

2017 Awards Summary for the Ohio Region of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
compiled by Julie A. Cohara, Ohio Region Coordinator, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio

International Hallmark Awards	Page 1
International Recognitions	Page 3
Ohio Region Hallmark Awards	Page 5
Ohio Region 2017 Scholarships	Page 9
2017 Five Star Competitive Edge Members	Page 9

International Hallmark Awards

International Hallmark Awards are the most prestigious annual awards with which our Society recognizes an individual/chapter/region. In April, Ohio Region's 2017 winners were recognized at PTK Catalyst in Nashville, Tennessee. They are:

Most Distinguished Chapter

To be considered for a Distinguished Chapter Award, a chapter must submit entries for both the Honors In Action Project and College Project Awards. Selection of the Distinguished Chapter is based solely on the written entries for these Hallmark Awards. The scores in each of the two Hallmark categories will be averaged to determine a chapter's overall ranking. Awards are presented to the top 10 percent of chapters entering the Honors in Action and College Project categories.

Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Top 100 Chapters from Ohio:

To be considered in the top 100 chapters, a chapter must submit entries for both the Honors In Action Project and College Project Award. Selection is based solely on the written entries for these Hallmark Awards. The scores in each of these categories will be averaged to determine a chapter's overall ranking.

Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Distinguished Regional Officer Award

Distinguished Regional Officers are recognized for outstanding leadership, implementing regional goals that support overall Society goals, for significant contributions to regional Honors In Action programs and effectively communicating the region's program and projects to member chapters.

Bruce Hyde

2016-2017 Ohio Region Vice President
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction

College presidents and campus CEOs are selected for this award on the basis of outstanding efforts given toward promoting the goals of Phi Theta Kappa. The award is named for the late Dr. Shirley B. Gordon, Phi Theta Kappa's longest serving Board of Directors Chair and President Emeritus of Highline Community College in Des Moines, Washington. Dr. Gordon was named Phi Theta Kappa's Most Distinguished College President in 1984.

Dr. Michael Schoop

Cuyahoga Community College
Cleveland, Ohio

Alumni Award of Appreciation

The Alumni Award of Appreciation recognizes Phi Theta Kappa Alumni who support the current and future members of the Society.

Marcia Romoser

Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter Alumnus
Cuyahoga Community College
Cleveland, Ohio

Julie Sproul

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter Alumnus
Stark State College
North Canton, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Advisor Team Award

This award is presented in recognition of an exceptional atmosphere of advising teamwork, leadership abilities, promotion of Honors In Action and other student engagement in the Society, and enthusiasm for the Society's Hallmarks.

James Dailey

Dr. Matthew Hiner

Dr. Andrea Musial

Alpha Psi Rho
Lakeland Community College
Kirtland, Ohio

Continued Excellence Award for Advisors

For advisors who have previously received the Distinguished Advisor Award, this recognition may be given to the same recipient in alternate years.

Cherie Barth

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter
Stark State College
North Canton, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Officer Team Award

This award is presented in recognition of an exceptional atmosphere of teamwork, leadership abilities, promotion of Honors In Action and other engagement in the Society, and enthusiasm for the Society's Hallmarks.

Brittany Bosowski
William Funk
Marija Karic

James Chambers
Christine Hopkins
Tina Seifer

Matthew Eyerdam
Bruce Hyde

Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

International Recognitions

Honors Case Study Challenge Award Recipient

The Honors Case Study Challenge challenges students to read the newspaper daily and create an Honors Case Study based upon their reading of newspapers over time that are related to the current Honors Study Topic.

Tina Marie Seifer
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

2017 Guistwhite Scholar

Bruce Hyde
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

2016 Oberndorf Scholars

Amanda Schaub
Alpha Theta Zeta Chapter
Central Ohio Technical College
Newark, Ohio

Tina Marie Seifer
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

2016 Richard L. Resurreccion Public Safety Scholarship

Donald Finley

Alpha Mu Delta Chapter
Hocking College
Nelsonville, Ohio

American Cancer Society's Top 10 Relay for Life Chapters

#7 Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

#8 Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter, Terra State College, Fremont, Ohio

#9 Nu Pi Chapter, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

REACH Chapters

REACH Chapters are chapters that excelled in the area of membership development during the 2016 calendar year.

Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter, Zane State College

Alpha Omicron Nu Chapter, Eastern Gateway Community College

Alpha Rho Gamma Chapter, Washington State Community College

Alpha Tau Mu Chapter, Rhodes State College

Alpha Theta Zeta Chapter, Central Ohio Technical College

Beta Omicron Eta Chapter, Chatfield College

Beta Theta Mu Chapter, Belmont College

Five Star Chapter Awards are noted on ptk.org and in the 2017 Awards Program from PTK Catalyst 2017. 2017 Five Star Ohio Chapters include:

Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter, Terra State Community College

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College

Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter, Columbus State Community College

Alpha Rho Gamma Chapter, Washington State Community College

Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College

Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- Western Campus

Transfer Honor Roll

The Transfer Honor Roll recognizes baccalaureate degree-granting institutions that excel in community college transfer pathways and success.

