

Mortar Board National College Senior Honor Society 

Leading LEADERS

a resource for chapters and advisors

MAY 2015

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP!

For many of you, the coming months will bring tremendous change. Outgoing collegiate members will begin the next stage of your life's journey - and whether you are moving on to start a successful career, going to graduate school or pursuing other opportunities, we want to send you off with our sincere thanks. Your leadership will have a lasting effect on your chapter and your alma mater. By stewarding the traditions of your chapter, you have strengthened that which sets Mortar Board apart from any other organization: our active and energetic commitment to scholarship, leadership and service. Thank you for being a wonderful example for your fellow Mortar Boards and for all of the students on your campus. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with you, and we welcome you to our network of more than 250,000 Mortar Board alumni. Consider joining the Mortar Board Alumni Association to keep your connection strong.

NEWS

REGISTER FOR THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE!

The chapter president (or if necessary, a substitute for the president), as the official delegate of the chapter, is EXPECTED to attend. Your chapter covers your delegate's travel expenses. Additional chapter officers and members of the new class are invited to attend the conference for a \$350 per person registration fee. Please note this registration fee INCLUDES two nights double-occupancy lodging at the conference hotel and meals on Friday evening, all day Saturday and on Sunday morning! This is an amazing opportunity!!!! Please take advantage of it today. Late conference registrations (after MAY 15) of official delegates will be accepted but will include a \$75 late registration fee that is paid personally by the delegate. Advisors pay a \$200 registration fee and cover their own hotel expenses directly.

SUBMIT your proposal to present during the Leading Leaders presentation series. Mortar Board's LeadingLeaders series is a set of 15-minute presentations that allow Mortar Board members a chance to share their expertise with others. When it comes to leading, what are you smart about? And what would you be willing to share with other Mortar Board leaders? Put your thoughts into words and submit a proposal for the LeadingLeaders Presentation Series. Proposals are due on or before June 10, and everyone is encouraged to attend this exciting session. Submit a proposal here!

CALLING ALL MORTAR BOARD ALUMNI!

Calling all Mortar Board alumni - including YOU! Mortar Board membership is a lifelong experience, and YOU are invited to extend the legacy and tradition beyond your college years through the Mortar Board Alumni Association. MBAA members affirm their commitment to our Society while connecting more distinctively with the international Mortar Board community! JOIN TODAY!

UPCOMING DUE DATES

MAY 15 - an essential Mortar Board date

Chapter annual reports help us understand how we can better serve you! Thank you in advance for approaching these reports with careful consideration and your full attention! All chapters, whether they are on the quarter or semester system, must meet the May 15 deadline.

Here is a quick tip: do not wait until the last minute to complete these reports! Trust us, you will do yourself a huge favor if you give yourself enough time to thoroughly complete them. It is a great way to leave a record of achievement for your successors.

If you have any questions or concerns about your reports being incomplete please contact the National Office at reports@mortarboard.org. Otherwise, due to the volume of reports being submitted, your submission may not be acknowledged. Late reports will be accepted but, unfortunately, will not count toward national award eligibility.

Submit now!

DUE MAY 15 OR WITHIN ONE WEEK AFTER INITIATION

Final OMR and fees *

MAY 15

New Officer Report Form *

Chapter Finance Report *

Chapter Annual Report *

Advisor Annual Report *

Historian Report

Gold Torch Award application

Ruth Weimer Mount Chapter Excellence Award application

Project Excellence Award application

Most Improved Chapter Award application

Promotional Videos (read more below)

National Conference registration *

* Required

NEW THIS YEAR - PROMOTIONAL VIDEOS!

At the national conference, chapters will showcase their activities and programs through promotional videos. This will take the place of chapter display boards. Start planning your chapter's video now! Think of all the visibility you will gain on your campus with your new promotional video.

Submissions should be uploaded to the Mortar Board YouTube channel or sent to reports@mortarboard.org and promo videos will be shown at the national conference.

Keep the videos short enough to be exciting and long enough to cover your subject.

CHAPTER RESOURCES

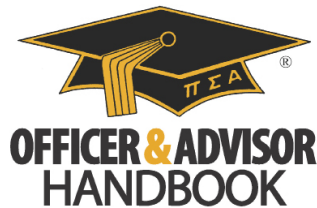
EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT FOR NEXT YEAR: MEMBERSHIP RECONSIDERATION CAMPAIGN

In August and September the National Office will be contacting all candidates who were selected this spring but declined to join Mortar Board (these were the candidates who were reported as “refused” on your final OMR). Many candidates’ situations change over the summer, and they may be in a position to change their mind about membership. We want to give them this opportunity, or the opportunity to tell us why they declined membership in our Society. All chapter advisors and new leadership will be fully informed of any responses we receive. Stay tuned for more details!

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