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April 12-13, 2012**

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Dr. Joy Stevenson
President-elect and
Conference Chair

**Join us in
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI
at the 26th annual
PHI BETA DELTA
conference
on April 12 and 13, 2012 at the KANSAS CITY
HOLIDAY INN COUNTRY CLUB PLAZA.**

Details at

www.phibetadelta.org/index.php/conferences/2012-conference.

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Message from the President



From Richard Deming, President,

Come join us at the upcoming international meeting in Kansas City April 12-13! Dr. Joy Stevenson, Conference Chairperson and President-Elect, has organized an exciting meeting that promises to inform us of "Best Practices and Models of Excellence in International Education." With the help of the Beta Tau Chapter from the University of Central Missouri and assis-

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Message from the Executive Director



From Rueyling Chuang, Executive Director/CEO,

It is my honor to serve as the Executive Director of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars. The Society is now at an important juncture as we are about to launch our new online journal, *International Research and Review: Journal of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars*. Special thanks go to Dr. Michael Smithee, the Direc-

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On the web at www.phibetadelta.org

Take advantage of the hotel's free breakfast, free wifi and other perks if you become a Priority Club Reward member before you arrive. Fly United to Kansas City and get a 2-10% discount. To use it, call your professional travel agency or United Meetings at 800-521-4041 and provide the **Meeting ID Code 588MI**.

Professional networking, great fellowship, delicious food, and, most importantly, excellent presentations with the theme ***BEST PRACTICES AND MODELS OF EXCELLENCE IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION***.

A Little Background, if you please: Kansas City is known as the City of Fountains, the City Beautiful, the Home of Jazz.....April is one of the very best times to visit as spring blooms.

Famous Kansas Citians.....President Harry Truman, actress Jean Harlow, baseball manager Casey Stengel, actress Ginger Rogers, writer Calvin Trillin, broadcaster Walter Cronkite, golfer Tom Watson, fashion designer Kate Spader, actor Chris Cooper, jazz musician Pat Metheny, track star Maurice Greene, painter Thomas Hart Benton, outlaw Jesse James, American Idol singer David Cook.

Homegrown companies.....Hallmark Cards, Sprint, H & R Block, Helzberg Diamonds, AMC Theatres, Lee Jeans, Russell Stover Candies, American Century Investments, Applebee's Restaurants, Black & Veatch, Yellow Corporation.

Products invented in Kansas City.....McDonald's Happy Meal, KC Masterpiece BBQ Sauce, Teflon coating, Eskimo pies, Hostess Twinkies, Rival crock pot, the first multi-screen movie theatre, the first outdoor shopping center, the swing style of jazz.

MORE ON THE HOTEL

Our hotel is located two blocks north of the Country Club Plaza which is a fourteen block high quality shopping area along Brush Creek which was architecturally inspired by Sevilla Spain and begun in 1922 as the nation's first outdoor shopping center. More than forty restaurants, bistros and pubs as well as 150 unique stores mean there is something to inspire every one attending the Phi Beta Delta Conference. Plan to stay Saturday morning to visit the Plaza, the National World War I Museum at Liberty Memorial, the Truman Presidential Library and Museum or the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art which is only three blocks from the conference hotel (and rated among the top fifteen art museums in the U.S.) Other recommended visits would be to Union Station which is a magnificent Beaux Art structure which has been much more than a train terminal and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum which chronicles the phenomenal skill of African-American baseball players in the Negro National League from 1920 until 1960.

See you in Kansas City on 12 April !!!

From the President

tance by the chapters at the University of Kansas, Baker University and the University of Missouri Kansas City, Phi Beta Delta is proud to sponsor this interdisciplinary and international gathering of students, staff and faculty from around the world. The Program Chair, Dr. Guillermo de los Reyes from the University of Houston, has put together an exciting and diverse set of presentations that will be of great value to all who attend.

This 26th year of the Society marks a turning point in many ways. The new national office, under the leadership of Dr. Rueyling Chuang, Executive Director and CEO, is functioning smoothly. Her energy, experience and creative ideas have resulted in several new initiatives, including the enhanced use of technology to support not only the day-to-day functioning of the organization but also the interconnections among members and chapters with LinkedIn and Facebook that will enhance the value of the society's many features.

You will also be hearing more about the exciting developments in the area of publications that have been championed by Dr. Michael Smithee, Director of Publications. His dedication to supporting the scholarly efforts of our members has propelled the Society into a position of strength and opportunity through the development of an on-line journal that will be described in more detail at the April meeting, as well as through other avenues.

Phi Beta Delta celebrates academic excellence, research and advocacy in pursuit of international educational exchange.

