

August 2014 DC/SLA President's Report

President's Brainstorming Dinner

We hosted the past president's brainstorming dinner at Lexis last month. We' talked about how the open house may have run its course and doing a demystifying volunteering/board event for DC/SLA early next year instead. We talked about the board structure changes which was the impetus for our electronic board vote. We also talked about an interesting way to resurrect the Make a Connection program but we'll talk about that in new business

Awards

Because of some unforeseen circumstances I'll be stepping in to help the awards committee this year. Right now we're trying to decide on who the recommend for member of the Year to the board and the Leadership Summit Stipend award. Applications are online for the leadership summit award with a deadline of August 21 so we can make our recommendation to the board by 9/4. If you have names of people you think would be great to recognize as member of the year let me know. We'd like to announce both award winners at the Open House.

SLA Event Calendar

I'm on the SLA PDAC and they really want to encourage all units to put all their events/programs on SLA's central calendar. The benefits is that other units will be able to get ideas from other units. Another benefit is the PDAC and SLA Board can see what kind of events are going on and can see what professional development opportunities units are planning.

What's Your Theme Blog

Right now I have the promise from several people to submit blog posts but only actually have 1 so please if you haven't already submit them to me.

Sponsorship Director

Lois and I are actively recruiting for a sponsorship director. We have a promising lead but nothing confirmed as of yet. The ideal situation is if the lead pans out we have them work with Jessica on getting sponsorship for our big two events coming up and then the person would serve the remainder of the sponsorship term with a new sponsorship director being nominated in 2015