

January 15, 2013

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

MEETINGS

SAPA's Executive Board has decided to hold SAPA General Meetings on stagger days-of-the-week (Mondays and Thursdays). The hope is to increase attendance and allow the most students to attend the meetings. The general meetings will be held on 5:30pm for the following dates:

Monday February 11th, Thursday March 7th, Monday April 8th, Thursday May 2nd

UPDATES

****SAPA Board Members would like to thank everyone who attended December's SAPA Holiday Party. We hope everyone had a great time, and had a good and safe holiday break!**

****Special thanks to all of those who contributed to, assisted in, and helped run the December Bake Sale, Cookie Tin, and Cookie Jar fundraisers. They were a huge success!**

CONSULT WITH ADVISORS TO PLAN YOUR STUDIES: SAPA encourages all SPPA students to check in with their advisers to plan coursework for Fall 2013 and Spring 2014. The school has been working to optimize its course offerings, and to ensure that classes have enough registrants so they can run and avoid cancelation, some specialization courses will be offered less frequently. Planning in advance for these changes will give students time to address any concerns that may come up. To learn more about SPPA course changes, [click here](#).

THE 1ST ANNUAL SAPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD: It is with great honor that SAPA provides a scholarship opportunity for SPPA a student(s) who demonstrates exemplary work in the fields of policy and administration, both in and out of school. Individuals can nominate themselves or others for the award. The deadline for nominations will be March 1st. Further details will be provided in coming weeks.

SAPA 2013-2014 BOARD ELECTIONS: With graduation on the horizon for second year students and some PhD candidates on the SAPA Board, it is already time that students consider candidates to run for a position on the Board for the next academic year. The nomination period will begin on April 1st, and can be self-appointed or for fellow student. Start thinking now who may make a great President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasure, or Program Representative to lead SAPA into the next year.



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UPDATES (CONT.)

FOLLOW SAPA ON YOUR CALENDAR: In addition to the SAPA calendar on the SAPA website, you can get the SAPA events on your school or personal Gmail calendar. When in your e-mail's calendar page, [click the drop arrow](#) next to "Other Calendars", select "Add by URL", insert the address "<https://www.google.com/calendar/ical/sapassociation%40gmail.com/public/basic.ics>", and you will receive up-to-date SAPA events with your other calendar's events and reminders.

EVENTS

INTERMURAL SPORTS: The SAPA Dodgeball Team will have a double-header tonight, January 15th, at 7:45pm and 8:45pm at the [Carpenter Sports Building](#) (or "Little Bob"). Additional participants are welcome to join (with a UD ID and proper attire), and spectators are always welcome to watch and cheer on the team. The next game will be the following Tuesday the 22nd at 7:45pm.

SAPA PUB QUIZ: Around campus on Thursday night? Feel a need to show off your smarts? Want to have a good time over food and drink with friends? SAPA is forming a pub quiz team for Thursday, January 17th. Show up at [Matilda's \(Mad Mac's\)](#) at 9:00pm and be prepared to win! Information and sign-up can be found [here](#). Questions? Contact Allison Rice at ricealli@udel.edu.

GRADUATE STUDENT ICE SKATING SOCIAL: Join the Graduate Student Government for ice skating at the Fred Rust Ice Arena (South Campus) from 6:30-8:30 pm on Friday, January 25th. Admission and skate rentals are FREE to UD Students who [register online](#) by Friday, January 18th. This will also give you free access to the UD Men's Ice Hockey game to follow at 9:00pm. It is suggested that you please bring a canned good to help the Food Bank of Delaware to this event. For more information and to RSVP, [please click here](#).

WELCOME BACK HAPPY HOUR: To get everyone back into the spirit of the academic semester, SAPA will be hosting a happy hour on Thursday, February 7th @ 6:00pm at [MoJo Main](#). Appetizers will be served, and the event will be free. Please invite fellow SPPA undergraduate and graduate students out for good food and good times before the semester becomes hectic.

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).

Please feel free to email us at SAPAssociation@gmail.com with any questions, comments, or additions to the weekly email. Thanks!