We should all be proud of the professionalism of our members and staff that has helped anchor our Society as a significant part of scholarly international efforts on our domestic and international campuses. Special thanks go to our students whose international experiences have transformed themselves as well as their international hosts and mentors in so many ways. The world is increasingly in need of energetic and competent scholars to help understand our complex world of cultures, technology, and international relations. Please stay active and continue to promote the love of knowledge (Phi), the value of human life (Beta) and the achievement of excellence (Delta) that are the foundations of our organization.

From the Executive Director

tor of Publications, who was instrumental in bringing the ideas of many people to fruition with the completion of the first issue. He has devoted endless hours editing the manuscripts. With the assistance and guidance of Dr. Smithee and Dr. Deming, the President of the Society, and with the board's approval, we are now in the process of signing a license with EBSCO-Host, a premier library database that is widely circulated and utilized by faculty and students.

The Society also submitted its petition to Association for College Honor Societies last fall (ACHS). We are eagerly awaiting the good news and hoping to receive the approval of ACHS at its conference in 2013.

The new Executive Director would also like to express her heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Yvonne Captain, who continues to provide invaluable assistance to the Society. Our staff members

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26th Annual Meeting and International Education Conference

12-13 April 2012, Kansas City Missouri

THEME:

Best Practices and Models of Excellence in International Education

The 26th Annual Meeting brings us back again to Kansas City where the Society met in April 2000. The Beta Tau Chapter at the University of Central Missouri will be the primary host for the event with assistance from the chapters at the University of Kansas, Baker University and the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Our meeting site will be the Holiday Inn Country Club Plaza, ideally located two blocks north of the Plaza and has offered us a wonderful room rate of \$109 (single, double, triple or quad) which includes a full breakfast buffet. **More conference info coming in the January MEDALLION.**

We encourage submissions representing all areas of study that promote global awareness through a range of programs and experiences. The increasing interest in international opportunities and promotion of scholarship in this shrinking world create new challenges. We hope that this conference will provide an environment where students, staff, faculty and interested groups can highlight their efforts and provide examples of the very best practices in international education today.

There will be several formats for submission to select from:

Full Papers: Intended for publication in the Conference Proceedings. We will schedule oral summaries of approximately fifteen minutes to allow authors to highlight significant aspects of their work that may be described in more detail in the publication.

Short papers: for oral presentations of approximately fifteen minutes.

Poster presentations: either as physical posters or as PowerPoint presentations presented in a large room format on Friday afternoon, April 13, to encourage participation, especially on the part of students. Awards will be given out for the best student presentations in this event.

Instructions for Authors: For all formats described above, authors should download the Abstract Submission Form (MS Word), to be made available on the web site, www.phibetadelta.org and submit the following information: (1) title of presentation, (2) name(s) of author(s), along with title(s), (3) institutional/organizational affiliation, (4) postal address, (5) phone number(s), (6) email address, and (7) a short abstract (300 words maximum). The level should be appropriate for a non-specialist reader.

Please submit these items electronically to jdelosreyes@uh.edu by **6 February 2012**. Submissions will be acknowledged via email. Abstracts of accepted submissions will be published in the Conference Proceedings and posted on the Society's website after the conclusion of the conference. For those submitting **Full Papers** to be considered for publication in the Conference Proceedings, your first version will be due March 1, 2012. **Short Papers** may also be considered for the Conference Proceedings and submitted at a later date. In addition, **Poster Presentations** may be converted into short papers or material suitable for inclusion in the Conference Proceedings at a later date.

Additional information regarding registration and other details will be posted on the website at www.phibetadelta.org

For more information regarding paper submissions, please contact:

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YOU CAN REGISTER ON-LINE AT

<http://www.phibetadelta.org/index.php/gift-shop/conference-registration.html>

OR

complete the form below

If a member (check one):	Faculty _____	Staff _____	Student _____
Registration fees by March 12:	\$180.00	\$180.00	\$ 95.00
after March 12:	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$110.00
If a non member (check one):	Faculty _____	Staff _____	Student _____
Registration fees by March 12:	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$110.00
after March 12:	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$125.00
Title (Dr./Ms./Mr./Professor) _____			

REGISTRATION INFORMATION – CONFERENCE 2012

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Institution: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State or Country _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Yes, I plan to attend the Chapter Management Workshop **Thursday Morning 4/12/12**

No, I do not plan to arrive in time for the Chapter Workshop

If payment is made **via credit card online** (available at www.phibetadelta.org), please fax this page to us after you have submitted your payment. Fax number: (909) 537-7458

If payment is made **via Check or Money Order**, please enclose your payment with this form. Checks should be made payable to: **Phi Beta Delta. Send to:**

Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars

2012 Conference Registration

Administration Building Rooms 150 & 152

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**Phi Beta Delta is pleased to invite nominations
from all its chapters for the following awards**



Yvonne Captain
Faculty Award



Edward Blankenship
Staff Award



Eileen Evans
Outstanding Chapter
Award

1. ***The Yvonne Captain Faculty Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Education*** of \$US750.00, plus waiver of conference fee to attend the 2012 International Conference, for outstanding contributions to the field of international education. The faculty nominees must also be members of Phi Beta Delta. For this award one faculty member will be chosen.

