

September 25th, 2012

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

MEETINGS

SAPA would like to thank all of the students who were able to make it to our first General Meeting. The next meeting will be held on Friday, October 5th at 5:45PM in Graham Hall Room 187.

** To view the tentative SAPA General Meeting Schedule for Fall 2012, visit <http://sites.udel.edu/sapa/news-and-announcement/sapa-meetings/>.

UPDATES

SAPA COMMITTEES: Committees are a fantastic way for students in SPPA to strengthen SAPA, increase SPPA's standing, and give back to the community. If you would like to see what committees are currently in operation, please click [here](#). If you would like to join an existing committee, please click [here](#) and fill in your name and email address in an available row. If you are interested in starting your own committee, send us an email at Sapassociation@gmail.com and we'll guide you through the process.

PROVOST SEARCH: Dean Watson is requesting graduate student feedback on the selection criteria that will guide UD's Provost Search. The Provost is the academic head of the university, overseeing the academic deans, the director of the library, and the dean of students. You can view the criteria at <http://www.udel.edu/provostsearch/>. Please send your input to Emily Bonistall, President of the Graduate Student Government, at ebonistall@gmail.com.

DELAWARE ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (DAPA) AWARD: Graduate students, you have less than one week to submit your materials to be considered for the Outstanding Student Public Service Award! Remember, all application materials are due by September 30th. To learn more about the award, please visit <http://www.dapanet.org/studentaward.html>.

SPPA OPEN HOUSE RECOGNITIONS: Has a professor or academic advisor made a difference in your life? Leland Ware, SPPA's acting Director, has asked for students to please identify professors or advisors at schools within a 100-mile radius of UD who have made a profound impact on their development or success. Professors or advisors who have been referred will be invited to attend SPPA's Open House on November 2nd and will be honored during the Open House program. To recognize a professor/advisor or view a list of the feeder schools that are within a 100-mile radius, please click [here](#).

**Please note, teachers and advisors from the UD community can also be recognized.

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STUDENT VOTING GUIDE: It's election season! Visit the [Student Voting Guide for Delaware](#) to learn where you can vote, if you should register at school or home, or if you need to register to vote by absentee ballot.

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ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Graduate Students, come join your fellow students and Program Directors this Wednesday, September 26th from 11:45AM - 12:45PM for the SPPA Graduate Student Ice Cream Social! The event will take place outside behind Graham Hall at the picnic tables, weather permitting (If the weather does not permit, we will set up in Room 183 Graham Hall.)

"WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE": Michael Eric Dyson- a renowned professor of Sociology at Georgetown University- will speak at UD on Thursday, September 27th. His talk will center on "Why You Should Vote." The talk, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 7PM in the Multipurpose Rooms of the [Trabant University Center](#); doors will open at 6:30PM.

NEWARK FALL CLEAN UP: Grab your family and friends and come make Newark beautiful! On October 6th 2012, from 9AM to 11AM, Newark will host its annual Fall Clean Up Day. The event will begin at 9AM in front of the [Newark Municipal Building](#). Gloves and trash bags will be provided for individuals and groups.

Thanks.

SAPA BOARD

(Nathan Roby, Kathryn Lonczewski, Cimone Philpotts, Ama Nyame-Mensah, Rachel Linstead-Goldsmith, Allison Rice, Jennifer Lazo, Jennifer Nichols, Matthew Parkhurst, and David Barnes).

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