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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 2016 winners were recognized at Nerd Nation in Washington D.C. They are:

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

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

Distinguished Honors In Action Project Award
and
Distinguished Theme Award- Honors In Action Theme 2: Ideas and Ideologies as Frontiers

Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter
Columbus State Community College
Columbus, 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.

Brenda Jarvis
2015-2016 Ohio Region President
Nu Pi Chapter
Sinclair Community College
Dayton, 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. J. Michael Thomson  
Cuyahoga Community College  
Highland Hills, Ohio

Distinguished College Administrator Awards  
The Distinguished College Administrator Awards are given to community college vice presidents, deans, or leaders other than college presidents/CEOs serving a community college in an administrative capacity.

Jeff Daubenmire  
Hocking College  
Nelsonville, Ohio

Outstanding Regional Alumni Association Award  
The Outstanding Regional Alumni Association Award recognizes regionally-based alumni associations that have been exemplary in the support of Phi Theta Kappa and its members.

Alpha of Ohio Alumni Association

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

Abby Meyer  
Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter Alumnus  
Terra State Community College  
Fremont, 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.

Mary Hovanec  
Chi Omega Chapter  
Cuyahoga Community College  
Parma, Ohio

Distinguished Chapter Officer Award  
Chapter Officer Awards are given based on the recipient’s demonstration of leadership, promotion of Honors In Action and other engagement in the Society, and enthusiasm for the Society’s Hallmarks.

Cody Lee  
Alpha Rho Gamma Chapter  
Washington State Community College  
Marietta, 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.

Jason Harte  Rachael Hockenberry  Bruce Hyde
Asajile Mnaipyana  Matthew Pellas  Jessica Pickel
Tamara Teffer  Cristiane Wilson
Chi Omega Chapter  
Cuyahoga Community College  
Parma, Ohio

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 2016 winners were recognized at the Ohio Hallmark Convention (Kappa Con 2016: The League of Extraordinary Scholars) in Springfield, Ohio. 2016 Hallmark Awards with a $319 cash prize to attend Nerd Nation 2016 are designated with an asterisk. More information about each of the hallmarks is noted in the Ohio Region Manual on ohioptk.org. The 2016 Ohio Hallmark Winners are:

Ohio Region’s 2016 Most Distinguished Chapter*  
and

Most Distinguished Northeast District Chapter  
Chi Omega Chapter  
Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus  
Parma, Ohio

First Finalist Most Distinguished Chapter and  
Most Distinguished Central District Chapter and  
Most Improved Chapter Award*  
Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Second Finalist Most Distinguished Chapter  
Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

Most Distinguished Northwest District Chapter  
Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

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

Most Distinguished Southeast District Chapter  
Alpha Mu Delta Chapter, Hocking College, Nelsonville, Ohio

Most Distinguished Southwest District Chapter  
Nu Pi Chapter, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

Most Distinguished College Project Award*  
Alpha Epsilon Eta Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College – East Campus
Highland Hills, Ohio

First Finalist
Alpha Mu Delta Chapter, Hocking College, Nelsonville, Ohio

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

Most Distinguished Honors In Action Project Award*

Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter
Columbus State Community College
Columbus, Ohio

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

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

Distinguished Theme Awards - Honors In Action Projects

Theme 1: Nature of the Quest
Nu Pi Chapter, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, Ohio

Theme 2: Ideas and Ideologies as Frontiers
Alpha Rho Epsilon Chapter, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio

Theme 3: Quests of Human Expression
Chi Omega Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College - West Campus, Parma, Ohio

Theme 4: Exploring the Natural Environment
Alpha Psi Rho Chapter, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio

Theme 7: Health and Medicine As Frontiers
Alpha Epsilon Eta Chapter, Cuyahoga Community College- East Campus, Highland Hills, Ohio

Theme 9: Borders and Boundaries
Alpha Mu Delta Chapter, Hocking College, Nelsonville, Ohio

Distinguished Regional Officer Award

Brenda Jarvis
Nu Pi Chapter
Sinclair Community College
Dayton, Ohio

Distinguished Ohio District Representative Award
**Nikki Culbertson**  
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 College Administrator Award**