2. ***The Edward S. Blankenship Outstanding Staff Award***, of \$US750.00, plus waiver of conference fee to attend the 2012 International Conference, for outstanding leadership, and support of the development and activities of a local chapter of Phi Beta Delta. For this award one staff member will be chosen.

3. Two student awards (one graduate and one undergraduate) of \$US500.00 each, plus waiver of conference fee to attend the 2012 International Conference, will be given to members of Phi Beta Delta and have demonstrated great interest and involvement in international activities and superior scholastic achievement. ***The Domestic Student Award for International Achievement***, is designated for a student who is a citizen or permanent resident of the country in which the institution at which they are studying is located. ***The David Merchant International Student Award for Achievement***, is for an international student (i.e., one studying as a visa student at the institution where the nominating chapter is located). Please note that to be eligible, students may not have graduated prior to the spring term of 2012.

Please print out the [blank nomination form](#) and complete. The nomination form is in "PDF" format for easy printing. You should use **a separate form for each nominee** and also attach a letter of nomination summarizing the qualifications of the nominee for the award (as many as three additional letters of recommendation may be included). In addition, a curriculum vita and other supporting documents should accompany the nomination. See also the [awards nomination guidelines](#).

The deadline for the 2012 awards is

February 6, 2012

Submit your nominee now!



Domestic Student
Award



David Merchant
International Student
Award



The Executive Director
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Chapters may submit two student nominations—one for a domestic student and one for a student from outside of the United States; however, only one nomination may be submitted for the staff and faculty awards. Nomination materials for unsuccessful nominees for the faculty and staff awards will be retained for consideration for awards in the subsequent year with the permission of the nominator. Award recipients are expected to attend the awards ceremony held during the International Conference, where the presentations will be made. Each chapter will be provided with a **Nomination Cover Form** which should be duplicated for each nomination submitted. Award information and Nomination Cover Form, as well as a list of previous recipients, are included on the Phi Beta Delta web site: <http://www.phibetadelta.org/index.php/awards/past-recipients.html>

Requests for additional information and completed nominations materials should be directed to:

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The deadline for the 2012 awards is

February 6, 2012

Executive Director Continued

assist with various projects in the Executive Offices. Rosette Santiago helps manage the office. Joy, our graduate assistant, is updating and recreating our website. In the near future, our website will have a new fresh look. Kate, another graduate assistance, is uploading our *International Review* back issues on the PBD website. Yao, our graduate assistance, has been doing magical work on designing the covers of our journal. Please visit our website for more updates on the new online journal and the archive of *International Review* back issues.

Finally, we are working diligently to create an online community and use social media to reach our members and potential members. Please join us on our Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter! I look forward to seeing you at our annual convention in Kansas City.

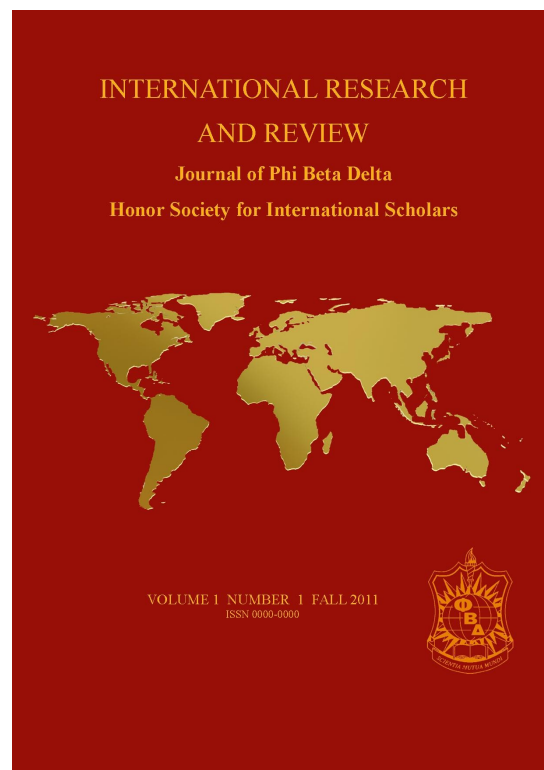
Journal Re-established

COMING SOON

The above cover to our journal is a draft, but it does signify the re-establishment of our journal. It's roll out will be within the next few weeks. I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Conference in Kansas City where the details of this publication will be given. Until then, an email will be sent letting you know when to go to the Phi Beta Delta website to read the papers.

Michael Smithee, Editor

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**We Look Forward to Seeing You In
Kansas City!**



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