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...cording Secretary Jada Parsons, for her dedication and work above and beyond what her duties in Alpha Kappa Omega required. We were pleased to bring home two awards for Dr. Staten: an **Honorable Mention for Dis-**

tinguished Advisor and the **Horizon Award**, which is given to advisors who have attained new levels of achievement in Phi Theta Kappa programs. Obviously, the Regional Judges recognized something that our own Dean and College President have yet to grasp: that this is a woman who is dedicated to excellence in her work with students and the community. We were also very pleased that we received the **Most Improved Chapter Award** for re-emerging chapters. I feel that this reflects all that the executive officers, chairpersons, and members have contributed to our program.

Despite all of our achievements, I miss seeing the majority of our members *because you aren't coming to the meetings!* I appreciate the "regulars"...those active members I can depend on to come through when we need some extra hands. However, there are a great many of you who aren't active and we need your support to continue to be successful! Just think about all you've

missed so far this year: We held our first blood drive of the semester on February 2nd, we ranted at Mr. Alan Richey after his Honors Scholar Lecture on The Changing Paradigms of Education, and we laughed out loud at the Valentine one-act plays "Don't Get Sassy" and "Wanted: One Groom." Free lunch was provided during Dr. Staten's Honor Scholars Lecture on Chinese Rhetoric, we enjoyed a gourmet meal and loads of fun during the Regional Convention, and we stuffed our faces during our New Member Orientation Luncheon on March 8th. Stop missing out! I'd like to encourage all of you who are inactive members or those of you who are considering membership to come and join us for fun and fellowship at our meetings. Held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 12 noon in room 1112, you'll be able to meet other members, learn of upcoming events, and enjoy a free lunch! That's truly food for thought!!!



Our next Honors Scholar Lecture Luncheon will be held Wed. April 15th, when we will be pleased to hear from biologist Dr. Joanne Burkholder in the Hayes Hall lecture room. As always, thanks for your time and I hope to see you soon!

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