Cleveland State University

Miami University

Ohio University

The Ohio State University

University of Findlay

Ohio Region Hallmark Awards

Ohio Region Hallmark Awards are the most prestigious annual awards with which our region recognizes its own Ohio/West Virginia chapters and individual students, advisors, alumni, and administrators. In March, Ohio Region's 2017 winners were recognized at the Ohio Hallmark Convention (Ohio Region's 30th Anniversary: Diamonds in the Rough) in Mansfield, Ohio at North Central State Community College. 2017 Hallmark Awards with a \$329 cash prize to attend PTK Catalyst 2017 are designated with an asterisk. More information about each of the hallmarks is noted in the Ohio Region Manual on ohioptk.org. The 2017 Ohio Hallmark Winners are:

Ohio Region's 2017 Most Distinguished Chapter* and Most Distinguished Northeast District Chapter Chi Omega Chapter

Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus
Parma, Ohio

First Finalist Most Distinguished Chapter

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Second Finalist Most Distinguished Chapter and Most Distinguished Southeast District Chapter

Alpha Rho Gamma, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio

Most Distinguished Central District Chapter

Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Most Distinguished Northwest District Chapter

Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

Most Distinguished Southwest District Chapter

Alpha Nu Lambda Chapter, Clark State Community College, Springfield, Ohio

Additional 2017 Top Ten Ohio Chapters Include:

Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus, Cleveland, Ohio

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

Alpha Mu Delta Chapter, Hocking College, Nelsonville, Ohio

Beta Theta Eta, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio

Most Improved Chapter Award*

Beta Theta Eta, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio

Most Distinguished College Project Award*

Chi Omega Chapter

Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

First Finalist

Alpha Rho Gamma, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio

Second Finalist

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Most Distinguished Honors In Action Project Award*

Chi Omega Chapter

Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

First Finalist

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Second Finalist

Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus, Cleveland, Ohio

Distinguished Theme Awards- Honors In Action Projects

Theme 1: Myth and Reality

Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus, Parma, Ohio

Theme 2: Individualism and Collectivism

Beta Theta Eta, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio

Theme 3: Rights and Responsibilities

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Theme 6: Natural and Engineered

Alpha Rho Gamma, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio

Distinguished Regional Officer Award

Bruce Hyde

Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

Distinguished Ohio District Representative Award

Thomas Beachy

Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter
Columbus State Community College
Columbus, Ohio

Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction

Dr. J. Michael Thomson

Cuyahoga Community College
Highland Hills, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Officer Award*

Kirsten Bode

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter
Lakeland Community College
Kirtland, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Officer Team Award*

Brittany Bosowski

William Funk

Marija Karic

James Chambers

Christine Hopkins

Tina Seifer

Matthew Eyerdam

Bruce Hyde

Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

Dr. John Kesler Paragon Award for the Distinguished New Advisor

Dr. Naureen Qasim

Alpha Nu Lambda Chapter
Clark State Community College
Springfield, Ohio

Dr. Mary Navarro Most Distinguished Advisor Award

Dr. Nina Schyllander

Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter
Terra State Community College
Fremont, Ohio

**Continued Excellence Award for Advisors and
Dr. Charlie Gallucci Appreciative Advising Award**

Cherie Barth

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter
Stark State College
North Canton, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Advisor Team

Dr. Matthew Hiner

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter
Lakeland Community College
Kirtland, Ohio

Jim Dailey

Dr. Andrea Musial

Horizon Advisor Awards

Tywan Banks, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Cherie Barth, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio
Rick Clever, Owens Community College, Toledo, Ohio
James Dailey, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio
Renee Deveaux, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Michelle Foust, Lorain County Community College, Elyria, Ohio
Rebecca Fleming, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Aldena Harris, Lorain County Community College, Elyria, Ohio
Matthew Hiner, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio
Mary Hovanec, Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus, Parma, Ohio
Brad Merritt, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio
Rebecca Murray, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Andrea Musial, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio
Barb Keener, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio
Naureen Qasim, Clark State Community College, Springfield, Ohio
Peter “Bo” Riley, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Marcia Romoser, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus, Cleveland, Ohio
Nina Schyllander, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio
Michelle White, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

2017 Scholar Bowl Winners

Stephen Twum Barima and Brian Edger

Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Cleveland, Ohio

2017 Flag Bearer

Tina Seifer
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College
Parma, Ohio

2017 International Officer Candidates

Heather Ingram
Alpha Theta Zeta Chapter
Central Ohio Technical College
Newark, Ohio
Candidate for Division I Vice President

2016-2017 Host Chapter Recognitions

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

for hosting the 2016 Ohio Honors In Action Conference, July 29-30, 2016

Phi Pi Chapter, Lorain County Community College, Elyria, Ohio

for hosting the 2016 Ohio Leadership In Action Conference, October 14-15, 2016

with site sponsor Cleveland State University

Beta Theta Eta, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio

for hosting the 2017 Ohio Hallmark Convention, March 17-19, 2017

Ohio Continued Excellence Chapters who achieved a five star rating for a third consecutive year or more were recognized with a special trophy. They are:

Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

Alpha Rho Gamma, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio

Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Catch A Shining Star Awards were awarded to each chapter for a notable achievement

2017 Ohio Region Scholarships

More information about each scholarship can be found on ohioptk.org in the Ohio Scholarship Guide.

Buckeye: Dilafruz Samadova, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

Commit to Complete: Jesseca Doherty, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

Dorothy Lanier: Brittany Bosowski, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

John C. Kesler: Bruce Hyde, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Strongest Souls: Dilafruz Samadova, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

2017 Competitive Edge Five Star Members

Abdul Razak Artan, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Thomas Beachy, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Brittany Bosowski, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

James Chambers, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Jessi Eberly, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Jesse Edwards, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

Angelia Greenawalt, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

Christine Hopkins, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Bruce Hyde, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Katy Kazmierski, Mercy College, Toledo, Ohio

Rachel Littler, Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio

Tina Seifer, Cuyahoga Community College, Parma, Ohio

Elizabeth Tinapple, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Kelly Unterborn, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

Brian Wilson, Cincinnati State Community College, Cincinnati, Ohio