**Jeff Daubenmire**  
Hocking College  
Nelsonville, Ohio

**Distinguished Chapter Member Award***

**Christine DeMarco**  
Phi Pi  
Lorain County Community College  
Elyria, Ohio

**Distinguished Chapter Officer Award***

**Cody Lee**  
Alpha Rho Gamma Chapter  
Washington State Community College  
Marietta, Ohio

**Distinguished Chapter Officer Team Award***

**Jason Harte**  
**Rachael Hockenberry**  
**Bruce Hyde**  
**Asajile Mnaipyana**  
**Matthew Pellas**  
**Jessica Pickel**  
**Tamara Teffer**  
**Cristiane Wilson**  
Chi Omega Chapter  
Cuyahoga Community College  
Parma, Ohio

**Dr. John Kesler Paragon Award for the Distinguished New Advisor** and  
**Dr. Charlie Gallucci Appreciative Advising Award**

**Arelia Dalton**  
Alpha Epsilon Eta Chapter  
Cuyahoga Community College- East Campus  
Highland Hills, Ohio
Dr. Mary Navarro Most Distinguished Advisor Award

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

Continued Excellence Award for Advisors

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

Distinguished Chapter Advisor Team (Tie)

Marcia Romoser
Melissa Swafford
Jeffrey Tuma
Alpha Zeta Delta Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus
Cleveland, Ohio

Matthew Hiner
Jim Dailey
Andrea Musial
Alpha Psi Rho Chapter
Lakeland Community College
Kirtland, Ohio

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
Arelia Dalton, Cuyahoga Community College- East Campus, Highland Hills, Ohio
Renee Deveaux, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, 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
Barb Keener, North Central State Community College, Mansfield, Ohio
Brad Merritt, Washington State Community College, Marietta, Ohio
Rebecca Murray, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, Ohio
Andrea Musial, Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, 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
Melissa Swafford, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus, Cleveland, Ohio
Jeffrey Tuma, Cuyahoga Community College- Metro Campus, Cleveland, Ohio
Michelle White, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio

Alumni Award of Appreciation

Abby Meyer
Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter Alumnus
Terra State Community College
Fremont, Ohio

2016 Scholar Bowl Winner

Rachael Hockenberry & Camilla Rose Bush
Chi Omega Chapter
Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus

2016 Flag Bearer

Brenda Jarvis
Nu Pi Chapter
Sinclair Community College

2016 International Officer Candidates

Dawn Foster, Owens Community College, Toledo, Ohio
Krystal Nash, Stark State College, North Canton, Ohio

2015-2016 Host Chapter Recognitions

Alpha Lambda Nu Chapter, Clark State Community College, Springfield, Ohio
   for hosting the 2016 Ohio Hallmark Convention, March 3-4, 2016

Alpha Mu Epsilon Chapter, Terra State Community College, Fremont, Ohio
   for hosting the 2015 Ohio Honors In Action Conference, October 16-17, 2015

Beta Sigma Omega Chapter, Hocking College Energy Institute, Logan, Ohio
   For hosting the 2015 Ohio Leadership in Action Conference, July 17-18, 2015

Five Star Chapter Awards are noted on ptk.org and in the 2016 Awards Program

Catch A Shining Star Awards were awarded to each chapter for a notable achievement
2015-2016 Ohio Region Scholarships
More information about each scholarship can be found on ohioptk.org in the Ohio Scholarship Guide.

Buckeye Scholarship: **Eleanor Gulick**, Washington State Community College
Commit to Complete: **Negan Le**, Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus
Dorothy Lanier: **Karyssa Smith**, Eastern Gateway Community College
John C. Kesler: **Krystal Nash**, Stark State Community College
Most Valuable Member: **Camilla Rose Bush**, Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus
Strongest Souls: **Krystal Nash**, Stark State Community College

2016 Competitive Edge Five Star Members

- **Deidre Boyne**, Cuyahoga Community College- West Campus
- **Nikki Culbertson**, Columbus State Community College
- **Jason Harte**, Cuyahoga Community College-West Campus
- **Becca McDowell**, Stark State Community College
- **Sandy Mosier**, Clark State Community College
- **Nick Nastasi**, Columbus State Community College
- **Amanda Sloan**, Columbus State Community College
- **DeAnne Wilson**, Stark State Community College