Delta Tau Alpha September 2017

THE ACHIEVER

OFFICER SPOTLIGHT

Midwest Region Vice President, Dani Plank



Dani Plank, our Midwestern Regional Vice President, is a senior at Missouri State University majoring in Animal Science with an emphasis in Pre-Vet. After graduating Dani plans to attend vet school at the University of Missouri in Colombia, MO.

A Little About Dani:

Achievements: DTA National Mid-West Vice President, DTA chapter president

3 of Her Favorite Things: Sleep, food, and my family (plus my two dogs).

Interests and Activities: DTA, Sigma Alpha, softball, hiking, running

3 Words She would Uses to Describe Herself: Goofy, Outgoing, and Hardworking

Why is Agriculture Important to Her?

Coming from a small town you quickly learn the importance of Agriculture. The majority of my small town are farmers who run cattle, swine, and/or sheep operations. That is their way of living. It isn't something we all just do to get by, it's a way of life for us.

Words to live by: "Why reach for the sky when there are footprints on the moon." Unknown

NATIONAL CONVENTION April 2017

The 58th National Convention was held at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Arkansas on March 30th-April 1st, 2017. The convention started with the first and second general sessions on Thursday in Hames Room A of the A-State Convocation Center. At the sessions delegates were charged and assigned to committees, committee reports were given, and nominations for National Council were opened and candidates were slated. After the sessions the Ag Quiz Bowl took place throughout the A-State Convention Center. Later that evening a social dinner was hosted by John 3:16 Ministries and the members participated in a food packing service project hosted by the Pack Shack.

Friday the members went on several tours in the area including Riceland Foods, Coy Honey Farm and Ozark Mountain Poultry. The awards banquet was held in the evening

at the Cooper Alumni Center with keynote speaker Randall E. Pope, President and CEO of Westchester Group Investment Management.

Saturday was the third and final general session. Bids for the 2018 National Convention were taken, committee reports were read and accepted, nominations were opened for National Council and candidates were slated and voted on. The 2017-2018 National Council was slated and voted on as follows President- Bethany McKinney. Eastern VP-Hannah Leach. Midwestern VP-Dani Plank. Southern Region VP-Carley Johnson. Secretary-Amber Dunnaway. Parliamentarian-Andrew Bell

The 2018 National Convention will be held on April 5th-7th 2018 at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, KY

Meet the 2017-2018 National Council:

President- Bethany McKinney, Eastern Kentucky University
Eastern Region Vice President- Hannah Leach Tennessee Tech University
Midwest Region Vice President- Dani Plank, Missouri State University
Southern Region Vice President- Carley Johnson, Abilene Christian University
Secretary- Amber Dunnaway, Tennessee Tech University
Parliamentarian- Andrew Bell, Southeast Missouri State University

DTA ACROSS THE NATION:

School is back in session and the chapters are having their first meetings:

EKU: -Started planning to host the 2018 National Convention

- -Formed regular and special committees
- -Set dates for future chapter events
- -Initiated 11 new members

<u>Sam Houston</u>: -Formed fundraising committee and a committee to raise funds for Hurricane Harvey Victims

<u>Southeast Missouri State University:</u> Started planning many activities for fundraising, community service and social events.

Final Announcements:

Check out the national website at http://nationaldta.weebly.com/

Checkout our Facebook Page: National Delta Tau Alpha Agriculture Honor Society

Be sure to send your Form 40's, on the national website, to our president Bethany McKinney at bethany_mckinney19@mymail.eku.edu

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