

ΦΑΘ NEWS

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends and Colleagues in Phi Alpha Theta,



I am excited to present to you the March 2023 issue of Phi Alpha Theta News. I am Hosok O, Vice President of Phi Alpha Theta. As newly elected Vice President, I am honored to serve alongside the Executive Board, Faculty Advisors, and students across the country to promote the study of history.

In this issue, I would like to share my personal experience as a member of Phi Alpha Theta during my college years. Upon recommendation from my advisor, I joined the society and quickly discovered the invaluable opportunities it had to offer. From participating in regional conferences to making lifelong friendships, Phi Alpha Theta not only enhanced my historical knowledge and critical thinking skills but also promoted personal growth. The comradeship grown through active participation in Phi Alpha Theta is truly priceless! As a senior member, I encourage all of you to take advantage of the same opportunities that this society has to offer.

Besides, attending the regional Phi Alpha Theta conferences each year exposed me to new perspectives that were different from mine. I'm convinced that interacting with students and scholars with a similar field of interest and exchanging ideas make us become better historians. Knowledge becomes meaningful when we can share it with others. Learning history, as far as I am concerned, allows us to develop empathy and respect for different cultures, which is significantly important in today's globalized world.

As historians, we play a critical role in preserving our history and culture so that the stories and achievements of past generations are not lost or forgotten. Through our work, we challenge preconceptions about the past, oftentimes

uncovering hidden narratives and shedding light on marginalized voices. Therefore, studying history is indispensable for interpreting our past, understanding current events, and shaping our future. In 1948, during his speech to the House of Commons, Winston Churchill paraphrased what George Santayana said: “Those who fail to learn from history are condemned to repeat it,” indicating that learning from the past would help us prevent repeating the same mistakes. I believe that we can build a better future if we all appreciate the value of history and the role of historians.

I would like to take a moment to reflect on the success of the Biennial Convention in Albuquerque, NM, which took place in January. It was an incredible experience to meet attendees from all over the country and share our love for history. The passion and dedication displayed by everyone in attendance were truly inspiring, and I cannot wait to see you all again at the 2025 Convention.

Finally, I would like to express my deepest appreciation to the Phi Alpha Theta National Office for their tireless effort and dedication to the success of the Biennial Convention. Their strong leadership and commitment made it all possible, and I am grateful for their continued support.

Thank you all for your ongoing dedication to the study of history, and I look forward to our work together in Phi Alpha Theta for many years to come.

Best Regards,



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