, or if you want to network with other students and professionals who share your passion for advocacy, this is the event for you! To register for the event, please click here. For more information, please contact David Carter (davidctr@udel.edu); Amy Roe (amywroe@gmail.com); Kathleen Grimes, S4E (kagrimes@udel.edu); or Kate Miller, UD AWRA (millerke@udel.edu).

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