

PHI BETA KAPPA
Alpha Association of Colorado
Summer 2016



TWO PBK INITIATES WIN SCHOLARSHIPS

Alpha Association is pleased to announce the 2016 winners of our two scholarships for graduate studies given to PBK scholars continuing their education. Elliot Mamet from Colorado College has received the \$3,500 scholarship, and Angela Delano from the University of Colorado at Boulder has received the \$1,500 scholarship.

Thanks to all Alpha Association members for your donations that make our scholarship awards possible and to the Scholarship Committee members for all their hard work. All the applicants were well-qualified and had excellent credentials, and the committee completed a thorough evaluation of all candidates and their submissions before choosing the two winners. The PBK Alpha Association board approved the recommendations.

The committee consisted of Barbara Berryman (chair), Tom Hall, Rob Wellington, Amy Beth Rell, Ph.D., and Christine Bliven, M.D.

Elliot Mamet



Elliot Mamet is a Ph.D. student in political science at Duke University, studying political philosophy. He tells us, “Political philosophy asks what the good life is, or might be. This question is intellectually significant to me because it grounds the very foundations of political, and hence human, life. Whereas techno-scientific problems await human solutions, fundamental political

Annual Meeting November 12, 2016

Colorado Geomorphologist Dr. Robert S. Anderson Will Speak about the Impact of the September 2013 Floods

Professor Robert Anderson, a geomorphologist from the Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research at University of Colorado, Boulder, will speak at the annual meeting of PBK Alpha Association of Colorado on November 12, 2016.

Professor Anderson is the recipient of both the 2015 Distinguished Professor and 2014 Hazel Barnes Prize at University of Colorado for his contributions to the field of geomorphology in subalpine zones. His research focuses on the processes operating at the Earth’s surface and the landforms that result.

Many of us probably remember Friday, September 13, 2013, when three days of high and sustained rainfall launched over 1,000 debris flows along Colorado’s Front Range. In a matter of minutes these flows removed rocky debris that had built up over hundreds of years and swept it into Clear Creek, Boulder Creek, and the St. Vrain River. What were the impacts of these storms and what were the conditions that allowed this to happen?

During the talk, Dr. Anderson will share findings from his 2015 report, “Exhumation by Debris Flows in the 2013 Colorado Front Range Storm.” He will explain how much of the erosion was accomplished by these debris flows and describe the process of comparing maps made before and after the storm to document these changes and their impacts.

questions can appear as insolvable as they did millennia ago.” Elliot is a Denver native and an East High School alumnus. He received a B.A magna cum laude in political science from Colorado College, where he was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. He was also a Boettcher Scholar and a Rhodes Scholarship finalist.

Elliot spent his junior year as a general course student at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Prior to beginning graduate school, Elliot completed a Humanity in Action fellowship in Warsaw, Poland, and worked for the American Political Science Association in Washington, D.C.

Elliot has an interest in prisons, incarceration, and criminal justice

policy. In pursuit of a more equitable criminal justice system and more humane prisons, he completed summer internships at the ACLU of Colorado, where he was a Public Interest Fellow, at the ACLU National Prison Project, in Washington, D.C., and in the Washington, D.C., office of Congresswoman Diana DeGette. He also founded the Colorado College Prison Project, a student organization dedicated to fostering scholarly discourse and engaging in activism around the U.S. prison system. Elliot says, “After graduate school, my professional goal is to return to teach political science and political philosophy in a liberal arts college.”

Angela Delano



Angela Delano grew up two hours south of Boulder in Colorado Springs. She graduated

summa cum laude from CU Boulder in May 2015 with a degree in Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology. She will attend the University of Illinois College of Medicine in fall 2016. In addition to being invited to join Phi Beta Kappa, Angela received many other awards during her undergraduate academic years, including the Distinguished Graduate Award and the Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award. She was also selected as the MCDB Commencement Speaker 2015 (a new honor given to the top MCDB student) to speak at the departmental graduation ceremony.

Beyond classroom excellence, Angela tutored economically disadvantaged students through the Student Academic Success Center, worked as a teacher's assistant for Cell Biology lecture and lab, and volunteered at Planned Parenthood as a health center assistant. She led CU Best Buddies, an international volunteer organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, and leadership for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Angela tells us, "My primary goal in life is to serve vulnerable populations. I believe that I can aid the community through healthcare, and I will be serving one of the most vulnerable populations I've encountered: patients. There is a very poignant vulnerability that accompanies illness. This medical education will prepare me to contribute to my community on such a fundamental basis, as I have

ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2016, AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB OF DENVER

The Alpha Association's Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2016, at the University Club of Denver, 1673 Sherman St., Denver, CO 80203 (<http://www.uclubdenver.org>). Free parking on Saturdays is available on nearby streets and at the ABM Parking Systems surface lot at 1750 Sherman Street, about 100 yards north of the club.

A short business meeting to review the past year and to elect officers for the coming year will begin at 11:30 a.m. After lunch Dr. Robert Anderson will begin his talk. (Please see the box on page 1 for more information.)

Cost of the lunch will be \$30, and attendees may choose from the entrées listed on the reservation form.

As always, guests are welcome! If you plan to attend, please return the attached reservation form along with a check for your lunch to the address indicated. Reservations must be received by Monday, **November 7, 2016**. If, after reserving, you cannot attend, phone Greg Sorensen at 303-832-2587 by November 8 to cancel. After this date, we will need to charge you for the lunch cost since we are guaranteeing the number of guests.

Please note, in conformance with the University Club's dress code, casual business attire is suggested for our meeting.

2016–17 BOARD SLATE

The following members are nominated for the board of directors for 2016 – 17:

President: Greg Sorensen

Vice President for Programs: Alice White

Vice President for Membership: Barbara Berryman

Secretary: Rob Wellington

Treasurer: Diane Palese

Past President: Cheryl Outerbridge

Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

learned that health is the one of the first steps to realizing one's fullest human potential. . . . PBK has always promoted the integration of human arts and sciences for societal progress, and I stand to continue this mission by partnering with my peers and my patients in health and medical advancement."

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Richard H. Stienmier, a long-time member of the Alpha Association, died November 16, 2015. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Colorado and graduated from the CU School of Medicine in 1961. He served in the U.S. Army from 1962 to 1982, and then practiced pathology in San

Luis Valley, Colorado Springs, and Denver.

Jane Day died May 24, 2016. Elected to Phi Beta Kappa at Colorado College in 1951, she later earned a Ph.D. in archeology from CU. She was the first female chief curator at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, where she developed and curated the award-winning 1992 exhibit "Aztec: The World of Moctezuma." On January 29, 2000, she spoke about "The Conquest of Mexico: An End and a Beginning" at the Alpha Association's annual banquet.

The board of directors has made a \$25 memorial donation to the Members' Endowment for each of these former members.

RECENT ALPHA ASSOCIATION EVENTS

Some recent special events held by the Alpha Association include:

- **November 7, 2015** — Private tour of contemporary art collection at The ART Hotel in downtown Denver and lunch at the FIRE Restaurant.
- **March 5, 2016** — Annual banquet with talk by Christine Edwards-Stewart, aerospace systems engineer and Solar System Ambassador for NASA. She spoke about Mars Exploration and water on Mars.

- **June 10, 2016** — RTD University of Colorado A Line ride from Union Station to DIA and lunch at the Grill & Vine Restaurant in the Westin Hotel.
- **August 4, 2016** — A guided tour of the state-of-the-art Denver Crime Lab and lunch at Dozens Restaurant.

has plans for Phi Betes around the country to celebrate this milestone.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please send any new or updated email addresses to board@pbkcolorado.org. If you have a new address, also tell us your former address so that it can be deleted. Thanks!

CELEBRATE KEYS TO ACTION WEEK
 November 27 – December 3 is the “Keys to Action Week,” PBK’s 240th anniversary. PBK National

DUES DUE?

Check your address label to determine if your dues are current. They can be paid by using the form below or through PayPal by sending your payment to treasurer@pbkcolorado.org.



Annual Meeting Reservation / Membership Renewal

Annual Meeting Reservation

Member & Guests _____

Please indicate entrée choice(s) and how many of each:

- ___ Chef Salad with Sliced Turkey, Ham, Avocado, Tomato, Cheddar, Hard-Boiled Egg on Romaine Lettuce
- ___ Mustard & Herb Crusted Pork Tenderloin with Pearl Couscous, Asparagus, and Apple Reduction
- ___ Herb Crusted Boneless Chicken Breast with Apricot Glaze, Gilled Broccolini, Cranberry-Spiked Wild Rice (gluten free)

Number of lunch reservations, including guests: ___ @ \$30.00 per person \$ _____

Membership Renewal

- Sustaining membership at \$30.00 _____
- Contributing membership at \$100.00 _____
- Life membership at \$500.00 _____
- Additional Donation (___ Scholarship Fund ___ Members’ Endowment) _____
- Total amount of payment _____

Make your check payable to Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Association of Colorado. Your donations are tax deductible to the extent the law allows. Please detach this form and mail it with your check to

Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Association of Colorado
1250 N. Humboldt Street, #1303
Denver, CO 80218-2464

To make your reservation and pay by **PayPal**, send your payment to treasurer@pbkcolorado.org. In the message box please indicate your entrée choice, your name and the names of your guests. Please note if you are also renewing your membership, and any additional donation to the Scholarship Fund or the Members’ Endowment.

Paid reservations must be received no later than Monday, **November 7, 2016**.

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